FEDERAL AID ASKED IN SETTLING STRIKE

Colorado Governor Declares Issues Involved Are Interstate in Character.

MINES OWNED ELSEWHERE

Union National in Character, and Fuel Is Added to Flames by Imported Socialists and Anarchists, Says Ammons.

DENVER, May 17.—Federal aid in bringing about a settlement of the Colorado miners' strike is desired by Governor Ammons, even if President Wilson carries out his intimation that Federal troops may soon be withdrawn from the strike districts, Governor Ammons so announced tonight.

The Governor's announcement followed Saturday's interchange of telegrams between himself and President Wilson in which the President expressed a wish that Colorado should regulate her own troubles without the presence of United States troops.

"I am earnest in my belief that we should have National aid to bring about a settlement of the strike because it is an interstate conflict," said Governor Ammons, after he had considered the prospects of maintaining peace in the fields should the Federal troops be recalled.

Loyalty to State Asserted.

"The residents of Colorado are devoted in their loyalty to our state," said Ammons. "This was demonstrated by the overwhelming vote by which the Legislature appropriated $1,000,000 to restore and enforce law and order. Those of us who have spent the greater part of our lives in the building of homes and have labored in an earnest endeavor to make Colorado an attractive place in which to live and work regret the lawlessness that has attended the present industrial conflict.

"We are grateful to President Wilson for the help given us at a time when foreign matters demanded all available military forces, and we will assume control of the local situation as early as our funds are available. The Legislature enacted effective laws against the misuse of firearms and of the regulation of saloons in times of turbulence and selected a strong, non-partisan committee on mediation.

National Aid Required.

"I am earnest in my belief that we should have National aid to bring about a settlement of the strike, because it is an interstate conflict.

"Many of the coal companies are composed in large part of stockholders beyond our state lines and the United Mineworkers of America is a National organization whose headquarters are in the East, while Colorado is only one of three states in this jurisdiction. Even most of the newspapers that have inflamed the public mind by untrue or grossly exaggerated press reports are owned or controlled by persons beyond our borders, while many notorious ultra-socialistic, if not anarchistic, leaders of the country have taken advantage of our strike conditions to come here and incite insurrection in defiance of constituted authority and law.

Concrete Plan Lacking.

"When certain members of the Assembly suggested that the call for extra session of the Legislature be extended to include more subjects, I requested them to name those subjects and hand me proposed amendments, but not a single concrete plan was suggested. In this connection I may add that from the time the strike was called if I could have found any effective law to end it, the Legislature would have been called together long ago."

Officials of the United Mineworkers of America said today that if the Federal trops were withdrawn, the union would send a protest to Washington.

"We are afraid trouble might break out again if the regulars are replaced by the state militia," said Robert G. Bolton, who is now in charge of the union headquarters at Trinidad.

MARIE GANZ SENTENCED

Girl Who Threatened to Kill John D. Rockefeller Gets 60 Days.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Marie Ganz, who said she would kill John D. Rockefeller, Jr., for permitting the slaughter of men, women and children in the Colorado mine strike, was found guilty of disorderly conduct and sentenced by Magistrate Murphy to serve 60 days in the workhouse.

She smiled when she heard the Judge's sentence and said she had a good book to read for the next 60 days.

Magistrate Murphy said he believed Miss Ganz was a tool for older persons, and that he had sympathy for her. Otherwise, he would have given her the limit, which is six months under the charge.

CAPTIVE TO PAY CAPTORS

Escaped Texas Convict Reimburses Officer Who Arrested Him.

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 12.—John Key, an escaped convict, who is being held in the city jail for officers to take him back to Huntsville prison to finish a two years' sentence for bigamy, will insist on being allowed to pay the reward of $25 for his own capture.

Key has $52 due him from the city waterworks department for a month's work. Today he asked Commissioner Grant to transfer the money to the prison authorities with which to pay the $25 reward.

COLONEL'S FRIEND QUITS

Successor Takes Place of Captain Bullock as Federal Marshal.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 14.—At the Government building here Thomas W. Taubman, of Plankinton, took the oath of office and assumed the duties of United States Marshal for South Dakota.

He succeeds Captain Seth Bullock, a personal friend of Theodore Roosevelt, who has held the office more than eight years.

FIRE LEGION CHALLENGED

"I Started Chicago Conflagration," Dying Woman Gasps.

LIMA, O., May 16.—The legend that Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over a kerosene lantern and started the fire which swept Chicago in 1871 is challenged by the deathbed declarations of Miss Rebecca Thrift, who died in the county infirmary here at the age of 76.

"I started the Chicago fire," gaspee the woman, "and fearing arrest I fled while the flames raged."

Further details were halted by death. Miss Thrift will be buried in the potters' field.

The woman's life story has been an impenetrable mystery for more than 40 years. Coincident with the burning of Chicago, she was found secreted like a hunted animal in a strawstack near here. A man was with her. The vigilante spirit rampant in those days asserted itself in the form of a mob, which, after a parley, spared tar and feathers, but warned the man to leave the country. He fled, and no tidings concerning him have been received since.

The woman was committed to the county farm after her companion fled. There for 43 years she remained, and not once did she consent to give the names and addresses of relatives. No one in authority ever believed she gave her real name.

MAN WHO HUNTED TRACY IS CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF OF CLARKE COUNTY.

E. S. ("Bert") Biesecker.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—E. S. Biesecker, who was a target for Tracy, the outlaw, when the former was Sheriff of this county, has announced his candidacy for the office of Sheriff again.

"Bert" Biesecker, as he is generally known, has resided in Clarke County 35 years. He was in the mercantile business in Vancouver for 11 years, was a Councilman and was one of those who took an active part in trying to bring to justice Merrill and Tracy. One of the bullets fired by Tracy passed between Biesecker's arm and body, one bored a hole in the rim of his hat and his horse was badly wounded.

Mr. Biesecker was elected Sheriff of Clarke County on the Republican ticket in 1903 and reelected in 1905, both times receiving three times as many votes as his rival for the office.

2 SUE MAN FOR DIVORCE

Both Wives Say They Never Lived With Much-Married Chicagoan.

CHICAGO, May 10.—(Special.)—Harry L. Bowler, a metal worker, is defendant in two suits for annulment of marriage filed in the Circuit Court. Both wives declared that they never lived with Bowler and each asks annulment on the ground that he had a wife at the time he married her.

The petition of Mrs. Mabel G. Bowler, whose maiden name was Mabel G. Kelsey, says she was married to Bowler at St. Joseph, Mich., in 1909, and that Bowler had married a wife named Mary on March 6, 1905.

Mrs. Mary Bowler states that she was married to Bowler in 1913 by Justice of the Peace J. E. Polk. She asks annulment of her marriage on the ground that Bowler had been married to Mrs. Mabel G. Bowler September 6, 1909.

LYNCHING COSTS $7000

Railroad Allowing Mob to Charter Train Held Responsible by Court.

JACKSON, Mich., May 15.—A railroad that permits one of its trains to be chartered to carry a mob to the scene of a lynching is liable to damage, according to a compromise decree handed down in the Federal Court here.

The court allowed Mrs. Alice Rogers a judgment of $7000 in her suit for $50,000 against the Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific Railroad.

It was shown that a mob at Monroe, La., chartered a train, went to Tallulah, La., and lynched Rogers, the plaintiff's husband, after he had been acquitted of a charge of murder.

DAY LABORER GETS $61,000

Court Gives Sum to Illinoisan Who Alleges Fraud in Realty Deal.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., May 14.—William D. Barnes, once wealthy, but in his old age obliged to work as a day laborer, was notified that the Appellate Court had sustained his judgment of $58,168 against George P. Bliss, of Urbana; A. R. Scott and J. R. Sutherland, of Champaign, and A. C. Barnett, of McLeansboro.

Barnes alleged that these men, real estate dealers, had defrauded him of valuable property. The judgment with interest amounts to $61,000.

MAN CLIPS GIRL'S HAIR

Missouri Child Attacked by Tramp While Picking Flowers.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., May 13.—It was reported to the police here that Delca, the 14-year-old daughter of C. R. Loomis, had been attacked by a tramp near Warrensburg and her long hair clipped. The child had been to a pasture to gather wild flowers.

She says a man seized her and, with a pair of shears, clipped her long locks. She was attired at the time in a loose middy blouse and when she found she was in the grasp of the man slipped the garment over her head and ran.

NEGRO HAS CHICKENPOX

"I Think There's Something the Matter," Man Says at Heatlh Bureau.

NEW YORK, May 15.—"I think there's something the matter with me," was the exclamation of a negro at the Department of Health. Dozens of others were more convinced. In fact, they drew back hurriedly as they saw marks all over his face.

It was a brief interval indeed that elapsed before the negro was being examined. There was an announcement shortly afterward that it was a case of chickenpox. The man was sent to his home.

ECLIPSE OF SUN TO BE SEEN IN AUGUST

Full Effect, However, Will Be Visible Only in Persia, Russia and Scandinavia.

BELT IS 85 MILES WIDE

Bitlis Trebizond, Kief, Minsk and Riga Directly in Path of Totality—Astronomers Eager to Make Observations.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The eclipse, of the sun on August 21 next—total in part of Europe and Asia and partial in Northeastern America—is attracting the widespread attention of astronomers and scientists, various expeditions being arranged to witness this phenomenon.

The moon will pass exactly between the earth and the sun. In Persia, Russia and Scandinavia the full effect will be seen. It will be seen as a partial eclipse at sunrise in the Northern states and Canada.

Although the moon looks about the same size as the sun, it is much smaller and nearer. The sun is 865,000 miles in diameter and 93,000,000 miles away, while the moon is 2163 miles in diameter and 239,000 miles away. On account of the moon's small size compared with the sun, the shadow cast by the moon is a cone, and the point of this cone barely reaches the earth.

Important Cities Lie in Path.

In the August eclipse the diameter of the cone at the earth's surface is only about 85 miles, so that the eclipse is visible as total only in a belt about 85 miles wide stretching over the countries named above. The important cities of Bitlis, Trebizond, Kief, Minsk and Riga lie near the center of this belt. It passes 100 miles north of Stockholm and Trondheim. The eclipse will be seen as partial over a wide area, including Northeastern America, Greenland, Europe, half of Asia and half of Africa. Within this region only a portion of the sun's disk will be hidden by the moon.

Wherever the solar eclipse is seen as total, the sky will become nearly as dark as full-moonlight, and a few of the brighter stars and planets may be seen.

As the glare of the sun in the sky is removed, and yet the moon hardly more than covers the sun, it is possible at times of total solar eclipses to see all the celestial objects near the sun. These cannot be seen at other times because they are lost in the bright sky light. It is this which makes astronomers so eager to observe total eclipses.

Mercury Still Nearer to Sun.

Formerly it was believed probable that one or more planets of the solar system exist nearer the sun than Mercury, and it was hoped to discover these during the total solar eclipses. But the ski has been so carefully searched that no such objects large enough to be worth counting could exist without discovery.

Formerly also it was regarded as necessary to wait for eclipses and to see and study the beautiful rosy flames of hydrogen and other gases, called prominences, which surround the sun. These may now be observed at any time by means of a special apparatus. While value of total eclipses has therefore somewhat diminished, there still remain many studies which are confined to them.

Astronomers make careful preparations, and rehearse all details of their programmes lest some of the precious time should be wasted. They observe with the eye and the photographic plate to determine the exact times of totality and the form and extension of the corona. They photograph the spectrum of the corona, and also that of the bright-colored ring of light which lies at its base just on the edge of the sun. They measure the brightness of the sky and of the corona, and make many other observations useful in learning about the nature of the sun.

United States Represented.

Many European and American parties propose to observe the coming eclipse. Russians and Scandinavians, being on the ground, will be most numerous, but all the other principal European nations will furnish both government and private observing parties.

No official expedition is proposed to represent the United States Government. The Lick Observatory, of California, will send an expedition in charge of Director W. W. Campbell to Russia, and Professor Todd, director of the Amherst College Observatory, proposes to observe in Persia.

EXPLOSION INJURES TWO

Sparks Dropping Through Roof Cause Peculiar Accident.

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., May 13.—Mrs. Ella Gray, aged 47, widow, and D. E. Mitchell, aged 21, were probably fatally burned at Springfield, Mo., in an explosion of gasoline in the dyeing department of the Wardrobe cleaning and pressing establishment. The building was destroyed by fire, which followed the explosion, incurring a loss of $2000.

Both Mrs. Gray and Mitchell, who were endeavoring to save a quantity of the clothing when the explosion occurred, were hurled a distance of 20 feet. Little hope is entertained for the recovery of either by attending physicians. Sparks dropping from the roof into an open vat of gasoline caused the explosion.

"STORK CHASERS" AT WORK

New Mothers Will Be Visited and Instructed on Care of Babies.

KANSAS CITY, May 14.—The Board of Health has organized a corps of "stork chasers" for Kansas City, with Mrs. Alameda Kelso at the head of it.

The purpose of the "stork chasers" is to visit every new mother in the city as soon as possible after the baby arrives and instruct her in the care of the child, as well as to examine the child for possible defects that may be remedied.

Especial attention will be given to the care of the baby's eyes, one of the things of which most new mothers lack knowledge.

"DYING" MAN RUNS AWAY

St. Louisan Disappears While Policeman Goes for Ambulance.

ST. LOUIS, May 13.—August Thomas, teamster, disappeared from his home, 2202 Gravois avenue, after swallowing what is believed to have been poison. He has been missing since Patrolman Maehl, called in by Mrs. Thomas, started out to telephone for an ambulance.

"They don't eat in the place where I'm going," Thomas told his wife when she called him for supper, according to the police. A few minutes later he entered the kitchen and drank from a bottle, believed to have contained poison. After tossing the empty phial through the window he walked to the bedroom and laid down on the bed.

His wife ran screaming to the street, and when she returned with Patrolman Maehl her husband appeared to be dying. When the policeman returned from the patrol box, from which he summoned the ambulance, Thomas was gone. His wife said he ran, hatless and coatless, from the house in the direction of the river.

3 COUSINS IN HOSPITAL

Third Woman Who Visits Two Relatives Taken Ill Suddenly.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Lying on adjoining cots in the same room at the same hospital in The Bronx are three young women, all cousins. They are patients at Lincoln Hospital and popular in social circles throughout the borough.

On April 30 Mrs. Edward C. Koch, a bride of less than a year, entered the institution as a maternity patient, and occupied a bed next to her cousin, Miss Minnie Weiss, who was removed from her home several months ago suffering from cancer.

The third young woman is Miss Alice Murat. While visiting her cousin at the hospital Miss Murat was suddenly seized with an attack of appendicitis and was placed in the remaining vacant bed.

DIVORCE FIGHT IS LONG

Couple Trying for 9 Years to Get Separation Still Married.

NEW YORK, May 15.—After fighting since 1905 to get a legal separation from each other, Edward S. Dudley, a lawyer of Philadelphia and Camden, N. J., and his wife, Mary Mulock Dudley, find that their latest suits have been dismissed and that they are as much married as ever. Vice-Chancellor Stephenson, of the New Jersey Chancery Court, so decided.

Mrs. Dudley started out to get an absolute divorce, and then decided that she would not give the lawyer the satisfaction of being able to marry the co-respondent named in the action. Her suits were cross-libels, Dudley having started the ball rolling when he alleged desertion and asked divorce.

Insufficient evidence in both cases seems to have inspired the latest decision of the courts.

"MARRYING HABIT" RAPPED

South Carolinan Says Women Often Wed on Becoming Good Teachers.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., May 12.—One of the difficulties which is met with in the building up of a strong teaching corps in any state is the marrying habit among the women teachers, according to W. K. Tate, former rural school inspector of South Carolina, who addressed the county superintendents' convention.

"The fact that the women frequently marry when they have become efficient teachers and quit the schoolroom is an unfortunate thing for the schools, although it is fortunate for them, I suppose. This makes it necessary to keep a supply of teachers in training all the time to take the places of those who marry," he said.

LAW INVOKED FOR HUBBY

Wife Has Man Indicted in Effort to Have Him Stop Drinking.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Mrs. Grace E. Harmer, of Huntington, Long Island, has invoked the assistance of the law to make her husband, Charles Harmer, stop drinking. She says she gave notice to Jacob Guldi, a Huntington saloonkeeper, not to serve Harmer, but he paid no attention to her warning.

She took her case before the Suffolk County grand jury, at Riverhead, and Guldi was indicted. He was arested upon a bench warrant.

"I invoked the law because that seems to me to be what it was framed for," said Mrs. Harmer.

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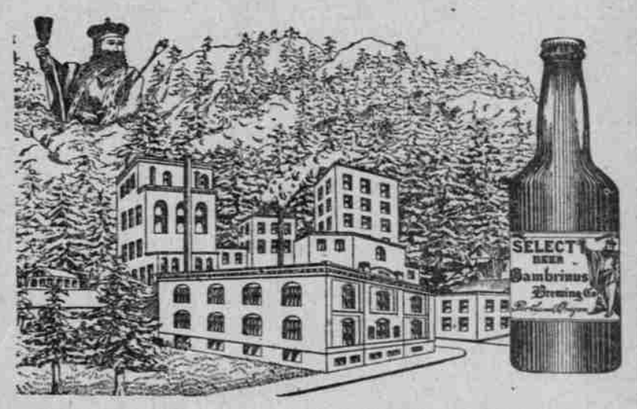

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