

MINERS IDLE AS BOSSES BARGAIN

Lloyd George Gets Vote of Confidence; Funds For Soldier Hospitals; Strike Holds.

EMPEROR CHARLES DEAD

For the first time in history both hard and soft coal fields have been idle since Saturday. Altogether 600,000 union and non-union miners are estimated to have stopped work. About 100,000 non-union miners are believed to have united in the walkout which began at midnight on Friday. Between 6,000 and 7,500 mines are also reported to have ceased work.

The old contracts of the mine works expired on March 31, and the men are now striking for better terms in their new contracts. Daily loss of production in the anthracite or hard coal fields was estimated at 303,000 tons and the daily loss in wages at present rates in that branch of the industry will be about \$800,000, affecting 20,000 families.

John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers of America, and official leader of the strike, told the House Labor Committee in Washington on Monday that the anthracite workers had gone out merely to await the negotiation of a new wage scale with their employers, but that the bituminous workers had gone out indefinitely, determined to obtain the signing of a basic wage contract. Thus he said, the next move is up to the owners of the mines.

The overwhelming victory of Prime Minister Lloyd George in the House of Commons on Monday when he was given the confidence of the House by a vote of 372 to 94, has had the effect of a quick, violent thunderstorm in clearing the political atmosphere. Apparently nettled by intimations that he was dodging a direct vote of confidence in presenting his resolution calling for support of the Government's policy toward the Genoa conference, the Premier threw down the gauntlet early in the debate and declared the cabinet would stand or fall on the result of the division. The result left no doubt as to the strength of the government.

The opposition centered its attack behind the laborite amendment, which would have declared a lack of confidence in the government. When that went down in an avalanche of "nays" which was as good as decided, and the subsequent debate was almost perfunctory.

Passing by the house of the Langley bill appropriating -17,000,000 for additional hospital facilities for disabled veterans of the world war makes it probable that new hospitals will be constructed soon in western North Carolina. The bill does not designate the location of the new hospitals, but since the measure is primarily in the interest of patients suffering from tubercular and nervous troubles the climate of North Carolina gives that State a decided advantage when locations are determined.

Already a scramble has begun among various communities seeking designations as sites for the additional hospitals. Members of Congress have begun to pull wires to have the institutions located in their States. An expenditure of -17,000,000 by the government for construction at this time will materially affect the unemployment situation and in addition the location of a hospital will mean much in the long run to the business life of any community.

The bill leaves to the director of the veterans bureau the expenditure of the funds and the location of the buildings. Chairman Madden, of the appropriations committee, sought to place this responsibility in the hands of the President, but his amendment was defeated 167 to 157. North Carolina needs to engage in no particular wire-pulling in advancing claims that the climate of her mountains is invigorating to the suffered from tubercular or nervous ailments.

No efforts have been made toward mediation of the textile strike in progress in the three New England States of Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, and at present the possibility of a settlement appears remote. About 60,000 operatives are now idle.

For the moment observers of the textile strike are focusing their attention on the big mill center of Lawrence.

ALWAYS FIRST



Miss Sylva Thurlow, of Philadelphia, has never failed to win first place every year throughout her school life. This year she has been awarded a European scholarship at Bryn Mawr college. When she was graduated from high school, she won the Bryn Mawr scholarship.

The strike which began in Rhode Island in January and spread to New Hampshire and isolated points of Massachusetts in the middle of February, is only a week old in the most easterly of the mill cities on the Merrimack river. Because the strikers are largely unorganized there is more of a feeling of uncertainty than in Manchester and Nashua, N. H., farther up the river, and in the Pawtucket and Blackstone Valleys of Rhode Island, where under the direction of the union leaders the striking operatives have settled down almost into a routine.

Two unions are trying to organize the Lawrence strikers estimated to number about 10,000 in seven mills. Leaders of the one big union after being refused the co-operation by the United Textile Workers of America, are attempting to swell their ranks and laying plans for independent strike conduct. Thomas F. McMahon, president of the United Textile Workers, has made Lawrence his headquarters for New England.

In the Lawrence mills in which the strike was called last Monday because of a 60 per cent wage reduction, two were closed early last week. The other five, including the largest plant, the Pacific mills, kept a part of their machinery in operation, throughout the week and announced that they would be open tomorrow.

In addition to the strikers, 7,000 operatives are idle in Lawrence because of the closing of the Arlington mills, which did not announce a wage reduction, but attributed its indefinite shutdown to unfavorable market conditions.

Former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary died at his place of exile, Funchal, Madeira, last Saturday. He was taken ill at his home there about two weeks ago. His ailment, at first described as a fever, developed into bronchial pneumonia, which was the cause of his death.

The former Emperor and his wife, Zita, were sent into exile by the Entente Allies after he had made two spectacular attempts to regain the thrones either of Austria or Hungary. Thereafter he was kept a political prisoner on the Portuguese island of Madeira, 400 miles off the African coast.

ROAD UNIT ARRIV'S; LIBERIA WAY FIRST

Work on the penetration macadam road to Liberia will be started at an early date following the arrival in Warren this week of the construction force of Porter and Peck, successful bidders before the State Highway Commission when this road was let on March 15.

Camp has been made along the Liberia road, about three miles from town. A number of workmen and 21 mules have arrived. All of the equipment is expected within the next few days.

The firm was also awarded the contract to build a concrete road from Norlina to Warrenton. The Liberia road will be built first.

Co-op. Field Man Here On Saturday.

Farmers who desire to sign the co-operative tobacco contracts will have an opportunity on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock when L. V. Morrill Jr. will be at the Court House here. Mr. Morrill is field representative of the District Tobacco Growers Association.

True happiness is the consciousness of duty well done.

NAB BIG KETTLE IN WHISKEY RAID

Clues, revealed in the recent arrest of J. E. Bailey in Henderson for peddling whiskey, caused Chief E. L. Green, Night Policeman T. H. Robertson and a prominent business man of Warrenton to capture the largest still of the season on last Thursday afternoon. The still was on the old William Watson place—now owned by Mr. J. A. Dowtin—within three miles of town.

The officers found two furnaces and thirteen fermenters. Ten of these were barrels and the other three containers were boxes with a total capacity of 1500 gallons of beer. The officers wrecked five barrels of mash, found evidence that the stills had been in recent action and spread out in search.

Tracing the still by the smut and broken twigs Chief Robertson stumbled across the 75 gallon kettle within a hundred yards of where it had been in operation. The cap and worm were not discovered.

"It was the third kettle made with a copper top and bottom with sides of another metal, that I have found," Chief Green said.

The still was on the Court House square here on Monday. The officers surrendered it to the Board of County Commissioners.

CONTRACT IS OKEH TRUSTEE SAYS

Sale of the C. D. Riggan interests will not effect the completion of the Warrenton High School by the Riggan Lumber Co. to whom the contract was awarded, a member of the Board of Trustees said here yesterday afternoon.

Mr. James I. Miller of Richmond is responsible, under bond, for completion of the new high school and the contract will be carried out in good faith, the local trustee said.

Mr. W. H. Riggan of Vaughan is in charge of construction here. Excavation has been made, trees felled and some of the brick obtained.

In speaking of the destruction of the fine shade trees on the Brehon property, one of the trustees recently expressed regret that this was necessary. "Proper location of the building would have been impossible," he said, "unless the Board had ordered the trees cut."

Chief E. L. Green is in charge of removal of the three oaks from the property.

MASONS TO STUDY FOR GRAN' MASTER

Masonry will be made clearer to the membership of the four Masonic bodies in Warren with perfection of plans outlined at a meeting of Johnston-Caswell Lodge No. 10 on last Monday. Representatives of the other three lodges in the county endorsed on Monday the idea of a competitive study course and the work will commence as soon as plans of the steering committee are perfected.

The lodge which makes the highest score will have the honor of entertaining the Grand Master of North Carolina, with the other three lodges as its guest upon that occasion. The general study plan is in line with that of the Masonic Educational Committee of the Grand Lodge.

Supt. J. Edward Allen is ex officio chairman of the Warren County committee with W. R. Vaughan of Vaughan; Garland Daniel of Royal Hart Lodge, Littleton; A. B. Laughter of Norlina and S. E. Burroughs of Warrenton as the other members.

The committee meets on next Tuesday in Warrenton to complete plans which call for an interchange of talent among the lodges of the county.

Visiting brethren and members of Johnston-Caswell were guests of James B. Boyce Jr. at his drug store following the meeting here on Monday evening.

CLUB TO NAME DELEGATES AT BUSINESS MEET TUESDAY

A business meeting of the Woman's Club will be held on next Tuesday afternoon, at four o'clock, in the graded school building, President Julia Dameron announced yesterday.

Delegates will be chosen for the State Federation which meets in Greensboro, May 2 to 5.

"There are other important matters to come before the club," Miss Dameron said, "and everyone is asked to be present."

ORATOR SPEAKS CHURCH TONIGHT



Dr. George W. Young of Kentucky will address an audience in the Methodist Church tonight at 8 o'clock, upon the subject of law observance and enforcement, according to Dr. J. T. Gibbs, pastor of the Warrenton Methodist Church.

"Rev. J. T. Draper and Rev. R. H. Broom highly endorse Dr. Young," the local minister said. "They told me that his lecture was interesting and that he was one of the country's best orators."

The public is cordially invited to the Methodist Church tonight, Dr. Gibbs said.

WISE PLANS A BIG SCHOOL DAY ON 12

Everything is being done by both teachers and members of the community toward making a complete success of "Parent-Teacher Day" to be held at the Wise School on Wednesday, April 12, when Mrs. Clarence A. Johnston, State Commissioner of Public Welfare, and J. Edward Allen, County Supt. of Warren, are to speak. Mrs. Johnson will speak on "The Rights of a Child."

The committee asks that you bring young lunch: also a cup and spoon. Arrangements will be made to care for the babies.

Other features of the day will be an old-fashioned spelling bee, to be participated in by all the grown folks; a game of ball between the married men and bachelors; also other athletic stunts.

The school truck will make special trips for the parents, if necessary. "We shall be much disappointed if you fail to come and spend the day with us." The invitation is signed by Carrie B. Dunn, Mary L. Redfern, Gladys Sledge, Berta Parker, Margaret Alston, I. B. Hudson, Stacey A. Duncan.

The program for Parent-Teacher Day, follows:
8:45 A. M.—Chapel.
9 to 10:30—Visiting classrooms.
10:30—to 10:45—Recess.
10:45—Assemble in Auditorium for Program.

Community Singing—Nos. 39, 95-54, "Twice 55 Co. Songs."
A few words of welcome—Mr. Hudson.
Community Singing—Nos. 39, 32, 30.

Folk Dance—Primary Children.
Song—"Is There Any Better Country than the U. S. A.?" by O. A. Mustian and Christine Perkinson.
Quartet—"Sweetest Mother of Mine."
Community Spelling Bee.
Community Singing—Nos. 37, 22, 16.

Remarks by County Superintendent, J. Edward Allen.
Address—Mrs. Clarence A. Johnston, State Commissioner of Public Welfare.
Dinner.
2:00 P. M.—Athletics, directed by Mr. Duncan: Ball Game—married men vs. bachelors. Relay races, &c.

Taylor Refuses Call To Warrenton
Rev. Louis N. Taylor of Roanoke Rapids refused the call of the Warrenton Episcopal Church this week.

DR. TAYLOR TO CELEBRATE 37TH ANNIVERSARY AS PASTOR

Dr. T. J. Taylor's thirty-seventh anniversary as Pastor of Warren Plains Baptist Church will be held at Warrenton at 2:30 o'clock on the third Sunday in April.

Dr. Cullom and Rev. E. R. Nelson will take part in the services. All present and former members are requested to attend this meeting.

CITIZENS NAME NEW TICKET FOR ALL COUNTY OFFICES VACANT IN NOVEMBER

Triangular Race Between Gardner, Palmer and Dowtin For Register of Deeds; Newman Named For Auditor And Picot, Opponent of Judge Rodwell, Decline To Run.

MISS AMMA D. GRAHAM NAMED FOR BD. EDUCATION

Nominating a clean sweep ticket for every office to be voted upon at the June primary, citizens from eleven Warren County townships were in session here on Monday for more than two hours. The meeting, according to one who afterwards figured in the councils of the caucus, was not pre-arranged. "No one knew anything about it," he said, "until forty minutes before the crowd assembled."

BENDER'S TEAMS IN ACTION LOCAL LOT

With Big Chief Bender umpiring and coaching, two hundred Warren fans sat through an exhibition-practice game between members of the Reading team here on Tuesday afternoon. The International League team played fast ball but brought little applause. The element of rivalry was absent, and the spectators did not even keep up with the score.

Baseball for baseball's sake was the attraction and both teams played well. The fine points of the game were exemplified and big league form was in evidence on the local lot.

Bender, famous for his mound work in the heyday of Connie Mack's Athletics and the hero of several World Series encounters, pitched the last inning while another team mated up. The Chief whipped the pills across with steam and retired the side. Many of the fans had gone before he went into action.

The team left immediately after the game for Henderson where they are in Spring training quarters.

Board Adjusts Land Values.

The Board of Commissioners were in session Monday, but aside of adjusting valuations placed upon the property of protesting land owners only routine business was transacted.

One hundred dollars was appropriated to the Colored Agricultural Agent for this County. This Agent works in several counties, and each county contributes to his salary for help to the colored farmers.

The annual appropriation to the National Guards was made.

FLOOR FINISHED IN HOTEL WARREN

Completion of the tile floor in the lobby this week marks another step toward completion of Hotel Warren. The painting, and installation of bath fixtures has been steadily under way but will not be finished before next week.

Manager Anderson is here to aid in placing the hotel in first class condition and to open it to the public as soon as possible.

The date of opening, however, has not been announced by the Hotel Board.

NAME JURORS FOR MAY TERM COURT

Sixpound Township—Archie Gilliland, V. G. Shearin.
River Township—W. S. Throckmorton, W. G. Coppersmith, S. D. King, Jack Bobbitt, T. R. Evans, R. L. Salmon, E. L. Hall, J. W. Daniel.

Hawtree Township—J. H. Stegall Jr., C. W. Perkinson, J. L. Williams, Maynard Painter, B. G. Perkinson.
Smith Creek Township—R. I. Mulchi, T. E. White, James E. Wilson, C. L. Hayes.

Nutbush Township—J. A. Wilson, Henry Daek.
Sandy Creek Township—Murphy Duke, J. R. W. Abbott, R. P. Fleming.
Fishing Creek Township—J. D. Odom.

Judkins Township—Geo. Allen, J. W. Piteford, T. A. Cheek, W. D. Gooch.
Warrenton Township—J. D. Newell Jr., R. S. Register, P. G. Felts, R. H. Clark, P. E. Brauer.
Roanoke Township—W. L. Taylor.
Second Week.

Judkins Township—N. J. Robinson, F. M. Overby, J. R. Pittard, J. H. Shearin.
Nutbush Township—J. C. Brauer, L. N. Kimball.
River Township—A. C. Ellis, B. H.

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Evenly adjusted taxes and a lowering of rates were endorsed by the meeting, and the practice of reducing taxes, after other taxpayers had paid, was declared to be unjust.

The gathering unanimously favored the abolition of the office of County Superintendent of Public Welfare.

Simon Gardner was the unanimous choice of the body to oppose Register of Deeds J. A. Dowtin. Mr. J. D. Palmer, an announced candidate for the office, received several votes after being placed in nomination, but the overwhelming sentiment of the gathering was for Gardner, and his nomination was unanimous.

Mr. Gardner said yesterday that he would enter the race. Mr. Palmer will remain in the contest for Register of Deeds, he told a representative of The Warren Record late yesterday afternoon.

Joe J. Macon was endorsed 18 to 10 over Clerk of Court John D. Newell, and the vote was later made unanimous for Macon.

The gathering favored Miss Amma D. Graham as a candidate against Ed Petar for the Board of Education. Mr. Petar and Mrs. Charlotte Story Perkinson were placed in nomination but Miss Graham tallied more votes on the first ballot than both of her opponents.

In answer to the question whether she would accept the position, Miss Graham said:

"If the people really want me and think I am capable of serving them in this capacity, I would be glad to do so, but, of course, I would not make a campaign for the position. Miss Graham is a daughter of the late Prof. John Graham and has been identified with education in Warren for years.

H. F. Jones, former County Superintendent, having been endorsed unanimously for the Senate, was called before the body and asked his views upon taxation. He said that his opposition to the Revaluation Act was well known to Warren citizens. "The act places the burden upon the shoulders of the man who produces wealth from the soil. It does not raise the valuation on monies and bonds but does on homes and farm lands," he said.

J. L. Skinner of near Littleton declined the nomination as Representative and N. H. Paschall, a farmer of Nutbush, was the choice for the lower house. Mr. Paschall is a school committeeman of his township. He insisted at the Monday meeting that the ladies be represented on the ticket in preparation. "I favor good roads, good churches and good schools," he said.

H. E. Rodwell of Macon was nominated for Sheriff against R. E. Davis. Mr. Rodwell is a farmer of Six Pound. Z. N. Newman of Norlina named to oppose P. M. Stallings, the present Auditor, will not accept the nomination, it was learned yesterday.

The following men were named for County Commissioners to oppose the present Board: John L. Skinner of Judkins, W. H. Dameron of Warrenton, W. J. Pinnell of Sandy Creek, W. W. Kimball of Nutbush and John S. Davis of Fork. Mr. Pinnell, Mr. Davis and Mr. Skinner have accepted the nomination. Mr. Dameron has the matter under advisement. This paper has not heard from Mr. Kimball.

John Picot, nominated to oppose Recorder T. O. Rodwell, told a representative of The Warren Record in an interview at Littleton on Tuesday that he would not consider the nomination for a moment. "I appreciate the honor and thank the gentlemen," Mr. Picot said, "but I would not enter a campaign for any County office."

Former Farm Demonstration Agent E. B. Newell was elected chairman of the meeting on Monday with Prof. H. A. Nanney of the Macon High School as secretary. More than forty representative citizens of Warren were in attendance.