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DOLAN GIVEN AN INJUNCTION

Court Restrains Pittsburg Miners from Removing President.

MOVE CREATES GREAT INDIGNATION

Write is Served on Delegates While in the Hall-Question Comes Up for Final Hearing Today.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 9.—The conflict between President Dolan of the local district of United Mine Workers and the delegates to the district convention now in session, who, for five days have tried to oust Dolan from his office, has been taken into the courts.

BRIEF OF ANTHRACITE OPERATORS

Mr. Wilcox States That Men Are Now Working Less Than Eight Hours.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—President David Wilcox of the Delaware & Hudson company today made public the text of the letter which he wrote to John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, concerning a conference between the mine workers and the operators to discuss the wage question.

In his letter Mr. Wilcox says that practically all members at present involved have already consented to the arbitration by the anthracite strike commission.

He says that in 1903-4 the commission found that the average hours actually worked per day did not exceed six for the miners and eight for the other employees, and the present conditions are substantially the same.

In the case of the Delaware & Hudson company during 1905, the average number of hours worked per day by the employees, other than the miners, was about seven and one-quarter hours per day; the average number of hours worked per day by the miners was slightly over six and one-half hours per day.

Any suggestion of an eight-hour day for the employees by the day does not therefore look to a diminution of hours of labor, as they do not average eight hours per day, but merely to the same wage for increasing the rate per hour so as to advance the wages about 12 per cent above the standard fixed by the strike commission.

This advance would amount approximately to 8 cents per ton of coal, or on the entire product about \$4,000,000 per annum.

Mr. Wilcox devotes much space to an argument tending to show that conditions have not changed since the award of the strike commission. He continues:

It is true that the award of the strike commission makes it impossible to control the future conditions after May 1, 1905, but his decision after protracted investigation and by the aid of many witnesses, and by disinterested persons as conclusive in the absence of some new facts raising the question.

Mr. Wilcox says further along: In case it should be necessary to resort to arbitration in reference to any matter which is not covered by the award, he therefore, for the purpose of supplementing the award of the commission, if there be any, he has already written for the strike commission a request that members of the strike commission to act so that further award might be made.

All arrangements necessary in the premises could readily be made through members of the strike commission, as they represent all parties.

The conditions established by the strike commission follow after a very serious and protracted struggle, and the result of the arbitration ever given to any labor controversy on the whole have proved satisfactory and have been accepted by both sides with very serious criticism.

It is therefore desirable to abandon the results reached with such a struggle, and resort to new methods which are uncertain and difficult, by the harm and the strikes made by the organization of the producers of anthracite coal, and the result of the arrangement between parties purporting to represent all the employees upon the one side, and subject to the charge of illegality and not to commend itself to public confidence.

The letter concludes as follows: The suggestions are made in the interest of the coal industry, and for the purpose of avoiding future difficulties by continuing whatever beneficial results have been achieved by the award of the strike of 1902. It is earnestly hoped that they will be accepted by the best judges of all as the proper course, and as far wiser than entering upon new and uncertain methods.

Appended to the letter is a table under the caption, "Comparison of Earnings in the Anthracite and Bituminous Mining Industries of Pennsylvania," showing that the yearly earnings of all classes of anthracite employees were 28 per cent greater than those of the bituminous employees. The yearly earnings of the anthracite miners were more than 60 per cent greater than those of the bituminous miners.

A meeting of the operators of the anthracite roads is fixed for early next week to discuss among themselves their side of the coal controversy before going into the conference with the representatives of the miners on February 15.

OPERATORS HEAR THE REPORT

Illinois Mine Owners Listen to Committee from Joint Conference.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—At a meeting of the Illinois coal operators which was held today at the Auditorium hotel it was decided by a unanimous vote to refuse the demands made by the United Mine Workers of America. The meeting was executive in character and was attended by 200 coal operators from all over the state.

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No other business than the approval of the report came before the meeting and the question of whether or not the miners would be operated with nonunion men in the event of a strike on April 1 was not discussed.

CLEARFIELD MINERS STILL OUT

Conference Now in Progress May Result in Settlement.

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa., Feb. 9.—Ten thousand miners of the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal and Iron company are out on strike and were declared at a mass meeting yesterday. A committee of the miners, headed by National Secretary-Treasurer W. E. Wilson, has been in conference all day with General Manager L. W. Robinson of the coal company.

The conference is in session tonight and a settlement is expected tomorrow afternoon at the earliest. Today's sessions were taken up with the hearing of the grievances of the miners, nine of which have been disposed of.

INCREASING OUTPUT OF COAL

New Mines Being Opened and One Old One Resumes Operations.

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., Feb. 9.—(Special.)—The Superior Coal company is opening some new coal mines sixteen miles east of this place. Carpenters are building houses, other workmen are drilling for water and graders are constructing a branch line connecting the mines with the Union Pacific main line at Tiayser station.

The mines will be equipped with modern machinery and a large mining camp will be established at Frazer Manley, formerly chief engineer for the Union Pacific Coal company, will be the superintendent of the new camp.

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BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 9.—Thomas W. Lawson tonight had a lengthy talk with Governor J. Frank Hanly of Indiana, who is here, relative to the governor's acting as a member of the committee which is proposed to have vote proxies of policyholders at coming meetings of life insurance companies in New York. Afterward Mr. Lawson stated that Governor Hanly had consented to act as desired and that he was in perfect accord with Mr. Lawson's ideas on the subject. Mr. Lawson left tonight for Boston.

CONGRESSMAN LONGWORTH ILL. Ohio Representative Confined to Room by Severe Cold.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—Representative Nicholas Longworth of Ohio, who is proposed to Miss Alice Roosevelt is to take place one week from tomorrow, is ill at the home of his mother in this city. Mr. Longworth stated tonight, however, that the illness is not serious, that there is no reason for concern and that she expected her son would be well enough to come downstairs by Monday.

Mr. Longworth has been suffering with a cold for several days and was not feeling very well when he went to the house of representatives yesterday morning. When he came home in the afternoon the cold had become aggravated somewhat, and there was some fever.

On Mrs. Longworth's advice he took to his bed and a physician was called. He has remained in bed since that time. Today the fever disappeared and Mr. Longworth was better.

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