

ANTHRACITE MEN DESERVE RAISE

So Says Vice President of the
U. M. W. A. After Months
in the Field.

SEES NO FURTHER TROUBLE

If Higher Wages Are Refused the
Hard Coal Miners, They May
Leave for Other Regions
Where Pay is Better.

Back from the anthracite coal region, where he had passed eight months in efforts to settle the miners' strike, Philip Murray, international vice president of the United Mine Workers of America and formerly president of District No. 5, expressed confidence that the miners generally would resume work. He was hopeful, he said, that union officials in the anthracite region then would be able to get a wage increase for the men in addition to the 17 per cent which has been allowed them. Speaking of the outlook, he said:

"There does not appear to have been any logical reason for refusing the anthracite men as great an advance as was allowed the soft coal miners, which was 27 per cent. When they are back at work, the question will be taken up by their officers with the federal authorities and the wage commissions, and a strong effort will be made to have the award increased. We hope we shall succeed in doing this.

"What will happen if we are unsuccessful, I, of course, am not authorized to say, but it does not appear to me that there should be any further trouble resulting in a suspension of operations. Work is plentiful throughout the country at higher wages than are paid these men. I rather think that many of them, if they are unable to obtain higher wages, will leave these fields and go to others.

"The day laborers in the anthracite field, for instance, get only a trifle more than \$4 a day. Day labor is plentiful in the soft coal region at \$7 to \$7.50 a day. Under these conditions the situation should right itself in a short time."

Mr. Murray, who is a member of the Pittsburgh board of public education, expressed the opinion that the condition of unrest which prevails throughout the country is due to profiteering, and that this in turn has been made possible in large part by the inadequate transportation service. A marked improvement in transportation is observable, he pointed out, and this he expected to see reflected in a reduction in profiteering.

GENERAL LABOR NEWS

Canadian electrical workers will receive 87½ cents an hour.

The eight-hour day is now practically universal in Belgium.

Toronto now has more than 2,500 unionized street railway employees.

Skilled mine workers in Spain are leaving for this country in hordes.

The International Typographical union has a membership of nearly 75,000.

Miners employed in the Hazleton, Pa., anthracite coal region have started a newspaper.

Numerous industrial firms in New York are threatened with prosecution because of their failure to insure their employees.

Employees of the Wheel Steel Corporation of Wheeling, W. Va., have been offered shares in the concern at \$80 per share.

Twenty houses suitable for occupation are built every week by the municipality of Liverpool, England, to ease the housing shortage.

By using motor trucks many of the silk mills in eastern Pennsylvania were able to be kept going during the recent railroad embargo.

Miss Linna E. Bresetta, secretary of the Kansas state industrial commission, has been re-elected secretary treasurer of the Association of Governmental Labor Officials of the United States and Canada.

Trade councils composed of representatives of employers' associations and of trade unions in a particular trade or section of an industry are suggested as a first court of appeal in the case of disputes which may arise among workers in England.

Ten thousand union machinists in the Cincinnati district, who have been on strike for 20 weeks, voted to end the walkout and return to work.

Union officials in making the announcement, said that the voting showed a majority of approximately 500 in favor of calling off the strike and withdrawing pickets. The strike was called last April to enforce demands for a minimum wage of 75 cents an hour for machinists.

Thirty-four thousand women of England must go to work because of the discontinuance of the government's dole of 15 shillings a week to the unemployed. It is generally hoped that the women will again enter domestic service.

Ten per cent of the women in factories and 3 per cent of the women in department stores in New York city earn less than \$6 a week, while 68 per cent of women in factories and the same percentage in mercantile establishments earn less than \$14 a week.

MISS NEILSON'S COMPLAINTS PROVED MERELY CAMOUFLAGE

BISMARCK HAS REAL RECORDS

Superintendent's Power
Is the Same as
Ever

HER DUTIES NAMED Increased Power Would Be Usurpation of State

BISMARCK, Oct. 20.—Miss Minnie Nielson, state superintendent of public instruction and a candidate for re-election on the I. V. A. Grain Combine ticket, is going up and down the state, complaining that many of her powers and prerogatives have been abrogated by the state board of administration. In order to discover whether or not her statements have foundation in fact or was pure pretense, an examination of records was made recently at Bismarck. This inquiry shows Miss Nielson's authority almost as plenary and absolute as that exercised by the late Czar Nicholas of Russia. In so far as the conduct of the public schools is concerned she has been "Queen of the Walk," and were the people of North Dakota to grant her any more prerogatives, they might as well turn the state over to her bag and baggage, allowing her to exercise the sovereign power of a monarch.

Powers Same As Ever.
Miss Nielson's exercises the same powers as her predecessor did. Chief among these are the following:

1. Full supervision over the expenditure of \$82,600 during the biennium, which is \$14,300 more than the sum appropriated for any previous superintendent by the state legislature.
2. Appointment of assistants to help her in her work.
3. Opportunities for educational leadership and for determining the educational policies in all the one-room and graded schools. Prescribes and prepares course of study for common schools. Prepares and distributes a list of books, approved by her, for public libraries, etc.
4. List of school officials responsible to state superintendent of public instruction: Fifty-three county superintendents (directly), about 6,000 teachers (indirectly through county superintendent), Teachers Institute conductors and assistants, in-

spectors of graded, consolidated and rural schools, state high school inspector, school officers in all districts not having state high schools and not serving in special or independent districts.

Her Duties Named

5. These are Miss Nielson's miscellaneous duties:
 - a. Member of board of university and school lands. Sec. 1107 of the General School Laws of North Dakota.
 - b. Supervision of the public schools (Sec. 1107) Prepare and cause to be printed all district clerks' record books, warrant books, treasurers' books, school registers, reports, statements, notices, etc., for all school officers, Sec. 1108.
 - c. Prepare and distribute lists of books approved by him for school libraries (1109).
 - d. Prepare and distribute lists of books approved by him for school libraries (1108).
 - e. Counsel and advise with county superintendents on all matters involving the welfare of the public schools and decide all appeals therefrom. (1110).
 - f. Convene when and where he sees fit all county superintendents for conference relating to the public schools. (1110).
 - g. Convene county institutes, and appoint conductors and assistants therefore (112).
 - h. Prescribe courses of study for institutes and for teachers' training schools. (1112).
 - i. Assist at teachers' institutes wherever practicable. (1113).
 - j. Preserve records of official acts. (1114).
 - k. Prepare and publish a biennial report. (1115).
 - l. Obtain reports from county superintendents. (1116) & (1135).
 - m. Cause school laws to be printed. (1118).
 - n. Publish proceedings of State Educational Association. (1119).
 - o. Appoint deputy, assistant, clerks, etc., for this work. (1120).
 - p. Outline work for teachers' Saturday associations. (1125).
 - q. Obtain reports of county institute funds from county superintendents. (1391).
 - r. Appoints and checks bills of institute lectures. (1392).
 - s. The same for teachers' train schools. (1393).
 - t. Receive copies and keep list of text books being sold in state. (1397).
 - u. Appoint state consolidated, rural and graded school inspectors and assistants, and high school inspectors. (1429).
 - v. Nominate a high school inspector. (1429).

- w. Receive applications from
- x. Appoint inspector of rural and schools applying for state aid. (1444) graded schools (1144) and who shall report to the state superintendent of public instruction. (1444).
- y. Keep a detailed account of all moneys apportioned for state schools.
- z. Have printed the report of teachers' insurance fund. (1502).
- xy. Sole direction and control of public evening schools. 1917 Session Laws.
- xw. Member of State Canvassing Board.

SEN. M'CUMBER HERE SATURDAY

Will Speak at Court
House in the
Evening

Senator McCumber will address a public meeting at the court house in Devils Lake Saturday evening according to an announcement made today by Attorney Rollo F. Hunt of county headquarters for the national republican campaign.

In making the announcement, Mr. Hunt declared the senator would not mix into state politics but would devote his attention entirely to national issues.

Elmer Sjurseth Is Dead at Eastern City

Elmer Sjurseth formerly of Lakota, but well known here, having been employed in the Devils Lake Drug Company's store last winter, died last week suddenly while in the service of the Uncle Sam. The Lakota American says:

A telegram was received in Lakota Wednesday night from the Mare Island Navy Yard, conveying the sad intelligence of the sudden death of Elmer Randolph Sjurseth, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sjurseth of Lakota, who dropped dead at that place that day. He was 23 years of age. No particulars were given in the telegram. The body is being sent home for burial.

The telegram announcing his sudden death was a severe blow to his parents and other relatives and his many friends among the young people in this city.

Last March he enlisted in the navy and was assigned to the hospital corps. At the time of his demise he was adjutant in the dispensary dept. in the Mare Island Navy Yard.

Ole is a mighty good name, and that's one of the several reasons why blamed near all the good people of North Dakota will make Ole Kaldor our next state treasurer by voting for him November 2. Watch for Ole Kaldor's name in the Individual Nominations Column on the ballot, and whatever you do, give Ole your vote. He's a Leaguer from the hair on his head to the soles of his feet. Vote for Ole Kaldor.

SLASHING OF SUIT PRICES CAUSES STIR

Thirty Dollar Price on
Men's Suits Is
Sensation

The price slashing effected during the past two or three weeks on men's suits in Devils Lake has been the latest sensation in clothing circles since a general lowering of prices on nearly all commodities started, declared John Burtcher, local tailor, in commenting on an enormous number of orders he had taken in the past few days.

"Since I knocked down the price of

men's suits here a few weeks ago, dropping three times as many months until now I am offering guaranteed all wool men's suits at \$30.00, I have been kept busy taking care of customers," Burtcher said. "I have the right line on materials in the east where costs are already low on goods for making men's suits and by doing the measuring and accepting orders here as well as taking only a small profit on each suit, I am enabled to meet all competition," he added.

"During the last week, farmers, doctors, lawyers, grocers, in fact men of every profession and working men's trades have flocked to my store to take advantage of what I consider the greatest offering ever made in men's clothing in Devils Lake, all things considered," the tailor said, when asked from what class of people he was drawing his big line of trade.

It is said in some circles that the effect of the Burtcher campaign to

lower clothing costs is already beginning to be felt in Devils Lake and in surrounding towns from which the establishment here is drawing a large amount of trade. Lower prices it is said have been noted recently in general stores where attempts were evidently being made to maintain high prices to "unload" stocks bot at the "peak" of market conditions.

Mr. Burtcher is proprietor of one of the oldest established men's tailoring shops in Devils Lake with a reputation which extends not only over Ramsey county but thruout the Lake Region and in some instances, even greater distances.—Adv.

F. G. Hildebrand is making the race for State Railroad Commissioner. The Nonpartisan League has strongly endorsed him, which is the reason why you will most assuredly give him your vote. Mr. Hildebrand's name will appear in the individual nominations column—the last column on the ballot.



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I will sell all of my horses and farm implements, some harness, etc.

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