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PLANS FOR SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE HAVE BEEN DRAWN UP AT WHITE HOUSE BY PRESIDENT HARDING AND LABOR LEADERS

Details of the Plan Are Withheld, But the Settlement Proposals to be Made to the Executives, It Is Said, Includes the Seniority Issue—A Meeting of the Railroad Executives Will be Called in New York Next Tuesday to Consider a Plan for Settling the Strike Now in Progress—Executives' Chairman Was Unable to Foretell Whether Action on the New Proposals Would be Held in Abeyance Until the New York Meeting.

Washington, July 27. (By the A. P.)—Tentative proposals for the settlement of the rail shopmen's strike were drawn up today after a series of conferences between President Harding and labor leaders headed by B. M. Jewell, of the shopmen's union.

It was understood that the suggested plan for settlement—details of which were withheld by those participating in its formulation—would be submitted later to executives of the railroads.

The settlement proposals apparently had reference to the seniority issue which, it was generally agreed, was the sole remaining bar to conclusion of the railroad war, or at least of an armistice in the struggle.

Should the railroad executives accept the plans, it was said, a re-hearing of issues which led to the strike would be held before the rail labor board, and all other questions left to adjucation through such a proceeding.

The labor union officials, through B. M. Jewell, president of the railway employes' section of the American Federation of Labor, declared they could not comment upon the substance of their discussions with the president, except that every point in the strike controversy had gone over. W. H. Johnston, the president of the International Association of Machinists; J. A. Franklin, president of the Boilermakers'; M. F. Ryan, president of the carmen, Timothy Healy, president of the stationary firemen and oilers; James Burns, vice president of the sheet metal workers, and Edward Evans, vice president of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, were in two meetings with Mr. Jewell and the president, the last of which did not break up until nearly six o'clock.

The labor leaders refused to comment on their conference at the White House, further than to say that they had covered every phase of the situation and to add that they would remain in Washington over night.

It was understood in Chicago when the labor group left yesterday for the capitol that they would return tonight. The decision to extend their stay was taken as another indication that hopeful progress had been made during the day.

T. Dewitt Cuyler, chairman of the Railway Executives' association, was with President Harding at the White House for an hour before the union leaders were received and it was arranged for Mr. Cuyler to confer with the president after the labor group left. Other railroad officials were in the city, but apparently were not invited to the conference. Alfred P. Thom, general counsel for the Association of Railway Executives, expected to confer with Attorney General Daugherty today on some phases of the strike, but did not see him.

In the president's hands, while the conferences proceeded was a copy of proposals which representatives of the striking shop crafts on the Baltimore and Ohio had received in a separate meeting with the management of that road, held in Baltimore this week. The document was delivered by Senator Watson, republican, Indiana, who has been active in meetings with the railroad officials concerned.

It was considered possible that the B. and O. plan might have been used as a basis for the tentative suggestions developed in today's meetings.

A considerable number of railroads have been willing to return strikers their seniority positions in consideration of a general calling off of the strike, but others, including the Pennsylvania system and roads in the southwest, have flatly refused to do so, declaring that it meant dismissal of men employed to take the strikers' places and demotion of men who remained in service when others went out.

The position of the union heads, who met with the president today, was understood to be that all the roads must concede the seniority point, accepting the return of all the strikers. It was asserted that the proposition of calling off the strike orders, even though all but two or three major roads yielded on seniority had not been discussed. This left the intimation that President Harding would bring pressure upon the executives of those lines as a part of the strike settlement endeavor.

RAILROAD EXECUTIVES TO MEET IN NEW YORK TUESDAY

Washington, July 27 (By the A. P.)—A meeting of executives of the 148 major railroads of the United States will be called in New York next Tuesday to consider a plan for settling the strike now in progress, T. Dewitt Cuyler, chairman of the Association of Railway Executives announced tonight, after a conference with President Harding.

Mr. Cuyler added, however, that "no definite basis" for strike settlement was ready to be placed before the meeting. His conference with the president tonight, he said, had been devoted to a general survey of he situation.

While Mr. Cuyler was positive in his statement that the basis for proposed settlement of the strike had not been definitely drawn up, earlier reports indicated that at least a tentative plan had resulted from the conferences held during the day between President Harding and leaders of the various railroad labor groups.

President Harding has made no specific request to the rail executives, Mr. Cuyler said, when asked if the question of seniority rights had been brought forward at the conference the Western Presidents' committee on public relations of the Association of Railway Executives said in a statement issued today. In the absence from Chicago of B. M. Jewell, head of the striking shopmen and his international presidents, there was no statement from strike headquarters.

"Not only justice," the executives' statement said, "but the public interest, demands that in any settlement of the strike, the seniority rights of the men who are now working shall be recognized.

"The men who have stayed at work during the strike have been given assurance of protection noi only by the roads, but by the government itself," the statement said.

Disputes as to wages and working conditions involving eighteen different roads were submitted today to the labor board by E. R. Grable, president of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes.

The cases were in line with Mr. Grable's policy of refraining from joining in the rail strike, but to submit disputes in which he was unable to reach agreements with the roads to the rail board. No date has been set for the hearings.

The executives' chairman said he was unable to foretell whether action in the strike situation would be held in abeyance until the New York meeting. The four day delay was necessary, he explained, in order that representatives of railroad managements might all get to the meeting place.

When informed of a strike settlement plan, attributed to a member of the United States railroad labor board in Chicago, under which strikers would regain a seniority rank just after workers who remained at their jobs, Mr. Cuyler said nothing of that nature had entered into his conference with the president.

BASIS SUGGESTED FOR RAIL STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Chicago, July 27 (By the A. P.)—The basis of a possible settlement of the strike of some 300,000 railway shopmen was suggested by a member of the United States railroad labor board tonight as follows:

1. Shopcraft men who remained at work to go to the head of the seniority lists, taking precedence over all those who struck.

2. Strikers to regain pension privileges and seniority rights, but to rank below the men who remained loyal to the roads, but ahead of new men taken on during the course of the strike.

3. New employes who have been filling places of the strikers to be kept in the service of the roads, but to take only seniority to which they are entitled by length of actual service.

4. Shopcraft men who struck to return to work under the wage scale and working conditions put into effect by the labor board on July 1st, pending a rehearing by the board.

5. Railroads to stop outside contracting, to establish regional adjustment boards, and to drop all possible damage suits growing out of the strike.

It was pointed out that such a settlement took care of the strikers, the loyal employes and the new men and provided for the submitting of the original grievances to the labor board.

DIRIGIBLE MAKING ROUND TRIP WASHINGTON-NEW YORK

Washington, July 27.—Army dirigible C-2 left at 5 o'clock this afternoon for a round trip non-stop flight to New York for the purpose of training pilots in night flying. The ship was expected to arrive over New York about 10.30 p. m., and through arrangements with the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce of that city, searchlights were to pick her up as she circled above the city at about the time theatre crowds were homeward bound. The ship planned to pass over Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities in her flight, and return here about daylight tomorrow.

The crew consists of Captain W. E. Kepner; First Lieuptenants C. Harris and Ernest S. Moon, and Sergeant A. D. Albrecht. Lieutenant Moon is pilot and Sergeant Albrecht engineer.

The C-2 is a dug- olimp," her bag measuring 192 feet and carrying a crew of 12. Her home station is Aberdeen, Md., for service in connection with gun testing at the army proving grounds. She came over from Aberdeen today to make the start from Boiling field.

EDUCATOR REGRETS THE ATTRACTION OF ATHLETICS

New Brunswick, N. J., July 27.—"So long as the boys of America think Babe Ruth is the greatest man in America and neglect their school teachers, or 75,000 people attend a prize fight, but pay no attention to education, this country is in danger," declared Dr. John J. Higert, United States commissioner of education, in an address at Rutgers college today.

"If there is any danger to the nation it comes from lack of education on the part of our rulers—the people—and there is more illiteracy than is generally realized. Russia, wealthier than ourselves, lies like a great jelly fish today, because of lack of education," he added.

The corn crop in Arkansas last year, Dr. Tigert declared, would have been worth $5,000,000 more if the average farmer had known as much as the teachers who are now being sent out on extension work.

Commissioner of Education John Enright of New Jersey, also spoke.

FALL FROM CLIFF FATAL TO NOTED MOUNTAIN CLIMBER

Glacier Park, Mont., July 27.—Dr. Frank B. Wynn, of Indianapolis, nationally noted as leader in mountain climbing activities in the United States, was killed in a fall from a clim here today while at the head of a party ascending Mount Siyeh.

CABLED PARAGRAPHS

Escape of Irish Prisoners.

Belfast, July 27 (By the A. P.).—Through a hole blown in a wall by a mine, 105 prisoners escaped from the Dundalk jail, County Louth, today. The explosion shook the town, shattering the windows of the county hospital and the houses of the town's best residential district.

ADVANCEMENT MADE BY IRISH FREE STATE TROOPS

Dublin, July 27 (By the A. P.)—The Free State troops, pushing their campaign in the south, have advanced into a region where almost every road has been rendered impassable. They now face innumerable concealed mines.

The national troops are meeting with strong opposition, though the exact location of the fighting is not known here. The nationals are reported to be attacking the irregulars from three sides, bombarding their positions with light field pieces and machine guns.

The fact that the meeting of parliament has only been postpond until August 12, is held to indicate that the government is hopeful of an early termination of the hostilities. A despatch from Castlebar reports that from the Shannon to the sea, the country in the west is clear of irregulars.

The capture of Westport was a surprise to the irregulars, who fled into the fastnesses of North Mayo, some of them were captured after ineffectual attempts to burn the jail, the post office and the barracks.

A hundred civilians were rescued from the irregulars today at Rathdowney, Kings county, including Colonel Reynolds, who was kidnapped at Sligo some time ago.

A gang fired on a train near Mullingar today in the belief, it is reported, that Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, was aboard. Mr. Collins was not on the train, however, and there were no casualties.

A party of Free Staters was ambushed today near Kilmallock, Limerick county; a fierce engagement ensued and three Free Staters were killed. The casualties among the irregulars are not known.

The Irish local government board has sent a written appeal to all parish priests and prominent local personages to assist in the present campaign against the republicans by helping the workmen to clear the obstructions from the roads and repair the railways and bridges, and thus prove that they are not passive spectators in the struggle.

NARCOTICS VALUED AT $18,000 CONFISCATED IN NEW HAVEN

New Haven, July 27.—Narcotics valued at between $8,000 and $10,000 were confiscated by federal agents this afternoon, following the arrest of Charles Caristi, alias Charles Russo, alias Frank Fano, who the government claim was caught by a clever ruse. While one of the agents, a stranger here, negotiated the purchase of a package o fthe drug with $350 in marked money, three others awaited a given signal and placed Caristi under arrest.

The accused is said to have used two local hotels for the storage of the drugs, establishing his headquarters in one of them. The federal men claim to have found a quantity of the narcotics in both places and several packages on the person of Caristi. He will be arraigned before United States Commissioner Lynch tomorrow. The prisoner told the government men that his home was in New York and Boston, but that he was so well known in other large cities that he could claim residence in any one of them.

CONDITION OF NEW YORK FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

New York, July 27.—The statement of conditions of the Federal Reserve bank of New York, at the close of business July 26th, shows:

Total gold reserves $1,138,977,467.07.

Total reserves, $1,173,232,815.72.

Bills discounted, secured by government war obligations, for members, $16,216,554.00.

All others $14,395,706.67.

Bills bought in open market $37,571,570.25.

Total bills on hand $68,184,831.72.

Total earning assets $256,313,881.72.

Uncollected items $119,069,319.43.

Due to members, reserve account, $731,617,169.34.

Total deposits $755,839,265.15.

F. R. notes in actual circulation $616,778,975.00.

Ratio of total reserves to deposit and F. R. notes liabilities combined 85.6 per cent.

BODY OF BRISTOL MAN FOUND IN THE WOODS

Bristol, Conn., July 27.—The body of a man found yesterday in a woods here was identified today as that of Cornelius Hayes, who disappeared from his him here on April 11. His wife established the man's identity by means of the clothing. There was a bullet hole in the head and Medical Examiner Brackett expressed the opinion that the man committed suicide. He was 42 years old and had been unemployed for several months.

PYSICIAN HELD IN $3,000 BAIL ON COMPLAINT OF HIS WIFE

Newark, N. J., July 27.—Dr. Alfred Johnson, practicing physician and surgeon in Montclair and New York, was held in jail today in default of $3,000 bail on complaint of his wife, Mrs. Emily R. Johnson, of Newark, who is suing for separation maintenance.

Dr. Johnson was arrested on a writ issued by Vice Chancellor Church on allegations by Mrs. Johnson's counsel that Dr. Johnson was planning to leave the state. The couple were married in Liverpool, England, in 1899, and have six children.

MAY CAUSE AMERICAN INTERVENTION IN CUBA

Havana, Cuba, July 27.—American intervention in Cuba depends upon the financial measures taken by the executive and legislative branches of the Cuban government, says a statement issued by the state department tonight, quoting a memorandum presented by Major General Enoch H. Crowder, special representative in Cuba of President Harding.

J. Cleve Dean is a Fictitious Personage

Samuel Gompers Declares Impertinent Adviser of President Harding Has No Standing in Labor Circles.

New York, July 27 (By the A. P.)—That "a man of straw"—a fictitious personage without official standing in labor circles—sent President Harding the message which last night drew a lengthy reply from the White House reiterating the government's position on the rail and coal strikes, was the belief expressed here today by Samuel Gompers president of the American Federation of Labor.

The message to Mr. Harding predicted that "to attempt to operate the mines or the roads by military forces, or to attempt to draft men" would result in the approach of "the long predicted war between capital and labor."

It was signed "J. Cleve Dean, chairman Railway Employes Publicity association."

The president addressed a reply to the alleged author of the meseage, in which he said, in part:

"If you mean to challenge the righteousness of free men to be protected in their lawful pursuits against interference and violence, I will be glad to join you in submitting that question to the decision of the American people."

Mr. Gompers expressed surprise that the administration should have shown such concern over the J. Cleve Dean message as to have replied to it, especially since, the labor leader asserted, the White House apparently was "all in the dark" as to the identity of the sender or his capacity in official circles of organized labor.

"The White House called me yesterday, asking if I knew this man," said Mr. Gompers. "I told them I did not, and had no record of him as an official of American labor. I consulted all the records in Washington and in such eastern cities as I could reach, and even telephoned rail headquarters at Chicago in an effort to learn who was J. Cleve Dean. No one knew anything about him, or had ever heard of him, and I informed the White House to that effect.

"I am positive of one thing, and that is that the author of the letter to President Harding is not chairman of the Railway Employes' publicity association. In view of the undetermined position of the man, I am surprised the president answered him.

"The longer I think about it, the more I am convinced that J. Cleve Dean was just a 'straw man,' set up by interested persons, for a purpose which should be plainly evident."

Mr. Gompers expressed regret that he was unable to remain in Washington today while the expected conference of B. M. Jewell with President Harding and other federal representatives was in progress.

"I feel certain that a meeting between these gentlemen at this stage of the rail strik will result in a settlement within a very few days," he declared. The federation chief came here to address representatives of striking cloak makers.

DEAN IS A FLAGMAN ON GREAT SOUTHERN RAILROAD

Chattanooga, Tenn., July 27.—J. Cleve Dean, chairman of the Railway Employes' Publicity association, will be called before the Chattanooga Federation of Shop Crafts and asked to explain why he sent a telegram to President Harding violently attacking the administration for its attitude on the railroad strike.

Dean is a flagman on the Alabama Great Southern railroad and could not be reached for a statement tonight. The purpose of the Publicity association is said to be to disseminate information regarding trade unionism among the farmers of the country. As far as can be learned, the organization is local.

Union men here today severely condemned Dean's action and it was stated that an effort would be made by the labor organization to surb his utterances.

EIGHT POLICEMEN WERE BADLY BURNED BY A STILL

New York, July 27.—Eight policemen were burned severely this evening by the explosion of a 100-gallon still they had seized with a smaller one in a house in Jamaica, L. I. Five of the injured, one of whom was not expected to live were taken to a hospital.

The explosion partly wrecked the house, setting it ablaze with the shower of flaming alcohol that fell on the group of raiders. The building was destroyed by flames before firemen arrived. Two policemen, who were removing a fifty-gallon still, found in the cellar, were blown through a window.

Carmine Pizza and his wife, who the police charge with having threatened to shoot them when they entered the house; Alexander Bruno, her father, Anthony, his son, and John Defio, were arrested for violating the liquor laws. Mrs. Pizza also was charged with felonious assault. A quantity of alcohol and whiskey was confiscated.

When Pizza was arrested, the police said his wife, who was first observed seated with a revolver in her lap, threatened to shoot. They quickly placed their prisoner in front of them and the woman was dissauded from firing through fear of wounding her husband.

BIELASKIS WERE "GUESTS" OF U. S. EMBASSY IN MEXICO CITY

Mexico City, July 27.—A. Bruce Bielaski and Mrs. Bielaski were "guests' of the United States embassy last night and were still there shortly before noon today. Their action is described merely as precautionary while awaiting the formal order of the court of Guernavaca, which is expected to render a decision today either exonerating Mr. Bielaski or directing his arrest on a charge of self-abduction.

Mr. Bielaski indicated today that he had not taken formal asylum in the embassy inasmuch as there was no order for his arrest issued by any court. In view of the strong intimations, some sort of action was contemplated, and it was deemed expedient "to remain overnight as the guests" of George T. merlin, until the court put a definite step, he said.

PRICE OF MILK ADVANCED BY BORDEN'S FARM PRODUCTS CO.

New York, July 27.—An increase of one cent a quart on all grades of milk, effective August 1, was announced today by the Borden's Farm Products company. Grade B milk will sell at 15 cents and grade A at 18 cents the quart under the new scale.

The increase was attributed to the recent change in the schedule of the Dairymen's League, which added a little more than a cent quart to the former price, the announcement says.

Great Lakes Sailors Have Voted to Strike

Men Are Composed Almost Entirely of Iron Ore, Coal and Grain Freight Ships—94 Per Cent. Vote Strike.

Chicago, July 27.—Ninety-four per cent. of the membership of the Sailors' union of the Great Lakes has voted in favor of authorizing the executive committee to call a strike on the Ships of the Lake Carriers' association, K. B. Nolan, general secretary, announced tonight. The association is composed almost entirely of iron ore, coal and grain freight ships, and does not include the passenger boats of the Great Lakes. About four thousand sailors are included in the union.

FOUR WAR-BORN NATIONS GET AMERICAN RECOGNITION

Washington, July 27.—Four more nations born of recent wars in Europe, three of them occupying teritory that formed a part of the disrupted Russian empire, have been accorded American recognition as full fledged independent governments.

Already recognized by the principal European powers, the three constituted from former Russian dominions, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, are to be treated as sovereign nations by the United States because they have established a political and economic stability not attained by their bolshevik neighbors.

The other state to receive recognition, Albania, was constituted in the course of the Balkan wars, and although its development has been handicapped by many complications, a recent special investigation by the state department convinced officials here that it was entitled to a footing of equality in the family of Balkan nations.

In announcing recognition of Esthonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, the department declared in a formal statement tonight that the move meant no break down in the American policy of opposing alienation of Russian territory, but simply was a result of the evidences of stable independence given by "an indigenous population" during three years of divorcement from the remainder of Russia.

GIRL SUSING ROTHSCHILD HAS SAILED FOR FRANCE

New York, July 27.—Mlle. Marie Poquet, the French girl, who has sued James Henri De Rothschild, member of the French family of bankers, for $500,000, alleging breach of a promise to marry her, has left America, it was learned today. Her departure was a surprise to William K. Olcott, one of her attorneys, and he was apprised of it only after she was almost a full day at sea, when he received a letter which she wrote before sailing.

Knowing that announcement of the suit would be bound to come out about noon yesterday, Mlle. Poquet took passage at the last minute on the steamer France, bound for Havre. She went aboard just before it sailed. She was no late signing that her name did not appear in either the printed passenger list or the share manifest of the ship.

The letter to Mr. Olcott said that she was leaving because she feared publicity which she knew would follow the announcement of her suit. She said she would be ready to return whenever Mr Olcott notified her the suit was ready for trial.

TRYON HELD FOR DEATH OF MERIDEN POLICEMAN

New Haven, Conn., July 27.—George H. Tryon of Meriden is held criminally responsible for the death of Sergeant John Custy of the Meriden police force in a finding issued today by Coroner Mix of New Haven county. Sergeant Custy was thrown out of an automobile driven by Tryon when the machine left the road in Meriden on July 22. He died later in the day from his injuries. The coroner, in his finding says that Tryon, Custy and several others drank rear beer and liquor in Hartford, New Britain, Wallingford and Meriden in the hours preceding the accident.

LIQUOR SMUGGLERS WORK UNDER DIRECTION OF GIRL

New York, July 19.—A romantic story of liquor smugglers loading their cargo in Bermuda under direction of a girl and making runs to the shores of Long Island sound, gun fights and seizures by federal agents has been revealed in the arraignment of Mrs. Edith Stevens, 19 years old, in Brooklyn on an indictment charging conspiracy to smuggle liquor into New York from Bermuda.

STAMFORD MAN DIED IN GRAND CENTRAL STATION

New York, July 27.—A man identified as Dr. Robert F. Lawless, of Stamford, Conn., died suddenly tonight in the Grand Central station. According to the police, death is believed to have been caused by an overdose of a sleeping potion.

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Major General Clarence C. Williams, U. S. A., who has just been reappointed Chief of Ordnance of the War Department for the period of four years.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS

Concessions of approximately 2,400,000 acres of Bolivian lands have been granted the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

Criminal action against art dealers who have been forging works on living American artists is to be taken by the League of American artists.

The war against booze smugglers in northern New York is on in earnest. The new border patrol along the border is now a reality.

Mrs. Daniel Paine Griswold, for 20 years one of the leading members of the Lenox summer colony, died at her Lenox home.

The funeral of Bank Commissioner J. K. Blasland, will be held at his home on Enfield street, Enfield, Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

The estate of the late Monsignor O'Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's church in Lowell, Mass., is bequeathed to Cardinal O'Connell.

The ships of the Atlantic fleet will mobilize at Newport from August 7 to August 20, it was announced at the Charlestown navy yard.

Use of machine guns in the war on rum smugglers along the Canadian border was denied by customs officials in Washington.

Boston has been chosen by the convention of the Independent Order of Good Templars for the 1924 biennial session of the grand lodge.

America's "Good will delegation" sailed from New York on La France to carry a message of friendship from American women to their French sisters.

An autopsy on the body of Edwin Snow, who died at Brockton, Mass., despite two blood transfusions, revealed that the man's heart was on the right side, physicians reported.

Dwight W. Thurber, 69 years old, for the last five years treasurer of the National Spiritualist Alliance, died in the Franklin County hospital at Greenfield, Mass.

A strike against wage cut recently inaugurated among Canadian Railway shopmen was favored by 94 per cent. of voters in a ballot just completed by local unions.

Major General Alexander Perkhouroff, who was sentenced to death, a few days ago for leadership of the Yaroslav mutiny in 1918, was executed in Moscow, by a firing squad.

First Lieutenant R. H. Strelkhouse and Second Lieutenant Haylor H. Monroe were killed five miles north of Rantoul, Ill., when their airplane fell 500 feet.

Miss Leta Nelson, 16, and William May, 20, both socially prominent in Philadelphia, eloped from a dance at the Thousand Islands Yacht club, near Alexandria Bay, N. Y.

Charged with the abduction of 15 year old Edith Feinstein, of Holyoke, Gilbert J. Brown, of Hartford, Conn., was found guilty and sentenced to two years in the House of Correction.

Thirty-four former employes of the Bangor & Aroostok railroads shops at Derby, Me., were allowed two weeks in which to vacate their homes by agreement of counsel.

Selection of St. Cloud, Minn., as a site for a new $1,000,000 hospital for service men, with facilities for between 250 and 350 mental cases, was announced by Director Forbes of the Veterans' bureau.

William Smith, an inmate of the Presbyterian home for aged couples in West Philadelphia, shot two matrons and then killed himself in a fit of insanity. The matrons were not seriously wounded.

Approximately 900 employes of J. H. Winchell & Co., makers of men's and women's welt shoes, Haverhill, Mass., struck in protest against the recent decision of the state board of arbitration providing for a wage cut ranging from 6 to 9 per cent.

Miss Wilma Stern, fifteen years old, of Hartford, Conn., was in a local hospital with serious injuries sustained when she was struck by an automobile while walking arm and arm with three other girls on Kenberma boulevard, Hull, Mass.

Mayor Curley of Boston, replying to the suggestion of Police Commissioner Herbert Wilson that 100 patrolmen be added to the Boston department, said that in his opinion the present force was adquate.

Cambridge, Mass., police in a raid on a tenement house, found three 100-gallon stills in operation, 3,000 gallons of mash and 100 gallons of what they termed high grade moonshine." Four men were arrested.

Two arrests in connection with the police investigation of the killing of Detective Charles Harm by bandits in West Hoboken last January, while escorting a messenger to a bank with money, were made in Newark.

Prominent storage and warehouse companies of the state were welded into a mutual benefit group in Bridgeport with the organization of the Connecticut Warehouse Men's association at a meeting held in the Stratfield hotel.

Count Teofilo, Italian minister of industry, and Count De Neubrath, German ambassador to Italy, have signed a convention for purchase by the German government of former German property in Italy.

Olaf Olson, 80, a berry picker, who was missing from Brockton, Mass., since Monday afternoon, was found in Hingham, 20 miles from the berry field, where he disappeared. He said he slept in the woods and fed on berries.

An airplane carrying mails and passengers between Rabat and Casablanca, Morocco, fell near Guadiz, a few miles from Granada, after catching fire in mid air. The three occupants of the machine were killed.

Midnight burglaries by liquor thieves have become epidemic in the homes of welthey West Side residents in Worcester. Within the past 24 hours nearly a dozen such breaks have been reported to the police.

Mrs. Lottie Trotter, suing her husband, Melvin Trotter, prominent evangelist, of Grand Rapids, Mich., for separate maintenance, once referred to him as "The Anti-Christ," according to testimony of Mrs. Daisy Spence, a defense witness.

TENN. STRIKERS DRIVING WORKERS FROM COAL MINES

Fired a Fusillade of Shots at Miners on the Way to Work at Bryson Mountain—One Man Was Wounded and Many Narrowly Escaped — Armed Miners Are Parading Through the Mine Region—Threaten Battle If State Troops Are Sent There—Claim They Are Well Supplied With Arms and Ammunition—Gov. Lake Has Appointed a Fuel Adminsitration Commission to Cooperate With the Federal Coal Control Committee.

Middlesboro, Ky., July 27 (By the A. P.)—One miner was wounded and several narrowly escaped injury at Bryson Mountain, Tenn., today when a party of alleged strike sympathizers fired a fusillade of shots at them as the miners were enroute to work, it was learned here tonight. The entire territory is reported to be in a high pitch of excitement as the result of an armed miners' parade through the mine region last night and today.

A majority of the workers are leaving the camp, it was reported. Miners declare if state troops are sent here there will be a battle. They claim they are amply supplied with arms and ammunition.

The Bryson Mountain mine is controlled by Major J. H. Keeney. He said he had not asked for state troops, but wuld do so. The first outbreak of strikers occurred here three weeks ago and conditions since have been unsettled.

Bryson Mountain is just across the state line in a heavily wooded region and a rough country.

GOV. LAKE HAS APPOINTED STATE COAL COMMISSION

G. Harold Gilpatric and Byron D. Bugbee Are Members.

Hartford, July 27.—Governor Everett J. Lake tonight announced the appointment of a fuel administration commission following the request for co-operation sent out by Chairman Hoover of the United States government coal control committee. He also sent a telegram to Chairman Hoover assuring him of the support of the state of Connecticut, and advising that everything possible will be done to relieve the situation. He also said that the state will assist the chairman in carrying out the plans of the federal government for an equitable distribution of coal at fair prices.

The following members of the state board of finance were appointed: State Treasurer G. Harold Gilpatric, State Comptroller Harvey P. Bissell, State Tax Commissioner William H. Blodgett, who are ex-officio members of the board, and John M. Wadhams of Torrington, who was named chairman; E. Kent Hubbard of Middletown, president of the State Manufacturers' association, and Byron D. Bugbee of Putnam. The new commission was instructed to confer with Thomas W. Russell, former fuel administrator during war times. No date for the meeting has been set, but it is expected that the commission will get together soon and announce its plans.

MINERS' PRESIDENTS SEND PROTEST TO GOV. SPROUL

Philadelphia, July 27.—The five district presidents of the Miners' union today sent a letter to Governor Sproul protesting emphatically against his action in sending troops into the soft coal regions of the state.

"If we still have a constitution in Pennsylvania," said the letter, "if we have a government of low, if there is respect for local government and if there is a belief in the right of free speech and peaceable assemblage, we call upon your excellency to withdraw the troops from the mining communities in which they are located."

I. C. C. MAY EFFECT COAL STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Indianapolis, Ind., July 27.—Possibility of a settlement of the coal strike, through an interstate conference of miners and operators, was indicated by Governor McCray today in a statement issued after a conference with representatives of the Indiana operators.

Members of the scale committee of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Oeperators' association will meet in conference with the governor tomorrow to make a decision concerning participation of the Indiana operators in a four-state conference composed of representatives of miners and operators from the central competitive fields.

The governor said he was led to believe that Indiana operators will agree to participate in the proposed settlement of the strike. The determined attitude of Indiana operators against the interstate conference prior to today, has been one of the stumbling blocks in the way of peace in the strike situation which the statement of Governor McCray was issued after a conference with M. L. Gould, president of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' association, and E. D. Logsdon, vice president. At the time the statement was given out, Phil Penna, secretary of the Indiana operators, and A. M. Ogle, president of the National coal association, issued statements declaring that participation of Indiana operators in an interstate conference was impossible.

The apparent conflict in opinions of the Indiana operators resulted in a report among persons close to the situation that there may be division in the ranks of the operators. It was pointed out however, that Governor McCray had issued his statement after conference with the president and vice president of the Indiana association, who are said to be followed by operators controling a majority of the tonnage.

Governor McCray in a telegram to John Hunter, president of District 11, United Mine Workers, who is in Philadelphia in conference with union leaders, expressed the opinion that representatives of Indiana's total tonnage would attend the proposed interstate conference. The message of the governor was in reply to an inquiry from Mr. Hensler concerning the attitude of Indiana operators toward the interstate conference.

GUARDS FOR PROPERTY OF YELLOW CREEK MINING CO.

Frankfort, Ky., July 27.—Twenty-five guardsmen and two officers tonight were ordered to the property of the Yelloy Creek Mining company in Bell county, along the Tennessee state line, by Governor Morrow, who received reports that miners in that territory were attacked today by armed men. The reports said a deputy sheriff had been wounded.

EIGHT MEN AND MACHINE GUNS FOR BOSWORTH, KY.

Williamsburg, Ky., July 27.—Eight men and a machine gun company company left here tonight for Bosworth, Ky., where they will be joined by a machine gun detachment from Barbourville, Ky. Serious trouble at the mines at Bosworth is reported, though its extent could not be learned.

NO NEW HAVEN ROAD MEN ON B. & M. DIRECTORS

Boston, July 27.—Stockholders of the Boston and Maine railroad elected a board of directors today at the annual meeting which had been postponed three times because of legal action taken by representatives of minority groups. Three men suggested for directorships to represent the interests of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad in the B. and M., were defeated.

William D. Woolson, of Springfield, Vermont, was elected to succeed Charles Pelon Hall, deceased. The vote was the largest cast at any election of the B. and M. board, representing 656,597 of a total of 814,728 shares outstanding.

The meeting was held over the protest of Conrad W. Crooker, attorney for Edmund C. Codman, who challenged the right of the Bosto Holding Company, George R. Wallace, et al., and Philip Dexter, et al., to participate in the voting. At the opening of the meeting Mr. Codman suggested that the meeting be held over, owing to the possibility of court decisions on points now before the supreme court affecting its locality.

The directors elected today are: Norman L. Bassett, Augusta, Me.; Richard Billings, Woodstock, Vt.; Charles S. Bosworth, Springfield, Mass.; Frank E. Carpenter, Manchester, N. H.; Charles Sumner Cook, Portland, Me.; Henry H. Day, West Newton; Harry H. Dudley, Concord, N. H.; William J. Hobbs, Malden; Ernest M. Hopkins, Hanover, N. H.; Woodward Hudson, Concord, Mass.; James H. Hustis, Winchester; Alba M. Ide, Troy, N. Y.; George Von L. Meyer, Hamilton; Walter M. Parker, Manchester, N. H.; Harry G. Stoddard, Worcester; J. Duncan Upham, Claremont, N. H.; George R. Wallace, Pittsburg; Henry E. Warner, Lincoln, and William D. Woolson, of Springfield, Vermont.

THOUSANDS AT FUNERAL OF MURDERED BERTHA KATZ

New York, July 27.—Bertha Katz, the girl whom her sister, Mrs. John J. Reisler, says she killed for stealing the love of her husband "John the Barber," sport promoter, was buried today, while thousands packed the streets near her late home and police reserves fought to keep the steets open.

"John the Barber" rode in the second coach. With him were two of his sisters, both of whom showed a disposition to stand with him against attacks from the crowd. As the coach started, a woman on the sidewalk said something insulting. One of the sisters leaned out of the window, grabbed a man's hat and hurled it at the woman as the other sister spat at her brother's annoyer.

As the small procession—there were only a hearse and four coaches—passed through the lanes of people, women on the sidealks set up monotonous lamentations. Scores of taxicab drivers, who had hoped to get fares to the cemetery were disappointed, as none wished to go.

District Attorney Ruston said he would present the case to the grand jury on the theory that all four held—Mrs. Reisler, her son, Morris and George, and her brother Max—were equally guilty.

"I will let the grand jury decide who should be indicted," he declared.

WOMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER OF T. A. O'CONNELL

Cleveland, O., July 27.— - Mabel Champion, 22, of Dallas, Texas, today was charged by the police with the murder of Thomas A. O'Connell of New Haven, Conn., who was shot to death during a quarrel in a downtown restaurant early this morning.

Her husband, A. F. Champion, who was taken into custody with the woman is being held as a witness. When first arrested he said he was Clifford Barnett of Kansas City, Kans., and he was registered at a hotel under this name. At that time he denied the woman was his wife.

Mrs. Champion also is known as "Teddy" O'Brien and Inez Parker. Police say she is wanted in Indianapolis, where it is alleged she jumped bail bond after having been arrested on a charge of picking pockets. She refused to talk.

O'Connell, first thought to be Edward O'Connell of Cambridge, Mass., was identified by his wife. Mrs. O'Connell said she and her husband had been spending a vacation at Geneva-on-the-Lake, fifty miles east of here.

MAN KILLED IN CLEVELAND FORMERLY OF NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Conn., July 27.—Thomas A. O'Connell, who was shot and killed yesterday in Cleveland, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. O'Connell of this city. He left here ten years ago and has been employed in Cleveland most of the time since then. He was 29 years old. Besides his wife, who is an actress woman, he leaves his parents, seven brothers and one sister, all of this city.

FINDING OF CORONER MIX AGAINST PISCATELLI

New Haven, July 27.—Coroner Eli Mix in a finding made public today placed criminal responsibility upon Dominick Piscatelli of this city for the death of Luigi Capasso, who was killed when an automobile operated by Piscatelli collided with a trolley car here on July 24. Piscatelli is being held by the police on a charge of manslaughter.