

NATION FACES COAL SHORTAGE COMING WINTER

Warning Issued to All Families to Lay In Stock Now—Greatest Demand in History and Shortage of Cars and Railroad Equipment Make Fuel Famine a Certainty.

(By Milton Bronner.) WASHINGTON, June 11.—In presidential campaigns they used to scare us by talking about the "empty dinner pail." But now, unless things get better very quickly, we are going to face a winter marked by empty coal cellars.

It is easy to work out the reason—the greatest demand for coal in the history of America, plus an overburdened railroad system lacking in cars and engines, plus a diminished supply of miners to dig the coal, equals a coal famine.

Warning Is Issued Dr. Harry A. Garfield, national fuel administrator, puts it more gently and more conservatively. Garfield foresees a shortage of coal which will have to be met by conservation as much as possible and by curtailing the non-essential industries. The railroads will get coal. Factories turning out war orders will get coal. And if Garfield can arrange it the domestic consumer will get coal. He sees clearly that one of the wartime problems is to sustain morale of the people, and this can only be done by giving people food and keeping them warm in winter.

A. W. Calloway, Garfield's director of soft coal distribution, estimates there will be a shortage of 50,000,000 tons of bituminous coal this year. The country will need 650,000,000 tons of bituminous and the maximum expected production is 590,000,000. And this may be cut by lessening labor supply and depleted car supply. Anthracite production will not help out much. By working the mines full tilt, by curtailing the supply to some states and hoarding it in others, a ruin of approximately 5,000,542 tons will be available for the central and New England states where it is the great domestic fuel.

Start With Shortage George H. Coshin, editor of "The Black Diamond," the leading independent coal lawyer of the country, wrote me that we would come down to November 1 with a shortage of 40,000,000 tons of soft coal, and after that date we must expect it to grow rather than diminish.

And finally, this solemn note of warning was given me by a man in the present national railroad administration, whose job it is to try to supply coal cars to the mines: "There is no use in trying to fool ourselves. We are going to be short in coal supply. The greatest lack is going to be felt in the great region east of the Mississippi and generally north of the Ohio. This is not only the region where most of the great cities are, but also where the great war industries are located.

"In that section the American people must make up their minds they are not going to be so warm in winter as heretofore until the war is over. The people of England, France and Germany have been cold in winter because of coal shortage. We Americans must prepare to endure the same kind of sacrifice."

PHOENIX TO HAVE PATRIOTIC DAY The Phoenix schools, which close Friday, June 14, plan to make this day one of patriotic demonstration. Special exercises will be held by the school children at 10:30 a. m., including the W. S. & summer pledge. A picnic dinner will be given at noon at 2:30. Attorney Neff will deliver a patriotic address.

Everyone is invited to come and bring dinner. The operetta, "In a Flower Garden," will be given in the evening at 8:15.

Rheumatic and Kidney Pills. Are you troubled with rheumatism, kidney or bladder afflictions? Are such symptoms as swollen muscles or joints, backache, headache, dizziness, nervousness, played-out feeling, urinary irregularity, stiffness under the eyes? You need Foley Kidney Pills. Mrs. Frank P. Wood, R. P. D. 1, Merrill, Maine, writes: "I found relief as soon as I began taking Foley Kidney Pills. My husband also received much benefit from them. He was so lame he could not stoop over; now he feels no pain. Sold everywhere."—Adv.

OPEN WARFARE STOPS FIGHTING IN TRENCHES

Contending Armies Once More in the Open as in Napoleonic Wars—Cavalry Charges, Maneuvering of Large Bodies of Infantry and Use of Mobile Field Artillery.

PARIS, June 11.—Warfare on the western front has returned to the open methods of the American Civil war and the Napoleonic wars. After three years and a half in the trenches, the contending armies are fighting once more in the open. Cavalry charges, maneuvering of large bodies of infantry, and the employment of mobile field artillery are seen again as in other battles famous in history.

For this the Hindenburg tactics of wresting territory from the allies regardless of human lives is responsible. But it comes as a welcome change to the allied soldiers, who are thoroughly sick of life in the trenches.

Began in March Drive The March offensive on the Picardy and Flanders fronts was the first big battle on the west front since 1914 that was fought in the open. British and German cavalry detachments took part in that engagement, and the furious hand-to-hand fighting in streets and open fields by the opposing infantry has been described and re-described.

The present German drive on Paris saw the open warfare methods amplified. Ever since the start of the Hun's push on May 27, when the British and French were driven from their trenches along the Aisne, the fighting has been in the open.

Patrols of cavalry have been employed to a greater extent than at any time since 1914. Correspondents at the front tell of furious cavalry charges by the Germans against the French infantry. The Germans had to leave their heavy artillery behind owing to the rapidity of their advance, but their field artillery and machine guns follow the infantry, and these pour a constant stream of projectiles into the French lines.

Cavalry Action Allied cavalry patrols which have not seen active service for a long time are now dashing with reckless courage here and there along front making reconnaissances in the style of 1861. Frequently they meet enemy patrols, and then a hot battle with lances or carbines ensues.

Occasionally the allied horsemen run into regiments of advancing German infantrymen. Then their task is to get back to the French lines and warn the officers in command. In this way also some furious encounters have taken place, which will not be told in detail until the actors in them get war crosses for their bravery.

For the first week of the battle the French infantry was in retreat, but it fought the Germans desperately nearly every step of the way. Rifles and bayonets took the place of machine guns and hand grenades. Hand-to-hand fighting supplanted trench warfare. Every inch of ground gained by the Germans was bitterly contested.

9000 REGISTRANTS CALLED FOR FORESTS

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Nine thousand white draft registrants qualified for special limited military service were called for today by Provost Marshal General Crowder. They will be put to work in the military aeronautical camps of the army and will be sent to Vancouver, Wash., to get out materials for airplane production.

MORE THAN 700,000 AMERICANS NOW IN FRANCE

WASHINGTON, June 11.—More than 700,000 American soldiers have given orders to carry back to France the encouragement and assistance which Lafayette and Rochambeau brought to America, Secretary Baker told the Alpine chambers in holding their farewell here today at the base of the Washington monument. The war secretary's last announcement, some weeks ago, concerning the size of the American force abroad, was that 100,000 men had called for the battle front.

PEACE FAR OFF, WAR TO LAST 2 YEARS MORE

Allies Not Ready for Negotiations Until American Army Arrives in Sufficient Force to Crush Germany; Teutons Not Sincere in Peace Moves.

By C. C. Lyon WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ALONG THE SOMME, June 11.—Peace seems to be a long way off just now.

After watching for some weeks at close range the great battle now raging on the western front, my belief is that hostilities will go on for another year, possibly two.

Here are a few of the outstanding features of the present military situation: 1. The military party in Germany continues to dominate, absolutely, their government and the conduct of their war. Until the allies score a crushing military victory, Germany will doubtless remain obstinate for a peace settlement that calls for indemnities, territorial annexations, the subjugation of weaker peoples and unfair commercial advantages.

Allies' Morale Higher 2. The great German offensive has thus far failed of its prime object: the destruction of the French and British armies. Therefore, Germany is not in position to dictate terms.

3. The allies are now, with the help of America, the equal of the Germans on the western front in men, guns and munitions. The morale of the allies is vastly higher. America's food storehouses are keeping the allied populations from hunger, while there is dire suffering in the Teutonic countries.

4. Every day now sees the arrival in France of more American troops, and every day will see the allies grow stronger. It does not appear likely, then, that the allies would be willing to end the war on terms favorable to Germany when, by holding on until America gets here "in crushing force," there will be the certain prospect of victory and peace on allied terms.

Germany Seeks Victory 5. On the other hand, Germany would appear to have reasons for not wanting to stop the war now. The coming of the Americans in such large numbers, of course, is a real menace to German hopes of a great military victory, but balanced against this is the fact that she has put Russia and Rumania out of the war. With a prospect of staving off starvation among its civilian population, the German military dictatorship undoubtedly figures that its armies can cope with any opposition in the field.

6. It does not appear that the allies are able to score a complete military victory over Germany. This would imply the breaking of the German line in the west. To convince Germany she was licked it would be necessary to push her back across her own borders.

Americans Necessary 7. The "crushing victory" over Germany will likely come only after America has from one to two million bayonets in the line, and has turned the weight of numbers so overwhelmingly in the allies' favor that Germany cannot withstand the offensive the allies are certain to make. It will be a number of months before the Americans are here in sufficient numbers to justify such a "push."

8. America is in no mood now to terminate the war on any terms that do not mean the complete defeat of Germany.

Therefore, all things considered, it would look as if the war must go on for a long time.

It must be borne in mind, however,

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that something may happen any time, within the central powers, that would cause Germany sincerely to seek peace.

Austria-Hungary is said to be seething with sentiment for peace. Emperor Kari has been sensible for a long time to the growing discontent among his people toward the war.

No Break-up Likely If the allies should be able to drive a diplomatic wedge between Germany and Austria, the damage to Germany would be incalculable. This prospect, however, is not a good one to build hopes upon.

As against the possible breaking up of the Teutonic alliance, the allies were never closer in aims and purposes than today. After months of patient waiting, France and Great Britain are now seeing the first worth while military results of America's participation in the war in the daily arrival of new troops to help in the fight. This has done more than anything else to buck them up and make them confident of ultimate victory.

The allies are determined on a finish fight, and nothing but a cold knockout for Germany will satisfy them.

TEACHERS EXAMS AT JACKSONVILLE, JUNE 17

The county superintendent of Jacksonville, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for state certificates at Jacksonville, as follows:

Commencing Wednesday, June 26, 1918, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, June 29, 1918, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Wednesday Forenoon—United States history, writing (penmanship), music, drawing.

Wednesday Afternoon—Physiology, reading, manual training, composition, Domestic science, methods in reading, course of study for drawing, methods in arithmetic.

Thursday Forenoon—Arithmetic, history of education, physiology, methods of geography, mechanical drawing, domestic art, course of study for domestic art.

Thursday Afternoon—Grammar, geography, stenography, American literature, physics, typewriting, methods in language, thesis for primary certificate.

Friday Forenoon—Theory and practice, orthography (spelling), physical geography, English literature, chemistry, physical culture.

Friday Afternoon—School law, geology, algebra, civil government.

Saturday Forenoon—Geometry, botany.

Saturday Afternoon—General history, bookkeeping.

WASHINGTON.—Curtailment of coal supplies to makers of passenger automobiles for the year starting August 1 to 25 per cent of the amount consumed in the year 1917-18 was announced by the fuel administration.



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MUSICAL COMEDY COMING TO PAGE MONDAY JUNE 17

The smart musical comedy, "Oh, Boy," comes to the Page Monday evening, June 17. Concerning the production, the San Francisco Call says:

Without the least risk of committing the sin of extravagant praise, "Oh, Boy," which opened at the Cort theater last night, can be hailed as a production unexcelled in the realm of girl and music shows. There is a delightful finish and smooth efficiency in every detail of the performance. These confer an easy distinction on this Broadway success and make it simple to understand why New Yorkers clamored and are still clamoring to see it.

"Oh, Boy" is frothy and frivolous, but in a different way than its pert title might lead one to suppose. It is not a big, blaring musical show, with battalions of chorus girls and chorus men, or tons of scenery.

Pleasing Fare It is a pleasing fare deftly performed by players endowed with an abundance of ability and personal charm, with musical numbers of the kind that everyone is trying to hum or whistle today. Some of the more popular numbers have preceded the show.

Continuing the song of praise, there is not a crude or ill-considered episode in the performance. Songs, dances, dialogue and situations all bear the stamp of exquisite finish. A pleasant glow is induced at the outset and this delightful condition is

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sustained in the audience every second.

The performance is peopled by a cast that is quite in accord with the pervading quality of "Oh, Boy," the ability to please without apparently trying.

Joseph Santley, the star of the production, is by no means required to bear a major portion of the responsibility of the show's success. He is a good looking youth, with a quietly effective method, an attractive singing voice and exceptional ability as a dancer but there are others in the cast who contribute largely to the power of performance to confer enjoyment.

Notable among these is Lavinia Winn, remembered for a previous success in San Francisco. Hers is a vivacity which never palls, with the added worth of a charming voice. Dorothy Maynard has one of the more obvious comedy roles and is thoroughly pleasing. Laurence Wheat and Hugh Cameron are other notable members of the cast.

"Oh, Boy" easily lives up to its reputation.

GET NEW KIDNEYS!

The kidneys are the most over-worked organs of the human body, and when they fail in their work of filtering out and throwing off the poisons developed in the system, things begin to happen.

One of the first warnings is pain or stiffness in the lower part of the back; highly colored urine; loss of appetite; indigestion; irritation, or even stone in the bladder. These symptoms indicate a condition that may lead to that dreaded and fatal malady, Bright's disease, for which there is said to be no cure.

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