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MINERS REFUSE TO MEET EMPLOYERS

Miners' Refusal Was Because It Was Stipulated That the Question of Pump Men Be the Last to Be Discussed.

(By the Associated Press.) London, April 8.—Great Britain today appeared to be face to face with an industrial crisis of unprecedented proportions. The national union of railway men and the federation of transport workers decided to strike in support of the British miners who had been out since early this week.

Miners' Executives Go Into Conference

London, April 8.—All efforts of Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister, to bring the miners and mine owners together to discuss the differences which led to the strike in the coal fields having failed, the miners' executives went into conference this afternoon with their partners in the triple alliance—the transport workers and the railway men—to decide when the members of the allied organizations would be called out in sympathetic strike.

Last night's decision by the Prime Minister at the suggestion of the more moderate labor interests, to invite the miners and owners to a conference this morning at which the question of pumping to clear the mines of water, led the general public to believe a settlement was in sight, and that the impending strike, promising to be the greatest in the history of the country, would be averted.

The miners, however, were adamant in their stand, insisting there should be no restriction regarding the questions to be discussed by the conference and an exchange of letters between them and Mr. Lloyd George failed to change their minds.

Outst Baseball Players Organize Their Own Team

Chicago, April 8.—Three ousted members of the White Sox club, who were released because of indictments in connection with the 1919 world series scandal, are organizing a team of their own with the object of playing clubs not in the major leagues.

The three players are Joe Jackson, outfielder; Chas. "Swede" Rickson, shortstop; and Glendie Williams, pitcher. It is stated that two other former members of the White Sox club, Fred McMillin, third baseman, and Oscar "Happy" Folsch, outfielder, also will be included in the lineup.

Women fill all the public offices in the town of Bath, N. C.

TODAY'S BUSINESS GOOD FOR LOCAL MERCHANTS

First of Dollar Days Proves a Great Success—Plenty of Bargains Left for Tomorrow.

In spite of threatening weather and several showers, the nature of which has given most prominence to April, Concord stores and shops have been crowded with purchasers today, who are taking every advantage of the bargains offered for Dollar Days. Not only are the department stores and the gent's furnishings stores enjoying a large patronage today, but grocery stores as well, are doing a rushing business, and shoppers are showing a keen interest in the bargains which are offered in the real necessities of life.

In spite of the hundreds of shoppers who have visited the various local stores during the day, there are many good bargains left for tomorrow, the last of the two Dollar Days, and many more people are expected tomorrow than have been here today. All of the mills of the city will be closed tomorrow afternoon, and the number of farmers and farm women, who always do their shopping on Saturdays, will be augmented by the mill employees.

NO SALE FOR ITS LIQUOR

Michigan Has Large Supplies on Hand and No Market. Lansing, Mich., April 8.—What to do with the great stock of liquor which the State has on hand as a result of the confiscations from bootleggers and others is now bothering the Liquor Committee of the House which is engaged in counting up the great store and in classifying it. Of the bootlegged whisky alone there is a large quantity and the bottled goods are in excess of the market here.

There are cases of gin and of wine and of about everything else, until it is estimated by the committee and by Commissioner Woodworth that there are close of 100,000 quarts of good liquor.

In Chicago recently the seized supplies were sold to druggists, and it was the thought of the House Committee that the State's great store could be disposed of similarly and probably yield Michigan upward of half a million dollars, but the committee immediately ran against a snag. The druggists don't want the goods. Representative Palmer of the committee made a careful investigation of the opportunities for disposal. He says:

"We find that in Chicago there are about 1,500 druggists and that of this number approximately 1,200 have permits to sell liquor for medicinal purposes. Therefore they were able to dispose of their stock easily. But, in Detroit I find we have more than 500 druggists and that just four of them have permits to handle whisky. The rest don't want to monkey with it. They say it doesn't pay them. They tell us frankly that while in Chicago a doctor may prescribe whisky, here in Michigan liquor is so easily obtained that the doctor simply says get yourself a quart of whiskey and the patient sends out and buys it from a bootlegger and the druggist gets no sale."

WILLIAMS CASE IS TO GO TO JURY TODAY

Williams Given Privilege of Opening and Closing the Argument. (By the Associated Press.) Covington, Ga., April 8.—The case of John S. Williams, Jasper County farmer, on trial in superior court here for the murder of one of the eleven negroes alleged to have been killed while held in peonage on his plantation, was expected to go to the jury today. With the presentation of the evidence completed and the argument begun late yesterday, it was believed that the final pleas of counsel for both sides would be concluded today within three or four hours.

FEMINE JEALOUSIES DISRUPT WOMEN POLICE

Kalamazoo Chief of Police Requests Resignation of Two Women on the Force. (By the Associated Press.) Kalamazoo, Mich., April 8.—Femine jealousies have disrupted the women's squad of the Kalamazoo police department, Chief Taffe declared today in announcing that he had requested the resignation of two police women.

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Welcome Stranger



ONE DEAD IN STREET FIGHT

Two Others Are Dying—Occurred in South Chicago Steel Mill District. (By the Associated Press.) Chicago, April 8.—Policeman John Tracy and Robert Nicksch are dying, Matthew Lalleh died early today, and two others are suffering from wounds received in a street fight in South Chicago steel mill district late last night.

As Tracy and Policeman John M. White, who was wounded in the hand, met a party of three steel workers, a quarrel began, it was said, when policemen in plain clothes were crowded off the sidewalk. The steel workers opened fire, and by the time both sides had emptied their guns all had been wounded. Captain Smith, of the South Chicago police, said the three men were not familiar with the English language, may have thought the policemen in plain clothes were robbers.

SO MANY WOUNDED GREEK SOLDIERS CAN'T CARE FOR THEM

Two Thousand Arrived at Piraeus on Thursday, and Found Inadequate Hospital Accommodations. (By the Associated Press.) Athens, April 8.—Wounded Greek soldiers are arriving in such numbers from the Smyrna and Brusa fronts that the sanitary authorities in this country are unable to care for them properly. Two thousand injured men arrived at Piraeus yesterday and found inadequate hospital accommodations.

Queen Sophie has appealed to the American Red Cross in Paris for nurses, and four classes of doctors have been called out by the government.

A 25 PER CENT. REDUCTION IN THE PRICE OF BRICKS

Is Announced in Chicago Today—Reduced from \$16 to \$12 a Thousand. (By the Associated Press.) Chicago, April 8.—A 25 per cent. reduction in the price of bricks was announced today by the Illinois Brick Company. Bricks that formerly cost \$16 a thousand will be reduced to \$12 a thousand, effective Monday.

To Issue Appeal For Volunteers.

London, April 8.—The attention of the British government to issue an appeal for volunteers for the transport and other essential services, in view of the prospective triple alliance strike, was announced in the House of Commons late today by Mr. Lloyd George, the Prime Minister. A royal proclamation would call up the army and navy reserves, he said.

The government also intends to enroll special constables and form a special emergency force for a period of 90 days, to protect the police in the execution of their duty, the Prime Minister added.

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LOOKS LIKE THE STORY OF HARRIS MAY BE TRUE.

Ex-Gov. Whitman Takes More Seriously His Alleged Confession. (By the Associated Press.) New York, April 8.—Impressed by the detailed account of the Jos. B. Elwell murder given at Buffalo yesterday by Roy Harris, former Governor Whitman, who is in charge of the murder investigation, said today he was beginning to take more seriously Harris' alleged confession of complicity in the crime.

Mr. Whitman as first had been skeptical of Harris' story, told Wednesday night, after his arrest in Buffalo. This skepticism, it was explained, was due to the fact that the authorities already had received seven different confessions, six by Jews and one by a person.

It was reported today that Mr. Whitman was making an effort to have Harris brought to this city.

THE COTTON MARKET

Liverpool Advances Made an Unfavorable Impression at Opening Today. (By the Associated Press.) New York, April 8.—Liverpool advances made an unfavorable impression on the sentiment in the cotton market here at the opening today. The opening was unchanged to 6 points lower, and prices fluctuated between 11.70 and 11.78 for May; and 12.25 and 12.32 for July after the call.

Cotton futures opened steady; May 11.70; July 12.25; October 12.90; December 13.19; January 13.32.

Charming Reception Tendered the War Mothers by Liberty Hall Chapter.

The beautiful Myers Park home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac C. Hardeman was the scene of a brilliant reception Wednesday afternoon, when the Liberty Hall Chapter of the American War Mothers of North Carolina, who convened at the Charlotte Woman's Club Wednesday. The reception, which was held between 5 and 6, followed an automobile drive over the city for the visiting Mothers.

During the war, there were no more zealous workers in the various patriotic activities than the ladies of the Liberty Hall Chapter. They were untiring in their work for the Red Cross, and at present, under the leadership of Mrs. Isaac Hardeman, are interested in the unveiling of a tablet to the memory of all the Mecklenburg boys who gave their lives for their country in the World War.

Welcoming the guests at the door were Mrs. Hardeman and Mrs. Robert J. Walker.

The receiving line consisted of Mrs. W. O. Nisbet, regent of Liberty Hall Chapter; Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, chief War Mother of Charlotte; Mrs. John K. Patterson, of Concord, the retiring State War Mother; Mrs. Minnie F. Malloy of Asheville, the newly-elected State War Mother; Mrs. J. P. Little, Sr., vice-regent of Liberty Hall Chapter; Mrs. J. E. Hurley, of Salisbury, state treasurer of the War Mothers; Mrs. Warren Ronrk, secretary of the Charlotte War Mothers.

In the dining room, Mrs. T. Robin Broom and Mrs. Abston Morrison presided at the table. Assisting them in serving were Mrs. W. M. Robey, Mrs. John G. Simpson, Mrs. Finley, Mrs. Martin E. Boyer, Jr., Miss Rose Hawkins, Miss Annie Robinson, Russian tea and sandwiches were served.

The spacious Hardeman home was arranged with many vases filled with spiraea, purple and white flags, pink wisteria and other spring flowers, and blooms. One of the handsomest homes in Charlotte, it was never more beautiful than on Wednesday.

A large number of callers enjoyed the gracious hospitality of the ever-patriotic Liberty Hall Chapter.

SECRETARY HOOVER CONTINUES CONFERENCES

Toward Formation of Advisory Council Composed of Business Men. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 8.—Secretary Hoover continued today the series of conferences with representatives of the leading industries looking toward the formation of an advisory council to the Department of Commerce, composed of business men.

Members of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, and later representatives from the American Ice Institute, met with the Secretary and discussed the personnel of the committees to represent their industries on the council and general ideas for the expansion of their branches of the country's trade.

With Our Advertisers.

Prestar's is having an auction sale twice daily, at 3 and 8 p. m. Read the new ad. for further particulars. Mr. C. J. W. Fisher is no longer with the Concord Plumbing Co., but still does plumbing work. See notice in this paper.

Dollars' count at Cline & Moore's. In a new ad. today this company tells you of some of the many bargains to be had at the store for \$1.00. Be sure to read the ad.

J. C. Willeford, the jeweler, is having an auction sale at his store every day at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. Everything in the store is being offered during the auctions. See ad. in this paper.

The James H. Parley store has an ad. today that will interest you, and will save you money if you take advantage of the bargains offered. Read the ad.

Latest fashions in clothing for the entire family can be found at the Tannenhurst store. The goods have just arrived, and are offered at a real saving. Don't fail to read ad. in today's paper.

The Bell-Harris Furniture Co. has a luncheon ad. in this issue of The Tribune telling you of the big aluminum sale which the company will have tomorrow. The offer made is a most attractive one and it will be wise to read the ad. carefully.

Capt. Potter to Be Paymaster General of the Navy.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 8.—Appointment of Captain David Potter, paymaster of the Atlantic Fleet, to be Paymaster General of the Navy succeeding Rear Admiral Samuel McGowan, retired, will be recommended to the President by Secretary Denby.

Capt. Potter is a native of New Jersey, and has been in the pay corps of the Navy since 1898. He was formerly a member of the Naval Compensation board and became Fleet Paymaster in 1919.

Increased Coal Rates Not Justified.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 8.—Proposed increases of 20 cents a ton in joint rates on coal from mines on the Cumberland Railroad to points on the Louisville & Nashville and connections in Tennessee, Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama, were found by the Interstate Commerce Commission today to be not justified. The proposed schedules now under suspension were ordered cancelled.

Price of Flour Drops 50 Cents a Barrel. (By the Associated Press.) Minneapolis, Minn., April 8.—Flour prices in Minneapolis have dropped 50 cents a barrel, the last week, bringing the price of standard patents at the mills down to \$8.15 to \$8.40 a barrel.

TO INVESTIGATE RAILROAD AFFAIRS

Chairman Cummins Drafts Resolution Authorizing a General and Exhaustive Investigation.

TO OPEN INQUIRY ABOUT APRIL 15

One Phase of Inquiry Will Have to Do With the Best Means of Bringing About Reduction of Wages.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 8.—Chairman Cummins, of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, drafted today his resolution for introduction next week, authorizing a general and exhaustive investigation of railroad affairs. It is planned to open the inquiry about April 15th, and the Senator expects to see President Harding sign the resolution of the committee program.

One phase of the inquiry will have to do with the best means of bringing about reduction in railroad rates. The resolution also would authorize the committee to inquire into the efficiency or inefficiency of railroad operations since the return of the railroads to private ownership. Other subjects of inquiry proposed to include a reduction in the volume of freight traffic and operation costs.

Senator Cummins proposes to call the railroad managers before the committee in beginning the inquiry for a primary discussion of the present operating costs. Labor representatives are to be heard later.

CHILDREN "MORALLY DEAD"

No States Wife of Gen. Wrangel Regarding Russian Girls. Constantinople, April 8.—The Baroness Wrangel, wife of the general who commanded the anti-Bolshevik army in Southern Russia until its defeat and collapse, declares that the "demoralization of our boys and girls, the next generation of Russians, is one of the blackest tragedies of the Bolshevik nightmare. They have stolen the minds of our children."

Abundant evidence from trustworthy sources among the vast Russian refugee colony here is available on this subject. "Our girls are dead, morally," is a phrase in a letter dated a month ago received here from Moscow, smuggled out by the way of Rumania, written by a woman to her nephew in Wrangel's army. "I am kept alive only by the hope of seeing you again. Never return here with your children. If they survive famine and disease, the Bolsheviks will make animals of them."

One of the demands of the revolting workmen in Moscow and other cities has been that the Communist education of children be abandoned.

SUN STARTS \$100,000 FIRE

Ignites Hill of Waste and Blaze Spreads to Cars and Oil. Warren, Pa., April 6.—Fire this morning destroyed the plant of the Allegheny Steel Tank Car Company, causing a loss of \$100,000. Hot rays of the sun beating down on a hill of waste outside the plant set it ablaze, and the fire, running through of frames construction, covered with corrugated iron, and it burned rapidly. In two hours the big plant was virtually in ruins.

Tank cars that contain oil and gasoline exploded, blowing up several houses in the neighborhood. Calcium carbide also let go, blowing the roof off the main building. Train crews pulled several loaded tank cars out of danger of the flames.

Railway Employees Refuse to Accept Wage Reduction. Philadelphia, April 8.—Thirty-five representatives of the 10,000 shop employees of the Reading System today refused to accept an 18 per cent reduction in wages, proposed by F. M. Falck, general manager of the system.

Dr. James R. Angell, President of Yale University, is a Harvard man from Chicago.

Removal of a ban on beer for medicinal purposes may do a little to help the sausage and pretzel industries.

GERMANY TO MAKE A NEW PROPOSITION?

It Is Announced From Paris That One Is Expected.—Another Effort Being Made to Interest United States. (By the Associated Press.) Paris, April 8.—It was stated semi-officially here today that a fresh proposition on reparations was expected from Germany. Unconfirmed reports are in circulation that the Germans are making another effort to interest the United States in the question by negotiations between Karl Bergmann, German under secretary of the treasury, and Roland W. Boyden, formerly American unofficial representative with the allied reparations commission. Mr. Boyden, however, now is in Vienna on his way to Constantinople, it is understood.

SEMI-OFFICIAL STATEMENTS MADE

Nothing Is Known of Reported Invitation to Meet in Washington to Discuss the Subject of Reparations.

Nothing is known in official circles of a reported invitation to the allies and Germans to meet in Washington to discuss reparations, and it is declared here that there is little likelihood of such procedure being favored by the allies. The present expectation is that the allies will issue an ultimatum to Germany on the expiration of the time limit set for the payment by Germany of the 20 billion marks in gold on May 1st.

The closing argument for the prosecution will be made today by W. M. Howard, former Congressman from Georgia, while Green E. Johnson, of Monticello, Georgia, chief counsel for the defense, will make the final plea for acquittal. The privilege of opening and closing the argument was given the defense by reason of its having introduced the defendant as its only witness.

Turks Resume Their Advance. (By the Associated Press.) Paris, April 8.—Turkish nationalists have resumed their advance in the Bursa sector of Asia-Minor, according to dispatches received at the French foreign office.

Fears are entertained here for the safety of the entire Greek expeditionary force. The magnitude of the reverse suffered by the Greek appears to be greater than at first supposed, judging from latest information. Six thousand wounded Greeks are said to be in hospitals in Bursa.

Trial in Express Robbery Cases to End Tonight. (By the Associated Press.) Macon, Ga., April 8.—Forty-five men on trial here in Federal court for four weeks, charged with conspiracy to rob the American Railway Express Company of merchandise may know their fate tonight. Federal Judge Evans was scheduled to start readings, his charge to the jury at noon today. It is not expected that it will consume more than two hours.

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