

THE MINERS MUST MAKE NEXT MOVE

In the Soft Coal Strike Before Government Takes Further Action.

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IS BEING AWARDED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT

Protection to Be Given Miners Who Wish to Continue Work—Disorder To Be Put Down.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Washington, Nov. 1.—The miners must make the next move in the soft coal strike, was the opinion today of the Government officials. The strike was a reality today, even though the directing heads of the United Mine Workers of America were restrained from activity by a Federal court injunction. Government officials awaited reports as to the extent of the walk out, for upon this information rested the future course of the Government. Should reports show that any considerable number of miners desire to continue work, the Government was prepared to furnish them protection. Should disorders occur, the Government was ready with all the police powers at its disposal to put them down.

But the Government's activities were not alone in the coal fields. Maximum prices for bituminous coal formulated to meet war's necessities were again in effect. Priority of distribution based in part on the war schedule was in operation. All steps to protect the miners who refused to heed the call of union heads to preserve peace in the bituminous fields and to lessen in so far as possible the suffering of the public and disruption of industry, incident to such a strike, had been taken: Nothing more can be done by the Government, officials intimated, until the way was shown by the strikers themselves. For that reason, officials were not prepared to discuss the Government's course other than has been outlined.

394,000 On Strike.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Chicago, Nov. 1.—Upward of 394,000 bituminous coal miners throughout the nation of a total of 615,000 men employed in that industry, today were on strike in response to general strike call, effective at midnight last night according to reports. In some instances estimated, received by union leaders. Despite the general injunction, issued at Washington, against the strike the leaders who generally stated they would disregard it, asserted that the strike today would be extended to more than 500,000 miners. The exact strength of the walk out probably will not be known until Monday. However, it is known in many of the country's mines Saturday has been recognized as at least half a holiday and work suspended altogether in others on Sundays. The mine operators early today had announced no plans for carrying on mining, despite the precautionary steps taken and promised by federal and different state governments. Neither had they given out an estimate of the number of men on strike.

Kentucky Affected.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Madisonville, Ky., Nov. 1.—Affected for the first time in ten years by a strike of large magnitude, Kentucky today witnesses the grasp of a nation-wide strike of soft coal miners, which went into effect last midnight. Approximately 10,000 miners of the State had joined the walk-out early to-day, according to union officers, who predicted that several thousand additional men would quit before Monday.

42,000 Out in Pittsburg.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 1.—Approximately 42,000 miners in the Pittsburg district went on strike today in response to the order of the United Mine Workers of America, according to officers of district No. 5, of the organization. The number represents practically one hundred per cent of the coal production of western Pennsylvania.

Illinois Miners Respond.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Springfield, Ill., Nov. 1.—Early indications today were that the 80,000 soft coal miners in Illinois responded almost unanimously to the strike called, effective at midnight last night. The machinery was ready at almost all of the mines to begin work at the usual hour this morning, and the whistles sounded the "work today" signal, but there was no response.

NEWS IN BULLETIN.

Canadian Packers will reduce the price of pork on Saturday from two to fifteen cents a pound, by order of the Board of Commerce.

The Victory Loan report up till Friday night for Ontario is nearly eighty million dollars.

It is expected that final action on the German peace treaty will be taken next Wednesday at Washington.

Miners' Unions' headquarters at Chicago reported that 371,000 men quit work Friday night.

The remaining German warships, by agreement between United States and Great Britain, will be divided between France and Italy.

Kingston's new chief of police, Capt. Robert Robinson, commenced his duties on Saturday morning.

MAN AND SWEETHEART USED AN EXPLOSIVE TO END THEIR LIVES

(Canadian Press Despatch) Chateau Thierry, France, Nov. 1.—Thirty-five pounds of melonite, set off by a detonator, was the method employed by Adrien Thumerel and his sweetheart to end their lives here to-day. Thumerel, an employee of the explosives depot at Mezy, near here, was charged with the theft of hams from stores destined for war prisoners, and was to appear in court to-morrow to answer the charge. He is said to have decided upon suicide. The melonite was made ready in a shack where Thumerel and his sweetheart met. The explosion, which followed, was heard for miles and destroyed property within a radius of one hundred yards.

"RED" REVOLUTION ORATORY IN FRANCE

Speaker Says He Has One Hundred Men Ready to Seize Parliament.

Paris, Nov. 1.—Heavy pressure is being brought to bear by syndicalist leaders upon railwaymen to endeavor to induce them to join the movement for a revolutionary general strike, Nov. 7. Revolutionary orators, at a meeting of the Federation of Syndicalists Thursday called upon the railroad men to demand an increase in wages of 1,000 francs, not as Citizen Sirolle admitted, with the idea of gaining this, but with the sole object of creating difficulties by the failure to obtain their demands. Railwaymen, brakemen and switchmen had asked for a salary of 3,300 francs and from all indications it seemed that the demand would be granted. M. Sirolle, therefore proposed that they should ask for 4,300 francs, a thousand francs more, because "the comrades must be kept busy with claims for increased wages." Continuing, Citizen Sirolle used as an example the fact that the Russian revolution was brought about by 100 sailors who seized the Parliament Buildings and said that the railwaymen must act in a similar manner. "I have my hundred men ready," said M. Sirolle.

THE KAISER IS FREE TO GO TO HIS HOME

He and His Son Guarded For Personal Safety, Not Against Their Escape.

The Hague, Nov. 1.—Regarding questions asked by Harmsworth in the British Parliament as to what measures had been taken by the Dutch Government to guard the ex-Kaiser and the ex-Crown Prince, or prevent them from leaving Holland, I am officially informed by a representative of the Netherlands Government that no measures have been or will be taken, as the two ex-Royals are considered entirely free to leave this country when they choose, and that any measures taken in connection with these two personages are only with a view to their personal safety, and are moreover paid for by the ex-Royalties. I was moreover, informed that the associated Governments have no right to insist on the Netherlands Government preventing the ex-Kaiser or ex-Crown Prince from leaving the country.

AN EIGHT-HOUR DAY

For Women Discussed at Labor Congress in Washington.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Washington, Nov. 1.—A resolution favoring an eight-hour day for employed women of the world was before the International Congress of Working Women at today's session. In opening the discussion of the eight-hour day, Madame Marie Majorova, an alderman of the City of Prague, declared there must be no shackles on the modern Eve. She must be thoroughly healthy, a spiritual mother of a freed and a just generation of human beings.

Unsanitary Police Cells.

Windsor, Nov. 1.—Legal proceedings may be instituted against the city of Windsor for maintaining a public nuisance unless sanitary conditions in the cell block at police headquarters are improved immediately. Ald. Hooper, acting mayor, has just finished an investigation of the police cells and says he found them "vile smelling places unfit to house the worst criminal in the world."

The alderman says the cells are a menace to the health of the community, and that members of the Police Department are daily exposed because they are powerless to prevent expiring themselves.

The huge electric light station at Rome, Italy, collapsed Friday and is a complete wreck. The city is without lights.

Premier Hearst has been offered several seats but in a statement says he has decided to retire to private life.

HEARST RETIRING FROM POLITICS

Defeated Premier Refuses to Take a Safe Conservative Seat.

HON. G. HOWARD FERGUSON

IS TEMPORARY LEADER OF CONSERVATIVE OPPOSITION.

Hearst May Get a Judgeship—Monday Expected to Be a Big Day in the Ontario Provincial Situation.

(Canadian Press Despatch) Toronto, Nov. 1.—Successful and defeated Conservative candidates at the last Ontario provincial elections met in conference in the reception room at the Parliament Buildings yesterday afternoon. Sir William Hearst presided. The outstanding business done was the decision to hold a Conservative convention after the first session of the legislature and the appointment of Hon. G. Howard Ferguson as temporary leader of the Conservative opposition. The meeting also drew from Sir William Hearst the declaration that he was through with political life, despite the fact that two fairly safe Conservative seats had been practically placed at his disposal. It was breezed around that he might get a judgeship in the supreme court. "There is still no official announcement of the resignation of the Hearst Government, and no word has come from Premier-elect, Charles Ernest Drury since he retired to his farm at Simcoe County on Friday night. It is expected that Monday will be a day of great doings in the Ontario provincial situation.

SEVERAL SIGNS POINT TO A MILD WINTER

Thin Skin on Animals; Small Hoard of Nuts; Berries, Robins, Mushrooms.

Bridgeburg, Nov. 1.—Goose-bone prophets in this section maintain that we are in for a mild winter. The following are the signs which seers in this district declare indicate the coming of a mild season in place of the old time Canadian winter. The first, of course, is the skin on animals, which is declared to be very thin this fall; the second is the small supply of nuts which the squirrels are gathering in the adjacent woods; and the third is the fact that one farmer in the vicinity of Crystal Beach declares that strawberries in his patch are preparing for a second crop.

50 MILES AN HOUR TO BE AT FUNERAL

A Nevada Man 3,000 Miles Away Hopes to Arrive There Sunday.

Tarrytown, Nov. 1.—Arthur See, son of John P. See of this village, is driving 3,000 miles to attend his father's funeral. People have occasioned special trains for such occasions, but it is probably the first time in this country that a man has attempted to drive 3,000 miles by automobile. See is a garage owner in Ely, Nevada. His father died Monday morning, and word was wired to him. He replied that he was starting at once by automobile, and expected to reach Tarrytown by Sunday morning. He will have to average nearly 50 miles an hour to do it.

Chinese Budget Cut.

Pekin, Nov. 1.—The keenest interest has been aroused by the action of Parliament in making a budget reduction on the military expenditures from two hundred million dollars to one hundred and sixty million dollars, as it is uncertain whether the Tutchans will comply. General Nishi Chang Fushun, of Anau, advocates the reduction and exchanging telegrams on this subject with other Tutchans, recommending an immediate thirty per cent reduction. The National Civil Service examination on modern subjects which were established at the end of the Manchu dynasty have been revived after a lapse of many years. There are over five thousand candidates. This action on the part of the President will tend to check increasing nepotism.

QUESTION HOLLWEG ON PEACE ISSUES

He Appears Before Berlin Assembly Committee—Asked Regarding Sub-War.

Berlin, Nov. 1.—Former chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg was a witness yesterday before the subcommittee of the National Assembly investigating what had been the possibilities of peace making during the course of the war. He was asked several searching questions by the committee. The committee requested answers from Von Bethmann-Hollweg, who was chancellor when the war broke out, and held office until July 14. First—Why did the central powers make their peace offer on December 12, 1918, when action by President Wilson for peace had been suggested by Germany and certain prospect of such motion was held out, at the latest for the end of December. Second—Why were concrete peace conditions not communicated to President Wilson? Third—Why, instead of pursuing the idea of action toward peace by President Wilson, did Germany assent to ruthless submarine warfare if she knew it would lead to war with the United States?

Stephen Allan Lazier, one of Belleville's oldest and most prominent residents, passed quietly away Friday morning at his home, 31 Bridge street, aged eighty-six.

CANADA MAY OPEN CAMP IN ENGLAND

Will Be to Take Care of Ex-Soldiers Who Have No Employment.

London, Nov. 1.—The Canadian Government will probably receive representations soon urging the opening of a camp here for a very limited period for soldiers who took their discharge here and now find themselves workless. It will also be represented that, although these men have no absolutely no legal claim for repatriation it will be wiser to grant this concession. Before this is done, however, it is urged that some organization in Canada must be prepared to look after them on arrival, otherwise their condition in Canada will be as bad as it is here.

THE C.T.R. BILL IS HELD UP

By An Amendment Introduced Into Commons By Hon. W. S. Fielding.

Mr. Fielding Asks For More Investigation, as He Claims the Wisest Men of the Country Are Divided Over the Matter—A Tariff Commission. (Canadian Press Despatch) Ottawa, Nov. 1.—An amendment by Hon. W. S. Fielding to the third reading of the Grand Trunk Bill, summarizing the Opposition's objections to the measure, and calling for an inquiry into the whole matter by a commission, was a stumbling block in the way of a formal third reading of the bill in the Commons yesterday. The debate lasted until well into the evening, and was then adjourned until Monday, when it is expected that this and other amendments will be disposed of, and the bill given a third reading. Mr. Fielding and other Opposition members again asserted that the wisest men in the country were divided on the question and that the Government was not justified in putting the bill through the House without investigation. Hon. Arthur Meighen criticized the Opposition for proposing a commission in view of the Liberal assurance of the Government for naming so many commissions in the past. T. A. Vien asked when the Government proposed to appoint a commission to investigate the tariff. The leader of the Government replied that this commission would be appointed at some convenient time.

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ELECTIONS IN U.S.

Five States Will Elect Governors on Tuesday Next.

(Canadian Press Despatch) New York, Nov. 1.—Five states, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maryland, Kentucky and Mississippi will elect governors at the "off year" elections to be held next Tuesday, November 4. New York will elect assembly men. Prohibition is the chief issue in the Ohio elections where the voters will be called upon to vote on two amendments and two referendums on the subject. Referendums relate to legislative ratification of the federal prohibition amendment and the prohibition enforcement act passed by the last legislature. Voters of Kentucky will also vote on the question of state-wide prohibition. Massachusetts, New Jersey, Virginia, Kentucky and Maryland will elect new members to the legislative branches.

A GOVERNMENT TRIUMPH

In the Financial Debate in the British Commons.

(Canadian Press Despatch) London, Nov. 1.—The press today is unanimous in acknowledging that the Government scored a triumph in the financial debate. Even the Daily News, the most severe critic of the Government, admits that the premier's speech was a great oratorical success and made a tremendous impression on the House. The discussion, it states, ended out by the time the Premier had resumed his seat. Nevertheless some of the newspapers continue criticism of what they call the Government's "faith-healer finance." They accuse the Government of replying with rhetoric and despatching logic and facts. The Times states that there will be widespread amazement that the Commons is so easily cajoled, and these believing in representative institutions will tremble for democracy's future.

Geologist is Safe.

Winnipeg, Nov. 1.—K. Terrell, mining engineer and geologist, to effect whose rescue from the frozen Rice Lake straits an airplane left here yesterday, reached Gimli, Manitoba, today in a fishing boat after a long and tedious journey. The airplane ran into a severe snowstorm thirty miles north of Winnipeg, and was compelled to abandon the trip and return to the city.

No Provision for Roads.

Brantford, Nov. 1.—A demand has been sent to the city by the County of Brant for \$9,500 for the city's share of the cost of construction and maintenance of the suburban roads. As the city made no provision for such payment in the estimates, it will have to be carried in an overdraft.

One-half of the miners in Kentucky districts refused to go out on strike Friday night.

KAISER'S TRIAL IS DISCUSSED

No Wave of Feeling Against It In England Says Bonar Law.

CARRY OUT PEACE TREATY

WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE TRIAL OF WILHELM

The London Times Says the Government is Undertaking an Autumn Campaign to Regain Lost Prestige.

London, Nov. 1.—In the House of Commons yesterday, Major Lane-Fox asked the Premier if he was aware that there was a growing feeling throughout the country against bringing the ex-Kaiser to trial and in favor of leaving him to the punishment of his own conscience and the contempt of the world. He asked if the Government would submit the matter to a vote in the House before carrying out this provision of the peace treaty, or whether the provision was so binding as to render such avoidance of it impossible. Bonar Law replied that he was not aware of any wave of feeling against the trial. The Government saw no reason why this provision of the peace treaty, which had been approved by the House, should not be carried out. The Times also states that the Government is undertaking an autumn campaign throughout the country to endeavor to regain lost prestige. Two hundred mass meetings have been arranged for the next couple of weeks, and especially in the industrial centres. The final meeting will be held in London and will be addressed by the Premier and Bonar Law.

PLAN TO BLOCKADE BELLE ISLE STRAITS

Considered by Newfoundland—Would Improve Climate of Seaboard.

London, Nov. 1.—A line of fast steamers will shortly be running fortnightly from New York to Liverpool, which will call at St. John's, Newfoundland, and Halifax, says a statement by Sir Edgar Bowring, High Commissioner for Newfoundland, who has just returned to London. He added that Newfoundland was expecting help from the Imperial Government in the direction of more rapid and frequent communication with Britain. Newfoundland was considering a proposal, recently broached in Canada, for blocking the Straits of Belle Isle to make winter navigation in the Gulf practicable and improve the climate of the eastern seaboard of Canada and Newfoundland.

SHIPOWNERS CANNOT GRANT DEMANDS MADE

Negotiations Fail in New York Strike—Ships Use Other Ports.

New York, Nov. 1.—Refusing a compromise offer presented by striking longshoremen for 85 cents an hour with \$1.25 for overtime, representatives of the ship-owners last night informed a committee of the strikers that they are without power to grant any demands other than those allowed in the ward of the national adjustment commission of 70c an hour. The committee was also informed, according to one of its members, that the shipowners would not deal with Richard Butler, leader of the strikers.

12,000 APPLY FOR AID

Rush of French Families Seeking 25,000 Franc Grant.

Paris, Nov. 1.—Twelve thousand applications have been applied for the grant of 25,000 francs from the Great Fund established by Theodore Cognacq, the French millionaire philanthropist, to assist families of nine children or more from the same parents. Ninety grants are to be made yearly from the Cognacq fund of 50,000,000 francs, which was recently turned over to the French Academy of Medicine for this purpose. The money, which is to go not necessarily to the poorest families, but to the most deserving, is to be used to pay the expenses of the children or to establish them in trades.

BERLIN PAPER SAYS BIG CREDITS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED

London, Nov. 1.—According to the Daily Mail, the Berlin Conservative Post asserts, without mentioning its authority, that private loans amounting to 100,000,000 pounds have been arranged for German firms by two New York banks and three American firms. The Post may have obtained its information from the so-called Director Moschel, alias de la Roche, who has been posing as Morgan's agent and pretending to negotiate a loan from the "West Russian Government," which is composed of "Hungarian" and "Bulgarian" military movements in the Baltic states. He now has been arrested by the Berlin police.

Treachery of Ferdinand.

London, Nov. 1.—A series of documents have been published in Sofia showing that ex-Tsar Ferdinand mediated a treacherous breach in the alliance just before events compelled him to abdicate. The documents are said to prove that General Seroff, at Ferdinand's order, begged the ex-Kaiser's representative in Sofia to try and obtain the immediate despatch of ten German divisions to help the Bulgarian army to attack Entente troops after their entry into Bulgaria.

KILLS HIS BROTHER IN AN AUTOMOBILE

(Canadian Press Despatch) St. Louis, Nov. 1.—Walter Ballman, a wealthy lumberman of this city, shot and killed his brother Leonard, a salesman, and then ended his own life by firing a bullet into his head while riding in an automobile last night. The chauffeur told the police the brothers had been quarrelling and that Leonard threatened the life of Walter.

CONSTERNATION AT BRITISH ATTITUDE

It is Feared That Withdrawal of Troops Will Create Acute Situation.

London, Nov. 1.—The proposed withdrawal of British troops from Syria is asserted by those well informed, to have caused something like consternation among even those advocating it. Now that the British have unexpectedly acquiesced it is brought forcibly to the attention that they have been the buffer between foreigners and the natives, and that the withdrawal will create a situation which might easily become acute, unless delicately handled. The British withdrawal does not mean that they have abandoned their attitude regarding the disposition of Syria, as asserted, but has been ordered so that the tension may be relieved. The British made promises to the King of the Hedjaz early in the war which they feel bound to support as far as possible, although these agreements made under the stress of war, perhaps conflict with the desires of some of the Allies. It is believed that Great Britain will adopt an attitude of trying to balance the scale between the Hedjaz and the opponents of Arabian control in Syria.

LABOR IS STRONG FOR THE COALITION

The I.L.P.-U.F.O. Union Endorsed—Rollo Says Two in Cabinet.

Hamilton, Nov. 1.—Labor is heard an "out" when the I.L.P.-U.F.O. coalition government, and any criticism that rises against the joint party will come from the ranks of the farmers, according to Walter R. Rollo, M.L.A.-elect for West Hamilton, and the I.L.P. candidate, who will likely be minister of labor in the new government. Mr. Rollo made the definite statement that labor would have two portfolios in the new cabinet, one of which would be minister of labor, but the second was still a matter of conjecture. Regarding the selection of E. C. Drury as premier of the new group, Mr. Rollo was very enthusiastic over the appointment. He stated that Mr. Drury looked to be one of the biggest men in the U.F.O. party and that he has gone outside for a premier to have given the suggestion that there was already a weakness in the farmers' organization.

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Will Investigate Gas.

Woodstock, Nov. 1.—So many complaints as to the impure quality of gas supplied here reached Mayor Gahagan that he has asked E. S. Eakin, of Chatham, provincial commissioner, to come here and make an investigation. The official has consented and he will come here early next week and review the situation. This official was appointed by the Government last fall. He has all the powers of a cabinet minister and is able to take immediate and direct action in all matters pertaining to the gas situation in Ontario.

TO SEVERELY PUNISH TRIBES

Who Have Been Implicated in the Indian Border Revolt.

AN AERIAL BOMBARDMENT

DECIDED UPON BY THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT.

The Tribesmen Will Be Given Time to Remove Women and Children. Then They Will Be Heavily Bombed.

Simla, India, Nov. 1.—Owing to the hostility of Waziris and Mahauds during and since the Afghanistan trouble, it has become necessary to adopt measures to prevent continued attacks on British posts and convoys, and raids into British territory. Representatives of these tribes are being summoned to hear the British terms. In the event of their non-compliance with the terms they will be given time to remove women and children, and will then be subjected to a period of intense aerial bombardment, which will be followed by other punitive measures against sections of the tribes implicated in the recent outrages. Six infantry brigades, as well as cavalry and artillery, commanded by Major-General Olmo, are being employed. The warlike activities of the Waziri and Mahaud tribesmen along the North-West Indian frontier, which has drawn an ultimatum from the British, are an outgrowth of the warfare in Afghanistan. As a result of the Afghan attacks last spring, the British were forced to withdraw their military posts from Waziristan, tribal territory between British India and Afghanistan. These posts were never reoccupied, and the savage tribesmen, who had been kept in order by the presence of the British, have carried out raids into British territory. The Indian Government, therefore proposes to take punitive measures unless the tribesmen submit to the terms of the ultimatum.

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