

# Formal Call For All Mining Activities To End March 31 Issued

## COAL AND WARD COAL MINES ARE BOTH REFLECTED

### Suspension Continues Un- til Terminated by Pol- icy Committee.

#### OFFICIAL ACTION IS NOT FORESEEN Washington Will Not Act Unless Something Develops.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 21.—A formal call for a suspension of work by all union coal miners, issued today from the headquarters here of the United Mine Workers of America "directs all members of the organization employed in and around the anthracite and bituminous coal producing districts to discontinue work and cease production of coal at midnight on Friday, March 31, 1922."

The suspension, the order added, would continue "until terminated by action of the policy committee of the United Mine Workers of America," and until officers of the 3,000 union locals scattered throughout the country have advised to the committee's action.

Furthermore, the order said in part:

"In accordance with district and local agreements, local unions must permit a sufficient number of men to remain at work to insure the proper care and protection of all mining property. Pumps, engines and other necessary to protect the property must be allowed to remain at work. The fullest co-operation must be given to management in order to safeguard and protect property and under no circumstances should this rule be violated or set aside by local unions."

The union's policy committee will meet next Friday at Cleveland to consider plans for the product of the suspension and the pending paragraph of the call scheduled to expire during the suspension. This paragraph reads:

"The present situation in the mining industry calls for the exercise of good judgment, moral courage and loyalty by every member of the United Mine Workers of America. Orderly proceedings must be allowed at all times. There must be no violation of law, disturbance of any public peace, or failure to follow the policies of your organization and follow out the instructions and orders given you by the duly accredited officers of your organization."

Copies of the call were sent to every district of the union except Nova Scotia, where it was said that the contract with the operators already expired but that arrangements had been made for the men, continuing at work in Western Canada provinces, however, are included in the suspension order as also every union coal field in this country.

## LARGENT CHARGE FOLLOWS THREAT DILLINGHAM SAYS

### Question of Extradition to South Carolina to Be Decided Today.

The question of whether Scott Dillingham shall be turned over to Greenville, S. C. authorities to face a charge of larceny in a false pretense case will be decided by Judge Thomas J. Shaw this morning in Superior court.

Hearing in the habeas corpus proceedings brought by Dillingham in a fight against extradition was begun at 10 o'clock yesterday when the defendant completed his case just before 6 o'clock, when Sheriff Rector of Greenville, through counsel requested a continuance of the case until 9:30 o'clock this morning. He was allowed to introduce a number of affidavits. It is understood.

Arrested in his place of business on Biltmore avenue Tuesday morning, requisition papers signed by the governors of the two Carolinas, and the arrest of Dillingham was remanded to jail without bond.

In testimony admitted at the hearing yesterday Dillingham sought to establish that he was nothing more than an agent in selling the automobiles to the Greenville men, and that the present criminal action against him is taken with intent of forcing him to settle for the car.

On the stand in his own behalf, the used car dealer told the court he was selling cars to Greenville men. Mr. Jackson did not admit he was selling cars to local automobile men, but the understanding he and Jackson were to split the profits "fifty-fifty."

Dillingham said the car to P. C. Perkins, for \$252.50, he said. Later it developed that the car was a 1921 model, and Perkins substituted suit against Jackson and himself to recover.

This suit was settled on payment of \$450, for which Perkins received it here and the case closed by the Greenville solicitor, Meaville A. J. Carpenter, also of Greenville, had acquired an interest in the automobile.

Dillingham, however, maintains the present criminal proceeding is brought by Carpenter to recover alleged money due for his interest in the auto.

In this connection Carpenter testified that Perkins did not have the right to settle for his (Carpenter's) interest in the auto, and that he (Carpenter) is not satisfied with his share of the \$450 paid to Perkins by Dillingham and Jackson for a car which he had sold for \$252.50, according to testimony and in which Carpenter acquired an interest after it had been run for several months, and had deteriorated in value to some extent around \$100.

That Carpenter came to Asheville several weeks ago and demanded \$300 to settle his claim against Dillingham. He was charged by Dillingham.

"Carpenter then went out of the office and told a lady he would swear out a warrant and get me to Greenville and I would pay him \$300, and this is the threat to others," Dillingham told the court.

On this point, as in others relative to happenings in Asheville, Dillingham was corroborated by Deputy Sheriff Jovner and Allen Joyce, and W. M. Jackson. George Greenwood also testified concerning happenings here.

## INSANITY IS PLEADED DEFENSE IN HOMICIDE

### GREENVILLE, S. C., March 21.—

Pleading insanity as his defense, T. Jeff Chandler this afternoon went on trial in the court of general sessions here charged with the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Mrs. J. Brantlett, and his wife, Mrs. Theodosia Brantlett Chandler, after their arrest on a charge of murdering on February 25. Three negro witnesses have been examined to testify for the defense.

## Formal Denials From Many Sources Avert Senate Investigation.

### WILL NOT MAKE CHARGE AN ISSUE Motion to Recommit Like- ly but Leaders Say It Will Be Defeated.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The 24 hour sensational disclosures of a secret British-American co-operative "understanding" suddenly flickered out today in the senate.

A succession of formal denials, emanating from sources that ranged from the White House down to the lowest ranks of the executive branch, showered in upon opponents of the four power Pacific treaty as they prepared to ask for a formal investigation, and apparently put an end to the whole incident.

At the White House officials said flatly that no secret agreement of the character suggested existed.

Frederick M. was the first to deny for jobs for veterans which the legion is making.

Every community is urged to place local men in jobs first. If there are more than enough for them, it is urged that the "honorary" be given work.

Flying squads are being organized by some posts. Mr. Bolles said, for the purpose of going out and hunting jobs for ex-service men. Announcement was also made by the legion that the campaign would continue until every man had a job.

At South Bend, Ind., it was reported that every ex-service man had a job and that there were still about 210 jobs left over. There are still about 500,000 ex-service men who are in need of work, Mr. Bolles said.

## Rotarians of District Hold Meeting

### Testimony Given by Coun- sel for Man, Accepting Girl's Attention.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Counsel for August Probst, who claims formerly to have been employed as a butler at the fashionable Rolling Rock club in Ligonier, Pa., today named in federal court Miss Virginia Craig McKay, of Pittsburgh, as the girl whom his client claims was in love with him and on whose account an attempt was made to run him out of the country.

The lawyer also alleges that Miss McKay had told her chum, Miss Sarah Mellon, and that the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Mellon, had directed an attempt to get him out of the city and lodge him at Ellis Island, where he was held for deportation on suspicion of insanity. At the close of the hearing Judge Knox reserved decision, meanwhile directing that Probst, a subject of Switzerland, be removed from a psychopathic ward at the island until a ruling was made in his case. He will be detained at the island, however.

Frank Arrighetti, lawyer for the club, denied all the charges. He made the counter charge that a maid's room about 2 o'clock one night.

Bernard Sadler, counsel for Probst, declared that his client was being railroad out of the country because "he dared to accept the attentions of a girl beyond his social scale." Mr. Sadler said there had been an actual exchange of vows but because of the difference in their social standing, nothing had been said publicly about it.

Probst takes no part in hearing before Knox.

Probst did not testify and took no part in the proceedings before Judge Knox. Mr. Sadler outlined the case in his opening statement, entered the country last winter, having deserted from the steamship Olympic. Mr. Sadler maintained, however, that Probst had not signed papers for the return trip of the liner and did not know that he was in this country illegally until a friend recently brought it to his attention.

During the six months he worked at the Rolling Rock club, Mr. Sadler said, Probst was permitted to play golf and ride horseback with its members. Miss McKay told Miss Mellon about the love affair. He added, and Miss Mellon told her mother. The latter, Mr. Sadler declared, went to Probst and asked him what girl he was in love with and he told her.

Mrs. Mellon told Probst to go home, and Mr. Mellon, who was present at the interview, informed the butler that he must leave.

Probst was told by two members of the club, both of whom had relatives, to get out of the country on a train, but at Philadelphia was removed by two other men, who Mr. Sadler asserted, were detective inspectors.

Mr. Sadler said that the hearing given Probst on Ellis Island before Inspector Marsh was short, and that the hearing on the island was a mere formality. A deportation warrant was later signed by the assistant secretary of labor and Mr. Sadler at once brought habeas corpus proceedings.

Judge Knox said he believed there was no doubt the Swiss was in this country illegally but he declared that as he sat in the courtroom he appeared sane. He said he wanted to determine whether Probst had the right to be heard by a special board of inquiry and to that end reserved his decision.

Assistant District Attorney Clark, appearing for the government, wanted the department of labor had ordered the youth deported from the Olympic and was in this country illegally and likely to become a public charge. A certificate from the Ellis Island physicians was introduced which declared Probst had a tendency toward insanity.

## SOCIETY LEADERS ROTARIANS OF DISTRICT HOLD OFF WITH GUNS?

### District Governor Will Be Selected at Closing Session Today.

Special Correspondence, The Asheville Citizen.  
WINSTON-SALEM, March 21.—The Rotarians of the seventh district composed of Virginia, North and South Carolina, took Winston-Salem today, the streets being thronged with men who do things in their respective home towns. Visiting delegations began arriving in Pullmans and autos last night and these were joined today by hundreds of others. Tonight the registrations totals over one thousand. Despite the low temperature, hundreds of the visiting Rotarians are wearing stove headgear and are of course attracting much attention. "Joy and good fellowship" is holding high and will continue until the close of the convention Wednesday.

Election of a district governor as district officers will be perhaps the most interesting feature of the closing session. Several names are being suggested for the high office and the contest promises to be a lively one.

The address of welcome by President W. W. W. of the Winston-Salem club, introduced by Dr. Howard E. Rondthaler, former district governor, presentation of a chair, made in Thomasville and gift from the new Rotary club in Winston-Salem, to the district governor, were the closing features of the morning session.

District Governor Turner sounded the keynote of the Rotary spirit in his address which pleased and inspired the great audience to a high degree of enthusiasm. He declared that Rotary is undertaking service to the world by creating an atmosphere of friendship and good will and giving ones self to the service of mankind. He emphasized particularly the importance of codes of ethics, stressing especially Rotary standards in business and in the professions.

He made the point that Rotary was undertaking nothing new; that it was simply striving to apply the age-old age-old fundamental principles.

"Rotary is attempting to put down on the printed page the do's and don'ts of correct business practice," he said.

Emphasis was placed upon Rotary's application of the golden rule, and its application of the biblical principle, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Rotary was presented as a sincere practical effort to apply recognized truths in such a way as to render the greatest possible service to humanity.

John Wood of Charleston, S. C., invited the Rotarians to help hold their next annual conference in the "city by the sea" it was referred to the district governor and his council for decision, same to be reported later.

Coppock Is Given Oration  
O. W. Coppock, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, second international vice-president, was given an ovation when he arose to speak after a very complimentary introduction. His subject was "International Rotary." The speaker called attention to the line inscribed on a tablet in ancient Babylon, over two thousand years ago, "A city cannot long survive unless its people be friendly."

He discussed the different stages of Rotary's progress, as an international force. The speaker also referred to friendship as the "most beautiful flower in the conservatory of the soul."

This afternoon's session was devoted to a discussion of club work. The best thing done by club committees were presented and discussed. Others relating to the work of the Rotarians and their organizations were presented.

Late this afternoon the ladies of the city served tea at the Forsythe hotel.

## MINISTER INVOLVED IN KENNEDY MURDER CASE Did Not Introduce Husband of Alleged Murderess to Juror, Says

LOS ANGELES, March 21.—Rev. Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of a large Los Angeles church, District Attorney Woollam today in connection with a reported meeting in his office of Ralph H. Obenchain and Mrs. Grace Ward, the latter a member of the jury which disagreed in the case of Mrs. Madalyn Obenchain, charged with the murder of J. Belmont Kennedy.

Dr. Brougher said Mrs. Ward came to his office to ask him to pray for her for guidance in performing her duty as a juror. He said she may have met Obenchain in an outer office, but he was not aware of the fact, if such was the case. He said he did not discuss the trial with Mrs. Ward.

The matter was brought up by the statement of another juror to the district attorney that it was reported Dr. Brougher introduced Mrs. Ward to Obenchain. Dr. Brougher denied this.

Mrs. Ward, it was said, was one of the three jurors who favored an acquittal. She visited trial Judge Sidney J. Reed yesterday.

The judge later said she made a "satisfactory" statement to him.

The second trial of Mrs. Obenchain today was set for June 5. The second trial of Arthur C. Church, her co-defendant, is to begin Monday.

## TWO AMERICAN INFANTRY REGIMENTS RETURN HOME

### German Official Extended Good- wishes When Outfits Left Ithine.

PORTLAND, Maine, March 21.—Doughboys of the American army of occupation in Germany have not been suffering from home sickness. When two battalions of the crack fifth infantry left for the Rhine islands regiments remaining on the Rhine arrived here today on the transport "Cantigny," the burden of their response to words of welcome was: "We're glad to be back home, but we could have been happy in Germany for a long time."

Colonel Harry E. Knight said he felt that 90 per cent of the officers and men and their wives, some of the latter German girls, "would have preferred to stay in Germany indefinitely."

Explaining the feeling he said the conditions at Coblenz were ideal in every respect, and that the men there were like home folk to the soldiers. He likened the warmth of the greeting home extended the troops today to the "old days" when they were they took leave of the German people at Andernach.

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