

COAL WALKOUT COST COUNTRY OVER A BILLION

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press)—The recent strike in the coal industry caused a total loss of \$1,229,000,000, J. G. Bradley of Dundon, W. Va., former president of the National Coal Association, declared here today before the international convention of the American Mining Congress. Resolutions condemning the paternalistic attitude of the government deploring the entrance of government into private business enterprises and encouraging industrial co-operation between industry and capital as a means of increasing production, augmenting prosperity and lowering prices were introduced and sent to the resolutions committee.

According to Mr. Bradley, the loss in wages by the United Mine Workers of America, estimated by the American Educational Association was \$459,000,000; the loss to railroads over \$300,000,000; the loss to the public in the cost of fuel \$400,000,000 and the loss to the mine operators \$440,000,000.

Mr. Bradley asserted that the coal fields in the state of Washington, Colorado, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky and that part of West Virginia, south of the Kanawha river, have passed from control of the United Mine Workers.

Conditions entirely outside of the coal industry, the strike and a coal famine, Mr. Bradley declared, resulted in the agreement of operators and miners in the northern and western states which "restored the wage rates in effect to April 1, 1922, and undid the work of the after war adjustment which had made rapid strides in 1921."

"Many harsh things have been said about the arbitrary methods of the operators of West Virginia independent districts," he added, "but every user of coal owes them a debt of gratitude for keeping up the supply which tided the country over the summer."

LUMBER BUSINESS IN WASHINGTON BOOMING

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—The production of 113 mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for last week was ten per cent above normal, according to the organization's weekly "trade barometer." New business was 25 per cent below production. Reports show 88,960,000 feet manufactured in the week, 65,635,600 feet sold and 67,239,500 feet shipped.

2 VOTERS HELD PRIMARY AND ONE IS NOMINATED

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—August Toelner of Duwamish, near here, who with another resident of the district, held a "convention primary day" and nominated Toelner for county commissioner gets a place on the ballot in the election of November 7 according to decision of Judge Otis W. Brinker. An appeal is to be taken to the supreme court.

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ALL BRIEFS IN K. K. DEMURRERS FILED IN COURT

Briefs, pro and con, in the applications for a demurrer against the indictments in the K. K. K. night riding cases have been filed both by the state and the defense, the latter filing its opening brief last Saturday, and the former filing its written argument yesterday with the clerk of the circuit court. Another brief will be filed by the defense.

The demurrers, which were originally filed by the defense, attack the right of the county to investigate the outrages, the method of procedure in the grand jury room, in fact, most of the contentions brought out in the motions to quash the indictments last week, which were overruled by the court.

Whether the cases will come to trial at the next term of court or not is a question. The state is anxious to present the issue to a jury. Attorney O. C. Boggs, this noon characterized them as "political indictments," and doubtful "whether they should be brought to trial on the eve of an election." No definite conclusion has been reached.

The indictments tread a long legal path. If the demurrers are sustained, the action now pending, the indictments are automatically quashed. If overruled, the next step is receiving the pleas of the six defendants, and then the right to request a change of venue is open.

ELECTRIC STATIC EXPLODES TRUCK FULL OF GASOLINE

WASHINGTON, Oct.—A big tank truck transporting gasoline was blown up by a terrific explosion on the street recently, because a passerby who didn't know what he was doing picked up a piece of chain. He saw the chain dangling by one end from the truck and thought he would possibly save the truck from being wrecked through fouling the chain in one of the wheels.

The man didn't know the chain was hanging there for a purpose. He didn't know that gasoline, unlike water, is a non-conductor of electricity. Possibly he didn't even know that flowing gasoline, especially when strained through such materials as chamois skin filters, sets up considerable charges of frictional or static electricity. But that was what caused the truck's destruction.

Usually when the big tank truck backs up to the filling plug at a service station or other storage place, the metallic nozzle from the truck touches the metallic intake pipe and thus forms a ground for any charge of static electricity that may collect in the truck. Sometimes, however, the nozzle does not touch a grounding point, and with no other metallic ground from the truck, the car is perfectly insulated, standing as it does on rubber tires. Sometimes, also, the nozzle of the truck outlet pipe rests against a wooden piece in the intake pipe and is thereby likewise insulated, for dry wood is also an insulator.

While the gasoline is poured into the storage tank a certain amount of vapor arises, and there is certain to be some about the intake and the truck. The flow of the liquid will set up a static charge in the truck. As the charge increases, it may become strong enough to leap the gap to the nearest ground, or the two points may be brought into contact. There is a spark, a flash, an explosion and untold damage may result.

Consequently the careful tank driver always has a metallic part hanging from the truck to the ground, a rod or chain, to drain off the electric charge as it collects.

GRANT INJUNCTION FOR BOOZE SHIPS

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(By Associated Press). Federal Judge Learned Hand today granted a temporary restraining order prohibiting H. C. Stuart, acting collector of the port, Ralph A. Day, federal prohibition director for New York and John G. Appleby, chief zone prohibition officer from putting into effect the federal order to seize ships and liquor and the Daugherty prohibition order.

The order was granted on application of the International Mercantile Marine corporation, acting for the American lines included in that corporation. It specifically affects the steamers Finland and St. Paul.

The order will be in force, Judge Hand said, until a hearing scheduled for October 17.

Elgin Motor Company Fails.

NOTED TRAVELER SPEAKS TONIGHT 1ST METHODIST

"Where do you live?" inquired the reporter of Bishop Homer C. Stuntz today. "In the world, but I get my mail at Omaha at present," responded the genial globe trotter, who is scheduled to speak at the First Methodist Episcopal church tonight.

Through a break in the bishop's schedule, Medford will have the good fortune of hearing this eminent divine. His subject will be, "America and the Present World Crisis." Bishop Stuntz has traveled in every continent of the globe, and has been resident for periods of years in world centers. He speaks fluently in several languages, and has preached to people of foreign lands in eighty-eight different languages and dialects. Some of this, of course, has been through interpreters.

"I heard Bishop Stuntz at Eugene Tuesday evening," said Rev. Sasnett this morning, and I can assure the people that I have never heard any man so well qualified by a background of world contact nor more able to speak on this subject. In an address sparkling with wit and humor, the Bishop made every patriotic American's breast swell with pride, and at the same time made his audience see America's strategic relationship to every world problem."

"You may say," continued Rev. Sasnett, "that the address will be of interest to the public. The people of Medford are invited. The hour will be seven forty-five."

GIRL BUDDIES TO HOLD CONVENTION IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 12.—Girl buddies of the soldiers in France, comprising the membership of the Women's Overseas Service League, will meet with the boys they formerly aided for the first time, at the annual convention of the American Legion here.

Though they served side by side with the men in France, the overseas girls, including in their ranks canteen workers, searchers, hospital hut workers, entertainers and librarians, are not eligible to Legion membership because of their civilian status during the war.

Already 2,000 former overseas women in thirty cities are enrolled in the organization formed a little more than a year ago, according to officers, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Jewish Welfare Board, National Catholic War Council and American Library association women are included in the membership.

A bill to incorporate the league now is before the senate judiciary committee, the house having passed favorably on the measure. Miss Louise Wells of Chicago, national president, announces the organization is non-political and will undertake no legislative program. "Our aim is to give government recognition to the women who were asked to serve their country," said Miss Wells.

BRITAIN READY TO PAY \$50,000,000

LONDON, Oct. 12.—(By the Associated Press)—The British government, it was semi-officially stated today, is taking steps to pay \$50,000,000 into the New York federal reserve bank on October 15 on account of this year's interest on Great Britain's debt to the United States.

This \$50,000,000, as the statement explains, represents payment on account of the interest. The exact amount due will not be settled until the conference in Washington, to be headed by Sir Robert Horne, the chancellor of the exchequer, and the United States government officials.

Daily Report on the Crime Wave

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—George E. Walton, alias George E. Collins, and William B. Hunt were arrested at a hotel here today by Portland police on a request from Captain J. A. Falconer of the Tacoma police department, who said the men were wanted on a charge of murder. According to information received by the police, the men were charged with slugging a Tacoma man who died from the injuries. No further details were received here.

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SPECIAL AGENT OF VETERAN'S BUREAU HERE OCTOBER 18

For the purpose of interviewing all disabled World War veterans of this community relative to government compensation, vocational training, hospitalization and war risk insurance, W. P. Loomis, special contact representative of the United States Veterans' Bureau, will arrive in Medford Oct. 18 for a period of three days, according to an announcement received here today.

Mr. Loomis stated in an advance communication that all former service people who can prove that they are disabled 10 percent or more because of war service are entitled to federal compensation and that those who are unable to carry on their pre-war occupations because of war injuries are entitled to vocational training at the expense of the government. Veterans seriously ill from war disabilities should be hospitalized immediately, he stated. Hundreds of veterans, it is believed, are also ready to reinstate their war risk insurance.

"Because of the fact that the Veterans' Bureau is but one year old, there are some things for disabled veterans of the northwest district still undone," said Mr. Loomis. "However, I believe it is safe to say that rapid progress is being made in developing an organization which will properly care for injured service people and rehabilitate those who are able to take vocational education."

G. O. P. DECIDES TO FORCE KU KLUX TO A SHOW DOWN

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12.—Stirred to action by repeated outrages of the Ku Klux Klan in Texas, the Harding administration has determined to force a showdown on the issues of the Klan's "invisible government."

This decision reveals a situation unique in the annals of American political history. It will mean that a republican administration will support the candidacy of an independent democrat for the United States senate. He is George E. B. Paddy of Houston, anti-Ku Klux Klan. Paddy is out to end the "hooded horror" of the Klan in Texas, where repeated outrages, including the tarring and feathering of women, are regarded as threatening the sovereignty of the federal government.

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