

WEST VIRGINIA SOCIETY DEMANDS PROBE BY U. S. COAL COMMISSION

Organization to Maintain Constitutional Rights Insists That Mine Owners Are Conspiring Against Union Workers.

Investigation of the non-union fields as well as the union fields by the United States coal commission is asked in a letter which was sent to President Harding and the members of the commission by the Constitutional Society of West Virginia.

The non-union fields have "undercut" the agreements between the union and the non-union operators in the past so that it is impossible now to carry out these agreements unless all operators are made to recognize them, and put an end to unfair competition that brings on strikes and turmoil in the coal industry.

The inquiry into this industry will be inadequate, futile and without avail if it does not go into conditions in the non-union fields as well as in the union fields, and if the commission in its findings does not establish a common base to which the non-union side as well as the union side shall be bound.

The biennial agreement entered into by the union operators and the miners' union has the practical effect of putting about one-half of the bituminous industry on a fixed and stabilized base.

Agreements of this kind do not exist in the non-union fields. Wages and working conditions are variable, and they may be adjusted at any time as suits the immediate advantage and needs of the non-union operators.

As a result of this inequitable condition a new agreement between the union and non-union operators is no sooner entered into than the non-union operator begins to readjust his wage and working conditions so as to give him an advantage over that agreement.

The non-union operators maintain that they have "saved" the country during periods of strike in the union fields. They have not done anything of the kind.

The non-union fields have disrupted the stability of the union fields to a degree that has upset the working time and aggregate earning capacity of the union miners.

It is thus to be seen that the foremost and most serious phase of the coal problem is the divided condition within the industry—the non-union operator undermining and destroying the stability of any wage agreement that is entered into by the union operators and union miners.

The work of the coal commission should be directed to this end if any lasting good or ultimate protection to the public is to result from its efforts.

The Constitutional Society of West Virginia has established headquarters in Washington and will exert its efforts toward preventing a repetition of the troubles that have taken place in coal fields in the past.

With this end in view it is strikingly straight at the divided condition in the coal industry.

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Farmer-Labor Wins in Buhl. Buhl, Nov. 8.—(Special).—Incomplete returns from Buhl indicate the Farmer-Labor ticket carried the field in yesterday's election. Shipstead for senator, Magnus Johnson for governor and Keyes for state treasurer, were the victors.

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U. S. FALLS DOWN IN SHIPBUILDING

World-Wide Decline Hits This Country the Hardest.

A world-wide slump in shipbuilding, with the United States showing by far the greatest loss, is disclosed in figures compiled by Lloyd's Register at New York.

Counting only ships on which work actually is in progress, the United States is led by England, France, and Holland, with Japan and the British dominions close on the heels of this country.

The United States is now building only 6 per cent of the world's tonnage; England is building 60 per cent, and the other maritime nations 34 per cent combined.

This country now has only 150,000 tons of ships in the yards; has not contracted for any new ones since July 1, and has largely suspended work on those already on the ways.

America's decline since the post-Armistice peak of vessel construction has been 4,036,000 tons—a goodly percentage of the decline for all the world, which aggregates only 5,346,000 tons.

Her shipyards are building only one-third as much tonnage as they were a year ago; Great Britain's are building one-half.

America is building today only 3000 tons more of freight bottoms than was at the outbreak of the World war in July, 1914; all other nations, taking into account the wholesale suspension of building during the last three months, aggregate 919,000 tons above the pre-war construction totals.

Lloyd's points to these figures as a striking indication of how the volume of shipbuilding is falling off through the scarcity of new orders to replace work being completed.

In the United States, it is shown, there have been virtually no new launchings in the three months, or no new orders. Great Britain's launchings have been nearly four times her new contracts.

The register also notes a sharp decrease in the construction of tankers throughout the world, the decline in the past quarter having been 140,000 gross tons.

In its endeavor to evade the organization for workers, the Balk corporation, fur manufacturers, moved to New Brunswick, N. J., and is now confronted with a complete tie-up. This concern was formerly located at Newark and operated under union conditions.

The factory has not only failed to secure strikebreakers, but many skin dealers are refusing to supply the factory with raw material while the strike lasts.

GIRLS ARE ORGANIZED. Upholsterers' union No. 15 of Los Angeles has organized the sewing girls employed in various upholstering shops.

THE YOUNG LADY ACROSS THE WAY. "I'm sorry, but I'm on a sound financial basis in that every bank-note is secured by the government's fiat."

FEDERAL JUDGE ORDERS U. S. GRAIN LAW HELD UP. Federal Judge Carpenter of Chicago has ordered the new grain law, which regulated speculating in futures, be not enforced pending a hearing for an injunction against the law.

GRAIN DEALERS CLAIM THAT THE LAW IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL BECAUSE IT GIVES CERTAIN FEDERAL OFFICIALS AUTHORITY TO SET IN JUDGMENT OVER THE ACTS OF THE DEALERS, WHO INSIST THAT IF THEY COMMIT A CRIMINAL ACT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO A TRIAL BY JURY, AND THAT THE LAW DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR.

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MILLER BOASTS HE'S FREE MAN

N. Y. Governor Doesn't Take Orders From Sam Gompers.

In his campaign for re-election, Governor Miller of New York is qualifying for admission to the select group of American "statesmen" that is headed by the Allens, the Coolidges, the Blantons, etc.

But Governor Miller is rapidly forging to the front rank of these "statesmen." He proved this in a speech at Poughkeepsie when he told his audience that "Samuel Gompers has not been able to tell me what to do."

This is hint enough for every corruptionist and advocate of special interests. Big business always considers this a notice that it need not fear any legislation that will levy on profits by providing improved working conditions for wage earners.

As "walls have ears" and letter writing is dangerous, the modern "statesman" calls for reaction's support by his "independence of Samuel Gompers."

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SHOPMEN'S STRIKE CUTS EARNINGS OF RAILROADS. September reports of railroads, now made public, show the disastrous effect the shop men's strike is having on profits.

CLOTH PRICES ADVANCE; RESULT OF TARIFF LAW. The American Woolen company has advanced prices on men's wear, woollens and worsteds for spring from 2 1/2 cents to 3 1/2 cents a yard.

Some of the biggest profits in industry have been reported by this trust, which again raises prices. In 1918 it reported a net income of \$10,779,804 after all taxes, charges and preferred dividends had been paid.

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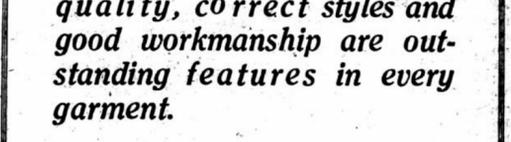
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