

CRUCIAL TEST IN STRIKE ON TODAY

Decision as to Power of Miners Expected.

425,000 WORKERS NOW IDLE

Operators and Men Awaiting Day's Developments.

MANY MINERS ARE ACTIVE

Effect of Government Injunction Yet to Be Determined; Compulsory Operation Decried.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—A crucial test of strength in the great strike of soft coal miners which already has made idle more than 425,000 men, according to union leaders' claims, was awaited tonight by both operators and miners to develop tomorrow morning when the mine whistles sound the call to work.

Although the strike went into effect at midnight Friday, both sides to the controversy have agreed that Monday would prove the power or lack of it on the part of the United Mine Workers of America to stop production of bituminous coal.

In some sections, notably western Kentucky, union miners have continued at work under an agreement entered into several weeks ago.

Test Is Expected Today.

Tomorrow also will put to the test, in part at least, the power of the United States government as expressed through the injunction issued Friday by Federal Judge Anderson at Indianapolis restraining union officials from issuing further strike orders or encouraging the miners to join in the strike. Most union chiefs have immediate obedience to the government order but their men in most instances left the mines Friday and walked out yesterday when returning to work.

Union leaders, in announcing that more than 400,000 had quit work, declared the strike was virtually 100 per cent effective.

Coal operators did not wholly concede the union men's claims.

Non-Union Men at Work.

The operators pointed to practically normal production in the huge non-union mine fields of West Virginia and Pennsylvania, there being about 150,000 non-union miners in those two states. West Virginia operators maintained that production was about 50 per cent normal. About 50 per cent of Kentucky's 40,000 union miners also were at work yesterday under contracts.

In Alabama, where the miners' chiefs said 23,000 of the 26,000 miners had walked out, operators, while not denying the figures, pointed to some of the larger mines of that state as still in operation. In North Dakota most of the 1500 lignite miners remained at work.

In Utah the majority of the miners remained at work, it was reported, because of conflicting statements that the strike was off and that it was not off. At least 1000, however, had struck, it appeared.

Colorado Largely Closed.

Colorado's mining districts were largely closed down, although the Colorado Fuel & Iron company reported five mines in operation.

Yesterday's reports said only 500 of the 4800 miners in New Mexico had struck.

Elsewhere, especially in the great bituminous fields of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the strike apparently was fully effective.

The effect of the government's action in the strike, including the rehabilitation of the fuel administration and the seizure of coal in transit by the railroads for redistribution by regional committees, has not been indicated. The war department, it became known yesterday, had ordered the O'Garra mine, near Springfield, Ill., which supplies Camp Grant at Rockford, Ill., with coal to continue operation. The company was unable to comply as the miners remained away from the mine.

Compulsion Held Impossible.

Coal operators in many regions have expressed themselves as ready to operate if possible under government orders and protection. Union leaders generally have asserted that not even the government could compel the miners to work.

STRIKERS' JOBS STILL OPEN

Men Assured Welcome Back by Operators' Committee Chief.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 2.—Striking coal miners who return to work tomorrow will be treated as if they had never walked out, Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of the coal operators' scale committee, asserted tonight.

Mr. Brewster said coal operators in the central competitive field would not emulate New York wholesale coal dealers in asking President Wilson to give them representation on regional committees which will supervise the distribution of coal.

After being apprised of the suggestion of the advisory board of the

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AUTO RACER SLAIN; 8 HELD FOR MURDER

JOHN T. HUTCHINGS KILLED ON TEXAS ROADWAY.

Four Men and Four Women Implicated in Death of Pershing's Chauffeur on Expedition.

EL PASO, Tex., Nov. 2.—Four men and four women, one of the men dressed in the uniform of a United States army major, were held tonight charged with murder at Las Cruces, N. M., 45 miles north of El Paso, in connection with the death of John T. Hutchings of Alamogordo, N. M., who was shot and fatally wounded at 8 A. M. today while piloting an automobile in the El Paso to Phoenix cross-country race near Lanark, N. M., 16 miles west of here.

Hutchings was shot in the back, a bullet penetrating the automobile seat and lodging near the base of his spine. His motor car was traveling 45 miles an hour.

Oliver Lee, Hatcher's machinist, says he heard six shots fired.

Lee piloted the car with its wounded driver to Lanark. There Lee borrowed a rifle and returned to the scene of the shooting with Winchester Cooley and District Judge W. B. Howe, where they took into custody the eight persons held at Las Cruces. The four men and four women were occupants of an automobile.

Hutchings was chauffeur for General John J. Pershing when General Pershing commanded the punitive expedition into Mexico. He has won numerous automobile races in El Paso and Juarez, Mexico.

Warrants charging murder were issued at Las Cruces against Major F. M. Scanland, Harry G. Overstreet and "Chalk" Altman of El Paso and Fred Jackson of Alpine, Texas. Names of women in the warrants were Billie Bennett, Mrs. Overstreet, Mrs. P. L. Holbrook and E. M. McCheson of El Paso.

"It was only an accident," said Major Scanland. "We were target shooting and had a target on the same side of the road we were on."

CITATIONS TO BE SAVED

Congress Asked to Correct Law That Slight Oregon Men.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—Legislation to designate soldiers of the 44th and 45th field artillery regiments with the silver stars to which they are entitled for gallantry in the Mexican campaign, has been introduced in the Senate.

By a peculiar phraseology in the present law conferring these honors the men of these two regiments are deprived of their citations because their brigades, the 44th and 45th, were not commanded by a general, being instead under the command of Colonel J. D. Scott. The Summers bill cures this defect by providing that these citations shall be issued to men who were members in appropriate command of a general. The two regiments affected were composed mainly of Oregon, Washington and Idaho soldiers.

Colonel W. H. Walla commanded the 44th.

CHURCH HITS PROFITEER

Baptist Speaker Says 'Dirty Money' Should Not Be Touched.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Baptist churches throughout the country were urged to spurn money offered by profiteers, "the meanest kind of thieves," in a statement issued tonight by Rev. Dr. Samuel Zane Batten, secretary of the American Baptist publication society.

"Every Baptist church should know whether any of its members are engaged in the highway robbery or horse stealing," said Dr. Batten. "The church should refuse to touch the dirty money of these people. No self-respecting church would tolerate in its fellowship a person known to be guilty of highway robbery or horse stealing, and the sin of profiteering is meaner, blacker and more sinful than either of these. The church must make the will of God very plain on this subject."

COLONEL KENLY RESIGNS

Own Testimony in Air Service Probe Causes Retirement.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Nov. 2.—Colonel William L. Kenly, who rose to major-general during the war and who built up the army air service to the point of efficiency, has retired from the service on his own application.

It is understood that Colonel Kenly was practically forced from service. His testimony in the air service investigation obtained for him the bitter hatred of Secretary Baker and members of the general staff, which was first exhibited when Kenly was reduced from major-general to colonel and transferred from the air service, in which he had made a marvelous record, to the field artillery. Colonel Kenly is 54 years old and made a brilliant record as a flyer after he was 51. He was stationed at Vancouver Barracks, Washington, for six years.

POLICE TO KEEP CHARTER

Knoxville Union 6 to 1 Against Surrendering Labor Rights.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 2.—Knoxville union police, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, today voted six to one against surrendering their charter to that organization. This announcement was made tonight.

ANTI-STRIKE WAR STIRS ENGINEERS

Brotherhood Mildly Re-proves Uncle Sam.

INJUNCTION POLICY DECRIED

"Course Will Defer, If Not Defeat Settlement."

NEW COMMISSION URGED

Advisory Board Pleads for Assembly to Deal Broadly With Turbulent Conditions.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—Immediate steps for assembling at Washington of an industrial commission to deal broadly with present turbulent conditions was suggested today by the advisory board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Deploping the "attempt at government by injunction" as "a means of settling the coal strike," the board, speaking for 35,000 members, declared injunction proceedings would make conditions worse "and defer, if not defeat a peaceful settlement."

The board stood out for an industrial commission that would recognize the rights of all citizens and not be pledged to oppose collective bargaining. Its statement, the only formal one bearing on the strike issued here during the day, was considered a direct outgrowth of the miners' walkout, and was prepared after full and careful consideration of all questions leading up to the break between operators and mine workers.

Attorney-General Hospital.

The government's next move in the effort to keep the country supplied with fuel will depend upon what happens in the coal fields tomorrow.

Attorney-General Palmer and his associates were charged today with a confidential report.

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HALLOWEEN PARTY IS TRAILED BY DEATH

LANTERN SETS CLOTHING OF TWO LITTLE GIRLS AFIRE.

Boy Companion Valiantly Attempts to Smother Flames; Other Victim in Serious Condition.

Flames from a lighted Jack o' lantern catching upon a gauzy fairy costume worn by 11-year-old Mary Erin Haynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Haynes, of 35 West Nineteenth street, at a Halloween party Friday night, were responsible for the child's death Saturday. Her playmate and constant companion, Geraldine Dye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Dye, of the Bellecourt apartments, who was seriously burned about the body at the same time, is in a precarious condition and fear is for her recovery.

Mary was the guest of honor Friday night at a party at the home of Mrs. Booth, a neighbor living in the same block where she had a number of toys for a frolic. Mary and Geraldine, who is 10 years of age, and six other little girls, wore fairy costumes which they had used in an entertainment last spring.

About 8:15, the children, each with a Jack o' lantern, were marching about the room when Mary apparently stepped before an open door. A draft sucked her light making dress into the flame and the child was aflame immediately. Geraldine, who was next in line, could not avoid the blaze and the inflammable material in which they were clothed burned as torches. Their hair and every bit of clothing they wore, with the exception of stockings and slippers, was burned.

Child Rushes Into Yard.

Geraldine, in fright, rushed into the yard. The flames were apparently blown behind her and she suffered less serious burns. Mary, on the other hand, was taken in charge by guests. A small boy, one of her playmates, endeavored to stifle the burning garments by throwing a grass rug about the child, but this increased the blaze and the youngster's hands were badly burned. Others said a coat was thrown about Mary, but this, too, failed of effect. Mrs. Haynes was sent for immediately and arrived in time to see Geraldine still tearing off her burning garments. Both children were taken to the Haynes home and medical aid was sent for. As soon as possible Geraldine was moved to the Bellecourt.

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HOWELL JURY FAILS TO REACH AGREEMENT

JUDGE COKE ORDERS DISCHARGE OF 12 MEN.

MURDER OF LILLIAN LEUTHOLD, DELIBERATES 29 HOURS.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Nov. 2.—(Special)—Judge John S. Coke discharged the jury in the Harold Howell case when the jury reported, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, that it could not reach an agreement. The jury had deliberated since Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, 29 hours.

Herold Howell was tried on a charge of murdering Lillian Leuthold of Bandon. The boy was 15 and the girl 16.

No information was obtained as to what portion of the jury favored conviction, although it was reported last night eight were for conviction. The trial opened October 27 and continued six days.

MRS. IDA HAWLEY SUICIDE

Dependancy Caused by Illness Is Held Responsible.

Dependancy as the result of illness is believed to have actuated Mrs. Ida May Hawley, 1170 Clinton street, who committed suicide yesterday by taking poison. She died about 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Hawley had been in the Mount View sanitarium, East Seventy-sixth and Division streets, for several months on account of illness. About a month ago she returned to her home, but she still suffered from illness and dependancy.

She was the wife of N. M. Hawley and had a daughter and son. The body was turned over to Deputy Coroner Leo Goetsch.

IRISH COURT DISFIGURED

Malcontents Paint Sinn Fein Flag on Wall; Royal Arms Changed.

BELFAST, Nov. 2.—The magistrates of the police court at Belfast, County Down, on entering court yesterday found the royal arms over the bench defaced and with the outline of a skull drawn over them, together with the inscription "R. I. M. P. (Republican) Ireland." A large Sinn Fein flag was painted on the wall with the flag of the Irish republic beneath it.

The republican flag is also flying

HEALTH CRUSADE COMING

Country-Wide Drive for Boys to Start Tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—A country-wide drive to improve the health of the 6,000,000 boys in the United States between the ages of 15 and 20, will be launched here tomorrow and Wednesday by the public health service.

State boards of health, Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., rotary clubs and other organizations will participate.

38 MEN ROOM IN WHITE HOUSE RACE

Wood and Lowden Lead for Republicans.

HOOPER MAY BE 'DARK HORSE'

Palmer Towers Above McAdoo; Taft Mentioned.

WILSON POPULARITY GONE

Sentiment in 20 States Grows in Favor of Republican Administration in 1920.

BY CARL W. ACKERMAN.

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Thirty-eight men stand upon the political stage today as potential candidates for the presidency of the United States. Sixteen of these are democrats, 21 are republicans and one is neutral.

Scanning the country in conjunction with some of the political leaders of the past, I find there are at least 100 other names of leaders of sovereign states or ambitious officials of great municipalities, but those whose aspirations are still within the confines of one community have been deliberately eliminated. To print the names of all the self-determined presidents would require the issuance of a national political directory.

Therefore, the 38 names which follow constitute the leading candidates before the public, east and west, north and south, the year before the national election of 1920. Among them there may be one who will be the successor of Woodrow Wilson.

38 Names Listed.

The thirty-eight possible candidates appear to be:

Democratic—President Wilson, Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, Ambassador John W. Davis, former Ambassador James W. Gerard, William R. Hearst, Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall, former Secretary of the Navy, Senator Charles McNary, Senator Charles McNary, Senator Arthur Capper, Senator Albert B. Cummins, H. P. Davidson, Governor Ole Hanson of Seattle, Charles E. Hughes, Senator Warren Harding, Senator Hiram W. Johnson, Senator P. C. Knox, Senator H. C. Lodge, Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois, Senator R. La Follette, General John J. Pershing, Senator Miles Poindexter, William H. Thompson, Major General Leonard Wood, Senator J. E. Watson, Frank A. Vanderlip.

Neutral—Herbert Hoover.

While there are 38 men with the greatest national prominence as presidential candidates, of the two leading political parties, it is no secret among the men whose business it is to watch and report on political developments that the leading republican candidates today are General Wood, Governor Lowden, William H. Taft and Hiram Johnson, with the republican ticket would probably be "Wood and Lowden," the democratic ticket "Palmer and Cox," with a third party headed by Johnson and supported by Reed, Hearst, Clark and Borah.

Sentiment Is Reflected.

This is not to be interpreted as a political forecast, because during the present campaign period of politics any prophecy would be nothing more than a "wild guess." The above statement is nothing more or less than a reflection of the political party sentiment as I found it upon my tour of the country, which took me to 29 states, coupled with the speculation and observations of a score or more possible candidates and political leaders in this city. Personally, I am inclined to think that there will be such a shifting of political scenery between now and next June that some of the men who today are considered the "strongest" candidates may find their "oomph" eclipsed by the rising tide of sentiment in favor of a "new deal" on politics. It should be pointed out that what sentiment there is today in favor of almost one man, with the possible exception of Hoover and Taft, if not Wilson, too, is due directly or indirectly to the expressions of political interest by friends of certain candidates or to the use of a political organization to crystallize party or

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MACHINE GUNS USED ON RIOTERS IN EGYPT

MANY CASUALTIES REPORTED IN ALEXANDRIA DISORDERS.

Mob Plunders Homes and Escapes With Loot; Procession of Strikers Ends in Rioting.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Cairo says the rioters at Alexandria were dispersed by the use of machine guns, and that there were many casualties.

CAIRO, Egypt, Oct. 31.—(By the Associated Press).—There was further rioting and looting in Alexandria today.

A mob, unhindered, plundered various houses for an hour and escaped with the loot.

A number of the leading citizens of Alexandria had prevailed on the governor to withdraw the police and troops, undertaking that there would be neither demonstration nor disorder. Nevertheless a procession of striking cartmen, accompanied by several thousand natives, marched at noon to the European quarter, uttering nationalist cries.

There was no disorder until suddenly an army ambulance dashed into the procession, killing one person and injuring five. Thereupon the demonstrators broke loose and plundered unhindered for an hour. Eventually order was restored by the citizens who had guaranteed peace appealing to the mob. The police and troops did not interfere.

There were disorders in other parts of the town which were accompanied by shooting.

MISSING BOY IS FOUND

Lad Searching for Parents While They Are Looking for Him.

While Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hestinger of the Warrington apartments have been frantically searching for their 11-year-old son Theodore, whom they believed lost, the boy has been seeking his parents since Thursday morning. He found them last night and a misunderstanding arising from a misinterpretation of a long-distance telephone call was explained.

The boy came to Portland from Tonawanda, Wash., where he had been passing three months. His parents expected him at 7 P. M. Thursday, but he did not arrive in town in the morning and he "couldn't be reached" and

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PETROGRAD NOW HUNGRY

City Without Bread and Thousands Are Dying Daily.

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Nov. 2.—Petrograd has been without bread for two weeks and thousands of persons are dying daily, according to information brought to Helsingfors by a Finn who escaped from a prison camp at Moscow.

The population of Petrograd has fallen below 400,000, he said. Conditions in Moscow, the Finn reported, were much better.

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 2.—A dispatch to the Times from Helsingfors says the famine in Petrograd is assuming terrible proportions. Forty thousand persons have died within a month, it is declared.

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Chicago attorney says he had yesterday heard the noise, but was so frightened that she feared to offer assistance. She said it sounded a number of times as though the combatants had fallen down.

Mrs. Foran reported that when she made an investigation this morning there were huge pools of blood on the floor, presumably coming from cuts in Father Cronin's face. The bed sheets and his night clothing also were tied in knots.

Acting Captain of Detectives John Moloney was notified of the hold-up early yesterday morning and immediately dispatched. Inspectors Pat Stoney and LaSalle to work on the case. The officers expressed the belief last night that arrests would be made within a day as a result of their efforts.

Another hold-up was reported to the police bureau yesterday morning, making four for the preceding night.

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CATHOLIC PRIEST FIGHTS ROBBERS

Father Cronin in Hospital in Dazed Condition.

CALL OF SICK ANSWERED

Battle Starts on Lawn While Waiting for Taxicab.

THUGS INVADE RESIDENCE

Pastor Loses Watch, Money and One Tooth; Rooms of Dwelling Are Ransacked.

Two robbers, one of whom was armed with a club, made a bold attack on Rev. Father Cronin, pastor of All Saints Catholic church in Laurelhurst, as he was standing in front of his home, East Thirty-ninth and Hoyt streets, waiting for a taxicab early yesterday morning. After one of the assailants knocked the priest down because of his refusal to throw up his hands, they pursued him inside the house, continuing their attack until they had left him stunned and almost unconscious.

Dazed as he was and with some bad wounds and cuts about the face and head, Rev. Mr. Cronin, following the departure of the thugs, responded to a call received previous to the attack to the bedside of Mrs. Walter Gruder, a parishioner living at East Thirty-ninth and Knott streets and who was thought to be dying.

Valuable Watch Taken.

Following his arrival there he was taken to St. Vincent's hospital by Dr. W. H. Skene, who was attending the woman.

The two robbers took a valuable watch belonging to Father Cronin and what money he had on his person and also ransacked the house, appearing in search for money and

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