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ORDER ROADS TO CONFISCATE COAL

MINERS GET READY FOR FIGHT

DECLARE NOTHING IS ABLE TO AVERT HUGE WALKOUT AT MINES

BULLETIN.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 30.—A direct attack upon President Wilson's course in the coal strike situation as "the climax of a long series of attempted usurpations of executive power," was made today by John L. Lewis, acting president of the executive board of the United Mine Workers.. The attack came in a long telegram to Secretary of Labor Wilson, replying to a message from him delivered to the conference here yesterday of some four score officials and leaders of the union.

The telegrams constiuted the first exchange of views between the administration and the union. While the telegram from Secretary Wilson reached here yesterday the reply was not completed until today when it was submitted to the executive board by President Lewis. It was announced that the reply was approved by unanimous vote. Union headquarters refused to give out the secretary's message, saying that its publication was something for the sender to approve.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 30.—Backed by sentiment displayed in yesterday's conference of officials of the union, the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America met here today to finish preparatory work incidental to the coming strike of bituminous coal miners. No development could avert a strike, it was stated, but some change in the attitude of the operators might result in the shortening of the tie-up, according to union men.

A few of the district presidents and members of the scale committee remained over for today's meeting, but most of them were en route to their home districts to direct the locals in putting the strike into effect. The two dozen members of the executive board were left to "clear decks for action."

Just what action might be taken by the executive board was not indicated. It was stated that in addition to the strike business considerable routine had accumulated since the last meeting of the board and that this also would have to be disposed of.

Union officials were still inclined today to rest their case on the statement issued last night by the conference. The organization retained also its receptive mood so far as overtures for negotiations with the operators were concerned.

Had the operators followed the traditions of the coal mining industry and agreed to "talk across the table," an agreement probably could have been reached in the weeks intervening in the Cleveland convention and the strike date, the union men said.

The statement, in language so terse at times as to be almost cryptic, denied that the strike was illegal, stated that the executive board had no power to override the decision of the international council and refuted charges of ulterior motives in the union's policy. Throughout the document also was the constant reiteration of a willingness to negotiate and it set for that all of the demands, including those for 60 per cent increase in wages and the 30-hour week, were subject to negotiation.

More than 350,000 bituminous miners will be affected by the strike order and an immediate and complete tieup of the soft coal industry is predicted by the union leaders. They expressed confidence that several thousand nonunion miners would follow the organized men in their walkout.

90,000 MEN TO QUIT JOBS AT ILLINOIS WORKINGS

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 30.—Mining of soft coal at the rate of approximately 85,000,000 tons a year will cease in Illinois, third largest bituminous coal producing state in the union, and 90,000 miners will be idle, when the miners' strike order becomes effective at midnight tomorrow. These figures were furnished here today at miners' state headquarters and at the Illinois department of mines and minerals.

Reports reaching the capital from various parts of the state indicate that efforts of industries, particularly smaller consumers, and individuals to obtain coal before the shutdown, have reached almost panic proportions in some localities.

RESERVE SUPPLY FOR THREE WEEKS ON HAND

Data submitted to the government in regard to the supply of coal in the hands of the public utility companies of Memphis, would indicate that the local utility companies will be able to operate about three weeks under normal weather conditions from their reserve supply of coal.

The gas and electric plants are said to have sufficient coal to operate about 30 days; the water plant 15 days and the street railway power house about 8 days. Most of the industrial plants in the city are said to have their coal storage bins well filled; the public schools have a good supply on hand; coal deliveries to the private homes have been heavy for this time of year, it is said.

STEEL STRIKERS' CHIEF WELCOMES COAL ACTION

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 30.—A statement issued by John Fitzpatrick, chairman of the national steel strike committee, on the effect of the threatened bituminous coal strike upon the steel strike and labor in general was issued at steel strike headquarters here today following Mr. Fitzpatrick's departure for Chicago last night.

The statement follows:

"If the coal strike comes, it will add strength to the steel strike and the position of labor throughout the country. It will mean labor has accepted the challenge of the big group of employers who profiteered during the war and who still are profiteering. They have a grip on the throat of the public and the government. They defied labor, the public and the government. They have refused to deal with labor in the steel industry because they have hopes there that they can defeat organized labor. But, in the coal industry, they are hopeless of defeating the older, better-tried organization. So they get the government to try to force the coal miners to arbitrate.

"Arbitration is no good in the steel industry but it's fine for the coal industry."

According to latest reports from union headquarters the men in this district were standing firm and steel production was far below normal. Company representatives denied that such condition prevailed, and said the mills were operating and gaining in man power daily.

"DEPS" RAID MORE JOINTS WINKED AT BY FRIENDLY COPS

Steal March on Saying City Minions and Swoop Down on Malefactors in Unexpected Quarter of City.

Sheriff Perry put 'em over on the police department again Wednesday night with a cunning stroke of his fine Italian hand, notwithstanding the close watch on his office by plain clothes representatives of the police department.

Two crews strode out in the darkness of the great city. They did not mobilize at the sheriff's office as in the past where the watchers could see them and send word down the line, but met outside the office and went on their silent way. And they meandered to out-of-the-way places; off the beaten track.

The wrecking crew, headed by former Assistant Chief of Police Ed Pass, with former Sergeant J. J. Lanigan and former Patrolman Ira Holland silently treked it over to Front street while the sheriff's regular raiders, Ed Bradley, Goswick and Barboro slipped down to Beale avenue.

The deputies raided a place on Rayburn boulevard just south of Beale avenue. The place was run by a negro whose first name is Clyde, the other name being unknown to the deputies. Clyde took time by the forelock as the deps entered and leaped from a second story window. While the deputies were rounding up the others and calling for an ambulance to get the injured negro, who had broken a leg in the wild leap, negroes hauled him away to some negro hospital. One Chinaman, three negro women and two negro men were taken into custody in the building. The women were charged with vagrancy and the men were charged with gaming. Two dice were confiscated.

The wrecking crew arrested J. F. Yates, alleged negro bootlegger, at 176 South Front street and lodged him in jail on a charge of violating the liquor law. Five half pints of whisky were found in the place.

The raiders found all the regular places closed.

TO AROUSE INTEREST IN IRISH QUESTION

Miss Katherine Hughes, secretary of the Irish national bureau, of Washington, D. C., is at the Hotel Gayoso and will hold a meeting Thursday evening at the Chamber of Commerce for those interested in Irish conditions. The meeting will be held in room C and will be preliminary to a lecture Friday evening on the sixth floor of the Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Hughes has come to Memphis thoroughly informed on her subject and expects a hearty reception from the many Irish citizens here. She is making a tour of the states in the interest of Ireland and reports increased interest of a most encouraging nature.

THE WEATHER

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 30, 1919.

Hour.	Temperature Dry Bulb.	Wet Bulb.	Humid'y.
7 p.m. yes'day	69	65	82
7 a.m. today.	69	67	89
Noon today..	77	70	71

Maximum temperature, 74; minimum, 69. Sun sets today 5:08 p.m. Rises tomorrow 6:20 a.m. Moon sets 10:29 p.m. Precipitation, none.

Tennessee—Probable showers; cooler by Friday night.

Mississippi—Probable showers.

Arkansas—Cloudy, local rains.

Alabama—Probable showers.

Kentucky—Probable showers; cooler by Friday night.

Louisiana—Cloudy, local showers.

Oklahoma—Cloudy, probably rain; colder Friday.

East Texas—Showers, warmer in interior.

West Texas—Cloudy, showers in north, followed by clearing and colder weather.

North Carolina—Probable showers, warmer in interior.

South Carolina—Probable showers, warmer in north.

Georgia and Florida—Probable showers.

Kansas—Unsettled and colder, probable rain in east.

COTTON CROP IS ESTIMATED LESS THAN 9,437,000

President of American Cotton Association Numbers Bales on Return From a Tour of the Belt.

WORLD'S DEMAND NEVER GREATER FOR COTTON

Need Is for 12,000,000 More Bales Than the Average for Last Ten Years, Says Mr. J. K. Wannamaker.

Subtracting from previous estimates the damage wrought by the recent rains, J. K. Wannamaker, of St. Matthews, S. C., president of the American Cotton association, placed the 1919 cotton crop at 9,437,000 bales in a talk with The News Scimitar Thursday morning.

Mr. Wannamaker based his estimate on knowledge gained in a tour of the cotton belt during which he and several associates have visited North and South Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee, consulting in each state with government crop reporters, other expert seed and cotton men and growers. He arrived in Memphis Thursday morning, accompanied by Thomas J. Shackleford, of Athens, Ga., a cotton planter and attorney and member of the executive committee of the association. They came to this city for the purpose of consulting with local members of the executive committee.

"While we estimate the number of bales of the American cotton crop at 9,437,000 bales as of Oct. 25, there will not be over 6,000,000 bales tenderable on New York contracts," continued Mr. Wannamaker.

"The crop has been subjected to prolonged rains in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas," he said, "and the cotton fields are still flooded in Texas. Cotton seed is sprouting in the bolls in all of these states and the officials of each are urging with all the force at their command that the growers withhold picking the cotton until it is dried and that the ginners refuse to gin it. If this cotton is ginned while it is wet it will be almost a total loss. Gin-cut cotton will bring only about 20 cents."

West Flooded; East Droughty.

Only a long dry spell can prevent enormous losses in cotton at this time in Oklahoma and Arkansas, Mr. Wannamaker said. "The crop in Oklahoma and Arkansas is very late and the wet spell will reduce the amount of production very materially unless it is followed by a dry spell, for many of the bolls will rot and never open."

Mr. Wannamaker declared that be-

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ELLA WHEELER WILCOX IS DEAD

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, author and poetess, died at her home, "The Bungalow," in Branford today. Mrs. Wilcox had been ill for some months, having had a nervous collapse while engaged in war relief work in England.

Her death was not unexpected to those who shared the seclusion of her home. The exact nature of her final illness is not stated.

Mrs. Wilcox was in her 64th year and was a native of Wisconsin. She was married to Mr. Wilcox in 1884. Her literary work embraced a large number of books, both prose and poetry, and she was a contributor to many publications.

Her surviving relatives are a brother and a sister.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed. The body will be taken to Springfield, Mass., for cremation and a service will be held there, although the time has not yet been determined.

$50,000 Memorial For Robt. Galloway; Proposal Is Made

Fitting tribute may be paid to Robert Galloway, father of the park system of Memphis, if the park commissioners are inclined to listen to a proposal recently made to them unofficially.

In the beautiful, sunken garden at the head of Madison avenue, on the Parkway, a $50,000 memorial may be erected to Mr. Galloway, the man who who did more than any other individual in Memphis for the park system.

But the building of the memorial is contingent, it is understood, on a change of name for the Parkway. It is understood that the widow of Mr. Galloway will expend $50,000 for a memorial for her husband, if the Parkway is changed to Galloway drive or to Galloway boulevard.

It was under the direction and farsightedness of Mr. Galloway that Memphis got her parks. He was the driving force behind the administration. His Scotch ancestry, with characteristic bulldog tenacity, forbade him to ever let loose after he had taken hold.

Many and many a dollar Mr. Galloway spent out of his own purse, for options, before the dream of his life was realized, and the park system became a reality. Citizens who can recall times years ago will remember when he transformed Lea's woods into Overton park, after paying out his personal check for $5,000 for an extension of the option.

It is estimated by friends of Mr. Galloway that he expended fully $180,000 of his private fortune to give Memphis what she has today in the way of parks and the Parkway. This, of course, was repaid to the colonel. But for his generosity and farsightedness, Memphis never would have enjoyed the park system that makes her noted today throughout the United States.

The proposal to name the Parkway either Galloway drive or Galloway boulevard will come before the park commission officially at a meeting in the near future. Those who wish to express opinion on this matter may address communications to Louis M. DeSaussure, secretary park commission, city hall.

POLITICAL RALLIES THURSDAY NIGHT.

Citizens' League.
North Parkway and Bellevue.
East End Park.
Poplar and Bellevue.
Williams Ticket.
Forrest Park.
All meetings begin at 8 o'clock.

ATTACK AGED MAN IN DRUNKEN ORGY; POLICE LOOK ON

Loath to Arrest Drunkards Police Finally Take One Into Custody When Importuned by Indignant Citizens.

After being permitted by the police to terrorize pedestrians in the vicinity of Second street and Monroe avenue, Thursday morning, Willie Ott and a companion whose name was not learned, ended their drunken orgy by assaulting and severely injuring Simon Lehman, an aged and respected cigar salesman, who has lived in Memphis for many years. Ott, it is charged, attacked the old man without provocation as the latter was walking along Monroe avenue, near Main street, carrying several boxes of cigars under his arm.

Ott struck Mr. Lehman a brutal blow full in the face. Unprepared for the assault the aged man was knocked violently to the pavement, the back of his head striking the walk. Dazed by the blow and helpless to defend himself, he received another brutal attack from his assailant, Ott picking up one of the boxes of cigars and striking him with it.

According to witnesses, the police—when they finally arrived—were loath to arrest either of the drunken young men. Finally when they saw that indignant spectators were on the verge of taking a hand, they arrested Ott. He was taken to police headquarters, where he was placed in a cell in default of a $50 forfeit. The drunken man's curses rang through the building and one woman, who had applied at the desk sergeant's office for information, was forced to leave the building. Ott, when asked his name at police headquarters, said drunkenly that it was "Hotel Willie."

Prior to the assault on Mr. Lehman, Ott and his companion are said to have attacked a harmless negro at Union avenue and Second street. The black, after being struck several times, sought safety in flight. It was while staggering along in pursuit of the negro that Ott and his companion met Mr. Lehman. Seeing that the negro had escaped they vented their brutality on Mr. Lehman.

Joe Boyle, custodian of the courthouse, a witness to the assault, said it was entirely unprovoked. He said Ott struck Mr. Lehman with such force that his victim's head struck the pavement first.

The police register shows that Ott was arrested by Patrolmen Carpenter, Pryde and Blankenship. Mr. Boyle stated after the assault that it was only after repeated demands by spectators that they consented to arrest Ott. His companion had succeeded in escaping while the police were trying to make up their minds whether to take a hand or permit the drunken brawlers to continue their outrages.

With Six Known As Dead Wreck's Toll May Reach Higher

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Oct. 30.—Six dead and about 12 persons injured, many seriously, was the known toll today of the wreck of the Southern Pacific railroad's "San Joaquin valley flyer." The tangled mass of wreckage near Acton, a few miles from here, was expected to reveal additional bodies. No official investigation of the wreck had been arranged today, but railroad officials said it was caused by the engineer attempting to make too much speed last night on a 10-degree curve.

Frank Fielder, of Los Angeles, the engineer, the fireman and four passengers comprise the known dead. A survivor said he counted nine bodies at the scene of the wreck. Five bodies were brought here and a relief train with injured was detoured over another railway.

Of the heavy 12-car train, the engine and seven coaches left the tracks. One car was thrown at a right angle across the rails and the others piled up in ditches to left and right.

AGED ATTORNEY LOSES OWN SUIT HE PLEADED

A directed verdict was given the Rock Island railroad Thursday in First circuit court by Judge Young in the suit filed against that corporation by James Gallagher, aged attorney.

Mr. Gallagher claimed that a piece of property he had on Webster was condemned by the road for terminal purposes, but after getting possession of same, the road did not use it for the purposes named alone, but for interstate traffic. The road paid plaintiff $7,000 for the property and he sued to get possession or be given the equivalent of its value.

The proof, the judge held, indicated that the property was used for terminal purposes and therefore he peremptorily instructed the jury to find for the defendant company.

U. S. EXPORTS TO ORIENT SURPASS ALL RECORDS

American export business to the orient this year is exceeding all former records and railroad business through the Canadian Rockies was never better, according to M. E. Malone, general agent for the Canadian Pacific railroad with headquarters in Cincinnati, who was in the city Thursday calling upon his large circle of acquaintances among local railroad officials and business men. As Mr. Malone sees the situation, the country faces a prolonged period of unprecedented prosperity.

ANOTHER BANK REPLIES.

The Liberty Bank and Trust company Thursday filed answer in the suit of George C. Bennett against Mrs. A. R. Quinn, stating that the bank at no time had, nor has it now, any deposits of money or goods to the credit of Mrs. Quinn.

Mr. Bennett in his bill charged that Mrs. Quinn, his private secretary, misappropriated funds from him, and caused writs of attachment against any accounts she may have had in Memphis banks. Attachments were issued against all the banks.

VALLEY PEOPLE OPPOSE RADICAL LABOR—MERRICK

Head of Mississippi Valley Association Says Great Area Is Bulwark Against March of Radical Unionites.

GOV. BROUGH TIRED OF PUBLIC BE— METHOD

Arkansas Executive Declares He Will Not Tolerate Disorder From Coal Strike in His State.

The people of the Mississippi valley stand as a bulwark of sanity against the forces of radicalism which are running rampant in the ranks of union labor in this country, H. H. Merrick, of Chicago, president of the Mississippi Valley association, told the delegates to the meeting of zone 2 of the association in the Chamber of Commerce Thursday morning. "The Mississippi valley is the area of sanity," he said, "and with 52 per cent of the total population of the country and 65 per cent of the farming class, can be a tremendous force for good. The danger spots are in the great cities."

Mr. Merrick had reference to the impending strike of bituminous coal miners, which he discussed in his address on "The Business Crisis." He denounced in the most uncompromising terms the radical leaders of union labor, such as Foster, of the steel workers, and Lewis, of the miners, declaring that they have been guilty of actions for which they "should be arrested and incarcerated." Foster, he said, had made his boast that he was a leader of a "rebel minority" (the 3,000,000 steel workers) and had admitted that this minority stood for revolution. Lewis, he said, had spoken of "direct action," which means war.

"The attorney-general has said that the nation is still in a state of war," said Mr. Merrick, "and there is no reason why men should not be arrested and punished for treasonable utterances and actions now as they were a few months ago in the heat of the war."

No Strike in Arkansas.

Gov. C. H. Brough, who is attending the meeting of zone 2, also denounced radicalism in general and the threatened coal strike in particular. "I am tired of this old doctrine of 'the public be damned,'" said the governor, "and it is time we put a stop to the operations of such radicals as Forter, Kilpatrick and Lewis. I have declared that there shall be no coal strike in Arkansas, and I have made up my mind to tolerate no disorder nor abuse of the public by the cutting off of their vital supplies. Arkansas is prepared

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ABANDON HOPE FOR LIVES OF 21 ENTOMBED MINERS

STEUBENVILLE, O., Oct. 30.—After battling their way to within 150 feet of where 21 miners have been imprisoned since yesterday morning, rescue workers were ordered out of the Youghiogheny and Ohio mine No. 2 at Amsterdam, O., at 6 o'clock this morning by mine officials and state mine inspectors, who feared an explosion might occur, according to word received here. Hope has been abandoned that the miners are alive.

Rescue parties worked all night in the gas-filled mine. At 2 o'clock this morning they had reached a point 150 feet distant from entry No. 15 west, in which the 21 miners were supposed to be held prisoners.

Fire broke out then behind the rescue party and its members were forced to fight their way through flames and smoke, many narrowly escaping suffocation.

Later attempts to rescue the entombed men failing, the officials at daybreak ordered the men to leave the mine. Coal was afire throughout the entire workings and the mine was filled with gas. After a final tour of inspection shortly before 6 o'clock, the inspectors pronounced it extremely dangerous to continue the rescue work. Officials said they believed the entombed men were dead. All the company's property about the mouth of the shaft was then cleared for fear of an explosion.

The miners were entombed yesterday when an electric generator set fire to the main interior. Of the men entombed, only one has made his way to the surface. He emerged last night, saying he had been pulled to the shaft by his mule while he lay on the floor of a mine car. He was badly burned.

BULL MOVE BREAKS HALF CENTURY RECORD

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 30.—All price records for the present bull movement in cotton and all records for half a century and more were broken in the New Orleans market today when the first ginning of the famous Pantherburn plantation, owned by John M. Parker, of New Orleans, sold at 75 cents a pound.

The sale was of 800 bales, weighing 600 pounds each, which means that each bale was worth $450 and that the total transaction involved $360,000.

Pantherburn plantation is located in Mississippi, near Vicksburg. The cotton was sold as middling grade or better and expert classers said that the lot would average strict middling. The great value of the cotton, however, was in its staple, which was an inch and a quarter to an inch and five-sixteenths. The sale was made to New England mills.

In another way this transaction breaks all records for, figured on a "basis," the price is 4,000 points on January contracts, the highest basis ever quoted for any kind of cotton in this market.

POSSIBLE EFFECT OF COAL STRIKE

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 30.—It is estimated 18,000 soft coal miners in East Tennessee and Southern Kentucky, District No. 19, United Mine Workers, will go out on strike Friday midnight. About 220 unions are represented in the district. Order is being maintained throughout the district and federal troops, now here for the street car strike, are available for duty if needed.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 30.—Approximately 4,000 soft coal miners and 150 mines with an annual production of 2,000,000 tons will be affected in Arkansas by the strike. The market value of the coal mined annually was $7,777,060 last year and the capital invested in mines $2,896,600. Gov. Brough, in a telegram to President Lukins of the Southwestern Coal Operators' association, asserts he will not permit the policy of "the public be damned" to cause "such a calamity as a coal strike" and will stand by "the president of the United States and all federal and state authorities" to prevent the strike.

M'ALESTER, Okla., Oct. 30.—Eight thousand coal miners will quit work in Oklahoma's 150 mines Nov. 1. The report of Ed Boyle, chief mine inspector, says 7,846 men worked in the state's mines during the fiscal year ending June 30. All are unionized. Industries will be little affected except railroads, as natural gas supplies most plants here.

PITTSBURG, Kan., Oct. 30.—Every union miner in the Kansas coal fields which comprise the greater part of District 14, has been notified to quit tomorrow night. Union officials claim the strike order will close practically every mine in Kansas. The Kansas production is 7,000,000 tons yearly. Thirteen thousand miners are employed.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Oct. 30.—State police officials are ready for any emergency growing out of the coal miners' strike in Pennsylvania, while the governor's office is keeping the adjutant-general's department informed. State authorities declare they will be prepared for any steps to support sheriffs and local authorities who may call for aid.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Oct. 30.—The lull before the storm was apparent in the Alabama district today, with the operators making preparations to resist the strike and the miners holding meetings therughout the district to fuse their strength. Membership of the United Mine Workers in the district is placed at approximately 15,000 by union leaders. Miners of Walker county are meeting today at Jasper, the county seat, holding a referendum vote on the strike.

DENVER, Col., Oct. 30.—Mobilization of the Colorado national guard for the protection of miners who wish to work in case a strike of soft coal miners occurs Nov. 1 was begun today, upon instructions from Gov. Shoup. The national guard, approximately 1,200 strong, is ordered to mobilize at Golden and Trinidad by Friday night.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 30.—Every assistance will be given the government by the mine operators to continue production of coal after the strike becomes effective Saturday, Thomas T. Brewster, chairman of the scale committee of "the Mine Operators' association, asserted today.

Mr. Brewster amplified that without government aid the operators could not work the mines and soft coal production would cease with materialization of the strike.

M'ALESTER, Okla., Oct. 30.—"We'll see who's running this old U. S. A.," Gov. J. B. A. Robertson declared here late yesterday, in suddenly adjourning the conference of miners, operators and the public, which had met at his call.

"The coal mines of Oklahoma will be operated," the governor tersely declared. "I made that statement this morning, and I mean it."

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Oct. 30.—Gov. Cornwell late yesterday issued a call to all sheriffs and mayors in West Virginia to organize immediately, in each county and municipality, a "committee of public-spirited citizens, men who can be trusted and whose loyalty to the government and its institutions is beyond question."

"I am not an alarmist," he declared. "I simply have information as to the accumulation of arms and ammunition in this state of which the public does not know."

Dog Obeys Homing Call; Leaps Bars; Lopes Out Madison

BY MEMORY M'CORD.

With great, wistful eyes still harboring their homing expression, notwithstanding his many offers of adoption, the English setter, recently found on The News Scimitar steps, watched a negro driver pile coal in The News Scimitar basement late Wednesday afternoon—watched for a fraction of a second, hurdled the walls of his improvised kennel and lit out through the open space in the outer door.

With a bound and a dash his beautiful black and white body skirted the corner of the building and disappeared in the direction of Madison avenue. Somewhere near Somerville street or Waldran boulevard he is believed to have lived, and evidently there is foundation for the story, as that is the way he took when escaping. Chase by the negro and various newsboys was made, but all efforts to locate him were unavailing.

Report of his runaway was brought in at once, and investigation of the truth of the negro's statements made. As adoption had been offered the setter by "Fresh" Wilson, one of The News Scimitar's make-up men, who wished to name the dog "Woodrow," foul play was feared.

Anybody seeing the animal or hearing of the whereabouts of the setter is asked to notify me at The News Scimitar.

MRS. ANDERSON'S BODY SHIPPED TO TUPELO

The body of Mrs. W. D. Anderson, of Tupelo, Miss., who died Wednesday afternoon after three weeks' illness at the Baptist Memorial hospital, was shipped to the Mississippi home Thursday morning by J. T. Hinton & Son, undertakers.

Mrs. Anderson was the wife of W. D. Anderson, prominent in public life, both in Tupelo and throughout the state of Mississippi.

Beside Mr. Anderson five children survive, Clayton, John R., Mary Agnes, Lena Bell and Charles Anderson, all of Tupelo.

The funeral will be held in Tupelo late Thursday.

HUN MARK NOTES ARE EASILY COUNTERFEITED

BERLIN, Oct. 30.—The government is issuing new fifty-mark notes because of wholesale counterfeiting of the present note and are having them made in Vienna in hopes of preventing general counterfeiting in Germany in future.

GOVERNMENT ACTS SWIFTLY IN FACE OF COMING STRIKE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The railroad administration today ordered the confiscation of all coal in transit where necessary to obtain a reserve supply to keep the roads in operation. In taking over such coal, exemptions will be made as far as possible of coal destined to certain classes of consignees based on the priority list established by the fuel administration.

Director-General Hines issued the following statement:

"In order to interfere as little as possible with the normal course of coal traffic, the railroad administration up to the present time has permitted coal to go to the designated consignees.

"It having become necessary, however, to be prepared to insure against all temporary contingencies, that the transportation service be protected, regional directors have now been instructed to see that each railroad shall accumulate a necessary reserve of coal, when it is not already on hand, purchasing such coal, if possible, and otherwise holding coal in transit.

"In holding such coal exemptions will be made as far as possible of coal destined to certain classes of consignees in the following order of priority, which is the basis of priority adopted during the war by the fuel administration:

"1. Steam railroads, inland and coastwise vessels.

"2. Domestic, including hotels, hospitals and asylums.

"3. Navy and army.

"4. Public utilities, including plants and such portions of plants as supply light, heat and water for public use.

"5. Producers and manufacturers of food, including refrigeration.

"6. National, state, county and municipal government emergency requirements.

"7. Bunkers and other marine emergency requirements not specified above.

"8. Producers of newsprint paper and plants necessary to the printing and publication of daily newspapers.

"Coal held in transit is not to be unloaded in storage nor used until actually needed, so that if its use is later found unnecessary it can be forwarded to destination whenever practicable.

"Instructions issued provide that there will be as little disturbance as possible in the distribution of coal, but at the same time protecting the necessities of the railroads which have a public duty to perform."

U. S. Moves Swiftly.

Federal government agencies moved swiftly today to meet the situation which will result from the strike of bituminous coal miners Saturday.

Developments in addition to the order to railroads to confiscate all coal in transit, if necessary, to build up a reserve for operation of the roads, included:

Re-establishment of the priorities list of the fuel administration so that the railroads, public service utilities and essential industries will have first call on whatever coal in mined and on that in storage.

Preparation of an executive order establishing maximum prices for coal and completion of plans by the department of justice to punish those guilty of profiteering and hoarding.

Announcement by Secretary Lane that the government would not hesitate to certain consumption of coal in industries 50 per cent so that essential industries might be kept in operation.

General discussion of the situation by President Wilson's cabinet, which met in special session at the call of Secretary Lansing.

Working out of plans by which miners who wish to continue work will be afforded every possible protection, including that of federal troops, should that become necessary.

At the conclusion of the special cabinet meeting Attorney-General Palmer announced that the fuel administration would take control of the handling of the coal and would use his authority under the Lever act to take whatever steps might be necessary to meet the situation.

President Wilson's cabinet was called in special session this morning to make final plans for dealing with the strike of bituminous coal miners Saturday. The call was issued by Secretary Lansing.

Revival of the fuel administration to deal with conditions growing out of the strike is not necessary, Dr. Harry A. Garfield advised the cabinet today, holding that wartime powers of that body now are vested in the railroad administration.

Members of the cabinet said that if Dr. Garfield's suggestion was adopted it would obviate the necessity of asking congress for money to reorganize the fuel administration and that the railroad administration could allocate coal in accordance with the preferential list in effect during the coal shortage two years ago.

While revival of the fuel administration had been urged by government officials to prevent hoarding and profiteering, the department of justice announced that it had power to handle that situation under the food control act.

Secretary Lane announced that the curtailment list used by the war industries board during the war would be taken as the basis for the industries to be supplied. Mr. Lane said plants engaged in manufacturing munitions might be cut off altogether.

Supply Sufficient.

The current supply of coal from nonunion mines is sufficient to meet domestic demands and supply the needs of railroads and public utilities, Mr. Lane said. New England has stored away a two months' supply, which will take care of all requirements for that period.

Dr. Garfield was at the White House before the cabinet met in special session to put final approval on plans to protect the public when the strike of miners goes into effect Saturday. Director-General Hines also was summoned to give a detailed report of conditions confronting the railroad administration. Members of the cabinet were particularly anxious to know how long the railroad stock of fuel would last and how rapidly coal was being moved from the mines.

Protection for miners willing to remain in the mines despite the strike order was given serious consideration by the cabinet. The general understanding is that the ordinary police forces, state and local, will be used first, but troops will be ordered to the mines if necessary.

Government officials early today endeavored to obtain further reports from coal operators regarding announcement last night by Thomas T. Brewster, head of the coal operators' scale committee, that no attempt would be made to open the mines Saturday in face of the strike order. Confidential advices from government agents in the coal territory had indicated a large number of miners would not strike, and it had been thought here that the mines would be open to receive all of the old hands who wanted to stay on the job.

It was explained by officials familiar with the situation that Brewster probably spoke only for the central competitive fields embracing Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, all union strongholds.

THIEVES WIDENING SPHERE OF ACTION

Police Do Arrive on Scene After Rooms Ransacked and Culprits Gone.

Sol A. Rice, Waldorf hotel, reported to the police that his handbag, containing valuable clothing, was stolen Wednesday from the lobby of the hotel. The clothing and grip were value at $100.

Mrs. Jane Lane, 913 Vance avenue, is keeping a close eye on her front door and garage following the theft of two keys by a 14-year-old boy who had been employed at the residence. He took the keys to the front door and garage. He is said to have had a pistol.

L. A. Willis, New Idea lunchroom, reports he was robbed of a gold watch, valued at $50.

A costly coat was stolen from the office of the H. L. Guion company where the owner, Miss M. Jett, is employed as a stenographer.

Thieves who entered the clothing store of S. Covich, 366 South Main street, got away with a rich haul. Mr. Covich reports the following clothing missing: Five dozen handkerchiefs, four dozen shirts, seven overcoats, four dozen pairs of hose, one dozen suits of underwear and three suitcases.

A thief made an attempt to rob the residence of M. H. Mayer, 1556 Poplar avenue, Tuesday night, but was frightened away.

An alarm clock set to sound at 5:30 o'clock Thursday morning, and a green hat were stolen by a thief who entered the home of J. L. Rideout, 383 Georgia avenue. The thief pried open a wondow in the rear of the house.

When Mrs. M. Cohen saw two porch climbers scale a tree and enter an upper window of the Sam Limber home, 312 Carroll avenue—next door to the Cohen home—she sent in an alarm to police headquarters. By the time the police arrived the thief had ransacked a bedroom of $10 in money and jewelry and had escaped.

Five More In Port Of Missing Autos; Not One Recovered

Automobile thieves renewed their activities Wednesday night, five owners reporting to the police Thursday that their machines were taken.

H. B. Nichols, Pigeon Roost road, reported his car was stolen by a thief who broke into the garage in the rear of the house.

B. Wurtzberger, 752 Poplar avenue, told the police his automobile was stolen from in front of the Rex club, Dunlap street and Madison avenue.

An automobile owned by J. Aron, 815 Bullington avenue, was stolen from in front of a residence at 1219 North Orleans street.

The police are looking for an automobile stolen from in front of 1104 Beechwood avenue, shortly before midnight Wednesday night.

A. M. Taylor, 1057 South Wellington street, reports his automobile was taken from in front of the home. None of the missing machines had been found by the police Thursday morning.

Building Revival Reflected In Day's Permits Issued

S. Malkin Wednesday took out a building permit in the office of Dan C. Newton, building inspector, to erect for the Union Motor Car company, a one-story brick garage at 746 Beale avenue, to cost $15,000.

The same contractor procured a permit to build for the Harris Iron and Supply company a one-story brick addition to its plant at 228 South Front street, to cost $6,000.

M. Lipoman procured a permit to erect at 166 Beale avenue a two-story brick store, to cost $8,000, and A. C. Floyd got a permit to build a one-story, six-room frame and stucco residence at 470 North McNeil street, to cost $5,000.

DAMAGE SUIT FOLLOWS CAVING THEATER WALLS

The first damage suit growing out of the caving in of the building adjoining the site where Marcus Loew is erecting a moving picture show on Union avenue on the south side between Main and Front streets was filed in chancery court Thursday.

The plaintiffs in the suit are C. R. Boyce, A. C. Gautier, Caruthers Ewing and L. B. Jones and the defendants the Tennessee Wrecking and Building Material company, Fleischman Construction company, S. Malkin & Co., contractors, and Loew's Lyceum Theater company. The bill was filed by Ewing, King & King, attorneys.

Damages in the sum of $15,000 is asked. It is alleged that the wall of the building caved in and damaged the offices occupied by the plaintiffs. The damaged building was under lease from the Wood estate, owners.

SENATOR'S CONDITION REGARDED CRITICAL

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Oct. 30.—Senator Thomas S. Martin, whose strength has gradually been failing since Sunday, when he suffered a second sinking spell, was able to partake of nourishment this morning, but seemed more restless than yesterday and last night. His condition is now regarded as critical.

Dr. John Davis, who has gone to the senator's bedside several times within the last 24 hours, said he may live only a few hours.

EX-PRIEST TO SPEAK.

R. Gerald Sheehan, formerly a Catholic priest, will be the speaker at the revival service at the Central Baptist church Thursday evening. Dr. Cox, the pastor, is temporarily indisposed.