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COAL MINERS STRIKE IN NINE STATES

Quit Work at Midnight Pending Settlement of Wage Scale

No Coal Famine is Feared as Operators Have Large Ton- nage Stored for Emergency.

PINCHOT IS VISITING SISTER IN COPENHAGEN

By Associated Press. COPENHAGEN, March 31.—Gif- ford Pinchot, former chief forester of the United States, arrived to- night and is a guest at the British legation, where he is visiting his sister, Lady Johnstone, wife of the British minister. He refused to discuss politics. He said he in- tended to study Danish agriculture and declared he expected to meet Roosevelt at Copenhagen or Lon- don.

TOBACCO WORKERS GO OUT ON STRIKE

By Associated Press. LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 31.— More than three thousand white and negro men, women and chil- dren, employed by the American Tobacco company stemmeries, struck today for higher wages.

TAFT TELLS WHY THE EAST HAS POWER

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, March 31.—Taft, in an address before the Wash- ington Ohio society, tonight stated that the dominating power of the east- ern states in congress was due to the fact that they keep men in of- fice when they place them there.

COMMISSIONERS OF STATE PRISON MEET

CARSON, March 31.—A meeting of the board of prison commis- sioners was held yesterday and ac- cepted the plans of the new prison which had been prepared by Arch- itect DeLanchant. The board passed a resolution asking for bids for the new steel cells and the same will be published at once.

It is the intention of the board to rush the work of building and it is expected that the work will be commenced at once.

Indiana Workmen Return to Work as Operators Grant Increase De- manded by the Miners.

By Associated Press. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 31.—Three hundred thousand organ- ized miners of the bituminous coal fields of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indi- ana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kan- sas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, quit work at midnight pending the set- tlement of a new wage scale. The officers of the union declared the walkout was not a strike, but mere- ly a suspension of work because no wage scale had been made to replace the one expired. The min- ers demand an increase of five cents a ton, and in some instances more. They also demand certain changes in the working condi- tions.

Confidence is expressed by the

operators that there will be no general coal famine, as large sup- plies of fuel has been stored in an- ticipation of the walkout. While the miners predict the suspension will be cut short by the prompt signing of wage scales, some of the operators declare it will last for a month or more. In Illinois alone 75,000 men are out and nine hundred mines are closed. In Pennsylvania 40,000 men quit work- ing.

BRAZIL, Ind., March 31.—The first settlement between the miners and operators where the wage ques- tion is the controversy was arrived at here. The operators granted the increase of five cents a ton and there will be no strike here.

YOUNG EGYPTIANS MAKE PROTEST AGAINST SPEECH

By Associated Press. GENEVA, March 31.—The young Egyptian committee has published a protest against Roosevelt's speech at Cairo, declaring his remarks were offensive to the whole nation and were made only with the object of pleasing his official hosts.

MINING MAN MISSING.

By Associated Press. GUNNISON, Colo., March 31.— Professor John K. Hallowell, aged 75, one of the best known geolo- gists of the west, is missing, and it is feared that he has been drowned in the Gunnison river, or has perished from exposure. Re- cently he has been suffering with cold and fever and it is thought he wandered away from home while temporarily affected by fe- ver.

SOCIETY GIRL TAKING A WALK ON A WAGER

By Associated Press. SAN JOSE, Cal., March 31.— Eleanor Sears, the society girl who is walking from Burlingame to Delmonte, reached Morgan Hill, twenty miles from San Jose at 11 o'clock tonight, and after 15 min- utes rest started on her way again, determined not to stop for the night until she reached Gilroy. The day was hot and she showed some fatigue, but remained firm in her resolve to cover 108 miles in 55 hours.

BASEBALL

Coast League. OAKLAND, March 31.—Portland 2, San Francisco 2 (15 innings). LOS ANGELES, March 31.—Ver- non 1, Los Angeles 4. SACRAMENTO, March 31.—Oakland 3, Sacramento 2.

PROMINENT MEN WERE CONNECTED WITH THE INSURANCE SCANDAL

Investigation Discloses Fact That Legislative Wheels Were Well Oiled

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 31.—How William Buckley, the accelerator of insurance legislation, and the late "Andy" Hamilton, keeper of the life insurance "yellow dog" fund of former years, worked shoulder to shoulder, oiling the legislative wheels at Albany, was brought out today in the fire insurance inquiry conducted by State Superintendent

of Insurance Hotchkiss. Evidence showed that Hamilton had received \$8,999 from certain companies in 1905. Henry Wilcox, vice president of the American Surety com- pany, brought Hamilton's name in- to the inquiry by testifying that he had secured the passage of a bill exempting the surety companies from paying taxes on unearned premiums, with the assistance of Ham- ilton.

CAN RESIGN BUT CANNOT GO OUT ON STRIKE

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 31.—The American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots, sent in the resig- nations of its members today from the marine service of four trunk lines serving New York City. Un- der the provisions of the admiralty law, the officers holding federal licenses are forbidden to strike on penalty of losing the license with- out which they could not secure employment. Therefore the men chose to resign, but it is under- stood this action follows the refusal of the companies to grant the demands for less work and more pay.

WOMAN MADE DEMAND TO VOTE NEXT ELECTION

By Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Demanding the privilege of partic- ipating in the next state election, and all others to follow, represen- tatives of the votes for women's clubs of California made a formal request that the local registrar of voters enroll their names upon the register. Registrar Harrington and Assistant Zemansky heard that the women intended visiting his office and found that their presence was earnestly desired elsewhere. The clerks informed the petitioners that under the law their request could not be granted.

CONVICTED GRAFTER PRISON TO MAKE CONFESSION

Former President of Pittsburg Common Council Testifies Before Grand Jury.

By Associated Press. PITTSBURG, Pa., March 31.—William Brand, formerly president of the common council, who was brought from the penitentiary to testify before the grand jury today, contributed his full confession to help the graft probers in tralling the "men higher up." Brand's con- fession and that of Charles Stew- art, leaves but one more important witness to be heard. This witness

is Councilman Hugh Ferguson, who was at the court today seeking an opportunity to tell his story. Two young women, Bessie Curry and Nellie Sherlock, telephone operators at the Farmers' National bank, were among the bank employes who were before the grand jury today. Three more councilmen took the "immunity bath," by making no defense to the charges of taking bribes.

LITIGANTS ARE FORCED TO EMPLOY FAVORED COUNSEL

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, March 31.—Rep- resentative Sabbath of Illinois wants to know if the officials of the de- partment of justice, scattered throughout the country, form cliques, and have a monopoly of the bankruptcy and other cases that come into the federal courts.

He introduced a resolution calling on the attorney general to furnish the names of men so employed. According to Sabbath it is impos- sible, in many cities, for litigants to employ counsel they desire, but are practically compelled to employ the members of the "favored circles," and the funds of the litigants are absorbed by the charges.

GIRLS' FRATERNITIES UNDER THE BAN

By Associated Press. SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.— Girl students in the public schools will not be permitted to belong to any secret societies, according to a new rule of the school board.

marine engineers had been set to figuring on a contract for a yacht before fellow members discovered that the dentist was suffering from dementia and held him interested in a game of cards until the police arrived.

Surgeons say the dentist is suffer- ing from a form of paresis, that will cause his death in a short time.

RICH DENTIST HAS BAD CASE OF "TIPPINGITIS"

By Associated Press. LOS ANGELES, March 31.—Dr. Frank R. Cunningham, a well- known and wealthy dentist, is held in restraint today at the receiving hospital to prevent him from be- stowing all his available cash on club valets, hotel bellboys, chauf- feurs and waiters. Cunningham imagines he is the reincarnation of Croesus, Cecil Rhodes and Barney Barnato, all in one, and before he was taken into custody at the Jonathan club yester- day he was scattering his money among all who would take it. He had arranged to rent a whole floor in one of the newest and largest office buildings. Architects were working on plans for a palace and

SENATOR MILLER WILL NOT BE A CANDIDATE

By Associated Press. VISALIA, Cal., March 31.—Sen- ator E. O. Miller tonight officially announced that he would not be a candidate for the democratic nomi- nation for governor at the August primaries. In making his declara- tion to this effect, Senator Miller said: "Under no circumstances will I enter the gubernatorial race. My mind is fully made up in this mat- ter." No prizes given away—but we print all the news, both local and foreign. Daily Bonanza and S. F. Bulletin, \$1.25 per month.

HEAVY LOSS FROM TORNADO IN AUSTRIA

By Associated Press. TRIESTE, Austria, March 31.—The fiercest tornado in years, ac- companied by a heavy snow, has caused an immense damage and loss of life in southern Austria. A passenger train was blown off the rails near Nuggia, and rolled down an embankment, killing four persons and injuring eighteen. Steam- ship navigation has been suspended and a great amount of damage was done in the harbor.

TOMMY BURNS TO FIGHT SAM LANGFORD

By Associated Press. SIDNEY, March 31.—Tommy Burns will meet Langford in a 45- round fight in America on Septem- ber 5.

NEW YORK AMATEUR MAKES GOOD DRIVE

By Associated Press. LOS ANGELES, March 31.—Caleb Bragg, a New York amateur, drove a ninety horse power Fiat here a mile in 38 4-5 seconds to- day.

PRINCE OF IMPERIAL HOUSEHOLD IS DEAD

By Associated Press. TOKIO, March 31.—Tomosada Iwakura, minister of the imperial household, died today.

TWO GIRLS SHOT BY BURGLAR WHEN THEY SCREAM

By Associated Press. SPRINGFIELD, Mass., March 31.—Martha Blackstone was murdered by a masked burglar, and Harriet Dow was shot and probably fatal- ly wounded in the home of the latter tonight. The burglar es- caped. The man suddenly appear- ed in the parlor where the girls were sitting and demanded money. When they screamed he shot them.

DEBT OF GRATITUDE IS PAID WITH CUTICLE

By Associated Press. NEW YORK, March 31.—Forty square inches of skin has been sac- rificed by William Lansberg to pay the debt of gratitude which he owes to Miss Elsie Wobbetta, a 17 year old nurse girl, for saving the lives of his three young children. At the risk of her own life, the girl fought a fire that threatened the children when one of the lit- tle ones overturned a lamp. She was badly burned and has been a patient in the Long Island College hospital. Lansberg sacrificed his skin in a grafting operation, to insure the girl's recovery. "It's the least I can do for her in return for what she has done for me and mine," he explained. She is reported to- day as doing well.

FRENCH NAVAL OFFICIAL SEES WAR WITH JAPAN

By Associated Press. PARIS, March 31.—The memoirs of vice admiral Fournier, command- er of the Mediterranean squadron of the French navy, in which he discusses the possibility of a war between Japan and the United States, with the resultant danger of dragging all Europe into the terri- fic conflict, were issued in book

form tonight. Fournier accords the star role on the stage of in- ternational politics to the German emperor, and not only in Europe, says the writer, where the emperor is trying desperately to break the league of powers against him, but also indirectly as the influential factor in the relations between the United States and Japan.

AGAINST THE LAW TO FEED OYSTERS

By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, March 31.—Oys- ters may not be fed, or as the trade term goes, "Be floated in brackish water" before they are of- fered for sale, according to an or- der of the department of agricul- ture made public today.

ATTORNEYS SAY DIVORCE CASE SAVE HUSBAND

Requisition papers have been is- sued at the governor's office at Carson for one by name of Henry Reinach of Illinois, who is wanted on the charge of wife desertion. Reinach is now in Reno where he has fled a suit for divorce against his wife and his attorneys are fighting the attempt to take him to Illinois on the ground that he is a citizen of Nevada and entitled to the protection of its laws.

ASK HIGHER WAGES.

It is understood that the engi- neers who run the huge monster locomotives in hauling freight over the range—the big articulated com- pounds—want \$10 a day instead of \$6 a day, for the added risk of running the great machines. Their reason is that, the cab being in front, when the trains run through the snowsheds, in case a timber is projecting into the right of way the cab of the engine is where the timber strikes first. Elsewhere than in the sheds the engines are safer than the ordinary ones because a clear view is had ahead and the engineer and fireman can jump in plenty of time—if the danger of collision should occur in some re- motely possible failure of the block system.

MINING COMPANY TO LET BIG TEAMING CONTRACT

Bids are being sought by the Nevada Wonder Mining company for one of the largest hauling con- tracts since the opening of the min- ing interests of the desert. It is for the hauling of 900 tons of ma- terial from Fallon to Wonder, a distance of fifty-seven miles, for the construction of a water power line and mill. This is the con- summation of plans long under consideration by the Nevada Won- der company, and marks another step in the mining and milling ad- vance of Nevada.

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