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MINERS' STRIKE IS HELD INEVITABLE

Walk-out Order Is Final, Say Union Officials.

OPERATORS ALONE BLAMED

Refusal to Negotiate Working Wage Agreement Charged, Necessitating Action.

RESIDENT'S WARNING NOTED

Local Miners in Quitting Declared to Be Exercising Constitutional Rights.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 29.—After pronouncing a strike of bituminous coal miners inevitable and blaming the operators for forcing a walkout that may involve half a million men directly, the conference of officials of the United Mine Workers of America wound up its business tonight and dissolved. District presidents and members of the committee left for their homes to direct the locals in the strike, which is to become effective at midnight Friday.

Only a new wage agreement to replace the one which they claim expired with the war emergency is desired by the union, its leaders emphasizing that a call from the mine owners for a joint meeting would find the organization ready to negotiate on any or all of the demands formulated at the Cleveland convention of the union.

"Final Word" Sent Out. These and other points in the union's position were set forth in a statement prepared by a committee at the conference and adopted by unanimous vote. The statement was characterized as the "final word" from union forces, and John L. Lewis, acting president, and other officials referred questioners to the statement as embodying everything that could be said and as answering rumors as to motives actuating the union.

The statement brought out that no communication had been received from the national administration and that the union had knowledge of President Wilson's attitude toward the strike only through newspaper accounts. It combated the president's claim that the strike was illegal by asserting that the right to strike or quit work had been upheld by the courts and that in leaving their jobs the men would exercise a constitutional prerogative.

Ultimate Aims Disavowed. Charges that the miners were endeavoring to force nationalization of the mines were indignantly denied and again the language of the statement that "all of their demands are incorporated in the wage proposal" was quoted.

Emphasis was laid on the last sentence of the statement as follows: "The issue has been made and if it must be settled upon the field of industrial battle the responsibility rests fairly and squarely upon the coal barons alone."

The word "if" was explained as significant of the readiness to negotiate. While conceding that there is no way of preventing the strike, the union's spokesman, Ellis Searles, argued that with the strike in actual effect the operators' demand that the strike order be withdrawn is a condition precedent to negotiation was automatically wiped out.

Crisis Soon Expected.

"We fully expect this difficulty to be settled as all difficulties in the coal-mining industry have been for 80 years—by direct negotiations between the owners and workers," he said. "When that point will be reached we do not attempt to say. But the strike will be so big and have such far-reaching effects that we do not believe it can last very long before a crisis is reached."

Tomorrow the executive board of the union will meet to clear up a big batch of business incidental to the strike and various routine affairs which have been accumulating.

Operators Held Responsible. The statement follows: "The conference of United Mine Workers, composed of members of

TRAIN HITS AUTO; 2 PENDLETON MEN DEAD

FORMER COUNTY CLERK FRANK SALING BADLY HURT.

John F. Robinson, Laundryman, and Dr. G. S. Hoisington Killed at Saxe Station.

PENDLETON, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—John F. Robinson, proprietor of the Domestic Laundry, and Dr. G. S. Hoisington, Pendleton physician, were killed today almost instantly, and Frank Saling, former county clerk, was badly injured when the automobile in which Mr. Saling was taking them to a meeting of the Knights Templar in Walla Walla was struck by an incoming Walla Walla train at the grade crossing at Saxe station, four miles east of this city.

A long row of poplar trees bordering the road at the crossing hid the approaching train from the men in the car and it was not until they were almost in the track and the train driving down on the car that they discovered their danger. Mr. Saling used all his brakes and turned the car to one side of the road, but it skidded onto the track, where the engine struck it, telescoping it and tossing it to one side, burying the three men under the wreckage.

Other members of the party of Pendleton Masons, close behind, stopped and took the occupants of the wrecked car to the hospital. Both Mr. Robinson and Dr. Hoisington, however, died on the way. Mr. Saling was badly cut about the head, but not dangerously hurt. Fractures of the skull caused the death of both Mr. Robinson, who was in the rear seat, and Dr. Hoisington, who was sitting with the driver.

Both men were prominent in business affairs in the city. Mr. Robinson had been active in business life for many years. He is survived by his widow and one son. Dr. Hoisington, who was serving in the United States navy.

Dr. Hoisington is survived by his widow and a daughter, Marion.

SEATTLE TO BAN ALIENS

Law to Refuse Licenses to Japanese Business Men Planned.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—No alien or non-resident will be permitted to engage in any business which requires a license after January 21, 1921, if an ordinance introduced in a special meeting of the city council today becomes a law.

Holders of licenses who have large amounts of money invested in poolrooms, soft drink parlors and billiard rooms, motion picture houses and other places of business, are expected to leave the city by the end of the month, or to get out of business in the city of Seattle.

The effect of the ordinance, if passed, will be to put hundreds of Japanese out of business in Seattle. The proposed ordinance provides that the council license committee shall issue no license except to an American citizen.

WOLVES LAUGH AT POISON

Two Hunters Are Out Time, Troubled, Dead Horse and Bait.

EUGENE, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—J. A. Haynie and George Leech of the Oakridge country are of the opinion that the wolves around Bristol mountain, near the summit of the Cascades near Oakridge, have eaten stomachs, immune to poison mixtures.

On a recent hunting trip to Bristol mountain they killed an old horse and baited it well with their poison mixtures, which were said to be sure and quick death to wolves or any other "varmints."

When morning came they found that half of the dead horse had been devoured, but no dead wolves were to be found. They left the carcass out another night and the wolves finished it. There was no sign or trace of dead wolves.

HAMMOND STRIKE ENDED

Car Works Opened for First Time Since July 18.

HAMMOND, Ind., Oct. 29.—Following a conference between Standard Steel company officials and labor union leaders, the strike at the car works ended today when 1500 workers entered the gates for the first time since July 18.

The company granted a small increase in wages and gave representation by crafts instead of dealing with the workers' council.

DYNAMITER IS CONVICTED

Bridge Wrecker Says He Acted Under German Orders.

FREDERICKTON, N. B., Oct. 29.—Werner Horn was found guilty today on the charge that he dynamited the Canadian end of the international bridge at St. Croix February 12, 1915. The jury was out only 12 minutes.

Horn, who conducted his own defense, said he was a German officer and was acting under orders of the German government in war time.

MINERS WILL BE GUARDED

Colorado to Use Troops to Protect Those Who Will Work.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. Oct. 29.—Governor Shoup tonight announced that the state national guard would be mobilized immediately for the protection of mines and miners who wished to work during the impending coal strike.

The announcement was made following a conference here after his arrival today from Chicago.

RAILROADS ALONE HARD UP—LOVETT

Prosperity General, Says Railroad Chief.

MIDDLE WEST GROWS RICH

Enormous Crops Harvested in All Interior States.

PARTY INSPECTING LINES

Head of Union Pacific System Is Looking Over Road—Entertainment Is Arranged.

Robert S. Lovett, president of the Union Railroad, accompanied by Mrs. Lovett and her friend, Miss Bean, and members of the official party of the railway corporation, arrived in Portland at 4:55 P. M. yesterday. Judge Lovett had not been over the Union Pacific lines for two years and had visited the Pacific northwest only once in that period. Last year he joined the party of Director-General McAdoo at Seattle and returned with the special train that visited the coast.

It is a tour of inspection that the president has been making over the system lines, having spent eight days since leaving Omaha on the main and important branch lines in the course of the westward journey. J. D. Farrell, vice-president and representative of the corporate organization in the west, is the only member of the official family who remained at the helm continuously. President Lovett left the company to become director of the division of capital expenditures in the railroad administration, the position upon which devolved heavy responsibilities in the government control of the railroads.

Adams' Service Recognized. H. M. Adams, recently called to the position of vice-president, to take charge of traffic after the roads revert to the corporate owners, performed a difficult task with conspicuous success as director of traffic for the war department. He is one of the few men whose work in civilian service during the war period was recognized by the distinguished service cross.

Gerrit Fort, assistant director of traffic of the United States railroad administration, accompanies the party. Mr. Fort is in charge of passenger traffic for the division. On his last visit to Portland he attended a conference of Union Pacific officials just before the announcement of the executive decision to take over the railroads. Mr. Fort will be in Portland next Monday, when he will return east via Salt Lake City. Other members of the party are: E. E. Adams, consulting engineer of New York; C. T. Bower, secretary to President (Continued on Page 2, Column 2.)

LONGSHOREMEN KEEP 625 SHIPS AT PIERS

NEW YORK PORT CONGESTION GREATER THAN IN HISTORY.

Daily Tonnage of Ties Exceeds \$1,000 for Demurrage; Situation Improved.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—An indication of the effect the longshoremen's strike has had on the port of New York was shown in shipping records of the port compiled up to noon today, disclosing that 625 vessels, of which 540 are steamships, were tied up at piers in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Staten Island or anchored in the harbor. Shipping men said this was the largest number of vessels ever recorded as being in the port on one single day. Of the steamships, 52 are passenger vessels, among them some of the largest liners afloat.

The daily cost of the tieup was estimated at more than \$1,500,000 demurrage alone.

United States shipping board officials and representatives of private shipping firms said that the strike situation today showed improvement.

STATE FARMS FRUITFUL

Value of 1919 Season's Produce Aggregates \$50,335.55.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—Produce aggregating a total value of \$50,335.55 was raised on the state hospital farms during the 1919 season, according to Dr. L. H. Griffith, superintendent of the institution. There were planted to potatoes 163 acres, from which the hospital harvested 13,000 bushels. Under present market prices these would bring \$15,600. The apple yield totaled 8000 bushels, valued at \$9750. The oat crop was 12,382 bushels, which, at 85 cents a bushel, would return \$11,325.55. The hay yield totaled 738 tons, with an estimated value of \$11,070. The wheat crop was 1270 bushels, worth \$2540.

None of the produce from the hospital farms is for sale. It contributes materially toward the maintenance of the institution.

150,000 TO BE LAID OFF

Porto Rico Tobacco Congestion Due to New York Dock Strike.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Oct. 29.—The chamber of commerce and the rotary club yesterday sent a cable to Washington urging relief by government ships, if necessary, to obviate a threatened food shortage due to the dock strike in New York. All food stocks are becoming very scarce and prices are advancing. Owing to the lack of ships, 150,000 cigars and tobacco workers will be laid off this week. It is reported that there is in Porto Rico 50,000,000 cigars waiting shipment. No mail from the United States has been received here in three weeks.

R. H. LITTLE IS WOUNDED

Chicago Newspaper Man Injured in Russian Fighting.

PARIS, Oct. 29.—Richard Henry Little, a Chicago newspaper correspondent, was seriously wounded in the fighting near Petrograd, according to a message received here.

5 DEAD, SCORES HURT IN PASSENGER WRECK

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRAIN DERAILED IN CALIFORNIA.

Engineer and Fireman Are Killed and Baggage Man and Expressman Among Missing.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 29.—Five persons were killed and more than 50 injured when Southern Pacific train No. 50, the southbound San Joaquin valley flyer, jumped the track on a curve 2 1/2 miles south of Acton, 57 miles north of here, at 2:20 o'clock this afternoon, and the engine, tender, two baggage cars and five coaches went into the ditch.

The dead are: Frank Felder, engineer, San Fernando; L. P. Force, fireman, Los Angeles; George Partington, address unknown; Paul L. Matson, Lakewood, O. One unidentified man.

A partial list of the injured follows: William Halliday, Seattle; Fred Johns, Portland, Or.; Hollis Shatke, Butte, Mont.; William Schroeder, The Dalles, Or. The tourist and standard sleepers remained on the track.

The train, in charge of Conductor Alexander Cameron of Los Angeles, consisted of two baggage cars, five day coaches, three standard and one tourist sleeper.

It is believed the baggage man and express messenger are among the killed, as they have not been found. The wreckage did not catch fire, according to advices received here. Forty injured passengers were sent to Los Angeles in a relief train made up at Acton.

Early reports stated that the cause of the train leaving the rails was unknown. The cars, plunging into the ditch on the west side of the track, ripped down the wires for several hundred yards, delaying news of the wreck for some time.

According to telephone messages from Acton, the dead and injured were picked up by the crew of a freight train which arrived on the scene about half an hour after the accident and loaded into two Pullmans, which remained to the track, to await the arrival of relief.

A relief train in charge of Assistant Superintendents A. F. Bolles and B. F. Donahue, carrying 10 doctors and six nurses, left here at 5:10 P. M. and was expected to arrive back about 9 o'clock.

About 20 of the injured were reported in serious condition, many having broken arms and legs, but none was expected to die, according to a report received here at 3:15 o'clock from Acton.

BAR SILVER PRICE \$1.28

Highest Price in 30 Years Quoted on New York Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Bar silver was quoted at \$1.28 an ounce in this market today, the highest price, according to dealers, in almost 30 years. Silver was subjected to wide fluctuations during the war, but fell almost to \$1 after the United States government entered into an agreement with Great Britain to ship large quantities to India.

The recent rise is attributed to renewal of demand from the orient, mainly China, and increased domestic use by silversmiths and allied trades.

REPUBLICANS HAVE 3 FOR PRESIDENT

General Wood Leads With Hiram Johnson Close.

STRENGTH WELL DISTRIBUTED

Governor Lowden Has Illinois and Iowa Following.

HOOVER LIGHTLY TAKEN

Polindexter Has Mysterious Boom and Gains Friends in East; First Test in South Dakota.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 29.—There are just three going booms for the republican presidential nomination, and two of them, to use a little slang, are going some.

General Leonard Wood is leading off in a fast race, with Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California in close pursuit. The Wood and Johnson booms are unlike any other candidates mentioned because they are in no sense sectional. Both of them have strong following in all sections of the country, and so far, these two candidates seem to have a monopoly of the strong New England support.

A most potential element of strength with both of them is that their names are linked with that of Theodore Roosevelt, who long before his death had ceased to represent a mere faction of the republican party.

Although neither candidate has given any expression of personal interest in the presidential contest, it is taken for granted that their friends are not acting without their knowledge and consent.

The third candidate is Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, whose following so far is only local, being confined to his home state and to Iowa. Lowden is strong in Iowa, which speaks well for him because of Iowa's being one of the most dependable of republican states.

Wood Cannot Speak. General Wood is under some handicap because being in the army he cannot get out on the stump and make political speeches. Senator Johnson is quite free to make political speeches or any other kind of public remarks if he desires. Just now he is the most-sought-after man in the country to speak for the republican ticket in New Jersey, which it is understood he would like to do if the treaty situation will permit him to get away before the election one week from Tuesday.

A boom for Herbert Hoover, former federal food administrator, was sprung recently in Washington, but as it came from democratic sources it has not been taken very seriously. For the information of those who heard of it through the newspapers it should be stated that the publicity matter, which they saw came from individuals very close to Senator Phelan and is therefore regarded by the knowing republicans as a strategic move by Phelan to split the republican party in California next year in his own interest.

Hoover Kitchen Candidate. Hoover was heralded in this publicity matter as the "kitchen candidate," and it was said that he would be formidable among the women voters next year because of their intimate acquaintance with him by reason of their co-operative efforts in enforcing the food regulations during the war. The author of this theory perhaps did not know that Mr. Hoover was not especially popular in all the kitchens of the country.

Hoover calls himself a republican and resident of California and it is said that he has been busy acquiring newspapers in that state for several months, but it is doubted if he could get anywhere in his home state in a contest with Hiram Johnson. The only support that Hoover could expect in California would be from those who have always been enemies of Johnson's, and these constitute the element which most bitterly resented Hoover's endorsement last year of President Wilson's appeal for a democratic congress.

Polindexter Boom Mystery. The Polindexter boom is the most mysterious of all of the booms. It has had a vast amount of publicity, but just where it is getting no one knows. There are intimations that in New York and Pennsylvania there is an undercurrent of sentiment among leaders for the senator from Washington state. There is no doubt that Polindexter's frequent open attacks recently on bolshevism have made him some friends in quarters where he never before possessed support.

And bolshevism has been a big issue in the next campaign, no one seems to doubt.

The state primaries in South Dakota, at which all parties are to choose their candidates for presidential and select delegates to the national conventions instructed accordingly, will be held on the fourth Tuesday in March. This will be the first test.

Whether the man who will receive the nomination of the republican party for president in the next national convention has yet been mentioned in that connection is to many leading republicans a matter of much doubt.

UNION LEADERS SEEK FARMERS' ALLIANCE

LABOR CHIEFS OF NATION ARE CALLED TO WASHINGTON.

Workers to Plan Campaign to Combat "Grave Dangers Affecting Foundation of Structure."

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—"Fundamental principles" upon which organized labor may combat "grave dangers affecting the very foundation of its structure" are to be formulated at a conference of union chiefs in Washington, December 13.

Formal call for the conference today was sent to union leaders over the country. It was signed by members of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor and the chiefs of the railroad brotherhoods, who explained that the farmers' representatives who sat with these union officials Saturday did not feel they had authority to sign the call.

However, it was stated that the national farmers' organization now in session, or soon to meet, would be invited to send delegates with full power to act for these organizations. It is the purpose of the union leaders to form an alliance with the farmers' organizations for the carrying out of the campaign which will be mapped out.

Regarding purposes of the conference, the call said it was "imperative" that labor representatives adopt a program "which the wage earners will accept in performing their duties as citizens and at the same time maintaining the right of free men in order to conserve human interest and welfare."

ASHLAND BUDGET CARRIES

Increased Allowance for Schools Generally Approved.

ASHLAND, Or., Oct. 29.—(Special.)—With the lightest vote ever cast in Ashland, the 1920-1921 budget for the Ashland schools was carried at a special election held today. Of 40 votes cast six voters opposed the increased budget. The budget calls for \$52,726, of which amount \$3,195 is to be raised by a special district tax, the remainder coming from the estimated receipts of the district, these being county and state school funds.

This year's budget exceeds last year's by \$5500.

AIRPLANE STRIKES SLEIGH

Two Children Reported Killed and Three Injured.

HITLERDAL, Minn., Oct. 29.—Chrud Lomadahl, 8 years old, and Elsie Moe, 14, were killed and three persons were injured today when an airplane struck a sleigh carrying a doctor's children.

The pilot of the machine in landing did not see the sleigh in time to avoid it.

WANAMAKER IS ELECTED

Merchant Heads World's Sunday School Association.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—John Wanamaker today was elected chairman of the executive committee of the World's Sunday School association to succeed the late H. J. Heinz of Pittsburgh.

James W. Kinneer of Pittsburgh was chosen vice-chairman.

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U. S. TO MEET COAL STRIKE

Resources Mobilized to Avert Disaster.

WARTIME LAW REVIVED

Garfield Administration to Protect Public; Price Control to Curb Profiteers.

WALKOUT WILL BE TESTED

"Invading Army Attempts Deadly Attack," Announces Attorney-General Palmer.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—The government moved swiftly today to meet the nation-wide coal strike ordered for Saturday.

Refusal of the miners' organization at Indianapolis to withdraw the order calling out half a million men brought instant announcement that drastic action would be taken to keep the mines in operation.

Every resource of the government, in the words of Attorney-General Palmer, "will be used to prevent the national disaster" certain to follow the stoppage of work.

Workers to Be Protected. Adequate police protection, with troops as a last resort, if necessary, will be given those men desiring to remain at work.

Reports from government agents show that a big part of the miners ordered to quit work want to stay on the job.

Rights of the public will be protected through revival of price-control regulations. This means an early drop in the price of soft coal and gives assurance against profiteering.

As to those miners who go on strike and thereby curtail production, the food and fuel control law with its recently added criminal penalties of fine and imprisonment will be enforced without regard to persons. This attitude of the government, Attorney-General Palmer made clear, does not affect the right of workers to strike for redress of grievances in other cases where no violation of the law is involved.

Strike Action Denounced

Mr. Palmer's announcement of the government's plans, made after a consultation with Secretary Wilson, Director-General Hines, Assistant Attorney-General Ames, in charge of prosecutions under the food and fuel control law; Assistant Attorney-General Garvan, directing criminal prosecutions and investigations of the department of justice; Secretary Tumulty, representing the president, and Dr. Garfield, former fuel administrator, did not mince words in dealing with the strike.

"The proposed strike," the announcement declared, "would be a more deadly attack on the life of the nation than an invading army. The facts present a situation which challenges the supremacy of the law."

Legality to Be Tested

The position of the government was announced by Mr. Palmer as follows:

"There can be no doubt that the government has the power in the public interest, under the law, to deal with the projected strike of the bituminous coal miners without infringing upon the recognized right of men in any line of industry to work when they please and quit work when they please. The illegality of this strike can and will be established without in any way impairing the general right to strike, and the general right to strike is not in issue in any sense whatever in the present situation.

"This is true because the circumstances differentiate this case from the case of any other strike that has ever taken place in the country. It does not follow that every strike is lawful merely because the right to strike is recognized to exist. Every case must stand upon its own merits and be governed by its own facts. Therefore, when the president said in his statement last Saturday that 'such a strike in such circumstances is not only unjustifiable

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