

MINERS TO MEET DECIDE ON STAND

State's Fuel Supply Depends on Outcome of Muskogee Session

MEN IN A BAD MOOD

John Wilkinson Doubts if He Can Persuade Them to Return to Jobs

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Oct. 17.—The fate of the new field situation of Oklahoma, Arkansas and a part of the Texas production will be determined in the convention of representatives from the coal miners' local of District 21, United Mine Workers of America, which opens here tomorrow morning.

For the mine worker officials, it is a last resort to get the men in the Muskogee field and in one idle mine in Arkansas to return to work.

For the miners themselves, it is another opportunity to give their cause increased momentum, and to have the closing of every coal mine in the three states.

According to John Wilkinson, president of the miners of District 21, a last appeal to the men to return to work, will be made at the convention.

They demand "vacation." According to delegates to the convention who are arriving here tonight, they will make an effort to show cause why they should go on extended "vacation"—they admit they cannot go out on strike because of existing contracts with the operators.

"The miners' delegates are hostile. It is very difficult to induce hostile men to listen to reason. They lose their senses of proportion. I fear they will take steps which will seriously effect the coal situation, especially of Arkansas and Oklahoma, where 10,000 men are directly affected," Mr. Wilkinson said, continuing:

Wilkinson Fears Consequences.

"The miners are asking for a 30 per cent increase on tonnage mining. If they get it, or even a reasonable amount less than that, the people will have an adequate coal supply as far as they are concerned. But if it is refused, I greatly fear the consequences, though I have advised the men time and again, not to quit their posts."

The delegates to the convention started arriving here this afternoon and tonight more than 100 of the 150 representatives who are expected here, are registered at local hotels.

Mr. Wilkinson spent most of the day conferring with various delegates. He pointed out to them that the purpose of the convention is merely for a detailed discussion of the situation, in order that the miners in all of the coal fields may know the facts in the present strained situation.

The sessions of the convention will be held behind closed doors, Mr. Wilkinson said.

Defender of Liege Dies.

BRUSSELS, Oct. 17.—General Leman, defender of Liege against the German advance early in the war, died at Liege today from pneumonia.

CONSTANTINE IN BID FOR THRONE

Swiss Government Moves to Defeat Plot of Ex-Greek King

BERNE, Oct. 17.—Former King Constantine of Greece is reported here as intending to take advantage of the situation created by the serious illness of King Alexander, his son, by returning to Greece and reclaiming the throne. The Swiss authorities, it is stated, are taking measures to defeat the alleged plot formed in Switzerland against the present Greek government.

GENEVA, Oct. 17.—Former King Constantine of Greece, replying from Lucerne to an inquiry regarding his attitude towards the regency for Greece being discussed in connection with the illness of King Alexander, telegraphed as follows:

"Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof. I will not think of a regency yet. My plans are that of my people. (Signed.) Constantine, Rex."

GERMANY A CATTLE LAND

Allies Evidently Think So, From Demands Just Presented.

BERLIN, Oct. 17.—The allied reparations commission, according to Vor-Waerts today, has presented to the German government a demand for the immediate delivery of 10,000 bulls and 500,000 cows to France; 11,150 head of cattle to Italy; 210,000 cows to Belgium; and 187,000 head of cattle to Serbia.

OBREGON IS FRIENDLY

Leaves for Mexico After Two-Day Visit to Texas Cities

DALLAS, Oct. 17.—Strong in his expressed view that relations between Mexico and the United States would benefit greatly by his two-day visit to the state fair of Texas, General Alvaro Obregon departed today for Mexico City, where on December 1 he is to be inaugurated president of the southern republic.

The Mexican president-elect made but one extended statement while here. This was at an international banquet last night where he declared the Mexican government would recognize all legal foreign debts, that he anticipated early recognition of the new Mexican regime on the part of the United States, and that Mexico will recognize all legal rights of Mexicans and foreigners alike.

Before leaving Dallas at 11 o'clock today, General Obregon issued a statement thanking the city of Dallas and the state and national governments for courtesies extended on his visit, and extending an invitation to federal, state and city authorities to be his guests at the inaugural exercises in Mexico City. His entertainment here he declared, argued for better Mexican-American relations. He is traveling via El Paso and made a stop of several hours at Fort Worth, where he was the guest of municipal officials and the Fort Worth chamber of commerce.

A motor truck that straddles the load, picking it up and depositing it where desired, has been designed for handling brick packed in crates.

A process has been invented in Holland for manufacturing a food for swine from fish offal that does not affect the flavor of the pork.

Father of Jo Payne Dies at His Home in Muskogee

J. T. Payne, aged 63, father of J. D. Payne, district court reporter and formerly secretary of the Tulsa Rotary club, died at his home at Muskogee at 7 o'clock Sunday evening. The elder Payne was a civil engineer and came to Oklahoma in the early days. He directed the work of mapping the townsite of Muskogee when that city emerged from a village.

FIND U. S. LABOR MAN DEAD

Heart Disease Caused Death of Grant Hamilton in St. Louis Hotel.

GALVESTON, Oct. 17.—Grant Hamilton, 65, a special representative of the federal department of labor, was found dead in his room at a hotel here today. Physicians described heart disease as the cause of death. Officials of the department at Washington were notified and authorities are endeavoring to locate a daughter of Mr. Hamilton whose name is unknown to them, but who is believed to be in Denver.

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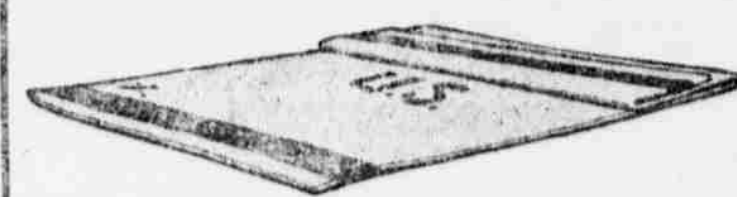
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