

MINERS OF WEST SEEK AFFILIATION

President of Western Federation Bears Olive Branch to U. M. W. A. Convention.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 20.—The end of the long standing strife between the United Mine Workers of America and the Western Federation of Miners is believed to be in sight through the action today of President Meyer of the western organization in appearing before the mine workers' convention here today seeking reconciliation.

Meyer proposed that the mine workers should appoint a committee to bring about the union of the two organizations or at least a close working agreement.

Meyer declared it was the dream of his life to secure the amalgamation of the two organizations.

Murderous Greed.
The great loss of lives in the coal mines of the country is due to the greed of the mine owners to increase their profits and avoid the expenditure of good hard cash for safety appliances for the protection of those who provide the coal supply of the country, is the charge made against the mine owners by J. E. McCulloch, vice president of the United Mine Workers of America, in his annual report submitted to the organization late yesterday.

The vice president terms this a national disgrace and murder of the most heinous nature. He says that as long as the public gets its fuel all right, and the main aim of the owners is to make profit, relief can be hoped for only through united action of the miners themselves.

The various diseases which destroy human life have awakened public interest and obtained the support of the best citizens to prevent and destroy their blighting influences, but those who perform the labor of the land, supply the wants and needs of all, live and work amid dangers, squalor and disease, receive little or no attention, save a few dollars during periods of aroused sentiment and sympathy such as that following the Cherry mine disaster.

CENTRAL FIGURE IN FAMOUS CASE

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connection with the death of Rice. He was sentenced to death. Several times he stood within the shadow of the electric chair, but finally his death sentence was commuted to life imprisonment by the late Governor Higgins of New York.

CZARINA WRECK INVESTIGATION

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cannot do that, but are carried in toward the buoy by the set of the current.

People Measure Distance.
Captain Ferguson said that when he left Marshfield last Tuesday an engineer had been engaged to go out to measure the distance from the mainmast of the *Czarina*, which is still a little out of water, to the shore, to see exactly how far out she lies. He said that it was reported that measurements had been made by private individuals and that it was found to be less than 2000 feet.

"I would suggest," said the captain, "that it would be a good idea for the government to keep a tug around Coos Bay for the use of the lifesavers, which could be manned by them, and then in case of wrecks around that section of the coast, they would be within call and be in a position to do something. With such a tug they would be within three or four hours of Bandon, Yaquina bay and Umpqua and would be useful as far south as Rogue river, thus being in touch with all of these points."

The captain said it was reported that when she left Coos Bay the *Czarina* was drawing 11.5 feet, while her load line is registered as 14.1 feet. He said that from the talk of the people in Marshfield there are liable to be developments of a startling nature in the near future, in regard to the wreck.

"BETTER CITIZENSHIP" SUBJECT FOR PUPILS

Through the initiative of the Better Citizenship association the children of Portland's public schools will, on February 11, hear addresses on "Better Citizenship" by prominent business and professional men. The day has been selected in celebration of Abraham Lincoln's 101st birthday.

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, secretary of the organization, today sent out a number of invitations to the speakers selected and it is understood that all will be glad to comply with the request. The addresses will be delivered in the various schools at such hours as may be agreed upon by the speakers. Officers of the Better Citizenship association are Rev. A. A. Morrison, president; Ben Selling, first vice president; Judge C. E. Wolverton, second vice president; Rev. Father McDevitt, third vice president; Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, secretary; Elliot Corbett, treasurer.

The directors are: J. C. Ainsworth, C. F. Beebe, Rev. J. W. Broucher, C. F. Adams, General T. M. Anderson, A. H. Deyers, Colonel C. E. Jackson, E. S. Jewell, Dr. H. W. Hegde, Wallace M. Camant, Colonel C. E. S. Wood, Judge L. R. Webster, Paul Westinger, Sig Sichel and Dr. A. C. Smith.

WANT IRRIGATION PROJECT EXTENDED

Land in Question Is in Umatilla and Morrow Counties.

Indorsement of a resolution which that the Umatilla irrigation project be extended as far as the National Reclamation fund will permit, is asked of the commercial bodies of this city by Dr. C. J. Smith of Pendleton, Or. Commercial bodies throughout the whole state are also asked to lend their support in this matter, which, it is held, is of exceedingly vital importance.

A copy of the resolution for which indorsement is sought, and which will undoubtedly be granted by the Commercial club when the board of governors get together, follows:

"Whereas: There remains in the national reclamation fund the sum of \$2,225,000 unexpended, to which the state of Oregon is justly entitled, and the reclamation service has established and equipped, at great cost, the Umatilla project located in Umatilla and Morrow counties with all necessary offices and plant for the successful and economical reclamation of several thousand acres of arid land lying within its boundaries, and making the necessary preliminary surveys and estimates for the continuation of the work of reclamation, and whereas, the experiments made upon the land of the said project since the application of water to the soil have demonstrated that these lands are fertile and productive and no geographically, climatically and commercially situated as to remove all doubt of the success of this project;

"Therefore: Be it resolved that we indorse the further extension of said project and the immediate appropriation of funds for that purpose, and that it is the sense of this body that our senators and representatives in congress should earnestly urge the secretary of the interior and the director of the reclamation service to make the necessary appropriation of funds for continuing the development work upon this project."

MEAT CONSUMERS OPEN A BOYCOTT

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the middle west with great rapidity and butchers are implored the great packing firms here to come to their aid with a general reduction of wholesale prices. Actions by the local unions will affect nearly half a million consumers and will endanger the great retail butcher trade of Chicago.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 20.—Moving westward by leaps and bounds the crusade started in Ohio against high prices for food has reached this city, and next Sunday afternoon hundreds of Denver union labor men will assemble to sign a pledge to forewear meat and eggs for 30 days. The leaders in the movement here confidently declare their belief that they will be able to compel Colorado butchers to cut existing prices. They say Sunday's meeting will launch a boycott that within a week will extend throughout the state.

Omaha, Jan. 20.—More than 5000 persons in Omaha have already signed an anti-meat pledge and leaders of the local movement are implored the great packing firms here to come to their aid with a general reduction of wholesale prices. Pledges to abstain from meat will be circulated among those who attend.

Pittsburg, Jan. 20.—A mass meeting will be held here tonight to protest against the high prices charged for meat and other commodities. Pledges to abstain from meat will be circulated among those who attend.

Franklin, N. H., Jan. 20.—Declaring that the "hole in the doughnut" is being increased in direct ratio to the increase in the price of the fine citizens of Franklin are preparing to appeal to Washington from the action of local bakers. "Look at the doughnut, not at the hole," has no attraction for the local unionites, who are paying from 10 to 12 cents a dozen for doughnuts, especially when the hole makes the border of dough look like a shoestring. A boycott on doughnuts is being agitated.

LITTLE GIRL ON WAY TO SCHOOL

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Little girl was plucked up by C. A. Martin of the engine company. Life was found to be extinct, and a search for a doctor, the coroner was notified.

It was with great sorrow that the members of the fire crew heard of the child's death, as she had been their pet since she had been able to walk. Many of them have watched the little girl grow up from infancy. They, as well as the parents of the girl, had talked to her many times about being careful in crossing the streets. Up to this morning she had never crossed the street without looking out for the cars. Evidently, her only thought this morning was of escaping the team and getting to school in a hurry. The firemen who saw the accident do not believe that she even saw the car that killed her, and that she was instantly killed by the blow from the front of the car.

After striking the child, the car ran 60 feet from the corner, and before the body had gotten past the center of the car. Eye-witnesses all state that Motorman Clapp did not have time to release the fender, as the girl was but two feet in front of the car when he saw her.

"I had just started to put on speed after slowing down to pass the garbage wagon," said Motorman Clapp, "and had advanced my controller only five points when the little girl ran directly in front of me. She was paying no attention to the car, and I do not believe she ever knew what struck her. I rang my gong several times just before passing the wagon, and was not traveling more than eight miles an hour."

Engineer G. C. Waldron of the fire company was an eye witness of the accident.

knew it was coming, although I heard a gong sound. I saw the little girl as she came down the steps, but was powerless to help her. I hoped that she would run into the side of the car as she started across the intersection, but in-

stead she ran across and was knocked down and dragged under the car by the trucks.

always regarded the little girl as a pet, and she spent many hours during the summer, time talking to us. She was always careful in crossing the street, and we have talked to her many times about being careful. Her mother has

warned her many times, too, not to cross the street without watching. Deputy Coroner Dunning arrived on the scene shortly after the accident and took charge. An inquest will in all probability be held tomorrow.

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