

LITTLE HOPE HELD OF AVOIDING STRIKE

Bituminous Walkout on April 1 Is Expected.

PARLEY PLEAS DENIED

Coal Operators Said to Continue to Refuse to Enter Conference With Mine Workers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.—Little hope for averting a strike in the bituminous coal fields on April 1 was held out today in those official circles which are most concerned with the repeated government attempts to bring about an adjustment of wage agreement differences. Mine operators it was said, were continuing refusal to enter a conference with the United Mine Workers, looking to the creation of a wage contract for the central competitive field, notwithstanding representations made to them by Secretary of Labor Davis, who holds that existing contracts require them at least to enter negotiations regardless of whether such negotiations are carried to completion.

Labor Willing to Confer.

The United Mine Workers of America, the general union organization, was declared to be entirely willing to enter a conference, although insisting upon the maintenance of existing wage scales, which were adopted in 1920. The employers are demanding reductions amounting to 20 per cent or more.

It was indicated in official circles today that the government would go no further at present, but to await the development of the threatened strike. The degree of possible government intervention later, it was said, would be determined by the degree to which the strike, if it developed, might affect adversely the public welfare. The committee assembled for the labor department indicate that 65,000,000 tons of coal are now in storage, against a total of 100,000,000 tons for the entire country, that this amount is rapidly being augmented and that the coal situation is tending to increase. Local agreements between the union and operators are also expected to go into effect on or before April 1, which would insure maintenance of further operations.

Davis' Policy Hands-Off.

Secretary Davis was said to be maintaining a policy of hands-off with reference to the anthracite situation on the ground that operators and miners were conferring and that prospects were at least hopeful that wage contracts would be made. Officials declared there was no reason to believe that the coal situation was spreading to other industries and took occasion to point out that in 1903 when a general strike occurred in the anthracite regions, former President Roosevelt did not interfere until it had been in progress for six months.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, was expected to arrive in Washington today, but union representatives here said he would then go immediately to New York to participate in the anthracite negotiations.

LABOR DELEGATES READY

Quick Agreement Predicted if Mine Owners Give Way.

NEW YORK, March 13.—Anthracite mine workers assembled here to complete arrangements for the joint conference with the operators on Wednesday expressed confidence today that the negotiations for a new wage agreement will not be protracted unless the mine owners refuse to concede from their demands for a cut in wages under the present scale.

MILLAGE TAX CUT URGED

(Continued From First Page.) The increase for all taxes is 87.9 per cent. The percentage of delinquency in Malheur county is 47.1.

Denial was made by State Senator Strayer of Baker that the people are responsible for the big tax load. He insisted that the responsibility rests with the legislature and the press, as well as the electorate, arguing that the press has not dissuaded people from voting for taxes.

Vote Limitation Urged.

Senator Strayer, who was a member of the ways and means committee of the 1921 session of the legislature, recommended that the commission propose a constitutional amendment which will prevent a tax on a taxpayer from voting on measures where financial matters are at issue. He held that non-taxpayers are important factors in saddling on the taxpayers costs which they themselves will not have to carry. Non-taxpayers outnumber the taxpayers and are in position to put over any measure by weight of numbers. If he had his way, he said, no measure could be initiated until it had first been offered to the legislature and turned down.

An attack was made on the high cost of education by the senator. He said that faculty members visit high schools and do all they can to induce students to go to one of the institutions of higher learning and then these same school people go to the legislature and demand more appropriations saying they are swamped with applications of students. President

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SHUT-OUT OF ROADS AT HEARING FAILS

Labor Board Vice-Chairman Blocks Attempt.

ISSUE IS HELD BIG ONE

Action on Cases of Three Lines Involving Violation of Transportation Act Due Soon.

CHICAGO, March 13.—An attempt to bar a number of railroads from the present wage hearings before the United States railroad labor board failed today when Vice-Chairman Hooper ruled against evidence presented by railway employees to show that the roads had violated the law and therefore have no standing before the board.

Three Cases Pending.

Cases against the Erie, the Indiana Harbor and the New York Central are pending before the board. All involve the sub-letting of shop work to contractors, all of whom are paying lower wages than the scale set for railroad shopmen by the board.

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GREEK KING TAKES HAND

Marine Minister Ordered to Form New Cabinet.

Nicolas Soratos Charged With Reorganization of Government as Result of Crisis.

ATHENS, March 13.—(By the Associated Press.)—King Constantine has charged Nicolas Soratos, ex-minister of marine, with the formation of a new cabinet.

LONDON, March 13.—The Athens correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company reported the resignation of the cabinet today. He added that a prolonged crisis is expected, as it is unlikely the liberals can form a government which will survive.

The Greek government was defeated in the chamber of deputies at Athens Friday when Premier Gounaris was refused a vote of confidence, 181 to 156. He had previously announced that as the allies desired to establish peace in the near east, he had accepted their mediation on condition that they agreed regarding the peace terms.

Some of the supporters of the premier were said to have abstained from voting, and M. Gounaris was presumed then to hold the situation well in hand. He was requested by the king to consult with the chiefs of the different parties and leaders of the parliamentary groups with a view to the reconstitution of the ministry. It also was reported that he had submitted his resignation at that time.

Demetrios Gounaris has been twice premier of Greece, having held the post for five months in 1915.

1 DEAD, 50 HURT IN BLOW

Tornado Wrecks Many Buildings in Oklahoma Town.

SULPHUR, Okla., March 13.—One man was killed, more than 50 persons were injured and scores of buildings were wrecked when a tornado struck Sulphur today.

While more than 50 persons received injuries, less than a dozen were in hospitals early tonight.

About 50 buildings were wrecked, most of them residences.

Property damage is estimated at about \$100,000, with considerable other damage to the telephone and electric light wires.

PLANE'S TAIL SPIN FATAL

Lieutenant Niedermeyer Falls Several Thousand Feet to Death.

DAYTON, Ohio, March 13.—Lieutenant Frederick W. Niedermeyer Jr. of McCook field was killed late today when a monoplane in which he was doing combat problems fell several thousand feet in a tail spin.

Niedermeyer's home was said to be in Columbia, Mo.

LOOT FROM BANK FOUND

(Continued From First Page.) bank notes, stamps and cash were still unaccounted for, but it was thought that with Frank's find and the loot which was found in Walters' suitcase, that practically the whole theft would be accounted for.

Walters' Arrest Only One.

Thus far Walters' arrest was the only one in the case and the brunt of the investigation by police of the various cities and Burns detectives will be directed against him. The police said last night that if he were sent to Portland they would examine

him with regard to the papers found here before sending him on to Centerville.

List of Bonds Received.

Following is the list of bonds found by Mr. Frank:

- Albert Clockner, one \$50 gold certificate.
- Andrew Lintetta, six \$50 bonds, two \$100 bonds and one \$1000 bond.
- Gustava Niemela, one \$50 bond, one \$100 bond.
- Wilber Crocker, one \$50 bond.
- W. B. Hayden, one \$50 bond.
- Elma Mattson, one \$50 bond.
- H. Masters, one \$50 bond, four \$100 bonds.
- Jacob Lawery, one \$50 bond, five \$100 bonds.
- John W. Miller, one \$50 bond, two \$100 bonds.
- Estrella Mattson, one \$50 bond.
- Edward L. Clockner, one \$50 bond.
- Edna C. Clockner, one \$50 bond.
- Theodore Jaskol, one \$50 bond, eight \$100 bonds.
- George Garner, one \$100 bond.
- Herman Helkka, one \$100 bond, three shares of elevator stock.
- Lillian Garner, two \$100 bonds, one \$500 bond.
- Minnie McKillip, two \$100 bonds.
- Frank Mattson, one \$100 bond.
- Adolph Matta, one \$50 bond, five \$100 bonds.
- William Ahola, one \$50 bond, one \$100 bond.
- Charles Willdaman, three \$100 bonds.
- Mary Masters, three \$100 bonds and one \$500 bond.
- J. W. Miller, three \$100 bonds.
- Wilber Crocker, two \$100 bonds.
- Fay Milligan, one \$50 bond.
- Estrella Mattson, one \$50 bond.
- John E. Klockner, five shares of Centerville Elevator stock.

One receipt from the Farmers State bank to Mr. Jacobson for \$200 worth of "liberty" bonds.

SUSPECT CAUGHT AT TACOMA

Safety Deposit Boxes in Bank of Centerville Looted.

TACOMA, Wash., March 13.—William Walters, 50, was arrested when he alighted from a train at the union station here today and was held for investigation in connection with the robbery of the Farmers State bank at Centerville, Wash., last Thursday night. He will be sent to Portland, Stamps, bank notes and cash, believed to have been taken from the Centerville bank, were found upon him, according to Captain of Detectives John Strickland.

The Centerville bank was robbed last Thursday night when yeggs tunneled through the brick wall and, after vainly trying to force the continuation of the time lock, turned attention to the safety deposit boxes, looting a score of them.

While an overturned automobile with \$7000 in deposit checks was found near The Dalles, Or., accounting for part of the missing securities, \$2000 in bank notes, stamps and cash was still unaccounted for. It was believed the robbers made their way by train to Portland after abandoning the wrecked machine.

Fugitive Held in Seattle.

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 13.—St. A. Woods, wanted here on a charge of petty larceny, has been arrested in Seattle and is being held until Frank Cornelius, deputy sheriff, can get there and bring him back. It is charged that Woods solicited advertising for a booklet published by troops in Vancouver barracks, and failed to turn over all of the money he collected.

Veteran Sends Bonus Thanks.

SALEM, Or., March 13.—(Special.)—T. G. Zimmerman, ex-service man of Pendleton, has written a letter to Sam A. Koeber, secretary of state, thanking the officials and the voters at large for the so-called soldiers' bonus. Mr. Zimmerman said his check had arrived and that it was much appreciated.

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—The makers of these dresses have benefited by many style ideas from Paris, but important, too, to note they have applied touches that are delightfully American. The shades, of course, are what they should be for the springtime—newest colors and color combinations that are thoroughly fascinating; navy blue, brown and black also in evidence. The prices are \$19.75, \$25.00, \$29.75, and upward to \$75.00.

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