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OVER 500,000 COAL MINERS ARE OUT OF WORK TODAY

Differences Over New Agreement Ties up Bituminous Fields Generally.

SOUTHWEST OPERATORS SAY THEY CAN'T COMPLY

Claim That Gas and Oil Competition Make it Impossible for Them.

(By Associated Press.) INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 1.—Celebrating today the anniversary of the constitution of the eight-hour day in the mines of the country, 300,000 bituminous coal miners faced an enforced holiday of unknown duration. In May States the two-year wage contracts expired last night and the miners quit the pits, demanding that the new contracts provide a wage increase of 5.55 per cent per ton on screened coal and an equivalent increase on run of the mine coal. The adjustment of the difficulty may be a matter of weeks or days. In the Brazil block coal district of Indiana, the operators have conceded the wage demand of the miners.

Conferences of the miners' organizations and operators' associations in several districts have been arranged.

OHIO MINERS STRIKE.

Over 40,000 Men Quit Work in That State.

(By Associated Press.) COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 1.—All the union bituminous coal miners in Ohio, numbering about 40,000, are out. Some operators declare it will take weeks to adjust the differences.

GRANT RAISE IN SOUTHEAST

Over 45,000 Non-Union Miners Given Five Per Cent Increase.

(By Associated Press.) BALTIMORE, Md., April 1.—About 45,000 unorganized coal miners in Maryland, North and West Virginia, and Southern Pennsylvania have received an advance in wages of 5 per cent, according to an announcement made here today. No demand had been made for more pay, but the mine owners decided that on account of the high cost of living the men were entitled to the increase. This means an increase in the payroll in the three districts of approximately \$20,000 a week.

MINERS WILL WORK.

Declare Shut-Down of Pending Negotiations.

(By Associated Press.) DUBOISE, Pa., April 1.—At the opening session of the special convention of miners of District No. 2, United Mine Workers of America, it was decided that the action passed recently shutting down the mines of the central district pending negotiations, must be rescinded and that work will be resumed and continued at the discretion of the convention. This action was taken because the operators charged the miners with unfairness in closing down the mines when no opportunity was given for negotiations.

BANK IS CLOSED.

Home Securities Bank in Bellingham Forced to Suspend.

(By Associated Press.) BELLINGHAM, Wash., April 1.—The Home Securities Bank was closed by the State Bank Examiner Mohundro today. It is a small institution with liabilities of \$293,000 with paper assets of the same amount. The

KANSAS CITY FIELD IDLE

Operators Declare They Cannot Concede Demands of Miners.

(By Associated Press.) KANSAS CITY, April 1.—Practically none of the 35,000 miners in the Southwest interstate field are reported at work today. The operators say the closing of the mines is not a lockout as they are willing to continue the contract made with the miners two years ago. They say that competitive fuel in the shape of oil and gas and the fact that coal is shipped into this district from Colorado, West Virginia, non-union fields, make it impossible for them to grant the demands of the miners. One operator said should the price of coal be raised to permit meeting the demands of the miners, only gas and oil will be burned in Kansas City and the five hundred million dollars invested in the mines in the Southwestern district will be idle and useless.

STRIKE STARTS ON TOWBOATS

Pilots and Masters of New York Harbor Craft Walk Out Today.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, April 1.—The strike of the pilots and masters of towboats operated by four railroads today threw several hundred men out of employment and activity in the harbor is considerably diminished. The masters and pilots demand an increase in pay and better hours. Several of the railroads operating marine departments have granted the increase.

MOORE JURY STILL OUT. Unable to Decide Case of Portland Banker.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—The case of Banker Walter H. Moore, the indicted president of the defunct Oregon Trust and Savings Bank, had not reached an agreement at 1 o'clock, after being out twenty-six hours. It is still deliberating.

CHICAGO HAS STRIKE ALSO

Painters and Decorators Start Labor Struggle There Today.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, Ill., April 1.—One thousand painters and decorators struck today for 5 cents an hour wage increase. It is feared that by night 4000 more will join them. There is also danger of a sympathetic strike from the allied trades unions. deposits amount to \$10,000. A number of real estate loans and investments on which the bank was unable to realize caused the failure. The lands are largely irrigated lands in Eastern Washington. The bank examiner is unable to estimate at this time the possible loss to depositors, but believes it will be small. W. D. Outman of Portland, Ore., is the president, succeeding H. J. Welby on January 1st, when it was realized the bank was involved. The bank was one of the city's depositories but the city funds are fully protected.

PUT DYNAMITE ON CAR TRACKS

Five Cars in Philadelphia Shattered, But Occupants Escaped—Expect Trouble With Women Sympathizers.

(By Associated Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 1.—Five street cars were dynamited in this city last night and early today.

Windows were shattered, but no one was injured. A reward of \$500 is offered by the company for the arrest and conviction of anyone placing explosives on the track. The police refused a permit for a parade of woman sympathizers on Saturday, but the preparations for the march continue, however. Later the proposed parade of women was postponed until a week from tomorrow.

RAMONA HERE EARLY TODAY

Change in Schedule is Being Arranged for Five-Day Service.

The Ramona arrived in at 4 o'clock this morning from Portland, after a good trip down the coast. She had about seventy passengers and considerable freight. Vice-President Mills is now figuring on a new schedule between here and Portland, figuring on making the round trip in five days. When it will be inaugurated has not been determined yet. The plan is to have the Ramona leave Portland in the morning instead of in the evening and make the trip down the Columbia in daylight and make the run to Coos Bay during the night, reaching here early the next morning. It is barely possible the new schedule will not be established until the Breakwater returns from San Francisco, which now it is believed will not be until about May 1st. The Ramona will sail from here at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Among the passengers arriving on the Ramona were the following: George Rourke and wife, Miss E. Boyd, E. Wood, Wm. Kranke, Miss Billings, M. Phillips, H. Chaney, E. Hilber, B. Sifford, Z. Agee, W. A. Wood, B. Hutchinson, J. P. Hutchinsen, Mrs. E. Smith, E. Smith, L. Watson, J. F. Karstend and wife, F. Homer, F. Crosby, H. Jackson, H. A. Canfield, A. Lundberg, J. A. Muschelman, Geo. Peoples, Frank R. Moore, L. Tension, S. H. Soule, R. Chisley, Miss Morris D. McDonald, F. Menzer, C. Peart, Mrs. Peart, R. Peart, W. Knox, Chas. Abbott, Jas. Doe, W. F. Schroeder, Miss E. Solve, J. C. Jones, C. Strleker, Geo. King, Mrs. Claphaw, Jas. Thornton, G. Soren, Miss Claphaw, V. Claphaw, J. Claphaw, B. Claphaw, Rev. Jones C. Fox, F. A. Saltus, J. A. Ward, Mrs. J. A. Ward, W. H. Greece, A. B. Daly, M. J. Phelan, P. Margulus, Geo. Lawrence, J. R. Green, Z. Lawton, Gus Lind, Chas. Dullew, E. Siddle, D. Summers, W. Giddings, W. McArthur, Mrs. Hume.

BETTER TIMES SAYS F. S. DOW

Big Crops in California Insure Good Season and Lower Prices.

Agent F. S. Dow returned on the M. F. Plant after an extended trip through California, having visited all the principal points there. He says that the prospects are for the most prosperous season California has had in years. The big crops in the San Joaquin valley insure a big supply and prices, he believes, will be considerably lower than in the past. He visited his parents at National City and found them enjoying excellent health. He states that most of the State is glad that the Panama Canal Exposition is to be located at San Francisco instead of San Diego. While at San Francisco, Mr. Dow arranged for the shipment of a better class of fruit here this year than have been secured in the past. Heretofore the best fruit has been shipped to Eastern markets but now Coos Bay will secure this class instead of the second class fruit that has heretofore been furnished most of the Coast markets. The M. F. Plant was delayed on the trip up by strong head winds. The Plant will sail from here at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Among those arriving on the M. F. Plant were the following: Ben Rigdon, E. R. Nienstadt, S. T. Marshall, Geo. Bruckman, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. A. Pollock, William Saunders, Mrs. Saunders, J. Saunders, G. H. Resky, J. C. Gray, R. P. Hughes, Paul Schillerstrom, D. M. Rezin, J. S. Cole, Chas. Humphrey, Mrs. Humphrey, C. A. Humphrey, Miss Humphrey, Mrs. Mae Emerald, F. S. Dow, Miss Mary Black, Mrs. Earl, Miss L. Erickson, C. T. Cessna, Mrs. Cessna, C. T. Cessna Jr., and wife, and two children; J. Flanagan, G. B. Sherman, J. Somers, J. Welch, W. Mackin, Wm. Reilly, Carl Cist, V. Fernandez, J. Deros, J. Cullock, S. Westrick and J. Cist.

"CLEANUP DAY" IS TOMORROW

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"The only thing that we now need to make our work complete from present indications," said a committee of ladies today after they had completed a preliminary tour, "is 'steen gallons of paint or even whitewash liberally applied to the buildings along the waterfront. Many of the water front property owners have done beautifully in cleaning up and only a few lots or places now present a belittled appearance. But the weatherworn hue of the buildings is still an eyesore and while the removal of the pieces of old lumber and other debris adds a thousand per cent to the estimate that newcomers form of us at first sight as it eliminates the shiftless impression, still the lack of paint or whitewash gives that ancient decrepit appearance that we women loathe."

"And I think any man worth while feels the same about it," tersely interjected another woman. But the plans for removing the debris and rubbish are going ahead fine. At a meeting of the A. N. W. Club yesterday, the final plans for the campaign were talked over. Mayor Straw and Marshal Carter have got into the game for all they are worth and say that they will have every person prosecuted who does not heed the request of the ladies and published notice that garbage and debris will not be tolerated in streets, alleys or lots in town.

The liverymen of the town have also got the spirit and the Helmsler & Miller, and the Malloy liveries have promised the use of a wagon, team and driver free all day to the ladies to haul away debris. If you have any debris that you have been unable to haul away, gather it up at a spot convenient to the street and notify any of the ladies tomorrow and they will see that it is taken care of. Every part of town is being thoroughly canvassed and the different committees responsible for the different sections are exhibiting considerable rivalry as to which committee will do the most effective work.

BUGGY PAINT AT MILNER'S. "TAG DAY" TO BE LIVELY ONE

Scores of Women Will Enter Campaign For Free Public Library Tomorrow.

Tomorrow is "Tag Day," and if you are not tagged up one side and down the other with a few tied on, the writer misses his guess by a mile. Everybody is taking hold of it and if a man, woman, or child in Marshfield escapes buying a tag to help the free public library for the city, it will be because they have learned how to say "No," and to repeat it a dozen times. Incidentally, a spirit of contest has been awakened and the rivalry between some of the women's clubs promises to be a feature of the day. Today, the clubs are arranging for headquarters down town from where the members can work during the day. All day will be tag day, and the canvass will start early and will not end until late in the evening. It is prophesied that more than 3000 tags will be sold.

AETNA RESUMES AGAIN. (By Associated Press.) CATANIA, April 1.—The eruption of Mount Aetna was renewed with increased intensity yesterday. Lava is flowing in the direction of Borreio at the rate of 112 feet an hour.

STREET DUEL FATAL. (By Associated Press.) HERRINS, Ill., April 1.—In a duel in the streets here, Special Policeman Robert Hilton was killed by Otis Kearney, who died later. Kearney and a friend had been arrested and the friend resisted.

PEARY IS DONE. (By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, April 1.—Commander Peary, who arrived in Chicago today, declared he was positively through with polar exploration for all time. The reports that he would lead an antarctic expedition are unfounded, he says.

COMMITTEE PROBING CHARGES AGAINST BALLINGER WRANGLE

APRIL FOOL JOKES TODAY

Usual Ones Sprung, But Only One Attempt Made on Railroad Stunt.

Today is "All Fool's Day," and many of the usual jokes were sprung, such as tying pocket-books to the sidewalk, etc. Some had a scheme fixed up to pull off a fine "April Fool" joke on the people generally, by springing a bogus announcement of the starting of actual construction on a railroad to Coos Bay, but at the last minute their hearts failed them. G. A. Bennett and Herman Hillyer perpetrated the only railroad joke of the day, but it was so plain it only brought a good laugh to those who saw it. It was a notice on the bulletin board that G. A. Bennett had just received a telegram from Paradise valley that the Southern Pacific had bought two blind mules and four tons of hay there and it was expected that they would shortly announce the resumption of work on the Drain line to Coos Bay.

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Senator Nelson Criticises Glavis' Attorney and Arouses Clash.

DEMOCRATS ARE OPPOSED TO HIM.

Chairman of Committee Finally Sustained on Vote on Motion.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The taking of testimony in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation was interrupted by the most serious clash among the Senators and Representatives that has yet marked the proceedings. Chairman Nelson accused Attorney Brandeis of concealing certain facts and brought from the latter a demand that the remarks be stricken from the record together with the intimation that if the chairman followed the proceedings more closely he would see where his remarks were unjust. Some of the Democratic members of the committee moved to direct the chairman to withdraw his remarks and it was this motion that brought on a quarrel among the members of the committee that lasted an hour. Senator Nelson refused to withdraw the statement. A motion to lay the whole matter on the table was finally adopted by a vote of six to three, the Democrats demanding a roll call.

DENIAL IS MADE. Attorney Todd Claims Jones' Evidence Was Incorrect.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—The Ballinger-Pinchot hearing went on today with Ballinger's counsel in charge of the presentation of evidence. Elmer E. Todd, United States District Attorney at Seattle, was the first witness, and contradicted certain statements made by Special Agent H. T. Jones, when he was testifying for Louis P. Glavis. He said "The statement that I had advised against criminal action in the Alaska cases because Judge Hanford was constitutionally opposed to land fraud trials generally, was absolutely false." The witness denied having had conferences with Jones as reports were made to show that Jones was working when he was not. In the cross examination as to a letter Glavis had written to the department at Washington urging criminal proceedings in certain cases soon led the committee into a quarrel which lasted nearly an hour, and brought out with a new strength the partisan feeling which had grown up.

COAST LEAGUE BALL SCORES

Portland and San Francisco Tie When Darkness Falls Yesterday.

(By Associated Press.) PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—The scores in yesterday's games of the Pacific Coast League were as follows: San Francisco 2; Portland 2. Game called on account of darkness. Oakland 3; Sacramento 2. Los Angeles 4; Vernon 10.

THE WHEAT MARKET.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO, March 31.—Wheat closed as follows: May, \$1.14; July, \$1.08 1/2; September, \$1.05 1/2. TACOMA, Wash., March 31.—Bluestem wheat offered in lots of 20,000 bushels, \$1; Club, 99c; export quotations nominal. PORTLAND, Ore., March 31.—Track wheat prices: Club, 98c; Bluestem, \$1.02 and \$1.03; Red Russian, 98c; Turkey Red, \$1; Valley, \$1.

SEWING machines at MILNER'S. BARREL Churns at MILNER'S.