

McMAHON HEARD IN CONCORD SATURDAY

Acting President of United Textile Workers of America Delivers Speech at Mass Meeting.

JOHN J. DEAN ALSO SPEAKER

President Warned Hearers That Fight Has Just Begun, and Exhorted All to Stick by Union.

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President McMahon characterized his statement made by David Clark editor of the Textile Bulletin, that the Carolinians were being lured with northern capital, as a lie.

McMahon stated that 30 years ago mill operators were receiving \$9 per week and that in many cases now, in the mills where the strikes have been called, workers were receiving less than that amount.

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PIRATE YAKS AND REPORTS OF MYSTERIOUS SHIPS

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CONCORD GETS LOWER RATES BEFORE

From Southern Power Company for Power and Lights Says Attorney J. Lee Crowell, City's Representative.

FIGURES THAT SHOW DIFFERENCE

Old Rate Was 43 Per Cent. Higher Than for Cotton Mills, While New Rate Is Only 10 Per Cent. Higher.

In the fall of 1920, the Southern Power Company asked the Corporation Commission of North Carolina to raise all its rates over its then existing Contract Rates.

The Board of Light and Water Commissioners of Concord had a written contract with Southern Power Company with rates fixed at 24 cents per kilowatt hour.

The contract was a long one, lasting until April, 1921, and many of the most able lawyers of North Carolina were employed by the cotton mills and other users of power of the Southern Power Company.

Mr. Crowell says that the City of Concord and those who use electric power for lights, etc., should be delighted with the result of this contract made by the board of Light and Water Commissioners.

The difference in the rate asked by the Power Company and that allowed by the Corporation Commission, based on the 7 years the contract had yet to run, computed on the same amount of power used by Concord in July, 1920, shows a saving to the City of Concord of \$18,299.28, as the result of the contract.

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FARMERS UNION PICNIC AT ST. JOHN'S JULY 23

Full Program Announced by the Arrangements Committee.—Some Noted Speakers Coming.

THE COTTON MARKET

Moderate Advance Followed Sharp Upturn in Liverpool.—Later Market Weakened.

New York, July 18.—A moderate advance in the cotton market followed sharp upturns in Liverpool where large sales were reported. Prices here advanced about 10 points over the previous close with October selling at 13.13 and December at 13.58 on Support from Liverpool, local houses and Wall Street interests which were supplied mostly by offerings from the South and spot houses.

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