

COAL WASTED IN FORMER DAYS NOW USED FOR FUEL

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Old culm banks, once regarded as waste materials of mining processes are being more generally utilized with the increased demand for fuel as a result of the suspension of hard coal operations.

A culm pile near Honesdale, that is estimated to contain at least 1,000,000 tons, is to be removed by a Scranton firm under permission granted by the state sanitary water board. The firm plans to remove the culm and ship it to tidewater without any further treatment.

Through the early years of anthracite mining in the Pennsylvania fields no attempt was made to salvage the fuel dumped out in the waste piles. Huge banks of culm accumulated in many places.

From these came the river coal, which has been marketed by dredges on streams flowing from the coal region. In recent years, many of the coal companies have washed out the good coal from the culm banks and sold it.

KLAN FIGHT GAVE 'MA' FERGUSON HER STRONGEST SUPPORTER

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Lime-light during the feminine dynasty in Texas flickers but faintly on the lieutenant-governor.

So concludes Harry Miller of Dallas, one of the "two men in the United States to serve under a woman in such a capacity, after 11 months of the job.

With Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson as captain and her husband as first lieutenant, Miller can not hope to claim anything better than third rank in the army of politics. This position, however, has a great advantage, the lieutenant-governor says: No one pays any attention to me.

While Miller finds the office not greatly different from lieutenantcy to a man governor, he nevertheless is undergoing strange reactions. In earlier years, he was a crusader against the woman movement. He never dreamed he would see a woman become governor. Yet, in the autumn of life, he finds himself wholeheartedly supporting one.

In 1917, Miller voted for the impeachment articles against Mrs. Ferguson's husband, then governor. Later, he made a speech attacking Ferguson. When the farm-labor union brought out Miller for lieutenant-governor, however, he found the Ferguson were fighting the same opponent, the Ku Klux Klan, and this situation brought them together.

The lieutenant-governor believes his captain is making a good governor.

Incidentally, when Miller was a young lawyer, a New York street railroad company offered him a position. He declined on the ground that he always had lived where he could see fit miles in every direction. He still lives in a country home near here.

YANKEE HOBO GETS A COLD RECEPTION NOW IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY—The Yankee hobo who swines south to Mexico City when chill winds begin to sweep the states, will be out of luck this winter.

A police order has been issued to round up all "foreign vagabonds" and deport those who cannot show they are engaged in an honest and industrious life in Mexico.

In the past Mexico City has at some seasons been a sort of paradise for tramps and panhandlers from north of the Rio Grande. On warm, sunny days many could be found sprawled upon park benches, sauntering along palm-lined paths—and pouncing upon every passing American who appeared to be a good prospect for a "touch."

NUDE STOCKINGS ARE LATEST CRAZE

PARIS, Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Paris which sponsored the nude silk stocking, the presence of which was betrayed by a mere shimmer, has now eliminated the shimmer. Shiver lists is the latest craze and in shades matching exactly the complexion of the wearer. Women now buy thin stockings to match the face powder and in the new mode there is a little shine to the stockings as there is to the well-powdered nose.

During recent wintry blasts Paris enjoyed the spectacle of fur coats, a la winter time in Fifth avenue, and a parently bare nether extremities a la summer time in Demerville.

Salem Pastor Resigns.—J. Evans, for five years pastor of the First Christian church here announced today his resignation, to accept a position as state superintendent of missions in California. The resignation will be effective at the end of this month.

Coal Mine in Own Yard Solves His Fuel Problem



• The winter's coal supply for some years is assured Charles B. Zimmerman, merchant of Shamokin, Pa. He dug a shaft in his back yard a few days ago and struck a clear vein of anthracite coal. Indications are the vein is an extensive one. Photo shows Zimmerman, at right in short coat, surveying his "mine" while his neighbors envy him.

JAPANESE WIN FIRST BLOOD IN TOLEDO HEARING

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Japanese plaintiffs in damage suits growing out of the deportations of Japanese mill workers from Toledo, Oregon, last July, won the first point in the litigation in federal court here today when Judge C. E. Wolverton overruled the motion of the defendants, residents of Toledo, that the plaintiffs put up cost bonds totalling \$12,000.

B. A. Green, attorney for the defendants, contended that the bonds should be put up because the plaintiffs were aliens and not residents of Oregon.

D. Takeoka, resident of Portland, offered an affidavit stating he had known four of the plaintiffs from four to eighteen years and that they had been residents of Oregon long before that time.

T. Ogura, made his own affidavit, stating he had lived in this state ten years.

Green in a statement to the court declared the crowd of Toledo citizens who induced the Japanese to leave went to the mill, and in a quiet, law abiding manner explained to the Orientals that they were not desired. He said the Japanese agreed to leave if the transportation to Portland were provided. He said the townspeople furnished money to pay transportation from Corvallis to Portland. The only inconvenience, he said, was when certain mill owners appeared with revolvers. The weapons were taken from these officials and thrown into the lake. The officials were struck on the heads with boards, the attorney admitted.

Five damage suits, each for \$25,000, were brought by the Japanese against Toledo residents.

Japan to Tax Baseball

TOKYO, Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—All professional baseball games in Japan will be taxed in the future, according to a decision of the taxation authorities.

An American girls' baseball team recently played a number of games in Tokyo and the gate receipts were large. Plans are reported under way for the organization of a Japanese national league. So the government intends to get its percentage of the receipts of professional games hereafter.

OREGON DIVORCES INCREASE WHILE WEDDINGS DON'T

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—The department of commerce announces that according to returns received there were in the United States, for the calendar year 1924, 1,778,296 marriages performed and 170,867 divorces granted. For the calendar year 1923, 1,223,924 marriages and 165,958 divorces were reported.

The decrease in marriages reported for 1924, from the number reported for 1923 is 45,718, or 3.7 per cent.

The divorces reported for 1924, with four counties lacking, show an increase of 5,771, or 3.5 per cent, over the number reported for 1923. The figures are preliminary and subject to slight correction.

Oregon in 1924 had 6967 marriages, while in 1923 it had 71511, a decrease of 184. Oregon's record for divorces was 2945 for 1924, compared with 2894 in 1923, an increase of 51. Oregon was one of thirty states showing a decrease in marriages, and one of 29 states showing an increase in divorces in the year.

GREAT NORTHERN TO BUILD BIG TUNNEL

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Based on what the paper describes as "authoritative information," which it has been unable to verify officially, the Spokane Chronicle says in a story published today that a contract for construction of an eight-mile double-track tunnel thru the Cascade mountains has been let by the Great Northern railroad to A. Guthrie and company of St. Paul.

Officials of the railroad here and in Seattle and officials of the construction company at Portland have declined to verify the report, but a special dispatch from St. Paul states that "authoritative information" is to the effect that the contract has been awarded and that Guthrie and company are recruiting a crew and assembling equipment for the job.

NEW WARDEN TO HAVE DISCIPLINE AND NO POLITICS

SALTEM, Ore., Dec. 8.—All of those changes recommended by Governor Pierce's prison investigation committee that are found to be practicable and possible under existing financial conditions are to be carried out under his administration of the state penitentiary, J. W. Lillie, appointed Saturday to succeed A. M. Dalrymple as warden, declared in an interview this morning.

In addition, the new warden has under consideration several changes and reforms of his own that will be put into effect as rapidly as circumstances will permit. There will be no general revolution of methods and practices inaugurated in a day but the new warden has a very definite goal of standards for the conduct of the institution in mind and he says he intends to keep plugging away until they are realized.

Strict discipline in handling the prisoners and stronger morale among the guards are the two objectives Lillie has in mind for the immediate present. As the re-organization progresses young and more physically active men are to be selected as guards, and strict attention to their business at all times is to be insisted upon.

"There is to be no politics played in the selection of guards," said Lillie. "Wherever it is possible to get them I want young men who are physically fit, preferably between 30 and 35 years old. The job of organizing them into an efficient body, ready to function at all times and in any emergency will be handled by Captain Golden, who will be responsible for their conduct. They will be thoroly drilled and target practice once a week will be required."

Chicago's First Double-Decked Street Sweeping Completion
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—(A.P.)—Chicago's first double-decked street is nearing completion as a \$3,000,000 hardware plant, the last building in its path, gives way to a wrecker gang. When completed the street, located on the south bank of the Chicago river, will be known as Wacker Drive and will represent an expenditure of \$20,000,000 for the one mile of its length.



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