

THOUSANDS AT FAIR ON OPENING DAY BITUMINOUS OPERATORS MEET SECRETARY HOOVER

EXPOSITION OPENS WITH IDEAL WEATHER; NUMBER OF CATTLE ON EXHIBIT INCREASED ABOUT 25 PER CENT; FINE ENTERTAINMENT

Style Driving Contest Is First Feature Of Entertainment Program This Afternoon; Late Trains Cause Delay In Some Departments.

The Ladies' style driving contest at the Grand Forks fair got under way shortly before 3 o'clock this afternoon with a large field of entries.

8 a. m.—Gates open. 9 a. m.—Judging of cattle and swine. 10 a. m.—Old settlers meet to elect officers.

10 a. m.—Judging of minerals, apiary, farm products and Farm Women's club. 1:30 p. m.—Judging of cattle and swine; Boys' and Girls' Livestock club.

1:45 p. m.—Harness races; Merchants' \$15,000 stake races, Devilsville. 8 p. m.—Fireworks spectacle, "Mystic China," hippodrome and fireworks display in front of the grandstand.

The Grand Forks fair opened this morning with an exceptionally large first day crowd in attendance. The style-driving contest and the automobile races were the magnets that drew the throngs here from every section of the northwest.

There was some delay in getting the exposition completely under way, due to the fact that trains coming into Grand Forks have been late. An announcement of several trains also has caused a delay for many exhibitors were unable to get here until this morning.

Driving Contest On. The style-driving contest began promptly at 2:30 o'clock, and the first event of the auto races followed immediately. The afternoon program includes ten special events.

The auto racers reached Grand Forks at 1:45 o'clock on a special train from Sankaton with a little over an hour, they had their cars on the track tuning them up and trying out the turns. Sig Haugdahl, the interpreter, Scandinavian in origin, came early with his three-mile-a-minute car, the machine he created a sensation with at Daytona beach during the winter. After a preliminary run around the track, he was scheduled to go into the rings at 3 o'clock.

Hallock Man Enters. Youngren, an amateur driver from Hallock, Minn., is here with a special Dodge racing car, which he has entered for several of the afternoon contests.

The program for the afternoon was complete in every respect, and the night program will be just as complete. At Grand Forks, a special concert in front of the grandstand this evening, after which the vaudeville acts will be given. Then, will come the fireworks spectacle, "Mystic China," which will be followed by a general fireworks display. The Thierie-Duffield company representatives were on the grounds early preparing for the first hearing of the spectacle. The preparations this year are more elaborate than heretofore, and indications are that the evening program will far surpass anything shown in the state.

A delegation from the Fargo fair, headed by Secretary McRoberts, is visiting the exposition today.

The fair grounds are splendidly policed and ample fire protection is offered. Chief of Police Lowe has a special force of men at work on the grounds, and Secretary Montgomery has a crew on horseback to keep automobiles in their proper place. This will mean that there will be no congestion and no confusion in getting in or out of the grounds.

Tomorrow's program includes the first of the horse races—the 2:15 pace and 2:30 trot. The Old Settlers' association will hold a special meeting on the grounds, and there will be several other special gatherings.

HUNTER MAN WAS BEST JUDGE AT N. D. STATE FAIR

Fargo, N. D., July 24.—A. M. Peterson, hunter, N. D., proved to be the best judge of fair game of the five hundred who entered the open contest at the state fair here last week. It was announced today. He placed each of seven right as to their producing ability.

IRREGULARS RETREATING AT TOP SPEED

Free Staters Make it Impossible for Enemy to Make Stand at Any Place.

(By The Associated Press) London, July 24.—Unconfirmed reports received in London today said that the irregulars were retreating with all speed into the Galtee and Knockmealdown mountains, harassed by Free State troops who are pressing them hard and preventing them from concentrating for resistance.

A Waterford dispatch to the Daily Express says the irregulars have burned the barracks at Clonmel and Tipperary, which had long been held as garrisons and it is believed the National army forces have occupied these places. This, however, is not claimed in any official report.

The Express correspondent says it is believed the pressure being exerted by the National troops upon both flanks of the Republicans will compel them to make a stand, perhaps their last, in these mountains. Some of the other correspondents doubt whether they will be able to make a stand anywhere, although they do not draw the conclusion that an early end of resistance can be expected.

The various views, however, obviously are largely speculative, since none of them can be verified except by the general turn of events.

Dublin, July 24.—(By the Associated Press)—National army troops have since Friday's victory in west Ireland by capturing Ballyvaughan, County Mayo, from the republican irregulars, it was announced today.

The total number of casualties in the American fighting in the Mexican revolution, although it is known that at least 15 of the national troops were killed and 57 wounded. It is generally believed that at least 15 of the irregulars lost their lives. The total number of casualties suffered by Free State forces during the capture of Ballyvaughan was nine killed and nineteen wounded.

Two Girls Killed. Belfast, July 24.—Two girls aged 15 and 16, returning from a free state to northern Ireland territory at Jonesborough, county Armagh, last night were ordered to halt. They failed to obey and were fired upon and killed.

Near Newry a girl on her way home from church and her father was hit by a stray bullet and is in a critical condition.

In Dublin early today two men were killed when an armed band attempted to raid a public house.

WARD COUNTY FARMERS TO POOL WHEAT

Farm Bureau to Ask Aid of Marketing Organization In This State.

Minot, N. D., July 24.—Marketing of this year's wheat crop in an orderly manner is a problem which the Ward county farm bureau has under consideration at the present time with a view of taking the matter up with a number of wheat marketing organizations, with the object of marketing the wheat in bulk.

Clyde Nelson, secretary of the Ward county farm bureau, said today that several bankers have expressed the opinion that there will be plenty of money available from the farm finance corporation to properly finance the handling of credits of the farmers who wish to hold their grain for future sale. The grain would be delivered to the local elevator and the storage ticket presented to the bank. The bank would then make an effort to secure all the money needed on storage certificates of this kind.

The bankers cannot be blamed for wanting to secure outstanding money this fall, said Secretary Nelson, "but anyone can see the effect it would have on the market if they would be out on crops in the state this fall, causing the farmers to sell their crops as soon as harvested."

GIRL GIVES LIFT TO SAVE CHUM; BOTH ARE DROWNED

Sterling, Ill., July 24.—Clasped in each others arms, the bodies of Ella Hill, 15, and Jennie Tobin, 15, members of the Champion Sterling Lady Souvenir team, were taken from Rock River at midnight Sunday after a confluence search in which scores of citizens joined, which was started when the girls were reported missing early Sunday evening.

Jennie could not swim. The positions of the bodies indicated that Ella gave her life in an effort to save her chum.

Many More Cattle Placed In Live Stock Show This Year; Barns Full And Outside Sheep Pens Are Used To House Them; Exhibits Are Sent From Several States.

A 20 to 25 per cent increase in the number of cattle on exhibit in that department has been made this year, according to Earl Stonehouse of Larimore, who has charge of the cattle show. The barns are full to overflowing. Mr. Stonehouse states, and on account of the increased entries it was necessary to remodel the outside sheep pens and use them for the cattle.

The Jersey and Shorthorn exhibits are particularly strong this year, he said. The Jersey herd is the biggest that has ever been shown in the history of the fair and the Shorthorn group in both quality and quantity surpasses by far any previous showing. Two more entries over last year are on display in the Jersey line-up, and three more in the Shorthorn show.

Brown Swiss Cattle. Brown Swiss cattle are being shown this year. John Brunold of Rochester, Minn., exhibiting a herd of 13. Aberdeen Angus breed is presented in two groups. E. Franklin of Emerado is out with a herd well up in the money at the state fair last week, and the Hartley Stock Farm of Page, N. D., has a group of 14. A new entry of Herefords is that of Ferguson from Canby, Minn. Ferguson has 14 head and is featuring the get of the \$50,000 Richard Fairfax, world's champion sire.

Many Holstein-Friesians. The Holstein-Friesian group is well represented by two large herds, those of J. D. Bacon, Lila Hedge Farm, this county, and M. L. Enright of East Grand Forks, Minn. Mr. Bacon has 17 head on exhibition. Mr. Enright has a showing of 14 head.

Among the Jersey exhibitors is W. J. Grable with a herd of 15 cattle from Iowa. The Waterloo Jersey Farm is also among the herds coming from a considerable distance. San F. Grable of Fargo has an excellent showing and a fairly large one.

Large Guernsey Display. The Guernsey breed is represented by one of the largest displays in the department. An entire herd has been given over to it. Coming from Duluth, Minn., in this group is Jean Du Luth with a herd of ten. Mr. Du Luth has several Minnesota state champions in his group. He came here from Fargo, where he attended the state fair. E. S. Person of Minot has a showing of 15 in this group. P. B. Konklin of Thief River Falls has a showing of eight, and H. C. Woolen of Thief River Falls has a showing of seven.

Among the Shorthorn exhibitors are E. D. Grant of Glynndon, Minn.; Ely-Avyl Shorthorn Co. of Mayville, N. D.; W. W. Brown of Armin, N. D.; and S. E. Ellason of Montevideo, Minn. J. F. McLoughlin of Mitchell, S. D., has an excellent group of Polled Shorthorns; Louis Berg of Coopers-town, N. D., has a strong herd of

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GEORGE PETTIBONE WILL BE OUT OF HOSPITAL SOON

Detroit, Minn., July 24.—George Pettibone, proprietor of a summer resort at Showham, Minn., shot through the stomach by Helmer Bjorge, when he refused the latter permission to see his wife who was employed at the resort, will be out of the hospital in a few days according to doctors. Quick action by an employe who tolled the assailant with a chair, after he had fired two shots, may have saved Pettibone's life, according to witnesses.

STATION AGENTS WILL NOT GO OUT ON STRIKE

Noone Will Instruct Men to Remain at Work, He Declares. Outcome of Separate Attempt of Baltimore and Ohio Road Awaited.

Chicago, July 24.—(By the Associated Press)—With the government and its agencies outwardly absolutely inactive in so far as the rail strike was concerned, there was little change in the situation today and hopes for any move leading to peace centered in a meeting at Baltimore tomorrow when the Baltimore and Ohio will see separate agreements with its men.

B. M. Jewell, head of the shop-crafts, had no comment to make on the situation, while Ben Hooper, chairman of the labor board sat silently in his office telling all reporters that "there is nothing to give out," he still declines to discuss his recent conference with President Harding or to say whether the president had suggested any definite moves by the board. The statement by Mr. Hooper last night that the board planned no further activity at present was reiterated.

(By The Associated Press) Chicago, July 24.—The 10,000 unionized station agents will not be called out on strike, W. J. Noone, president of the organization, announced today after a conference with W. L. McMenimen, labor member of the labor board.

"I will instruct my men to remain at work and order that committees confer with the road managements over all points at issue," he said.

Chicago, July 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Interest in the railroad strike today was centered in the separate peace efforts of officials of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad in their meeting at Baltimore, with representatives of the striking shopmen. Despite the failure last week of similar efforts made at St. Paul, it was confidently predicted the Baltimore conference would obtain favorable results.

Should the meeting result in an adjustment it was expected other railroad work would follow the same course. B. M. Jewell, head of the shopmen's union, refused to comment on the Baltimore party, but previously had acknowledged receiving offers of settlement from a number of roads.

"DON'T DRAG RIVER. HERE I AM," FARGO MAN TELLS POLICE

Minneapolis, July 24.—Showing a number of bruises, Harry Snyder, Fargo, N. D., entered a Minneapolis police station today as patrolmen were preparing to drag the river for the occupant of an automobile that crashed through the Tenth avenue bridge railing, and said: "Don't drag the river, Captain, here I am."

And then Snyder told the story of how his automobile happened to have crashed through the bridge railing and fallen 25 feet to the river bank below. Snyder said that he had swam his engine on a grade when "the damned thing just poked me on the head, ran over me and dived down. That flivver was some driver."

There were no other occupants in the car at the time, Snyder said. The car was a mass of wreckage when found.

GOV. ALLEN MAY MEET WHITE IN EMPORIA TODAY

Citizens Are Wondering if Two Men Will Continue Friendship.

Emporia, Kans., July 24.—(By the Associated Press)—With Governor Henry J. Allen scheduled to make an address in Emporia, the home of his friend, William Allen White, today, there was much speculation as to what will be the words of greeting should the two men meet on the last week. Mr. White has taken down his placard, "We are for the striking railroad men 50 per cent."

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WHEAT WAS CUT ON POINT TODAY

Harvesting Reported Near Minto; Wheat is Ripe in Western Sections.

3 Tel.—MUST—Wheat was cut on the Peter Cariveau farm at Minnesota Point today, the earliest wheat to be harvested in this district, it was reported today. Although no cutting has been reported in Grand Forks county, it is believed that the last of this week will see harvest fairly well under way on many of the farms.

Wheat has been cut in Walsh county in the vicinity of Minto, it was reported today, and a fine grade of wheat together with an abundant harvest are confirming the earlier promises of one of the best wheat crops this year that has been harvested for a number of seasons.

Nelson county has not yet commenced its wheat harvesting, farmers in the city today reported, nor is wheat likely to be cut for two or three weeks, it was said. It is believed that Grand Forks county is slightly earlier than Nelson, and that wheat harvesting will begin here, possibly this week.

Harvest Started in West. Harvest of Western North Dakota's wheat began in earnest over the week end. While many farmers are cutting at the earliest possible moment to escape possible damage from hail or rust, much of the wheat is dead ripe and could have been cut earlier last week without damage.

The rye harvest has been finished and most of it has been stacked in the district immediately around Bismarck.

Travelers north from here Saturday and Sunday reported that all along the line binders were in the wheat fields. While only the earliest wheat is now being harvested, it is predicted that the harvest will be general by the end of this week.

Arguments To Jury In Obenchain Case To Be Started Today

Los Angeles, Cal., July 24.—Arguments to the jury were to begin here today in the second trial of Mrs. Mary Estelle Obenchain for the murder of J. Milton Kennedy, young broker.

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE. Prescott, Ariz., July 24.—The mill of the Fortia Co. here today was destroyed by fire with loss estimated at \$1,000,000. The cause is under terminated.

OPERATORS OF SIX STATES AGREE TO ADMINISTRATION PLAN FOR HANDLING COAL

Washington, July 24.—Operators of the producing districts of coal in Tennessee, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Alabama today with Secretary Hoover agreed in principle with the administration plan for maintaining prices and insuring a fair distribution during the strike emergency.

Washington, July 24.—Bituminous coal operators representing the present producing districts in six states, gathered here today at the call of Secretary Hoover who sought their co-operation with the government and the railroad in a coal distribution scheme designed to protect the carriers, public utilities and other necessary industries against a shortage and prevent profiteering during the strike emergency.

The plan contemplates the creation of a central committee with representatives from the departments of commerce, justice, interior and the interstate commerce commission operating through local committees in the producing districts of Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Alabama.

Coal distribution, it is planned, will be controlled through pooling in the various producing districts and the distribution of cars under a preferential system to be instituted under authority of the interstate commerce commission.

While the plan is assigned to operate effectively through co-operation of the operators and the railroads, it is founded on the authority of the interstate commerce commission to act in emergency on behalf of the interstate commerce. It is by this authority, it was explained, that the commission would be able to control conditions, restrict distribution and price levels, should the co-operative effort in any district fail short.

Truck Mail Service. Fargo, N. D., July 24.—Truck mail service on six branches of the Great Northern railway effective today, was announced by the Fargo district railway mail service, Roy Dolphin, chief clerk.

Government messengers on army trucks will carry mail on the Antler-Egby, Herthold-Crosby, Stanley, Grand Forks-Tower and Duluth-South-York lines on days when the curtailed three-day-a-week rail service is not in operation. About 400 miles will thus be covered. As additional trains and a fine grade of mail will be put on, Mr. Dolphin said.

He denied reports that the supply of gasoline would be insufficient for the service.

Duluth Service Cut. Duluth, Minn., July 24.—Two fast Duluth-Twin City trains will be taken off by the Northern Pacific Railway company tomorrow, it was announced today. An unconfirmed report today stated that the Great Northern will take off two of its fast trains running between Duluth and the Twin Cities.

May Take Action. The president might take some action soon was indicated in his efforts to obtain the facts from all angles. The conference with Chairman Hooper and Secretary Davis' meeting at Mooseheart, Ill., with strike leaders, a member of the labor

Wants Fact-finding Body. (By The Associated Press) Indianapolis, Ind., July 24.—President Harding was urged today to appoint immediately a nonpartisan fact-finding tribunal to inquire into the coal situation in a telegram sent him last night by M. Ogle, president of the National Coal Association. The president announced the consideration of appointing such a committee last week.

Such a tribunal, if appointed immediately, could develop within a comparatively short time such facts regarding the coal industry, says the telegram, as to take some definite steps toward carrying out your mission to start the mines in accordance with your proclamation to the governors of the several states involved.

M. Ogle in the telegram also suggested the appointment of one miner and one operator as technical advisers, but neither to have a vote or voice in the deliberations of the tribunal.

Hopeful Signs. (By The Associated Press) Springfield, Ill., July 24.—Renewed activities at coal mines in central Illinois, where forces of workers started this morning to put mines in shape for operation, together with an official call for a meeting of the executive board of the Illinois mine workers at St. Louis, Mo., next Wednesday, was taken this morning as the first hopeful indication that the end of the coal strike in Illinois may be in sight.

Mine Guards Quit. Beldaire, Ohio, July 24.—Pumpmen and fan men on duty in idle coal mines in this vicinity were reported leaving their posts today as a protest against the bringing of state troops into the district. There are approximately 175 mines in this territory and at the beginning of the coal strike one pumpman and one fanman were kept on duty in each mine to guard against fire and flood.

Ebanburg, Pa., July 24.—Production of coal in mines affected by the strike was resumed in this region today, under the scrutiny of Pennsylvania national guardsmen, a number of companies reported.

Major McKinney, commanding the troops in this region, issued a public statement in which he said the only duty of the soldiers was to prevent any possible outbreak. He said his troops would not patrol the mines or highways.

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A WARNING! By MORRIS

