

# WOMEN MEET TONIGHT

## BUTTE HOUSEWIVES TO DISCUSS FOOD PROBLEMS AT THE CITY HALL

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# ORE PRODUCTION DECREASES

## COPPER COMPANY SEEKS SCABS IN ALABAMA

### A FEW SHIFT BOSSES TAKE PLACES OF MEN ON STRIKE

That the Anaconda Mining company and other operators in Butte and vicinity are going far afield to secure strike breakers is evidenced by a telegram in the possession of the Metal Trades strike committee from Florence, Ala., stating that efforts are being made to hire electricians in that city for work in the A. C. M. mines.

Communications received by the strike committee from Anaconda and Great Falls stated that there had been no change in strike conditions in those cities and that assurance had been received from other organizations that none of the Metal Trades work would be done by their members.

In a letter addressed to the general strike committee, the Butte Machinery company asked for a conference, stating that they had no intention of doing any work for the large operating companies.

It was reported that the musicians of the A. C. M. band had held a meeting and instructed all men employed by the company in other capacities to do none of the work of the striking crafts.

The Sullivan Machinery company was reported to be repairing air-machines for the mining companies and a committee from the Metal Trades will interview the management sometime today.

Notification has been sent to all metal trades unions throughout the United States to be on the lookout for all work sent out of Butte, all work of mining companies in this vicinity being unfair to the metal trades organizations, members of the metal trades in other cities, blacksmiths, boiler-makers, machinists, molders and electricians will refuse to handle any material sent out from Butte, Anaconda and Great Falls for repairs.

It is believed that strenuous efforts are being made by the companies to make a showing at the present time and it is stated that the air-machines used for sharpening steel are kept running in some shops, merely to create an impression that work is being done.

Most of the men engaged in repairs are shift-bosses, and at the Neversweat. It is stated that three shift-bosses from the Anaconda mine, Harry Gibson, Paddy Leary, and Elmer Locke, are working in the blacksmith shop.

Reports from Anaconda show that ore production is falling off and that much waste is being shipped.

### PEOPLE BUYING CHEAPER AT MARKET

Many Housewives With Baskets Visit City Curb in Effort to Lower Cost of Living.

The city market is doing a big business today. From early morning under the tarpaulin has been crowded with buyers, mostly women with market baskets on their arms. Meats, poultry, potatoes, vegetables and fruits of all sorts, as well as bread, may now be purchased any and every day, except Sundays and holidays, at the new city curb market. And the prices of all commodities are considerably less than in the stores.

Of the 12 crates of bread—1,000 loaves—at the market this morning, all but two crates were sold at noon. Jeffrey Coughlin will have no bread tomorrow, but thereafter will have bread every day. He will institute a peddling system from wagons, going up and down the streets—this in addition to selling at the market. He will start this Thursday. John Harvey was in from Water-

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### IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NEEDED

Senator Walsh of Massachusetts Says Congress Is Wasting Time. United Fruit Co. Attacked.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Mayors of New Jersey cities who are appearing before the house agricultural committee, declared that action was needed at once to stop the rising scale of prices, suggesting that regulation of imports was one way of meeting the situation. Senator

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### Must Increase Production to Meet Increased Burden

London, Aug. 19.—Lloyd George declared in a speech in the house of commons that the war had cost \$200,000,000,000 and had increased Great Britain's war debt from \$3,205,000,000 to \$3,000,000,000. He said the war expenditure was devoted largely to purposes of destruction and that the only way to meet the increased burden of the war department is to increase production.

He asserted the most outstanding balance of Britain's present situation is an alarming adverse to her trade

balance and said Great Britain's coal output was 87,000,000 tons less than before the war.

"Unless we are able to pay, the way of term events will drive us to a reduction in our standard of living," he stated. Introduction of a bill providing for a living wage and a 48-hour week, was announced by premier, who said the problem of production cannot be solved until labor examines its grievances, and declared the new spirit of increased wages and shorter hours cannot be maintained until production is increased.

(Special United Press Wire.)

### THREE WOUNDED IN ATTEMPTED HOLDUP

Four Men Enter Roadhouse and Begin Firing. Two Men, One a Bandit, May Die.

As the result of a daring holdup at the 10-Mile house last night, three men, one of whom is one of the bandits, lies in St. Ann's hospital at Anaconda suffering from bullet wounds received in the battle between the holdup men and their victims.

The wounded are George Nolan of Warm Springs, shot through the shoulder; Charles Goris, proprietor of the 10-Mile house, dangerously wounded through the groin; unidentified man, one of the bandits, shot through the chest.

Of the three, Nolan is the only one whose wound is not considered dangerous. Goris and the bandit may die.

According to the story of the holdup as told to Under Sheriff Hennault and Deputy Sheriff Gillespie of Anaconda, four bandits, three of whom wore black masks over the lower part of their faces and one who had his face blackened, suddenly entered the bar at the resort shortly after 10 o'clock last night and without warning opened fire on the persons in the room.

Nolan, who had dined to the resort with L. F. McLaughlin, was the first of the attacked to be shot. He fell with a bullet through his shoulder. Goris, the proprietor, stepped from behind the bar and was

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### "JAWN" D. BUYS AND SELLS

Ryan, the Copper King, Makes Big Profits While Serving His Country as \$1.00 a Year Patriot.

(Special United Press Wire.)

Washington, Aug. 19.—The copper trust was allowed to make huge profits due to the war board fixing copper prices during the war, Representative Graham, chairman of the special house committee, charged during the investigation of the war department's expenditures.

He said "large profits were realized by the Anaconda Copper company, in which John D. Ryan, who as aircraft administrator, ordered a large amount of the metal, has an interest. Of 152,000,000 pounds of copper which the government bought \$2,000,000 pounds were supplied by the Anaconda Copper Mining company, of which John D. Ryan is a large stockholder, the chairman said.

### FOOD RIOTS IS PREDICTION IN CONSERVATIVE SPOKANE

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 19.—"Unless prices are quickly reduced there will be food riots here equaling those in Europe. Store windows will be smashed by the people and foodstuffs carried away." This is no prediction of an alarmist, but of a sober, conservative Spokane business man, Leroy Stattery.

### MONARCHY TO BE RESTORED

Rome, Aug. 19.—A Trieste dispatch reports that the issuance of a decree restoring the monarchy in Hungary, appears to be imminent. It also reports that efforts are being made to form a union between Hungary, Rumania and Serbia.

(Special United Press Wire.)

### FEED DEALERS ARE GOUGING THE BUYERS

For Hay Which Sells for \$9 to \$11.50 Per Ton in Chicago, Butte Dealers Are Charging \$40 a Ton.

Alleging that feed dealers of Butte are gouging the buyers of hay and feed wheat by charging enormously exorbitant prices for such products, Dr. George H. Stevenson, city meat inspector, has cast his bonnet into the anti-profiteering ring and announces that he is now making investigations, the results of which he purposes placing before the state market and trade commission when it comes to Butte.

The doctor asserts that while hay is being sold in Butte for \$40 per ton, the same commodity is quoted in Chicago for from \$9 to \$11.50 per ton, and while the guaranteed government price for wheat is \$3.50 per hundredweight, the Butte feed dealers are holding up their purchasers for prices ranging from \$4.75 to \$5 per hundred for exceptionally poor screenings.

Dr. Stevenson asserts that the present is not the first time the feed dealers of Butte have gouged their customers. He says that last year, too, they charged enormous profits. The doctor declares that last year when he journeyed through the Blackfoot country he ascertained that hay was selling there for \$16 per ton in the stack and \$18.50 when maked, and that the same hay shipped to Butte was being sold by the local dealers here for \$38 per ton.

Probability of a combine to maintain

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### MEETING FOR HOUSEWIVES; PROFITEERS NOT WANTED

Thoroughly aroused by the present situation in Butte where by the baby-robbing profiteers are enabled to maintain exorbitant prices for necessities without interference from the county attorney, the state authorities or the federal officials, the housewives of the city will hold a mass meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the council chamber of the city hall to adopt ways and means of forcing the profiteers to lower their prices and to disgorge and place on the market the vast quantities of butter, eggs, meats and other commodities that are being held in storage in order to maintain high prices.

### AVIATORS ARE SET FREE

Lieutenants Peterson and Davis Are Released by Bandits Upon Payment of \$15,000.

(Special United Press Wire.)

El Paso, Aug. 19.—Lieutenants Peterson and Davis, who were set free by the Mexican bandits on payment of the \$15,000 ransom, arrived at the border early today, according to reports from Marfa, Tex. Captain Matlack of the Eighth cavalry, cer-

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### East Side Bar Held Up by Lone Masked Robber

With a glowing letter of recommendation from J. R. Wharton, manager of the Butte Electric Railway company, in his pocket, a masked man, who later gave his name as Harry Randolph, but who is said to be William J. Hughes, walked into the bar at the Cooper house, Talbot and Shields avenues, and at the point of a revolver rifled the cash register and relieved three men of their valuables.

The bandit was captured about 45 minutes later in the yard of the Kemper house, several blocks from the scene of the holdup. At the

time of his arrest the alleged bandit was in his underclothing and had a sack containing the money taken from the Cooper house and a revolver in his hands. He put up no resistance and made no effort to escape when the officers approached.

Randolph, or Hughes, readily admitted to the officers that he had committed the Cooper house holdup. The sack found contained only \$47.50, while the amount said to have been taken from the bar amounted to between \$67 and \$70.

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Incensed at the failure of the authorities to take action toward lowering the cost of living, the city's housewives are now determined to take action themselves that will either force the county attorney to make good on his boasts of what he intended to do in the way of prosecution of profiteers, or will force the dealers themselves to lower their prices. According to statements of some of the women who have announced their intention of attending tonight's mass meeting, the proceedings there will be highly interesting and will cause many pangs in the breasts of those concerns who have so consistently maintained without cause exorbitant charges for the necessities of life.

"We do not want to hear from any of the merchants at tonight's meeting," said one of the women prominent in the movement. "We know from experience that their prices are outrageous and uncalled for and we do not propose to have Mr. Lutey or Mr. Davidson or some of their fellows come to our meeting to offer excuses for themselves and their actions. The only excuse we will accept will be the immediate lowering of the prices for necessities to what we consider a fair price and a fair price will be one that will permit the ordinary working man's wage income to purchase sufficient food and comforts to make life for his family worth living. The 'welcome' has been rubbed from the doormat tonight insofar as the profiteers and their representatives are concerned."

The action to be taken by the women at tonight's mass meeting is problematical, but all who have discussed the event feel confident that

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### CONVICT LOOTEY IN POLICE COURT

Merchant of "Watered-Oyster" Fame Guilty of Selling Putrid Meat to a Poor Family.

Convicted of having sold putrid meat at the market in his East Park street store, William Lutey, owner of a chain of similar stores throughout the city, prominent member of local church and mercantile circles, during the war one of the most conspicuous profiteering "patriots" in Butte, was this morning fined \$10 by Police Judge Grimes.

Testimony of various witnesses in police court this morning was to the effect that the meat sold to Mrs. Katie Claspere, on which the charges were based and Lutey's arrest accomplished, was "rotten mutton" instead of fresh lamb which she had ordered and for which she had paid. The witnesses testified that the meat was discolored, being "all blue and yellow" and "kind of rotten and stinking."

Mrs. Claspere told of buying the

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