

RUSH FOR COAL; STRIKE LOOMS

Threat of Big Coal Strike
Brings Flood of Buyers to
Local Dealers

NO PRICE RAISE—YET

"Good Supplies on Hand,"
Is Report

Threats of a widespread coal miners' strike have been having their effect on local fuel buyers, who were reported Wednesday morning, by the local dealers all along the north shore, to be stampeding them for their winter's supply. At present, no price raise has been announced, but in most cases the dealers are only quoting prices for 24-hour periods, subject to change at any time.

"We have had five telephones busy all morning," said Peter N. Jans, general north shore manager for the Consumers company. "Our supply is sufficient for the next few weeks, and we are still selling at May prices, although there have already been some advances by the shippers. We foresaw the present situation impending quite a while ago and are pretty well prepared for it."

At the office of the Meyers Coal and Material company, it was stated that an increase in price was expected as soon as definite notification came that the operators and miners could not agree. The firm reported a supply on hand sufficient for several weeks, with orders coming in steadily.

Good Supply on Hand

Other dealers had virtually the same report to make. Most have a good supply on hand, are announcing prices only for 24-hour periods and have had a steadily increasing business.

In Winnetka, the Hubbard Woods Lumber and Coal company, E. C. Weissenberg, and the Winnetka Coal-Lumber company had the same reports to make. All are waiting word from the operators and say they will hold to their present prices as long as possible. No definite word from the operators has come yet, however.

The Central Coal and Material company of Glencoe reports that it has five cars of coal coming in this week. Orders have only been fairly heavy, but are increasing. Glencoe citizens, say these dealers, are in the habit of laying in their early fall supply about this time and the company had already been making preparations to meet this before news of the threatened strike broke.

Rumors that the bituminous coal miners would walk out at the same time that the anthracite workers struck has stirred the soft coal users into active buying.

With President Coolidge still holding back before stepping in to avert the strike, an increased feeling of uncertainty has developed. Anthracite workers this week refused to concede the wage increase and the check-off demanded by the miners and broke off negotiations for a new contract.

Illinois Coal Is Short

It was announced by Dr. F. C. Honnold, secretary of the Illinois Coal Producers' association that buyers should lay in their supplies immediately. Supplies of coal in Chicago are reported to be very low, although national production figures indicate that more coal has been brought above ground this year than last.

There is a considerable shortage of Illinois bituminous coal, most of the mines being idle or working only part time. It was expected that activity would begin soon, but the rumors of a bituminous strike persist and this activity may be considerably delayed. All summer, buying has been light, few people yet having been educated to lay in their winter's supplies early, in spite of the regularity of fall disturbances in the coal industries.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hartel, 196 Myrtle street, had as their guests last week Mr. and Mrs. Grant S. Chase of Washington, D. C.

Noted Piano Teacher Now Has North Shore Studios

Miss Eleanor Sherman of Sheridan road, Chicago, who has been receiving numerous north shore children on her list of piano pupils, is establishing studios in Kenilworth, Winnetka and Glencoe, it was announced this week. She specializes in the musical training of children between the ages of 3 to 10 years and is reported to have achieved remarkable results. She plans to give daily lessons in her north shore studios.

Highland Park Holds Its Annual Picnic August 12

Wednesday, August 12, has been announced as annual Highland Park Day in the Lake county suburb. The day's activities in Sunset park are sponsored by the Highland Park Business Men's association.

The program for the day will include a street procession, dancing, music, sports and field events. Luncheon and picnic refreshments will be purveyed on the grounds.

Miniature Electric Train Nets \$32 for Sick Babies

Bruce Karnes, 9 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Karnes, 151 Fuller lane, who is entertaining a number of young and older friends by providing rides on his miniature electric train, thereby also swelling the funds of the Chicago Daily News Sanitarium fund for sick babies, at the rate of five cents a ride for children and one dollar per for adults, netted \$32.50 last week.

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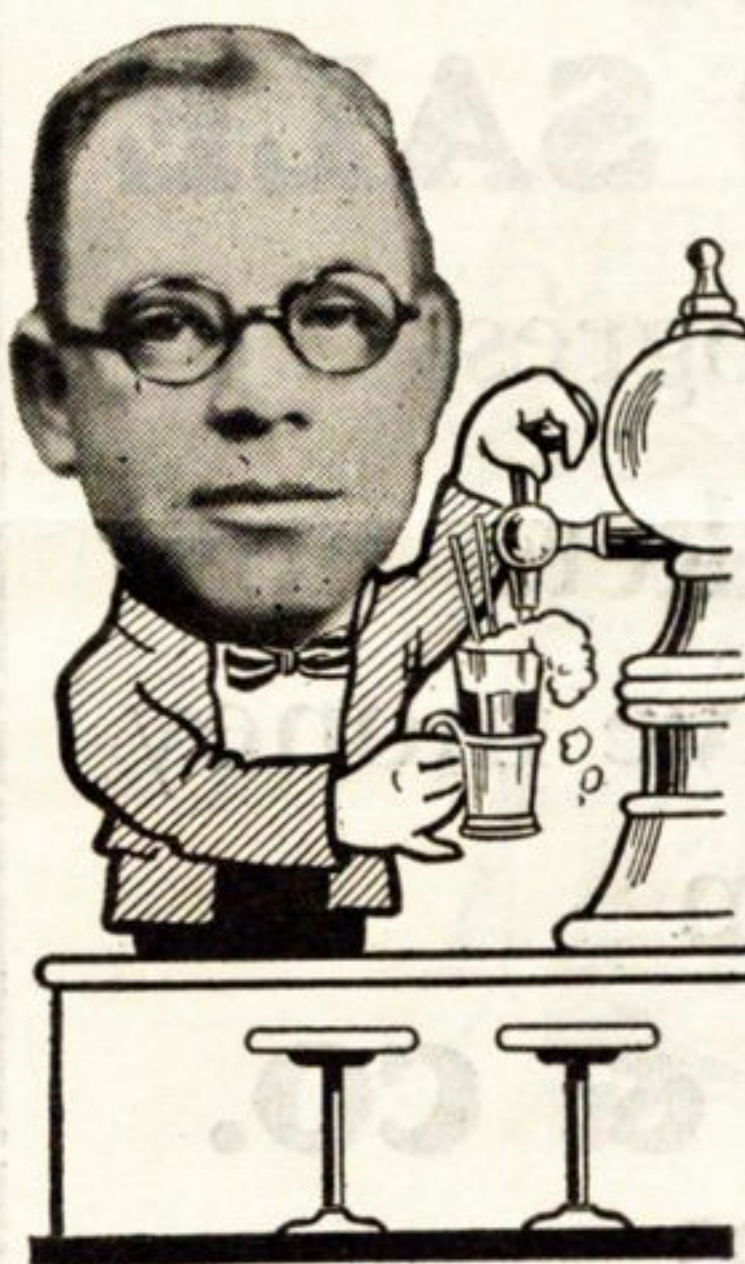
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