

NATIONALIZATION OF MINES ASKED UNDER THREAT OF GENERAL STRIKE

English Coal Miners at National Conference Deliver Ultimatum Favor Government Ownership.

DEMANDS ARE MADE

Leaders Expect to Gain End Without Resorting to Direction Through Special Trades Congress.

LONDON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—National conference of coal miners declared today in favor of a general strike to enforce their demands for nationalization of the mines and the mining industry in the British Isles.

The decision which was reached today will be referred to the special trades union congress which convenes tomorrow.

Practically all the industries in Wales were tied up recently when over 30,000 miners walked out following the refusal of their demands for wage increases which amounted to approximately 40 per cent more than they were getting.

Demands for the nationalization of the coal mining industry have been made in the past but the present action threatening a general strike unless such demands are acceded to come as a surprise today.

BASKET BALL GAME STAGED

Basket ball will be staged tonight at the old Y. M. C. A. gymnasium between the teams of the Baptist church and the Christian church.

BURNED AREA TO BE RE-PLANTED

Supervisor Hall to Plant Fir and Pine on 285 Acres Near Detroit

Arrangements for planting 195,000 fir and pine trees on the 285 acres of burned area on South Breitenbush creek have practically been completed according to the announcement today of C. C. Hall, supervisor.

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New Classified

FOR SALE—Seven-foot International tandem tractor disc harrow. Has been used six days. For \$135. R. C. Bailey. Phone 603 R 3, Tangent Oregon. 10m12*

FOR SALE—Seven pure-bred Cotswold ewes and one buck. Lambing now.—W. C. Obermeyer, Tangent, Ore. 10m12*

FOR RENT—A 6-room house, corner of 6th and Calapooia. See W. F. Pfeiffer. m10tf.

FOR SALE—Loose straw in the barn, first class. Call Phone 67 F 13. 10m12*

NOTICE—Lot owners in Riverside Cemetery wishing to have their lots improved and cared for this spring, please see C. M. Hurd, the sexton, or B. Bartcher, Supt. at the Albany Furniture Exchange. 14tf

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THREE ARE KILLED AS AIRPLANE FALLS AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

MIAMI, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Charles Sims, pilot of the craft and two mechanics, Earle and Blanchard of New York, were killed last night when the airplane in which they were making a voyage, collapsed and crashed to the earth. No explanation of the cause of the crash was learned.

DELEGATION IS INSTRUCTED TO VOTE FOR WOOD

Democrats Seem to Lean Toward Hoover

MANCHESTER, N. H., March 10.—By Associated Press—The returns from presidential primaries held in this state yesterday give a solid republican delegation pledge to General Leonard Wood. Very few votes were cast for the other republican candidates, the sentiment for Wood being overwhelming.

Three districts on the democratic ticket were pledged to Herbert Hoover and the entire democratic delegation is regarded as favorable to Hoover although not being specifically pledged to support him.

It is thought that at the democratic convention in San Francisco the New Hampshire delegation will be classed by the Hoover supporters as being certain to support them. No districts were pledged to the support of any other democratic candidates.

JURY MAY GET CASE SATURDAY

MONTESANO, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Continuation of rebuttal testimony in the trial of the 10 alleged I. W. W. members for the armistice day Centralia murders brought out further evidence that the soldiers did not break ranks in front of the I. W. W. hall at Centralia until after several shots had been fired.

HEART FAILURE BRINGS DEATH

W. S. Hutchins, died at the Blount rooming house, in this city last night, from an attack of heart failure. Mr. Hutchins was born in Fremont, Ohio April 25 1863, and moved with his parents to Oklahoma, where he resided for 47 years, coming to Oregon about seventeen months ago. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. A. White of Crabtree.

The funeral services will be held at the Fortmiller chapel at 2 o'clock tomorrow. Interment to be made in the Riverside cemetery.

SCIO STOCK MAN SELLS 1300 SHEEP

That Linn county has some active sheep men, is indicated by the reported business of V. Phillippi, of Scio, who has sold 1300 head of his sheep since the recent big snow storm. Mr. Phillippi is reported to have made a trip to Northern California where he bought 500 sheep and brought them to this county for distribution in small flocks among the farmers.

INDEPENDENCE OF EGYPT IS SOUGHT

LONDON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—A Cairo despatch says that fifty two members of the Egyptian legislative assembly met at the house of Zealand Pasha, who headed the Egyptian mission at the peace conference in Paris and adopted a resolution proclaiming the independence of Egypt and Soudan.

LEGION TAKES HAND IN CASE

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 10.—The local American Legion post has taken up the case of Robert Riggie, shell shocked veteran, recently committed to the state insane asylum and will endeavor to have him transferred to a government hospital.

HOUSE REFUSES AMENDMENT OF REORGANIZATION BILL FIXING A SMALLER PEACE TIME ARMY

APPROVE MEASURE SETTING STRENGTH OF ENLISTED PERSONNEL AT TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE THOUSAND; BILL FOR LOWER LIMIT IS DISCARDED BY REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—The measure providing for a peace time army of two hundred and eighty-nine thousand enlisted men and seventeen thousand, eight hundred and twenty officers was approved today by the house of representatives.

At the same time an attempt which was made to lower the number of men in the peace time organization was defeated when the house refused to amend the reorganization bill so as to fix a maximum strength of two hundred and twenty-six thousand men and fourteen thousand, two hundred officers.

Government Loses Half Billion

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—The loss to the government as a result of the decision of the Supreme court in declaring stock dividends not taxable as income will be

close to a half a billion dollars according to Commissioner Roper of the Internal Revenue department.

No More Loans to Allies

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—The allied governments will not receive any further loans from the United States according to an announcement made today by Secretary of the Treasury Houston.

300 Millions are Involved

ENID, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Federal Judge Youmans granted a temporary injunction today to the Judsonia Development company against Sam Sparks and others. Opinion cites the United States Supreme court and treaties between Spain, Mexico and republic of Texas, making south bank of the Red River form a boundary line between Oklahoma and Texas. There are oil lands worth \$300,000,000 involved in the case.

TWIN BEDS ARE FAILURE CHARGE

No Solution Says Husband Answering Divorce Complaint

Twin Beds adopted when their matrimonial craft began careening in troublous waters failed as a penance in the wedded life of Mr. and Mrs. Vard Hill of Independence, according to the answer to his wife's suit for divorce which Hill filed in the circuit court today.

Hill avers that following the inauguration of double sleeping arrangements, his wife maintained a continual barrage of abuse from her single couch during the night. He says that he was compelled to feign slumber, night after night, under the rain of rapid fire denunciations hurled across the intervening space between the two beds. The climax came, he says, when one night after his wife had "jawed him for a long time," he actually dozed off and fell into a light slumber.

It was at this juncture states the husband that barrier of space proved an actual bulwark no longer. He says that his wife leapt from her bed and bounding across the safety zone, brought him to with a severe fusillade of well directed blows.

Hill avers further that his wife, Frances has a grasping and mercenary disposition. He states that within a few hours after they were married in 1914 she informed him "that half of what she had was his and half of what he had was hers", following this up with an immediate demand for a check book upon his bank account. He says that she told him it was going to take a lot to keep her now that he had her.

He denies that he has property worth \$60,000 and says that instead of having \$20,000 worth of liberty bonds, he has only \$450. He asks that the decree of divorce be given him and also the custody of their minor child.

BOND ELECTION IS RE-AFFIRMED

ASTORIA, Ore., March 10.—The citizens of Warrenton at a special election Tuesday affirmed the result of their November bond election in one particular and defeated it in the other. The measure to create a dock commission and authorize the issuance of \$350,000 in bonds to purchase and improve waterfront property was carried by a vote of 109 to 91.

The measure to issue \$150,000 in bonds to purchase a specified tract of water frontage at an agreed price of \$135 an acre was defeated by a vote of 84 to 171.

PROBATE COURT GRANTS REQUEST

Petition of George C. Miller to be appointed administrator of the estate of the late Agnes Mae Miller was granted in the probate court this morning by county Judge Bilyeu. Estate is valued at \$4000.

BOXING QUESTION BEFORE VETERANS

Legion to Decide On Request To Mayor For Boxing Commission

Decision upon the request to Mayor L. M. Curi for the appointment of a boxing commission for Albany will be made tonight at the regular meeting of The American Legion at the armory.

Petitions with the names of 100 taxpayers of Linn county are practically filled. These are required by law before the Mayor can appoint the boxing commission of three members. The commission will have power to issue permits for boxing exhibitions at which admission may be charged.

The work of securing a boxing commission has been undertaken by the local post of The American Legion in order to stage bouts at which money can be raised which will go toward a fund for the community center house.

Albany will be eligible under this plan to hold first rate exhibitions and the best fighters on the Pacific coast can be secured here for future smokers. Under the old way where no admissions could be charged the expense of securing first rate boxers was prohibitive.

Further action of the local post of The American Legion on the question of a bonus measure will also be taken at tonight's meeting. Telegrams received from the Oregon delegation at Washington will be read and the matter discussed.

Commander Riggs urges all members to attend the meeting. Service men not belonging to the organization are also asked to come to the armory tonight.

BILL FOR HOMES BEING ADVOCATED

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Formation of a government corporation to purchase homes for ex-service men was urged today before the house ways and means committee by Representative Morgan, republican, Oklahoma, explaining his bill to create such a corporation capitalized at \$100,000,000. All the stock would be held by the government, which would make loans secured by mortgages up to a maximum of \$4000.

RAIN CAUSE OF INFLUENZA DROP

There are only six cases of influenza left in Albany today according to the report which was issued by the local health bureau. Rains are believed to have caused the cessation of the epidemic.

FOREIGN MONEY TAKES A RAISE

NEW YORK, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Sterling exchange closed at \$3.76 today a gain of twelve and one-eighth cents over yesterday. German marks sold for .62 cents the highest rate in week and francs gained 52 centimes.

MINING MAN HELD FOR RANSOM BY VILLA HAS BEEN FREED IS WORD

EL PASO, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Joseph Williams captured last Thursday by Villa and held for ransom of \$50,000 has been freed according to a telegram received here from him today. Williams was taken off a train returning to the United States from Mexico.

DIVORCE GRANTED WILLARD HAWLEY BY JUDGE BAGLEY

Marjorie Hawley Wins Decree And Baby

OREGON CITY, Ore., March 10.—Decree of divorce and the custody of his baby daughter, Eva Adele, was granted to Willard P. Hawley Jr., defendant in the divorce suit instituted by Mrs. Marjorie Hawley, in a decision Tuesday by George R. Bagley judge who the case was tried here two weeks ago.

Judge Bagley awards the decree to Mr. Hawley upon his supplemental cross-complaint, filed after the trial of the case had progressed for nearly a week, and based upon the plaintiff's charges of unlawful conduct on the part of her husband. The court holds that these charges were not proved.

The temporary custody of the child is awarded to Mrs. Hawley, subject to the further order of the court, and Mr. Hawley is required to pay \$250 a month for its care until the further order of the court, and the court suggests, but does not order, that Mrs. Hawley be permitted to occupy the family residence until the final determination of the case upon appeal, or if not appealed, until the expiration of the 60-day limit for appeal of the case. Should the plaintiff appeal the case, \$1000 shall be allowed for expenses incident to the appeal. The court directs that the child, who is 28 months of age, shall not be removed from the state and that while she is in custody of either party, the other shall have the right at all reasonable times to see her.

BILLY SUNDAY TO COME HERE PLAN

Possibility that "Billy" Sunday will be among the attractions to appear under the Lyceum course in Albany next year was indicated last night at the meeting of the committee in charge of arrangements. Financial report for the present year which closed last night with the appearance of the Tamburica orchestra under the auspices of The American Legion was made by Dr. G. H. Young, A. C. Schmitt and L. G. Lewelling. Expenses were \$750. Pledges for next year were received from many assuring the continuance of the course.

TANGENT WOMAN TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Jane McFarland, passed away at her home near Tangent last night as a result of heart failure. Mrs. McFarland was the widow of the late Rev. D. C. McFarland, who was a pioneer minister of the M. E. church of this state. She was born in the state of Missouri, June 5th, 1843, and has spent 70 years of her life in Oregon. She is survived by three sons and one daughter, O. M. McFarland of San Francisco, Roy McFarland of Portland, and E. L. McFarland of Powell Butte and Mrs. Daisy Graham of Coquille. No definite funeral arrangements will be made until word is received from the relatives.

EPIDEMIC OCCURS IN OIL REGIONS

SEATTLE, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—The influenza epidemic has broken out among scores who stampered to the Katalla oil fields when the oil leasing bill was signed recently. The coast guard cutter Algonquin has left Juneau with a large supply of medicine and doctors on board.

OPPOSITION TO BORDEN AT END

OTTAWA, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Agitation for the retirement of Premier Borden's coalition government collapsed today when the house of commons voted confidence in the premier by a majority of 34.

HALF MILLION OF LIVES LOST THRU FAILURE OF NAVY SAYS SIMS TODAY

Admiral Tells Senate Investigating Committee Failure of America to Cooperate Early Was Very Costly.

FIGURES ARE GIVEN

Says Inefficiency Resulted in Loss of 2 1/2 Million Tons Shipping, 15 Billions and Delayed Victory.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Failure of the navy department to fully cooperate in the war during the first six months after America's entry cost the allies a half a million lives, fifteen billions of dollars, two and a half million tons of shipping and prevented victory over Germany in July 1918, according to the statement made today before the senate investigating committee by Rear Admiral Sims.

Introduction of documentary evidence before the commission in support of the charges which have been made by Sims was begun today. Sims said that he would show by his evidence the proof of all his statements.

He stated that he was attempting discredit the part played by the United States navy in the war but that he only wished to make public the damage done to the Allies by the failure of the navy department to cooperate with the allies during the early part of the war.

He reiterated the statements made yesterday that he was only bringing the charges because he considered it his duty to point the errors that had been committed by the heads of the navy department. Basic criticisms of the navy's policies were:

That during the early period of the war the department violated fundamental principles of warfare leading to a prolongation of hostilities and needless loss of lives and money.

That the policies of the department for the last half of the war were identical with recommendations rejected during the first six months.

That if the department had proper plans when the nation entered the war they should have been placed in effect at once.

That mistakes, if any were made, should be carefully reviewed to avoid a future recurrence and to help mould future national defense policies.

ANSWER DENIES FRAUD CHARGES

Response to Suit for \$1000 Against J. A. Howard Filed Today

Answer of J. A. Howard to the suit of the Albany Fruit Juice company alleging that he defrauded them out of \$1000 in the sale of equipment belonging to the concern by means of false representations was filed in the circuit court today. Howard is represented by the firm of Hill & Marks.

He denies the charges in the complaint that through the transaction in question he deprived the Albany Fruit Juice company of any sum coming to them out of the sale of the equipment of the plant and asks that complaint be dismissed and that his costs and disbursements be allowed him in the issue.

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AIRPLANE MAIL PILOT BURNED TO DEATH AS CRAFT FALLS, FADING

ELKHART, Mar. 10.—By Associated Press—Lieutenant Clayton Stoner of Chicago, a government airplane mail carrier was burned to death today when his machine fell in flames near Paris Indiana. Cause of the accident is unknown.