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EVERLASTING AT IT ALL THE TIME

Roosevelt Starts a European Local

OF THE ANANIAS CLUB

Lively Disputes with Reporters

PARIS, April 14—Theodore Roosevelt and a correspondent of Le Journal are engaged in a controversy regarding the veracity of the correspondent. Le Journal sent its representative ot Naples to see Mr. Roosevelt and subsequently the paper published a long interview with hte former president of the United States, which was widely copied.

Upon arriving at Port Said on Friday last Mr. Roosevelt sent a cablegram to a Paris paper saying that he had given no such interview.

This was published along with the assertion of the correspondent that he talked with Mr. Roosevelt for half an hour and that the text of the interview as given was correct.

This denial coming to the eye of Mr. Roosevelt at Suez he again cabled Paris reiterating his denial and characterlizng the interview as an impudent fabrication without a particle of truth.

He also said that he never saw the correspondent of Le Journal. The correspondent has replied stating that he is prepared to bring proof as to his veracity.

Button Makers On Strike

MERU, France April 14—The striking button makers of Meru whose demand for a continuance of the previous wages scale has been followed by riot and violence, recalling the days of the revolution, have brought about a veritable reign of terror here and in the neighboring towns.

About 2000 soldiers under the command of General Nichals, consisting of Dragoons, Hussars and Cuirassiers and 500 gendarmes are to-day patrolling the streets of the towns and surrounding country, where further violence is to be expected.

The mob is ugly and cries of "Down with the Republic" are heard constantly.

The soldiers are bearing the insults of the people with stoicism and although a number of the troops have been injured by stones no reprisals have been made.

MINERS

Keep away from Nicola as there are too many men there now, and the market is overcrowded.

NIAGARA AT BAY

While Loss Runs Into Millions--Spectacle is Most Wonderful

NIAGARA FALLS, April 14—The pack still chokes the gorge but there was evidence at several places that a break was in sight.

The day was warm and there was no wind.

About the cataract the water has fallen some ten feet.

At the whirlpool the ice is starting to break away and also at the mouth of the river.

Reported Breeze at Pittsburg

PITTSBURG, April 14—One person is dead and a number of others are seriously injured as the result of a severe wind storm in this city and vicinity.

The property loss with latest reports in will amount to thousands of dollars.

The wind reached a velocity of 52 miles an hour.

A Move For Fushion

TORONTO, April 14—The executive of the independent labor party of Toronto have appointed Sam Landers as provincial organizer.

It was suggested that he confer with the Socialists for a common political programme.

When a rooster finds a big fat worm he calls all the hens in the farm yard to come and share it. A similar trait is to be observed in human nature when a man discovers something exceptionally good—he wants all his friends and neighbors to shart the benefits of his discovery. This is the touch of nature that makes the whole world kin. This explains why people who have been cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy write letters to the manufacturers for publication, that others similarly ailing may also use t and obtain relief. Behind every one of these letters is a warm hearted wish of the writer to be of use to some one else. This remedy is for sale by all druggists.

DESERVED FALL DOWN BUCKING OPERATORS

Story as Told by the Documentary Record of the now Thoroughly Discredited Attempt of the Western Coal Operators' Association

TRYING TO FASTEN RESPONSIBILITY ON DISTRICT 18

EXHIBIT A

Lewis Stockett's telegram of March 31st to International Preisdent T. L. Lewis.

Being a misleading attempt to get around the backs of President Sherman and our local Miners Board by shrewdly appealing to that temptation and tendency toward autocracy, to which all officials are exposed, and which by reason of the servile deference too often displayed by those lower down is apt to be bred in its most dangerous form and its most exaggerated degree in the breasts of those officials who are "higher up."

Macleod, Alta. March 31 1909

T. L. LEWIS, President United Mine Workers of America, Indianapolis, Ind.

After negotiations extending over two weeks at Macleod and at which National Board Member Morgan was present as you rrepresentative, scale committee arrived at agreement and disbanded. Conference adjourned to enable referendum vote of miners to be taken. Substantial majority voted to adopt agreement, but at meeting today arranged for by president of Dis. 18 and President of Western Coal Operators association for the purpose of completing agreement as arranged for before adjournment, President Sherman admitted that referendum vote was in favor of agreement but declined to complete same alleging that as he had in the meantime made a different agreement with the Crows Nest Coal Company, who are not members of our association, he must have that agreement and that he would sign no other, and thereupon withdrew from the conference with his associates. This action a complete surprise to the operators whose representatives were present to execute agreement. We rely upon you to protect the reputation of your organization and prevent the repudiation of an agreement by its local officers.

LEWIS STOCKETT
President Western Coal Operators Association

EXHIBIT B

International President Lewis, answering telegram of April 1st to Coal Operator Stockett.

Being a diplomatically worded dispatch which on casual reading would appear to meet Stockett's request, by making autocratic guarantee that the objectionable tentative proposals would be definitely accepted and signed up—but which on closer scrutiny will be found to be conditioned absolutely on the issue as to whether or no those tentative proposals had really been "agreed upon" by the local coal miners and their officers.

Indianapolis Ind. April 1 1909

LEWIS STOCKETT,
Macleod:

Wage contracts agreed upon will be signed by our representatives. We expect at all times representatives of the United Mine Workers to comply with any agreement that is made and this is especially true when ratified by referendum vote of our members. Officials of District 18 will be notified immediately.

T. J. LEWIS

EXHIBIT C

International President Lewis' interrogatory telegram of April 2nd to District President Sherman:

Being a request for that statement from the men on the ground, which might more wisely have been asked for before the sending to Lewis Stockett of the previously quoted dispatch, which even in its diplomatically worded form has none the less been made use of by the recalcitrant Coal Operators in a strenuous and inexcusable attempt to deceive and mislead not only the general public but even the Canadian government:

Indianapolis, April 2 1909

F. H. SHERMAN
Frank:

Telegram received from Representative Western Coal Operators Association that you refuse to sign up contract after ratification by referendum vote. Kindly explain by return wire.

T. L. LEWIS

EXHIBIT D

The report of the Fernie conventions committee of inquiry as to responsibility for non continuance of labor in the mines of that minority membership of the Western Coal Operators Association which refused to come to an agreement with the Miners Local Board.

Being an attempt to make answer to International Pres. Lewis' telegram of inquiry of April 2nd, not from the possibly prejudiced standpoint of District President Sherman, but from the impartial point of view of the men actually barred from work as a result of the non-renewal of the biennial contract between operators and the miners:

"We your committee, beg to report as follows:

In taking up the matter laid before us we have gone over it with the idea of bringing before this convention all the information that can be gathered regarding the present situation in this district. We do not wish to make any definite recommendations, but merely wish that this convention shall thoroughly understand the position we are in at this time.

Going back to our first meeting in Macleod on the 2nd of March a proposition was handed to the operators by the Miners scale committee. Included in this was the necessary preamble to make our agreement legal and binding upon both parties.

In replying to the proposal, Mr. Stockett, President of the Western Coal Operators association, said (regarding the first five clauses which constituted the necessary preamble):

"We understand that these clauses are inserted for the purpose of making our agreements legal and binding on both parties.

"Previous to this we have been practically at the mercy of the miners, being in the position of a responsible body doing business with an irresponsible body.

"We fully agree with the sentiment expressed, and are anxious to have an agreement that will be taken as a legal document in the law courts of this country.

"However, we are not satisfied that these clauses fully cover the case, and before we assent to this we must have competent legal advice on the matter."

In replying Mr. Sherman, district President of the Mine Workers took exception to some of Mr. Stockett's views while speaking of the first five clauses of the proposals. "Great hardships," said he, "have been imposed on the men and there can be no redress in the courts. Unless, therefore, an agreement can be drawn up under which the men will have legal protection I would rather not have any agreement at all, but simply take chances as to the outcome."

He further stated that he would not go on to discuss general provisions until we were sure we had a legal document.

The operators through Mr. Stockett, declared that they were just as anxious to get an agreement that was valid in the law courts as the miners were, but seeing that it would be some time before they could get the advisers they desired, they preferred to leave this matter over on the promise that they too were anxious to get it, and take up the geenral provisions of the agreement.

Under these conditions the question of preamble was laid over to allow the operators to get the advisers they desired.

Meeting again on the 16th we took up the business where we had left off on adjournment. On the 17th the statement was first made by the operators and then by the miners, that in case an agreement should not be reached, neither side would be bound by any decision of the committee. When the Macleod tentative proposals were voted on by the miners the preamble was not included, but it was distinctly understood that the preamble would be such that would make the agreement if accepted legal and binding upon both parties.

On the 31st of March President Sherman presented to the operators a preamble with certain amendments to the proposals for discussion which the operators absolutely refused to discuss, stating that "they were there to sign up the agreement as it stood."

Under these conditions we consider that the entire blame for the non-continuance of operations lies with the operators, seeing that they had already agreed that we should have the legal and binding agreement. The statements by the operators to International President Lewis were not true and were made with the object of discrediting the miners.

Re the information that international board member Morgan was able to give to President Lewis, we may say that Mr. Morgan was not present on the 2nd of March when the preamble was dealt with; and since the matter was laid over until the proposed agreement was brought up for ratification, Morgan could not know the understanding on these clauses and is therefore exonerated from blame for that phase of the difficulty.

"Taking the foregiig evidence into consideration we therefore place before you the following recommendation:

As the action taken by the district officers was the only one that could be taken to protect the interests of the Mine Workers of this district, we therefore recommend to this convention that we endorse such actions as have been taken, and we further recommend that the full situation be placed before International President Lewis showing where not only have the operators broken faith with the officers of district 18, but have also wrongly stated their own position to President Lewis for the purpose of discrediting the organization.

Presented by Delegates Clem Stubbs of Taber, Chairman, Hopkin Evans of Taber, William Graham of Coleman, J. Larson of Lethbridge, C. Garner of Michel.

On motion duly made report and recommendations were unanimously accepted and concurred in.

EXHIBIT E

Resolution presented by Delegate Clem Stubbs of Taber at the Fernie convention, afternoon session of April 13:

Being an utterance intended to clear away all possible misunderstandings on the part of the parties interested, and of the general public, by putting on official record the conviction and dictum of the convention:

(1) That as a matter of legal fact all relationship of employment between the non-signing operators and the miners of District 18 had terminated through the action of the operators themselves when at the Macleod meeting of March 31st they had refused to discuss the question of preamble previously acknowledged and insisted upon by themselves as a necessary and vital part of a complete and legal agreement; and by such refusal allowed the expiration without renewal of the biennial contract which terminated that same 31st day of March 1909.

(2) That in immediate consequence of that final failure to agree and in accord with the operators own stipulations of March 17th, all tentative proposals and understandings discussed at the Macleod negotiations, became simultaneously null and void and non-existent—leaving the field of negotiations absolutely clear as prior to the commencement of the Macleod negotiations.

Whereas on March 22 in the negotiations at Macleod between the Western Coal Operators Association and the representatives of District 18 U. M. W. of A. a request was definitely made by the operators committee that consideration and discussion of the five preamble clauses submitted by the Miners Scale committee be deferred until competent legal advice could be obtained by the Operators association, and

Whereas, on March 17th, in the

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There has been a wonderful demand on the street for the "Daily Ledger" and all sorts of complimentary remarks are coming our way on the enterprise shown.

SETTLING TROUBLES

Between the Winnipeg Street Railway and Its Employees

WINNIPEG, April 14—An endeavor to settle the trouble between the street railway employees and the company will be made to-morrow and a conference will take place between the company and the men.

A mass meeting was held to-day at which a large number of men were present.

It is stated that the differences between the men and the company will be amicably settled and that there will be no further trouble.

Fire Destroys Insane Asylum

WOODWARD, Okla. April 14—The third fire in a week last night destroyed the main building of the insane asylum.

No lives were lost. The hospital building which was a landmark was also burned

Several of the inmates had narrow escapes.

Bonding the Golden Bell

The Golden Belle has been acquired by eastern people.

The Golden Belle is a Sheep creek property adjoining the Mother Lode, which was recently bonded by John McMartin.

The Golden Belle is one of the pioneer groups of the creek. The original owners were Fred Drummond and C. E. Bennett both of Nelson.

Canadian Police Arrest Suspect

A second alleged counterfeiter was arrested at Midway B. C. Sunday afternoon by the Canadian officials on the request of the Spokane police.

George Barton, the prisoner, is now thought to be a partner of Loren M. Breeding, the young man who was arrested at Spokane last Friday on a charge of counterfeiting.

When Breeding was given a preliminary hearing yesterday morning he was bound over by the magistrate on bail of $1000.

CASTRO THE NEW FLYING DUTCHY

Weather Beaten President in a Quandry

TO ROUND CAPE HORN

Of International Diplomacy

PARIS, April 14—The return of Castro is not regarded here as of great importance, the principal object of the French government being to prevent the use of French territory as the headquarters for a revolutionary campaign and a movement by Castro to ercapture his lost power in Venezuela.

There will be no opposition to his landing, or even to his remaining in France, provided he lives peaceably afterward.

Prior to being deported from Fort de France, Martinique, ex-President Castro prepared the following protest against the action of the French government:

"I hereby protest against the action of the French authorities of Martinique in having me put by force on oard an outgoing vessel.

"First, because I was ill at the time and the act imperiled my life.

"Second, because I have committed no offenec against the government of France and the authorities of Martinikue; and finally because the decree of expulsion which forces me off of French territory forces me to take passage on a boat which will land me again on French territory.

"The case constitutes a breach of international law and a denial of the rights of individuals. That such a thing should come to pass in the land which saw the birth of Josephine and from which came the inspiration and presage of liberty, and at the hands of a people who shed their bloods in torrents hardly a century ago to maintain unimpaired the rights and prerogatives of men, is inconceivable."

There are Others We are Told

TOULON, France, April 14—A scandalous condition of affairs in the dockyards here has been revealed by the visit of the parliamentary investigating committee.

It has been found that the new battleship Justice is practically useless, the plates surrounding the after boilers being practically burned through and presenting grave danger. These will have to be replaced and the work of renovating the vessel will take up months.

On another vessel the Liberte, half the boilers are useless owing to the lack of a small part which could not be procured at Toulon. The shell filling workshops are said to be in a lamentable condition, not even elementary precautions being observed.

HOW ABOUT THIS DOPE

Who is Responsible for the Regulating of the Regulators

George Belinski, a miner employed at No. 5 mine Michel colliery, was injured on April 6th by a fall of rock. He was taken to the hospital and died on the 12th. A coroners jury was empanelled the same day and viewed the body, but adjourned until 8.30 p. m. of the 13th.

At that sitting the evidence of Belinski's "backhand" and two other miners was taken, and on the request of the secretary of the miners union it was thought advisable to get the fire boss in charge of that section to give evidence as to whether Belinski held a certificate of competency as a miner in accordance with the mining regulations of British Columbia.

The fire boss Joseph Mason by name is also secretary of the local Board of Examiners, and in answer to the question as to how long Belinski had been in charge of a working force replied that the time was about two or three months as near as he could remember. In answer to the further question as to whether, during that time, Belinski had held a certificate as a coal miner, Mason replied that Belinski had not, but had passed examination for such certificate the day before receiving the injuries which had caused his death.

This evidence would indicate that the regulation which limits to one month the time during which a non-certificated miner can be employed at a working face, is, to put it mildly, not being too strictly enforced.

The verdict of the jury was that of accidental death by fall of rock without blame being attachable to any particular person.

TROUBLES IN PLENTY

President Lewis Confronted by Ultimatum from Anthracite Field

PHILADELPHIA, April 14—At the adjourned meeting of the anthracite mine owners and the United Mine Workers of America delegation headed by President Lewis, the mine owners delivered an ultimatum.

They would not accept a one year agreement nor would they recognize the union. They stood for an open shop.

The operators then signed the old agreement with a three year clause, and tossing it to the workers delegates, told them to sign it or reject it as they saw fit and broke up the meeting.

Later President Lewis said that under no circumstances would they permit the operators to drive them into a strike.

Questioned as to what would happen if there was a lockout, Lewis said he was not alarmed.

"It would be the best thing for us," he said "it would drive every man into the union."

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THE STRIKE SITUATION

On another page will be found the history, by documents, of the present industrial dispute, involving non-continuance of work in certain mines controlled by an almost negligible minority of the now hopelessly disrupted Western Coal Operators' Association.

The careful scrutiny which it is the duty of all fair-minded investigators to give to these documents will disclose the fact that all the inconvenience occasioned to the public by unsettling rumors; all the loss to the Operators themselves from interest charges accruing upon idle properties and from the inevitable and costly deterioration which comes to such properties as a result of their not being continuously worked; and all the uncertainty brought upon the men by the non-continuance of work and all the actual monetary loss involved in the summoning and holding of a three days convention, are to be attributed without room for reasonable dispute to three main causes.

(1) The short sighted greed which impelled the Mine Operators to attempt to take hasty advantage of the illness, and consequent absence from negotiations, of Argus-eyed President Frank H. Sherman of District 18; and, in the mental confusion begotten of that ill-considered haste, to press forward for submission to the various local unions a document which any accredited lawyer could have told them would be absolutely invalid and useless even though it had received an unquestioned referendum support, and had thereafter been signed and counter signed, and double sealed and red taped by all the officials of all the Coal unions in America.

(2) The petulance and peevishness which these same operators allowed to take possession of them when they discovered that their furtive and unseemly strategy had been foiled of its object by the timely recovery of President Sherman, and by the commendable loyalty displayed toward the cause of the Union by those members of the Miners Scale Committee who, on the re-appearance of the District President, found themselves without occasion to make hasty departure from the scene of action—a peevishness which combined in them with the natural obstinacy of the human animal to cause them to not only refuse and reject all discussions of President Sherman's well meant overtures for the remedying of the legal defects of the tentative proposals which they had caused to be submitted in such hasty fashion, and in such half-baked form, to the various Miners locals, but also to attempt to turn District President Sherman's flank by sending to International President Lewis an appeal for intervention in form of a grossly misleading and untruthful statement of the real circumstances which marked the final breaking up of the Macleod negotiations.

(3) The ill-considered deference to the Operators which was displayed by International President Lewis when on receipt of this side stepping appeal from these gentlemen, he neglected to first make sure of his ground by obtaining from District President Sherman some knowledge of what the miners themselves might have to say about the charges advanced by Coal Operator Stockett—relying, instead, apparently, upon his ability to construct a message of ambiguous meaning to justify him in casting aside the precedent established in such cases by even autocratic John Mitchell's invariable rule of first consulting the local officers before committing himself to such one sided appeals; and so sending to Coal Operator Stockett a dispatch which on miscroscopic scrutiny might indeed be construed as not being a betrayal of the cause of his local fellow unionists, but which the disputant Coal Managers were none the less able to construe as a complete and satisfying endorsement of their position, and to therefore employ as a most effective instrument for the preventing, for the time being, of the negotiating of additional settlements.

The above categorical statement of the causes of the existing trouble has been made simply with a view to educating the minds of both Operators and Union Officials and the public generally as to the danger of giving way to the weakness complained of. For the present occasion these evil courses have utterly failed of their object. Thanks to the foresight and perspicacity of District President Sherman, to the loyalty and high principle of the rank and file trade unionists of the District, and to the remarkable combination of patience and good nature and determination displayed by the convention delegates in going thoroughly to the bottom of the controversy, the tide of battle has been triumphantly turned, the alleged "agreement" of Macleod has been repudiated by even the International officials who at the outset were entrapped into a seeming recognition of it, and the battle field is now cleared of all smoke balls and left free for that steady advance, which under the methods sanctioned by the public opinion of our land, give absolute assurance of victory for the cause of organized labor in the case now under process of settlement.

The police authorities are hot foot after those citizens who persist in making a cess pool out of their back yards, and are insisting that the same be cleaned before an epidemic breaks out. Go to it coppers, and more power to you. A dirty back yard is neither desirable nor necessary.

Get on the Voters list. The list is being revised. Now is your opportunity to be in a position to control your destiny—by the use of the ballot box.

WAS ANOTHER MURDER

A young lady in our midst who, according to our society editor, gave a bridge party last evening, must indeed be one of the best hostesses in British Columbia judging by the reports of those present. There were numerous and beautiful decorations in the room, the most notable being a "bridge" which very much resembled that at Elko, but of course it was a "bridge" party. Amongst those present were the following: Messrs. Wat. A. Frost, O. Thee Bunck, Hoer I Quit, Misses Y Did Shee Doitt, O. Isle Buster, Let Me Athor, Y Not Killit. All those present say that if the hostess had been present they would have thoroughly enjoyed themselves, but owing to the fact that she left early in the evening with another friend for parts unknown they were deprived of the pleasure of her company. It is reported that Schlitz beer with ice cream floats was served for supper. Keep off the grass, G.

Four of the eight Russians who were arrested Sunday evening were up before Magistrate Whimster on the charge of being drunk and disorderly this morning. Too much space is required for the lengthy names so we can only say that one of them was fined $10 and costs and the other three $5 and costs. The remaining four appear before the magistrate this afternoon on the more serious charge of assault and battery.

Rheumatic Pains Relieved

Mr. Thomas Stenton, postmaster of Pontypool, Ont, writes: "For the past eight years I suffered from rheumatic pains. During that time I used many different liniments and remedies for the cure of rheumatism. Last summer I procured a bottle of Chamberlains Pain Balm and got more relief from it than anything I have ever used, and cheerfully recommend this liniment to all sufferer from rheumatic pains."

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Fernie, B. C., April 14th, 1909

NEW WITNESSES ON THE STAND

Practically no new Revelations--Figures Have Another Seige of it--The end is Not Yet--McDiarmid's Evidence in

A MILE OF EVIDENCE YET TO COME

(Continued from Tuesday's Daily)

Eckstein: With respect to the first deposit made by Webb, that of the 11th or 12th, monies not earmarked on cash book were deposited, to the amount of $267.55 from supplies and donation charges.

McDiarmid: From the monies supposed to be from such source.

Eckstein: It is shown that outside of monies shown in cash book there was deposited in the bank the sum of $267.55, and Webb had cash on hand $15.03. I ask you whether the $15.03 ought not to be added to the amount of $267.55, which makes it $282.58.

Yes.

Eckstein: If you take $282.58 from $1141.58 it makes $860. So we have the $900 in another way.

Eckstein: Do not the two checks I have shown you make the sum of $860?

McDiarmid: They do.

Eckstein: What is a balance sheet made up from?

McDiarmid: The balance sheet generally is made up from the trial balanec.

Eckstein: What is the trial balance taken from?

From the ledger.

Eckstein: If you lost the balance sheet could you make out another one?

McDiarmid: Yes; if the books are properly kept.

Eckstein: If it be proved that page 20 is in the handwriting of Lockhart and that Webb took over from Lockhart the monies shown upon page 20 what was the total that passed into the hands of Webb?

$11,152.28.

Eckstein said it was afterwards proved that Lockhart gave Webb his cheque for $10 to square this up. The total they had was $11,142.28.

Eckstein: If you were balancing up page 20 what would the total be?

McDiarmid: $11,152.28. That is assuming that the entries were left as they were.

Eckstein: Look at page 22 and say whether the monies are correct of Webb's and whether he accounted for them.

McDiarmid: Yes, they are.

Eckstein: I think you stated this morning that you made an audit of the September accounts, then, how did you find Webb's accounts?

McDiarmid: I found hte receipts of Webb properly accounted for as shown by book.

Eckstein: Did you find accounts correct or not?

McDiarmid: I found it correct so far as the books were correct.

Eckstein: Did you check it with the bank account?

Yes.

Eckstein: Did you go through the cash book from page 27 on?

Yes, and found all the accounts correct.

Asked if he found any mistake with the exception of the Calgary item, he replied not in the cash book.

Eckstein: My friend tried to point out that $610 was turned over to Webb by Lockhart in currency; if that was so would you be able to make the deposit slips of the bank book agree?

McDiarmid said he could not answer this.

Eckstein: Can you find anything like $610 deposited in currency in the deposit of September 11?

McDiarmid: No, I cannot find anything like that amount.

Eckstein: In making an audit how do you proceed?

McDiarmid: I see that all payments are properly vouched for, and examine to find payment in ledger and in cash book.

Eckstein: Would you attempt to try to make out an audit from trial balance sheets without books?

No.

Would you attempt to find the receipts of monies in the first place except from the books?

Not ordinarily.

Eckstein: As accountant where is the proper place for him to enter up cash?

In the cash book.

Eckstein: Would you expect to find cash entered upon this mythical balance sheet?

McDiarmid: I would expect to find all cash to be entered into the cash book.

Eckstein: Is there any reason why $900 should be kept upon some sheet of paper and not in the cash book in the ordinary way?

I don't know why it would not be put down.

Eckstein: Does a balance sheet show the denomination of money on hand?

Not usually.

Eckstein: When a relief fund committee have appointed bankers to do their business do you know whether it is the custom to put all cheques into the bank?

McDiarmid: It is customary to do so but it sometimes happens that they don't.

Eckstein: You said to my friend that cash very seldom works out in even money. Is there anything very extraordinary in finding $78.08 and $15.03 and does it indicate anything wrong to your mind?

Eckstein: Would you as an auditor hold Webb responsible for a balance struck by Lockhart?

McDiarmid: Not if the cash agreed with the balance.

Eckstein: How does Webb's cash agree with Lockhart's balance?

I do not know how much was turned over.

This finished the evidence of McDiarmid who had been in the box for a whole day.

F. D. Phineson, sworn, said he was ledger keeper at the home bank last August and is teller there now.

Asked by Eckstein if he could tell if a cheque drawn upon another bank had passed through the teler's hands, he replied that all cheques passing through their bank were marked.

Eckstein produced a cheque drawn by H. Carlisle in favor of relief committee for $122.50 and asked whether the cheque had ever passed through the Home bank.

After examining the cheque he replied that there was nothing on the cheque to show that it did. There was no cross examination.

George H. Boulton, sworn, said he was city clerk in the month of August last. He held no position under the relief committee that month. In September he was appointed auditor. He remembered the time Lockhart was secretary of the committee, and also when he was succeeded by Webb.

Eckstein: Did you have anything to do with the writing up of the cash book?

Boulton: Yes, from dictation.

Eckstein: Whose?

Boulton: Lockhart's.

The debit items of cash for August are in your handwriting with the exception of a few on certain pages. It started on page 2 and stopped against an item on page 16.

Yes.

Eckstein: Do you know what month it was written up?

He did not know what month but he did not think it was long before Webb took office, about four or five days previous.

Asked if the balance of $10,135 28 was in Lockhart's handwriting he replied yes.

Page twenty was also in Lockhart's handwriting.

Eckstein: I noticed $11,142.28 is marked O. K. G.B. Is that in your handwriting?

Yes.

Asked for what purpose this was done he believed it was when Webb was taking over and it was for a check mark. The $11,142.28 had reference to cash balance at that time. The amount he checked was on a slip of paper that Webb had.

Eckstein: How did it compare with the cash book?

Boulton: If it was not correct some one would have drawn my attention to it.

Asked if he had anything to do with the opening of Webb's books he said he told Webb how to do it as he was not familiar with it.

Asked what the $11,142.28 consisted of in currency and cheques he said he did not know.

Eckstein: On page 12 the last item is Calgary $2600. He replied that he had written it all in from dictation. Asked if in dictating he knew Lockhart was dictating correctly he said he dictated correctly.

It was called over again and checked.

Witness was then cross examined by Taylor who asked if he was present when Lockhart was writing in balance on page 20.

He replied that he did not remember.

Taylor: You told Eckstein that Webb checked over the cash from slip now do you know whether or not it was itemized?

Boulton: As far as I know it had the amount of cheques, cash etc., it was itemized.

Taylor: This was a slip of undeposited items.

Yes.

Taylor: When did you last see that slip?

Boulton: I do not remember seeing it after that night which was the same night that Webb took over the books.

Taylor: Several days elapsed since the writing up of page 17 cash book and the making of the writing by Lockhart on page 20?

Boulton: Yes.

Taylor: Can you say what was turned over in money to Webb?

No.

Asked if several hundred dollars were turned over to Webb he could not say.

Taylor: You checked over the money and cheques and what is your best recollection of cash, would it be in your mind that it was in hundreds of dollars?

Boulton: In my mind it was between one and two hundred dollars.

Asked if there could be several hundreds of dollars if he counted the cash as cheques, Boulton said counting the cheques which were cashed out of the money on hand and not appearing as separate items on cash book he would say there would be between four or five hundred dollars.

Taylor: When Lockhart was writing up cash as dictated from slips, or improvised cash book, did you notice in his manner anything that would indicate that he was trying to hide anything?

Boulton: Oh, no.

Taylor: Coming back to page 12 of cash book, when you came to the Calgary item did you notice any change in Lockhart's manner?

No.

Asked if he saw the slip he was writing up from at the time, Boulton said he must have.

Eckstein: When Webb took over accounts and cheques, did you make an audit?

Boulton: He was not positive whether it was before Webb took over or after.

Asked if after, how long, he could not say but it would not be long, about next day.

Asked if he had any positive recollection of amount of currency turned over, he said that he had answered it before.

A. A. Shanley sworn, said he was employed by the Fernie District Fire relief committee during the month of August and in later months. Asked when his employment ceased he replied he did not know whether it had ceased yet.

Eckstein: Do you know May Lamb?

Shanley: Yes.

Eckstein: Did you ever have financial dealings with her?

Shanley: In what way?

Eckstein: Do you recollect the time that Lockhart went out of office and his place was taken by Webb?

Shanley: Yes.

Eckstein: Did you have anything to do with any cheques?

Shanley: No not in regard to Lockhart.

Eckstein: Did you see any relief fund cheque or cheques?

Shanley: I have had a pay cheque.

Asked if he had anything to do with any other cheques, he said he did not have anything to do with any other pay cheques.

Eckstein: Did you ever pay May Lamb any money?

Shanley said he had cashed a cheque for her to the amount of $60 some time during the month of September.

Eckstein: Do you know what you did with the cheque?

Shanley: I turned it in as cash to Webb.

Eckstein: Would you know the same if you saw it?

Shanley: It was a fire relief fund cheque.

Eckstein produced exhibit 31 and asked him if this was the cheque.

Shanley: If there were no other cheques ofthat amount in that month this was the one.

Eckstein: Did you have anything to do with the work of secretary for the committee.

Shanley said he was employed in the office work when he started, but he started on secretarial work when Webb went to work for the Pollock Wine Co., and he was appointed secretary in succession to Webb.

Eckstein: Did you have anything to do with the cheques and the vouchers?

Shanley: I very ofen made up vouchers and initialled them as correct.

Eckstein: Did you have anything to do with the monies of the secretary in the month of September?

Shanley: Only what I turned over to Webb and Lockhart in connection with the sale of supplies.

Asked if he had anything to do with the sale of supplies he said no. He received the money for the sales.

Asked what he did with the money he said he turned it over to Lockhart and Webb.

Asked how much he turned over to Lockhart he said he could not recollect. All he could recollect was $10 and a cheque from Carlisle.

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February 11, 1909.

G. N. TIME TABLE

NO. 252		No. 251
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W. F. Brown left this city this morning on a business trip to Michel.

H.S. Collins of the Northwestern lines of Spokane was in the city yesterday.

Messrs. N. E. Suddaby and brother left for Midway on yesterday morning's local.

Simon Dragon, the popular hotelkeeper from Gateway is registered at the Imperial.

Say, Morton, don't you think it is time to buy a new bathrobe? Did the heat remind you of the last fire?

H. H. Boyd, electrical engineer of Winnipeg, is completing the fixtures in the new C. P. R. depot this week.

Eggs for hatching: White Leghorn, good layers $1 for 15. E. H. H. Stanley, Kootonia Nurseries, Baynes Lake B. C.

Mr. Leslie Mills, proprietor of the Waldorf hotel is having a much needed sidewalk laid down in front of his hotel.

A. B. Trites and wife of the Trites-Wood Company are expected home this week. They are at present in Vancouver.

Girl wanted: Apply to Mrs. J. H. Cree, Howland avenue.

Billy Murray, arrested as a vagrant by Constable Clarke was given twenty days at stump pulling.

While excavating to build a crossing on Victoria avenue between the Palace drug store and the King Edward hotel, a stone struck the plate glass front of the drug store doing considerable damage.

The big race meet at Cranbrook is to be held on May 24 and 25. Numerous well known horse breeders both from the United States and Canada, are already entered and a first class meet is guaranteed by the citizens of Cranbrook.

E. H. H. Stanley, proprietor of the Kootonia Nurseries at Baynes, B. C., brought in yesterday a first consignment of produce in the shape of radishes. The rads are on sale at Fred Waylett's store, The Palm. Take a radish!

James Bates, timber cruiser, arrived in the city from Cranbrook, on yesterday's local in the interests of the C. P. R., visiting the different mills. In an interview wtih a representative of this paper he says that Cranbrook is all right but he has to come back to Fernie once in a while.

A bowling game will be held at Ingram's alley tomorrow night between the King Edward and the Prince Edward islanders. So now we have even Kings and Princes playing the game which is so popular at the present time in Fernie. Both teams expect a large crowd.

There is a nice new Easter bonnet awaiting an owner at the C. P. R. station. It is ornamented with ostrich plumes, fluffiness and all the rest of the frills necessary. All those laying claim to it will kindy see the handsome gentleman at the ticket office of the C. P. R.

Mr. Charles H. Fraser, representing the Corby Distillery Co., Ltd. came into the city last evening. Mr. Fraser makes his headquarters at Toronto but covers the entire country. He came through from Fort William for a business appointment at Cranbrook but like everybody else he says that he has to stop off for a few days in Fernie.

DESERVED FALL DOWN BUCKING OPERATORS

(Continued from page 1)

course of the same negotiations the stipulation was definitely placed on record first by the operators and then by the miners that "if an agreement is not arrived at anything that has been done by this Scale committee they, the operators, will not be bound by (District Vice-President Calvin making a similar stipulation for the miners' side) and

Whereas on March 31 being the concluding day of same negotiations the operators committee did as a matter of fact precipitate that final breaking of negotiations contemplated as a possibility by their above stated stipulation on March 17th, by refusing absolutely and unqualifiedly to consider in any case the question of preamble previously deferred on their own request on March 2nd as above set forth;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED—

That for the purpose of terminating the conditions of inaction and non-operation now existing at the mines of the members of the western Coal Operators association, who up to this time have not come to any agreement with District 18 U. M. W. of A.

We, the delegates in convention assembled, declare our willingness to negotiate and hereby extend to all operators who have not now got agreements an invitation to open up negotiations for the purpose of formulating working agreements.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

EXHIBIT F

Resolution presented by Delegate William Graham of Coleman at conclusion of the Fernie convention afternoon session of April 13th.

Being an utterance intended to clear away all possible misunderstandings on the part of the Miners International board and of the general public, including all interested parties, by placing on official record the determination of the officers and members of District 18 U. M. W. of A. to retain absolute control of their own local situation and local interests and to tolerate no divergence on the part of the International Board from that strictly advisory capacity in which, under the constitution of the U. M. W. of A. consists their sole status and function prior to an actual demand upon said board for assistance.

Resolved: That District President Sherman and Secretary Treasurer Carter be instructed by this convention to place themselves in communication with the coal operators with a view to the re-opening of negotiations on the lines of the old agreements expiring March 31st, 1909, but with certain definite amendments; and that they be empowered (but not instructed) to take International Board member Morgan along with them."

Unanimously adopted by the convention.

EXHIBIT G

Extract from telegram of April 13 from International President Lewis to District President Sherman.

Being an acknowledgement by President Lewis of the fact of his having been deceived, and his consequent submission of the local situation to the untrammeled judgment of his local representative, Board Member Jno. Edward Morgan.

Indianapolis, IndApril13

F.H.SHERMAN

Fernie,

Understand now that some deception has been practiced. Board member Morgan has been telegraphed to use his own judgment, which will be approved here.

T.L.LEWIS

EXHIBIT H

Report of John E. Morgan, sent with committee to confer with coal operators at Hosmer in response to request of President Stockett.

Being a candid acceptance of the view of the local district officials.

"I have stated to the operators that the international organization does not consider the Macleod document as an agreement; that the operators themselves were to blame by refusing to appoint a chairman (for discussion purposes) at the last meeting held at Macleod; that it was evident that the operators had tried to take every technical advantage of the Miners Scale committee; and that the international union would not stand for that kind of thing. Therefore the blame for the stoppage must be placed entirely on the operators; that I must ask them to address all future communications to the local district secretary treasurer A. J. Carter. This they promised to do."

And so at last, the field is once more admittedly clear for that honest and straightforward method of negotiation which should have marked the proceedings at Macleod.

L. P. ECKSTEIN.

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Shanley, Late Secretary, put Through a Severe Examination

END OF WEEK WILL SEE THE FINISH

(Continued from Wednesday's Daily.)

Shanley was still on the stand being cross examined by Taylor.

Taylor: How long have you been living in Fernie?

Shanley: For about four years and a half.

Taylor: What work have you been doing?

Shanley: The first year I worked for the Elk Lumber company as millwright, and then for about a year he tended bar for Tom Pogue, and after that he had acted as clerk at the Fernie hotel for S. F. Wallace.

Taylor: You are an American are you not?

Yes.

What occupation did you follow in the States?

He replied that he had worked for the G. N. at various occupations such as building foreman, etc.

Asked how old he was he replied that he was 31 years of age.

Taylor: You distinctly remember cashing May Lamb's cheque for $60?

Shanley: At the time Mr. Manson had not signed the cheque and she wanted the money, so I gave it to her.

Taylor: Did you really cash it before it was signed?

Yes.

Taylor: Where were you when you cashed the cheque?

Shanley: In the Relief office.

Taylor: Was Lockhart present when the cheque was cashed?

Shanley: I do not know.

Taylor: Was it signed by Lockhart?

I do not know.

Taylor then produced the cheque on which was Lockhart's signature.

Taylor: What did you then do with the cheque?

Shanley: I turned it over to Webb to get signatures but on of either Manson or Tuttle.

Taylor: What did May Lamb say at the time?

Shanley: I believe she said she was wanting money at the time and so I cashed it.

Taylor: Whose money was it cashed with?

Shanley replied that it was either relief money for the sale of stores or his own.

The same questions were put to him as to what May Lamb said, and whether Lockhart was present. Asked if there was any discussion with May Lamb or Lockhart he said that he did not know.

Taylor: Now did not Lockhart and May Lamb have a discussion, May insisting that she should sign her name May and not Mary which name was on the cheque?

Shanley: I do not know.

Taylor: Can you positively swear that it was a $60 cheque?

I can.

Taylor: Have you cashed very many cheques?

Not a great many.

Taylor: Can you remember cashing any other cheques, and what ones they were?

Shanley: I remember cashing one for Webb.

What date?

Shanley: It was in December, and was a pay cheque. I also cashed cheques for some of the workmen, but he could not remember anything particular about them.

Taylor: How is it that you remember this particular cheque of May Lamb's and the amount, and could not remember the one for Webb which was later?

Shanley: I remember this cheque as it was the only cheque he cashed for May Lamb.

Taylor asked again how it was he had such a keen recollection of this cheque.

Shanley: I suppose there are some things that a man will remember more than others.

Taylor: Did she get the money the same day the cheque was drawn up?

I cannot remember.

Taylor: Have you any memorandum to say that it was cashed in September?

Shanley: No.

Taylor here pointed out to the magistrate that Lockhart drew up a voucher for the cheque. The cheque was apparently endorsed with the same ink as the voucher.

Taylor: Did May Lamb carry the cheque around with her before she cashed it?

Shanley said he did not think so, but thought she cashed it as soon as she got it.

Taylor: Did you carry it around with you?

Shanley: I do not think so.

Taylor: Here we have a voucher made out by Lockhart, signed by Lockhart, dated September 10th, and we have a cheque in Lockharts handwriting and do you mean to tell me that you cashed that cheque?

Shanley: I do.

Taylor: Who told you that this May Lamb cheque would come up here?

Shanley: No one.

Taylor: You are living with Webb are you not?

Shanley: I was living with him up to the 15th of March.

Taylor: Webb and you had dinner together last night, did you not?

Yes.

Taylor: You talked over the case did you not?

Shanley: Yes.

Taylor: Did you talk over what evidence you should give?

Shanley: No sir.

Shanley said he had ascertained all that had taken place in the court room from newspapers.

Taylor: Then in September you were handling cash belonging to the relief fund?

Shanley: I believe so.

Taylor: Did you assist Webb in the office during the month of September?

Shanley: I do not think I had to work in the office with Webb in September.

Taylor: You had practically all the handling of the money throughout the month that followed belonging to the relief fund?

Shanley: No sir.

Taylor: Did you deposit all the money.

Shanley: I do not think so.

Taylor: Did you not practically make out all vouchers?

Shanley: After the 1st of December I did.

Taylor: Did you make out vouchers in October and November?

I might have.

Did y ou make any out in September?

I don't think so.

Taylor: You were not present were you when Lockhart turned over the cash to Webb?

Shanley: No sir.

Taylor: Did you see the cash balance sheet or paper upon which the cash was turned over to Webb?

Shanley: I never saw it.

Taylor: You know to what I am referring.

Shanley: I do not, but I gather it is a trial balance.

Taylor: Did Webb go away in February back east?

He did.

Taylor: Webb said he left everything in the office for the auditor and this paper was amongst the other papers.

Shanley: I don't recollect seeing it.

Taylor: What date did the auditor come here in February?

Shanley: On Monday. He asked for a calendar and reading from same, he said he believed it was on the 22nd. It was the last week in February he was here.

Taylor: You were in sole charge, were you not?

No sir.

Taylor: Where did Webb go to in the east?

Shanley: He went to Winnipeg and was away about six days.

Taylor: You gave the auditor particulars of things?

I did.

Taylor: Did the auditor get the statement referred to?

Shanley: I don't know.

Taylor: Did McDiarmid ask for any other things that were not produced?

He axed for particulars of cash sales, but outside of ledger entries I told him that there were no particulars.

Taylor: Does the ledger give particulars of cash sales?

Shanley: It gives the amount.

Shanley in reply to question said he did not sell any supplies outside of the $10.

Taylor: And did you keep any book of sales?

Shanley: I had no instructions to keep books of sales. The money was turned over to the secretary and it was his place to keep books.

Coming back to the May Lamb cheque again, Taylor said they were not there to hear fairy tales but they wanted the truth about the cheque.

Shanley said he knew he cashed the cheque and turned it over to Webb.

Taylor: I want you to say whether you have an index rocellection, such as you have, that you cashed partly out of your own pocket, and partly out of relief money, this particular?

Shanley: My recollection is that I had enough money in my own pocket to cash it.

Taylor: Was your money mixed with relief money?

Shanley: I don't think so.

Taylor: Did you turn over the cash sales in lump amounts?

Yes.

Taylor: When you turned over the money to Webb for cash sales did you take receipts?

No.

Taylor: When Webb turned over the money to Lockhart he took receipts and how is it that you did not get any?

Shanley: I did not think it was necessary.

The only money he turned over to Lockhart was a $10 cheque for supplies sold to Carlisle.

Taylor: How many toilet sets did you sell in Fernie?

I do not know.

Taylor: Were one or two sold in Fernie?

Shanley could not say.

Taylor: Does the book only show one or two?

Shanley: I do not know.

Taylor then showed him exhibit 47 in Shanely's handwriting prepared on March 17th in response to a resolution passed by relief fund committee.

Shanley said he would not say that this exhibit was true, part of it having been made from memory.

Shanley asked for a journal filed and he would tick off the items.

Taylor: You said you prepared part from memory, so please tick off items.

Shanley refused to do so until the journal was produced.

On going over the journal this was not found in a very satisfactory state, and Taylor asked him why he did not keep the books of the relief committee as carefully as he kept the books of the Fernie hotel.

Taylor said: I understand Ambrey had refused to take over the slips and accounts until they were audited.

Shanley said that as soon as he could get the books he would soon prepare them. They had been in court and he could not use them.

Taylor: Can you tell me whether you deposited the monies received or turned them over to the secretary?

Shanley: Everything that I got I turned over. Shanley said that he had started new books in March so that he could turn over his stewardship to the committee.

Taylor asked him when it first occurred to him that he wanted new books.

Shanley: It first occurred to me when I told the committee that I was going to leave.

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Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of one month after the first publication hereof a duplicate of the certificate of Title to the above mentioned land in the name of Ann Biggs, which certificate is dated the 21st day of May 1906 and numbered 5639 A.

H. N. JORAND
District Registrar
Land Registry Office
Nelson B. C.
February 11, 1909.

G. N. TIME TABLE

NO. 252		No. 251
10.55	FERNIE	1.35
11.13	HOSMER	1.10
11.25	OLSON	1.02
11.50	MICHEL	12.40

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Judge Wilson arrived last night from Cranbrook on the Flyer.

They're all talking about it, What? Why Ingram's bowling alley.

J. D. Moffatt came down the line from Hosmer to get the latest Ledgers.

Furniture for sale. Address Ledger office.

From the Waldorf register: —Box stall, no blankets, O. Pickles, New York.

C. H. Sheppard left on last evening's passenger on a business trip to Hosmer.

J. Gusty, manager of P. Burns left on last evening's local on a business trip to Lethbridge.

Mr. Andy Brady reports having met Mr. Oscar Sour, the vinegar merchant on his last trip west.

Mr. James Lindsay, superintendent of Great Northern bridges, was in the city today on business.

Messrs. Kummer and Spidel have secured the contract to plaster the Canadian Boarding house.

Mr. Syd. Armitage has been laid up with influenza for a few days, but we are pleased to state that he is onw able to be around.

T. B. Smith, agent for the C. P. R. at Coleman is in the city to-day attending court on behalf of the C. P. R. in the case of Charldon vs the C. P. R.

Mr. Tom Whelan is still offering a large reward for his medals which were taken by mistake (by persons unknown) after the fire. No questions asked.

Work is progressing rapidly on the court house, but those wishing to have a nice summer cell had better wait for about a month according to Jailer Bowen.

Mr. Kennedy, delegate from Corbin, left on last evening's local for Hosmer where he has some important business to transact. He will return to Corbin as soon as possible.

It is very noticeable on the streets in the city that an old, in fact very old song has been revived entitled "Two little girls in blue." This is illustrated with moving pictures.

Our city reporter says that if Jack Jones, delegate from Hillcrest, does not quit giving him introductions to his numerous friends he (the reporter) will be unable to turn in his copy.

George B. Paull, purchasing agent of the Spokane International, arrived in our city yesterday morning, having transacted some business (pleasure combined) and left on this morning's local.

Messrs. George O'Brien, E. W. Hughes and A. H. McDonald of Coal Creek arrived in our city to-day. They are here in connection with the case of the Coal Creek Club vs. Connell & Scott.

Messrs. E. S. Chudleigh, superintendent and J. Kennedy, trainmaster of the C. P. R., arrived in their special car this morning. They took a look around and left this afternoon for the west.

There was a young lady from Rickett
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The Fat Men's baseball team will have a reorganization meeting at the Napanee hotel on Wednesday next. Any gentleman having the necessary number of ounces and the requisite good looks can attend.

Mr. Frank Lebelle, the popular hotelman of Hosmer, was in our city yesterday on business, that is Frank calls it business. He spent the day here, and incidentally spent other things. He returned to Hosmer on last evening's passenger.

Felice Salmo, aged two years and one month died of diphtheria Tuesday evening. The funeral will take place from the home of the parents on McPherson avenue to-morrow. Much sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Salmo.

A stranger whose name we cannot ascertain arrived in our midst today. Whilst rubbering at the tall buildings and in numerous other ways taking in the sights, he chanced upon a friend whom he had known "down east." In the conversation that followed the stranger asked when we had summertime in Fernie. His friend said he was unable to answer truthfully as he had only been here eleven months. Where can we find a good long rope for the decorating of some tall tree with the effete carcase of this facetious and deceiving person who for eleven long months has been fattening upon the hospitality of the finest summer resort of the Rocky Mountains?

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