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WEATHER FORECAST.

Rain to-day; to-morrow fair; not much change in temperature. Highest temperature yesterday, 41; lowest, 33. Detailed weather reports will be found on editorial page.

THE BEST IN ITS HISTORY. The New York Herald, with all that best of the Sun intertwined with it, all the whole revitalized, is a bigger and better and sounder newspaper than ever before.

AMERICAN EXCHANGE HEADS INDICTED FOR COTTON BUCKETING

Secretary and Four Others Accused of Allowing Fictitious Trading.

SIX MEN SUPPLY BAIL Disclosures Are Expected in Bitter Internal Strife Among Brokers.

PRISON CAN BE PENALTY Thirty Brokerage Failures and Fifty Indictments Fruit of Crusade So Far.

The Grand Jury handed up to Judge Thomas C. Crain in General Sessions yesterday indictments against the American Cotton Exchange, its secretary, who also is a director; four other directors and one former director, charging them and the exchange with "keeping, conducting or operating a bucket shop."

Some Results of Exposures.

The indictment of the American Cotton Exchange is the latest development in the movement to shed light on practices in stock dealings. Since this New York Herald published its first article on bucket shops in New York, February 2, there have been these developments:

Plan to Make Hard Fight.

The formidable array of counsel which accompanied the indicted cotton brokers to the District Attorney's office indicated a determination to put up a hard fight, and a statement issued later by A. W. Graham, president of the exchange, showed that the fight would include an effort to turn the tables upon the witnesses who testified against the brokers before the Grand Jury.

Report 700 French Troops Wiped Out by Moroccans

LONDON, March 31.—Seven hundred men belonging to two French columns have been killed or wounded in a surprise attack by tribesmen in the Moulouya Valley of French Morocco, according to dispatch to the London Times from Huelva, Spain, dated Thursday, quoting private advices received from the El Aralsh, Morocco, wireless station.

LINDSAY CONFESSES; TWO AIDS ARRESTED

Pleads Guilty to Swindling Women Out of a Million and Asks for Mercy.

FRESH LIGHT ON FRAUDS Major Sutton and B. R. Parrot Taken in Offices of Fake Corporation.

After a month in the Tombs, during which he steadfastly protested his innocence, Alfred E. Lindsay, Nyack stock broker, unexpectedly pleaded guilty yesterday and threw himself on the mercy of the court. He is accused of robbing widows and other women of more than \$1,000,000.

Lindsay's New Confession.

Lindsay made a new confession, which recalled the "real engine" which he recalled the "real engine" which Mr. Murphy summarized as follows: "Lindsay had an agreement with Parrot, Sutton and Dr. Knute Arvid Enlid, another partner, who was indicted and arrested three weeks ago, to split fifty-fifty with them on all fake stock transactions. The Pacific Minerals and Chemical Company of Delaware was a blind. The real Pacific Minerals and Chemical Company is a reputable California corporation of which Lycurgus Lindsay of California is the president.

ONE KILLED, TWO HURT IN CRASH OF AIRPLANE

Accident Halts Flight From Atlanta to Texas.

ELEVATED RENTAL DEFERRED BY R. T.; RECEIVERSHIP SEEN

Directors Formally Decide Not to Pay \$1,050,000 Quarterly Rate.

STATEMENT BY HEDLEY Progress in New Interest Plan Reported in Face of Grave Situation.

LINES OWE NINE MILLIONS Court Action Probable Soon to Untangle Situation From Airtight Contract.

Following a special meeting of the board of directors of the Interborough Rapid Transit Company yesterday afternoon, that corporation formally decided in the payment of \$1,050,000 quarterly dividend rental due the Manhattan Railway Company under the terms of its lease to the Interborough.

Default Not a Surprise.

The Interborough's default cannot be said to be a surprise. The New York Herald several weeks ago made the authoritative statement that the Interborough was "through paying 7 per cent interest on rental on the Manhattan's 999 year lease and would default on the April 1 payment."

Went's Add to Statement.

Mr. Hedley and James L. Quisenberry, general counsel of the Interborough, refused to add a word to the typed statement. "Official counsel and committee members representing the Manhattan Railway Company were little more communicative. One said: "I have little doubt we could set together a meeting attended by the Interborough and the Manhattan Railway Company. It would be possible to get the Manhattan stockholders together."

Bills Owed by Interborough.

In addition, the Interborough yesterday owed the Manhattan some \$2,000,000 consisting of bond interest and arrears of taxes, for payment of which the Interborough is responsible. The Interborough's total obligations to-day aggregate about \$6,000,000 to meet which the company has about \$4,000,000. Despite the default, the opinion was held in some quarters that Mr. Quisenberry's activities recently with members of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co. suggested the possibility of a new banking loan of \$10,000,000.

Soviet Stenographers Off for Genoa with Chaperon

RIGA, March 31.—The last of the Soviet delegation bound for Genoa, consisting mostly of assistants, departed to-day. Among the party were fifteen women clerks and stenographers. All of them were dressed in smart traveling costumes supplied by a special Government fund. Helene Krylenko, wife of the Prosecutor-General, is chaperoning the party.

BANDITS BEAT 2 MEN IN PARK ROW HOLDUP

Blackjack Watchman and Cashier to Get \$1,000 in the Tribune Building.

MACY CLERK IS SHOT Three Gunmen Flee After Firing and Miss \$10,000 in Bronx Office.

Bandits invaded Park Row last night and on the third floor of the New York Tribune Building beat up a pay clerk and a night watchman and escaped with the weekly payroll of the mechanical department of the Tribune, which, according to the company, amounted to "more than \$1,000."

EX-EMPEROR CHARLES HAS TURN FOR WORSE

Prayers for His Recovery in Vienna and Budapest.

BALTIC STATES AGREE TO SUPPORT SOVIET

Estonia, Latvia and Poland Favor Recognition.

RUSSIA AT GENOA TO SEEK RECOGNITION

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LISBON AVIATORS TO AWAIT FULL MOON

At Cape Verde Isles Will Halt Till April 15.

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SOVIETS MAY KEEP FRANCE AWAY FROM GENOA CONFERENCE

If Moscow Rejects Cannes Pact Poincare Intimates No Participation.

DEMANDS GUARANTIES Veiled Women Tempt Poincare to Deal Separately With the Bolsheviki.

ALL ADVANCES REJECTED Emissaries Told He Would Talk to Allies and No One Else.

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Anti-Collins Executive Body Calls Its Followers to Mobilize Sunday.

FREE STATE WARNS MEN RAIDERS TAKE CARGO OF POWDER FROM ABOARD ADMIRALTY SHIP AND SECURE IT.

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60,000 COAL MINERS OUT; PITS CLOSED IN 20 STATES; HARDING SEES PEACE AHEAD

MEN AND MONEY INVOLVED IN STRIKE OF COAL MINERS

HERE are the essential facts about the coal strike:

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEN INVOLVED—Union, 526,895; non-union, some of whom may walk out, 159,700, all in the United States. In addition, 4,650 in Canada.

COAL IN STORAGE—70,000,000 tons—enough to last industries forty-three days and the railroads and public utilities sixty days.

MINES AFFECTED—12,000, of which 5,000 supply only local trade, producing less than 10,000 tons a year each.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT—Nearly \$2,000,000,000, with annual output in excess of \$1,000,000,000 a year.

STATES AFFECTED—Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Virginia and Wyoming. Total, twenty.

MINERS' DEMANDS—Operators must attend national conference on new wage scale and contract for working conditions to replace the agreement expiring March 31 at midnight; want old wage scales with six hour day to replace present eight hour day and five day week to replace present six.

OPERATORS' DEMANDS—Wages must be reduced 25 per cent. below present level; working hours must stand.

GOVERNMENT ATTITUDE—Will let the strike take its course, remaining neutral between operators and miners; will rely on local authorities to prevent disorder, which is not expected.

MINERS INVOLVED IN BIG FIELDS—Pennsylvania, 210,000; Illinois, 95,000; Indiana, 30,000; West Virginia, 30,000; Kentucky, 15,000.

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CANADIANS TO AID Union Chiefs Declare That 100,000 Non-Union Men Quit to Complete Tieup.

13,000 GUARD MINES 4,000 Left at Work in Kentucky to Live Up to Terms of Contract.

60 DAY'S COAL SUPPLY Troops Only to Be Used in Case of Violence and No Clashes Are Reported.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 31 (Associated Press).—Coal production was stopped to-night by the union coal miners, who quit work in the mines of twenty States with the avowed policy of remaining idle indefinitely in an effort to force the operators to accept the miners' terms for new wage contracts.

Officials at the headquarters here of the United Mine Workers of America declared the suspension not only would include a half million workers but also that at least 100,000 non-union men would join in the walkout.

No last minute instructions were issued from headquarters and the only significant conference held during the day by President John L. Lewis was with Lonnie Jackson, president of the Kentucky union district, where 4,000 union men will continue at work because their contract with operators has another year to run.

Mr. Lewis declared that the suspension of work by Kansas union miners would not be averted by the action of the Kansas Industrial Court, which ordered the wage scale of the last two years be continued for thirty days.

To-night the union chief declared the nationwide walkout would affect "hundreds of thousands of citizens" and he declared it a serious problem, and he declared his charge that the operators had forced "the strike upon the miners."

In addition to the Kentucky miners, union men in Nova Scotia will remain at work, but those in the western Canadian provinces are expected to join in the strike. The conference over the Kentucky situation was held by its participants to have a general review of the situation there, with President Lewis taking the position that the union must obey its contract with the operators.

Complete Tieup Reported.

Numerous reports from the coal fields of the country reached headquarters, and Mr. Lewis declared they indicated a complete tieup of all union fields. These reports also showed that 13,000 union men would be left in the mines to protect the properties from damage. The only tieup between operators and miners in this connection was reported from Washington, where operators were said to be objecting to paying the wages provided for in the contracts that expired at midnight.

Mr. Lewis's statement regarding the suspension of work follows: "The United Mine Workers of America are entering is not a question of small magnitude nor one to be lightly considered by the American people. It is fraught with far reaching consequences and serious responsibilities as affecting the public welfare. The withdrawal of in excess of 600,000 men from the mines of the country constitutes a serious problem. Aside from the inevitable coal shortage which will ensue to the profit of coal operators, and to the detriment of the public, it has been hitherto a source of false security throughout the nation, affecting hundreds of thousands of citizens in other walks of life.

This is a deplorable condition and constitutes a sad commentary upon the relationship of employer and employee in American industry. Every thoughtful person recognizes that in the end a settlement must come through joint conference with accredited representatives of the mine workers of the nation.

Places Ours on Operators.

It is most unfortunate, because of the arbitrary attitude of the coal operators, that such a meeting cannot be held until the country has entered an industrial strike on such a gigantic scale. In the present issue the public has been lulled to a sense of false security by the soothing statements of those who will profit through a strike.

The mine workers repeatedly have called for a meeting and the operators have gone unheeded. The responsibility must therefore be with those who have forced the present situation and are seeking to beat the miners back.

As self-respecting citizens we are resolved to stand in opposition to those who deny us a living wage and our proper aspirations for an American standard of living."

STRIKE TO THROW OUT 18,000 RAILROAD MEN Official Sees That Number Idle in Pennsylvania.

Eighteen thousand railroad workers in the State of Pennsylvania will be thrown out of work as a direct result of the anthracite strike, Philip Murray, vice-president of the United Mine Workers,

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What Policy Did With His Taxes—See Sunday's Magazine in This New York Herald—Advt.

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