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ALL BUTTE MINES MAY REOPEN

COAL STRIKE BEING ENDED, REASON FOR SHUTDOWN OF COPPER MINES ELIMINATED

With the arrival of 26 cars of coal in Butte yesterday, the situation was only temporarily relieved, due to the fact that only six of the cars contained domestic coal. The other 20 cars contained Diamondville mine-run coal and were consigned to the Anaconda Copper Mining company.

Due to an agreement reached between the local fuel administration and officials of the mining company, it was decided that the contents of the 26 cars would not be drawn upon only in emergency cases, as the opening of the mines was considered of first importance to Butte.

The small shipment of six cars of domestic coal was very welcome as it developed late yesterday that there was very little coal in the hands of the dealers. The crisis has in no sense passed, according to those in a position to know, as it will be impossible for regular shipments of coal to begin to arrive in Butte for the next several days.

Four more cars are expected to arrive in the city some time during the week from the great lake country. It is also expected that the Diamondville mines, which are owned by the Anaconda Mining company, will begin shipping domestic coal into Butte within a short time. It is rumored that with the company coal mines once again in operation, all of the copper mines in this community will resume operation shortly, in accordance with the announcement of the company officials that the shutdown was due to the coal strike.

The Union Pacific and other railroads find it no longer necessary to seize coal destined for domestic use, due to the fact that the mines which supply the railroads are again working practically normal.

RESTRICCTIONS REMOVED.

Washington, Dec. 16.—R. B. Norris, one of the engineers of the fuel administration, was summoned by the senatorial committee investigating the strike settlement offered by the president over the opposition of Fuel Director Garfield. Norris will be questioned as to the method used by Dr. Garfield in arriving at the conclusion that 14 per cent increase for the miners, with no increase in prices to consumers, was the proper rate of wage increase.

After a long executive session yesterday, Chairman Frelinghuysen

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D'ANNUNZIO GIVES

UP FIUME PORT

TO ITALY

(Special United Press Wire.)

Paris, Dec. 16.—One of the most daring and romantic episodes in history ended with the withdrawal of Gabriele D'Annunzio from Fiume and the occupation of that city by Italian regulars, a Rome dispatch stated.

The withdrawal followed an agreement reached by him with Premier Nitti. It is reported in the dispatches.

Stock Gamblers Get Advance

Dope on Court's Decisions

Washington, Dec. 16.—Investigation of allegations that "inside and advance information" as to forthcoming decisions of the United States supreme court was being secured by a certain group who used their deals on the stock market as to win fortunes through speculation, are being investigated by the bureau of investigation of the department of justice.

In a statement issued late yesterday by Captain Burke, chief of the investigation bureau of the department of justice, the following facts

were related with reference to the "leakers."

"On Nov. 23, Martin Pew, manager of the International News service of New York, came to Washington and consulted Chief Justice White of the supreme court, in regard to recent alleged leaks in the supreme court's decision on the Southern Pacific oil land cases. Chief Justice White then asked Judge Ames to investigate a report by Mr. Pew that a friend had told him that he had been approached

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The last issue, June 13, 1919, of the A. E. F., official organ of the American Expeditionary Forces contained the following editorial. In these days when the militarists' trumpets are blaring, it is encouraging to read what follows:

"Nobody under God's great tranquil skies can tell of the rottenness of war but the men who suffered through it.

"Upon them rests a solemn duty. They must go home and choke the coward jingo who masks himself behind his false and blatant patriotism, and the merchant politician, not content with stuffing his home coffers till they burst, but anxious to barter the blood of his country's young manhood for new places in the sun."

City Fuel Administrator of Great Falls Stabilises Prices

That those who were in dire need of coal in Great Falls during the recent coal strike were not relieved is not the fault either of the coal miners of Tracy or Sand Coulee or the Cascade Trades and Labor assembly is apparent from the matter printed below, setting forth the plans made by the miners and the union men of Great Falls to furnish free coal to the poor, and how those plans were thwarted by Dr. Longeway, city fuel administrator.

It would appear that the fuel administrator of Great Falls feared the distribution of free coal would "disrupt the work of the fuel administrator."

The misunderstanding, or failure to reach an agreement which would have greatly relieved suffering in Great Falls, was due to the misconception, on the part of the miners and union men of Great Falls, as to the duties of the fuel administrator.

The miners of Tracy and Sand Coulee produced coal, without any charge for their labor, and the union men of Great Falls were ready to stand all the expense of transportation and delivery, in order that the poor might be taken care of, but the city fuel administrator prevented the consummation of their plans, thus affording proof, according to the statement of the negotiations printed below, that the first consideration of a city fuel administrator is not the prevention of suffering, but the stabilizing of coal prices.

The suspicion, already amounting to conviction in many cases, that "fair-price"

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Predictions of World's End on Tomorrow Bunk, Say Scientists

Because of the fact that in Butte, as elsewhere, near-astonomers, seers, fortune tellers and others have been predicting that some unusual convulsion of nature, ranging from severe storms to earthquakes, even to destruction of the world, will occur tomorrow, when a number of the planets either come into conjunction or nearly so, many of the more timid or superstitious people of the city have been plunged into a state of near-panic. That, according to the accurate observations of real scientists, there have been many times in the past when the gravitational "pull" of other worlds has been much stronger than will be the "pull" of the planets Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune and Uranus on Friday, and that these occasions have passed without unusual occurrences, is declared by men who know whereof they speak. Because of the speculation in which many Butte people have been plunged through the predictions of various fakirs, the following authoritative article, by a scientist of international renown, will be of interest:

DRASTIC CONTROL OF SUGAR IS REQUIRED

Congressmen Find That
Profiteers Seek to Place
"Sky High" Prices On
Commodity.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Charges that profiteers were planning on reaping a harvest of "sky high prices" in sugar and advocacy of complete governmental control of prices and distribution of sugar for the protection of family consumers from such profiteers were brought out at the hearing held yesterday before the house committee on agricultural affairs during a hearing on the McNary bill.

Advocates of broad government control, some of whom want the government to purchase the entire Cuban crop, told the committee that the mere purchase of the Cuban crop without drastic laws empowering the government to control prices and distribution would be "merely playing into the hands of the profiteers."

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By PROF. W. W. CAMPBELL,
(Director, Lick Observatory,
University of California.)
(Written for the United Press.)

Scores of communications have come to the Lick observatory.

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ALLEGED STEEL PROFITEERS FALL OUT

New York, Dec. 16.—As the result of a suit filed here yesterday the details of a transaction in steel during the war by which Arthur L. Pearce, former commissioner of the high court of adjudication in England; Ralph R. Wainner, a nephew of the late Lord Kitchener; and Col. Henry B. Pope, senior vice-president of the Carnegie steel company, were to profit through a sale of metal to the British government, are expected to be revealed.

Pearce has entered suit against Wainner and Pope, alleging that the three were partners in the steel deal and were to share equally in the \$500,000 alleged profits. Pearce alleges that he was left out in the division of the spoils.

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LOOTY SELLS SUGAR TO "STILL"

Shortweight Prince Does
Big Business in Precious
Granulated. Moonshiner's
Place Was Raided.

With the return of more moderate weather the campaign against the manufacturers of moonshine took on renewed vigor yesterday when Special Officer Jack Molia and his assistant, John Duggan, raided two stills.

At 1555 Deway boulevard one still, four barrels of raisins fermenting and seven 25-pound boxes of raisins intact, were confiscated. The house was vacant.

One still, 40 pounds of sugar and molasses fermentation, one sack sugar, two bottles moonshine, and 100 pounds of granulated sugar, bought of "shortweight" Lootey within the last few days, were captured and taken to the basement of the courthouse, to repose alongside of numerous other captures until

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PRESSURE OF LABOR FORCES CHANGE OF RUSSIAN POLICY ON "BIG THREE" CONFERENCE

London, Dec. 16.—Peace will be concluded by Christ-mas, according to the optimistic forecast of officials of the British foreign office. The special commission of German technical experts appointed to discuss with the allied representatives in Paris the matter of reparation for the sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow, is prepared to offer some of the docks and dredges

LIQUOR MEN LOSE ALL HOPE

Defeat of Wartime Prohibition
Repeal by House Com-
mittee Puts the Kibosh
on Booze.

(Special United Press Wire.)

Washington, Dec. 16.—All hope of congress coming to the aid of the liquor interests before constitutional prohibition becomes effective, vanished when the house agricultural committee voted 16 to 3 against the repeal of wartime prohibition. This action was taken on Representative Gallivan's bill and means the measure will be permanently pigeonholed by the committee.

BREAKS PRECEDENT.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Deviating from usual custom of the court yesterday, Justice Brandeis did not keep the large crowd in the court chamber in suspense until after the reading of the lengthy decision, before announcing that war-time prohibition had been held constitutional.

Justice Brandeis announced immediately that court was convened that the "decision of the Louisville court is reversed, that of the New York court affirmed."

Four contentions of the liquor interests that the court swept aside as not having legal foundation were: "That war-time prohibition deprived the citizens of their property without just compensation in violation of the fifth amendment; that it became void through the cessation of hostilities; that it was repealed by the provision of the constitutional amendment allowing the liquor interests a year in which to dispose of their stocks; that it expired with the termination of demobilization."

The refusal of the court to agree to any of these contentions makes the decision the most sweeping. The liquor interests, it is believed, have no way of knocking out the law.

The armistice and the signing of the peace treaty at Versailles the court definitely declared did not constitute the "conclusion of the war." The decision of the court was unanimous.

BY'S FLOUR AT \$10.29.

New York, Dec. 16.—The United States Grain corporation announces that it purchased this week about 6,000 barrels of straight flour at an average price of \$10.29.

Cossacks Frame Bomb Plots To "Get" Steel Mill Strikers

(Special to the Bulletin.)

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16.—The newspapers blazoned forth with big headlines a story about an explosion in Donora, Pa., and the arrest of 100 "reds." Following is a report by one of the strike leaders at Donora who was in the midst of the affair throughout:

"At 5 a. m., December 5, 1919, an explosion damaged the porch of Mr. Burkhardt's home. We have our opinion as to who are responsible for these explosions which do little or no damage. The burgess of Donora, Harry Cox, is a mill official in the

and other marine materials demanded by the allies, it is reported. In event the first offer is not suitable the commissioners are authorized to negotiate further.

The decision of the "unofficial peace conference" to adopt a "hands-off" policy toward the Russian situation is being claimed by the laborites as the first great victory for organized labor in foreign affairs. They attributed the decision to the insistent pressure of labor in Great Britain, France and Italy.

HOSTILITIES AVERTED.

(Special United Press Wire.)

Paris, Dec. 16.—The danger of a possible resumption of hostilities as a result of Germany's attitude to the protocol of the treaty is finally averted. The supreme council decided that the German reply to the allied note, demanding acceptance of the protocol, was most conciliatory and that a reply be dispatched to Berlin as "soon as possible."

The supreme council further ordered a joint session this afternoon of the allied and German naval experts to form the compensation they will take for the sinking of the interned German fleet at Scapa Flow. In addition to the protocol note, the council took up the question of assistance for Austria.

A decision was reached that American aid was absolutely necessary if Austria was to be saved from famine. The council declared that it was necessary for the United States to open credits to Austria to maintain Austria's territorial integrity.

POLICY CONFIRMED.

London, Dec. 16.—The "unofficial peace conference" will be resumed at an early date. Premier Lloyd George announced in the house of commons yesterday afternoon. He said the Turkish and Adriatic questions will be disposed of next.

Regarding the Russian situation he said the conference's decisions were in accord with a statement made previously by him in the commons indicating the withdrawal of support from General Denikine and Admiral Kolchak.

OFFER \$300,000 FOR WORLD'S CHAMPION CONTEST

(Special United Press Wire.)

Ponca City, Okla., Dec. 16.—Miller Brothers, owners of the 101 ranch, announced today they would offer \$300,000 for the Carpenter-Dempsey fight. The Millers said they would make every possible effort to stage the world's championship bout in Oklahoma. If larger bids were offered they would raise the ante, they said.

American Steel & Wire Co.

"About 9 a. m. the deputies and cossacks came to the A. F. of L. labor hall and arrested all who were in the hall. The deputies and cossacks were armed to the teeth and were looking for trouble, but the strikers were too well-drilled for that and marched quietly out to the street. Brother Hodge (the local secretary) was also arrested. This made a total of 102 arrested. The charge was 'conspiracy.'"

"A striker went to the jail with

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