

SOFT COAL STRIKE TO END THIS AFTERNOON

Agreement to End Strike Has Already Been Agreed to, and Both Sides Will Sign It Today.

SOME MINES TO WORK TOMORROW

Miners Will Return to Work at the Same Scale of Wages in Effect When the Strike Started.

(By the Associated Press.) Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 15.—A wage scale was ready today for the signa-

All details of the scale were approved in principle before the drafting of a tentative understanding which was described today by both sides as the entering wedge in the soft coal strike.

In brief, the settlement provides that the miners shall be returned to work at the same scale of wages in effect when they went out; the new contract is to continue in force until next April 1; the agreement also provided for the appointment of an advisory fact finding commission, a part of its duties being to consider the future settlements of disputes in the coal industry.

Will Sign Agreement Today. Cleveland, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—Soft coal operators participating in the conferences with the miners on part settlement of the coal strike announced today through their spokesman, T. K. Maher, of Cleveland, that they would sign the scale that was agreed upon in principle last night.

The operators' decision was reached at their caucus and meanwhile the union's policy committee was in session to pass on the tentative scale agreement. Sharp division was said to exist in the miners' committee, but the majority seemed to favor acceptance, according to members coming from the closed conference room. The actual signing of the agreement was set for an afternoon meeting of both sides.

Coal Agreement Ratified. Cleveland, Aug. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Both operators and miners today ratified the agreement by being about part settlement of the soft coal strike. Formal signing of the agreement went over until a joint meeting this afternoon.

LIBERTY BONDS RETIRED \$340,733,900 Worth Are Liquidated During Last Fiscal Year. Washington, D. C., Aug. 14.—A total of \$340,733,900 of Liberty Bonds and Victory notes was retired during the last fiscal year by the Treasury at a cost of \$338,847,800 out of repayments of principal by foreign governments, and through the operations of the sinking fund. It was reported tonight by Secretary Mellon.

Bonds retired by foreign repayments were 1.4 per cent. bonds of the third loan totalling \$64,837,000 fact amount, at a cost of \$64,307,007. Repayments included \$32,511,094 by the French Government on account of Pittman silver, \$478,500 by the Cuban Government and \$43,564 by the Servian Government.

"For the most part," Secretary Mellon said, "these payments were made on special account, or by way of adjustment of accounts, and should not be taken to indicate that any general program of repayment of the foreign obligations has begun."

Shoppers' Wages in Canada Cut. (By the Associated Press.) Montreal, Aug. 15.—Canadian Railways today cut the semi-monthly wages of their shopmen about \$200,000, although 37,000 workers had threatened to strike if the action was taken before the board of conciliation had decided the dispute.

Maintenance of Way Men Out. (Special to The Tribune.) Princeton, Ind., Aug. 15.—Maintenance of way men employed in the local shops of the Louisville-St. Louis division of the Southern Railroad walked out at 7 a. m. Twenty-eight men, including ash pitmen, fire knockers, and hostlers, quit their jobs.

Giant Flying Boat Damaged. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Aug. 15.—The giant flying boat Sempala Correda, in which Janet Walter Hinton and Dr. E. Pinto-Martina planned to fly to Brazil, broke a wing in landing off the 90th Street dock in the Hudson river this afternoon and the trip probably will have to be postponed several days.

The speaker of the British House of Commons, oddly enough, is the only member who does not make a speech. Orange groves in California are protected from the frosts by operating large fans on 20-foot towers.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE LUTHERAN SYNOD OF N. C.

Sessions Will Begin September 4 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Rowan County.

The following is the program of the Southern Conference of the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina which meets at Bethel Lutheran Church, Rowan County, September 4-8, 1922:

Wednesday, September 6th. 11 a. m.—Confidential Sermon by the President, followed by the Holy Communion.

Intermission. 2:30 p. m.—Opening of Conference. Enrollment of Ministers and Delegates. 3:15—Benevolence, Its Moral Obligation.—Rev. W. J. Roof.

Thursday, September 7th. 9:30 a. m.—Devotional Service by Rev. E. K. Bodle. 10:45 a. m.—Business. 10 a. m.—"Delinquent Members, How to Reclaim Them"—Rev. C. O. Lippard.

Friday, September 8th. 9 a. m.—Devotional Service by Rev. H. A. Tresler. 10 a. m.—"The Relative Importance of Pulpit and Pastoral Work," by Rev. J. H. C. Fisher.

10:30 a. m.—"Christian Education, Its Relation to Our Lutheran Church"—Rev. J. B. Moore. 11 a. m.—Business. Adjournment.

STRIKERS UNDER ARREST, TRAINS ON SANTA FE GO

Governor Boyle Disarms Man Who Draws Pistol on Him—Embargoes Unchanged. San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Strikers were arrested in Nevada and California today as a result of the rail strike and trains were moved on the Santa Fe system which had been tied up since last Thursday.

Governor Emmet Boyle, of Nevada, was at Las Vegas when 17 men were taken into custody. No charges have been filed against the men. Governor Boyle had obtained a pistol taken from one of the men and the object of one of the strikers' pistol when the governor got the drop on the man. No shots were fired, but the man was arrested.

Santa Fe started a transcontinental train eastward from Los Angeles and expected to send it eastward to Chicago. The Southern Pacific company also operated trains on its division west of the Sierra Nevada mountains.

Embargoes on movement of perishables were unheeded during the day and California fruit growers and shippers faced a loss that grew into thousands of dollars hourly. It was said there was no way of saving the ripening fruit that should be shipped immediately.

The Union Pacific lines in Nevada, particularly at Las Vegas, were the scene of shooting early today. State police with machine guns were ordered to Las Vegas and it was expected that Governor Boyle would have the police supplant the rail guards.

Twelve additional deputy federal marshals were ordered to Roseville, Calif., where the Pacific Fruit express maintains its icing plant. Twenty deputies have been on duty and a report to the marshal in San Francisco said strikers were violating the court injunction prohibiting picketing.

KILLARNEY NOW HELD BY FREE STATE TROOPS

Important Center Deserted by Irregulars After Sharp Battle on Outskirts. London, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—Killarney, the last position of importance in County Kerry, held by the Irish irregulars, has been occupied by national army troops. The occupation was preceded by a brief engagement on the outskirts of the town, after which the irregulars fled.

European Trip For Canning Club Winners

(By the Associated Press.) Chicago, Aug. 15.—A three months trip to Europe for four country girls, with all expense paid, is the prize that has just been announced for winning members of the canning clubs of the United States. These clubs are conducted by the agricultural colleges and the United States Department of Agriculture. The American Committee of Devastated France is providing the prize trip for which 55,000 girls the country over are expected to compete this summer and fall.

The plan, provides for the usual local, county and state elimination contests conducted by the state agricultural college extension departments. Following that there will be five interstate or sectional contests held at convenient expositions namely: Eastern States Exposition, Springfield, Mass.; South Eastern States Exposition at Atlanta Georgia; Interstate Fair and Exposition, Sioux City, Iowa; Colorado State Fair, Pueblo, Colorado and the Pacific International Livestock Exposition, Portland, Ore.

The first and second highest scoring teams at each section; contest will compete for national honors during the week of the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, December 2 to 9. At this contest the honors and prize trips will be awarded on the basis of efficiency in demonstrating canning, in judging canned products and by the home canning record.

NEGRO LEE WITNESS IN CARTHAGE TRIAL

Says Murphy Assaulted Mrs. Ketchum.—Says He Had No Part in Assault or Attack. (Special to The Tribune.) Carthage, Aug. 15.—The feature of the morning session in the trial of the three negroes for an attack on Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ketchum, of Miami, Fla., near Southern Pines several days ago, now in session here, was the testimony of John Lee, youngest of the trio of negroes, who identified Angus Murphy, one of the negroes, as the man who attacked Mrs. Ketchum while Jasper Thomas, another negro, stood by. He also testified that Angus Murphy forced Mrs. Ketchum at the point of a pistol to go into the tent where the Ketchums were camping for the night, and turn over to him their valuables as detailed by Mrs. Ketchum yesterday. The witness claimed that he had left Murphy and Thomas when the shooting took place, and came back after hearing the shots in time to see Murphy attack his victim.

Lee claims to have begged Murphy to desist, and Murphy threatened to shoot him. He also claims not to have had any hand in any of the affairs except as a spectator, and denies going into the tent with Murphy and Thomas. He admitted going along with the other negroes when the negroes left the scene, and to have followed them into a swamp and waded in water up to his knees.

Deputy Sheriff Beck, who arrested the men single handed at Aberdeen, gave an account of the arrest. Dr. Millikin, and other witnesses testified in corroboration of Mrs. Ketchum. It is expected the case will be completed today.

MAY PUT ON SPECIAL RE-DISCOUNT RATE

Federal Reserve Banks Now Have the Proposition Before Them. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Aug. 15.—Establishment of a special re-discount rate of 3 1/2 per cent. on agricultural paper is under consideration by the Federal Reserve Board, officials said today. The proposal has been laid before Federal Reserve Banks, it was explained, and action by the board is being withheld pending their replies, and the officials indicated the suggestion is not meeting with favor generally.

As suggested, officials explained the special farm rate would enable banks which made loans for agricultural purposes—upon security of farm products—to re-discount at 3 1/2 per cent., which is 1/2 per cent. lower than the lowest reserve rate now in effect, if the rate charged by the banks to the original borrower did not exceed 6 per cent.

CONTINUING EFFORTS TO END RAIL STRIKE

Union Leaders Say "Big Four" Officials Are Still Acting As Mediators With Executives. Washington, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—Leaders of the railroad labor organization today made public the rejection of President Harding's final offer for settlement of the national strike of the shop craftsmen, but declared that attempts to mediate the difficulties by direct dealings between the railroad executives and the heads of the "big four" brotherhoods were still in progress.

The union leaders, after a conference, also made public a statement declaring that the railroad executives, by their responses to the President's final offer, had also declined to accept the President's proposition, and had "not even agreed to permit all employees now on strike to return to work."

"We must now turn to employing others, for the road must be run; we must give those we employ protection, for it may be that those we have up to this time protected by keeping their jobs open may now turn against us, even to an attempt to prevent others from working."

AIRPLANE SERVICE IS OFFERED ON BIG SCALE

Columbus, Ohio, Company to Hire Planes to Fly to All Parts of the Country. (By the Associated Press.) Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 15.—A local taxicab company today advertised airplane service to all parts of the United States. Business men wishing to make a quick trip to Chicago or New York or other parts are advised in the advertisement that they telephone the taxicab company, which will take a taxi to the landing field.

An airplane kept several miles away will arrive at the landing field approximately at the same time. The airplane is of five-passenger capacity.

HALEY DENIES REPORTS

(By the Associated Press.) Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 15.—R. M. Haley, secretary of the local lodge of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, today denied reports coming from apparently authoritative sources last night, that members of the "big four" brotherhoods employed on railroads entering Jacksonville today would refuse to operate trains if guards were not withdrawn from the railroad properties here.

Drag Wrightsville Sound to Recover Body of Child. Wilmington, Aug. 14.—Wrightsville sound is being dragged tonight for the body of the little five-year-old son of John Berry, who disappeared from Lumina, Wrightsville's Beach, at 11 o'clock this morning. The little fellow was last seen in the play ground beneath the pavilion.

State Legion Members to Meet in Salisbury

(By the Associated Press.) Salisbury, Aug. 14.—North Carolina members of the American Legion who will attend the convention in New Orleans next month will gather at Salisbury, where a special Pullman will be available. While in New Orleans the Carolinians will sleep in the Pullman.

England has a Lighthouse to Every 14 Miles of Coast.

STRIKE EFFECT FELT BY PACIFIC STATES

From the Canadian Boundary Line to Mexican Border Bitter Pinch From Rail Tie Up Is Being Felt.

PASSENGERS ARE IN SAFETY NOW

But Nothing Has Been Done for Fruit Growers, Who Are Losing Much Money Daily From Strike.

San Francisco, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—From the Canadian boundary line south almost to the Mexican border, the Pacific coast states today felt the bitter pinch from the railroad tieups which have been developing, lifting and tramping down again since Thursday night.

Passengers who had been marooned at the desert towns, which serve as terminals for the Santa Fe lines, the southwestern divisions, had been brought to places of greater comfort, but little or nothing has been done for the fruit growers of northern Washington, southern Oregon, or northern California, while but little more is being done for those in the San Joaquin Valley of California, further south.

SOUTHERN TO FILL PLACES OF STRIKERS

President Harrison Says System Will Employ Any Help Available to Keep Trains Running. Washington, Aug. 14.—The Southern railway, which to date has made no effort to combat the shopmen's strike, announced today through its president, Fairfax Harrison, that it would employ any help available to keep trains in operation.

Mr. Harrison in a formal statement said that the Southern had made every effort to settle with its men, even "to the extent of offering the terms that they had previously agreed to accept," and without result, and that "if it means war to run the Southern railways, then let us have it now—not later."

Officials of the company supplemented Mr. Harrison's statement only to the extent of pointing out that conferences between the railroad management and the strikers were held last week without result and that the only course left open to the company was to employ such workers as could be obtained.

The action of the Southern was generally regarded as significant in that it had heretofore made no effort to fill the places of the shopmen who went on strike and in that it, not being a member of the Association of Railway Executives, had not participated in the two meetings held by that organization in New York to consider strike settlement proposals put forward by President Harding.

The statement issued by Mr. Harrison said: "Every effort has been made so to operate our property that our men could honorably return to work. Every effort has been made to settle with our men. We have gone to the extent of offering the terms that they had previously agreed to accept. We have this held out every reasonable inducement, without result."

"We must now turn to employing others, for the road must be run; we must give those we employ protection, for it may be that those we have up to this time protected by keeping their jobs open may now turn against us, even to an attempt to prevent others from working."

"Call is now being made upon every employe, upon every patron of this company, and upon every citizen along its lines, to rally to the support of the road that has served you and protect your own interest in the maintenance of transportation."

"With your help we can run the road, and we pledge all the resources of the company to that end. If it means war to run the Southern railway, then let us have it now—not later."

THREE TOASTS IN WINE

Legion Party Gets Cordial Reception Upon Arrival at Cherbourg. Cherbourg, France, Aug. 14.—A large number of American Legionnaires arrived here today on board the steamer President Roosevelt, to visit the battlefields of France. All the men were in uniform and were welcomed by cheering crowds. They were received by Admiral Grout, Governor of Cherbourg, Sub-Prefect Gregoire and Mayor Mahieu.

There were brief, formal speeches, amid which three toasts were drunk in champagne. These were for the United States, the American Legion and President Harding. The Legionnaires left by special train at 11:45 o'clock a. m. for Paris.

On arriving in Paris the Americans will be met at St. Nazaire Station by a company of infantry. Tomorrow they will place a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and later will be guests of the Government at Luncheon. After visiting the battlefields they will proceed to Belgium, where King Albert will receive them on August 30.

The ancients believed that the opal shared the charm of every stone of which it reflected the color, but when it was stolen, the thief became invisible, and was never caught.

CABARRIS LEADER IN NEAR EAST CAMPAIGN

Twenty-Seven Counties in State Bared Quotas, Many Going Over. Raleigh, Aug. 14.—Twenty-seven counties in North Carolina raised their quotas for Near East Relief, four doubling their allotments and the state went over its \$200,000 quota by a small margin, for the fiscal year just ended, according to figures given out last week by Col. George H. Bellamy, state chairman.

Gulfford county led in aggregate subscriptions with total of \$17,973.50. In the various classes of counties Gulfford, Gaston, Lee and Polk led in over-subscriptions. Gulfford showed an over-subscription of 89 per cent, Gaston of seven-eighths, Lee seventy-six and Polk of seventy-seven.

The most remarkable showing of the campaign was Polk which more than doubled its cash quota without a chairman, all of these funds coming in entirely unsolicited. E. W. DeWard of Columbus took charge in time for the clothing campaign which boosted the county's total to within a few cents of \$1,000. Its quota was \$329.

Col Bellamy took occasion to thank the newspapers of the state which have co-operated in fine style and helped greatly in a number of cities to make the campaign a success.

The counties which raised their quotas and their percentage of over-subscription were: Polk 177, Dare 127, Clay 109, Hyde 100, Gascon 78, Lee 76, Cumberland 72, Caswell 70, Bladen 66, Rutherford 58, Cabarrus 57, Henderson 56, Tyrrell 51, Alamance 39, Orange 37, Lincoln 36, McDowell 34, Guilford 20, Harnett 15, Anson 12, Rockingham 10, Pender 10, Raven 9, Davie 8, Richmond 7, Alleghany 4, and Ewain 3.

PRIGHT LEAF MARKET AT WILSON OPENED

It Was Estimated that 600,000 Pounds of Tobacco Were on Floors at the Opening. (By the Associated Press.) Wilson, N. C., Aug. 15.—Twenty thousand visitors were in Wilson for the opening of the bright leaf tobacco market here today. It was estimated that between 500,000 and 750,000 pounds of tobacco were on the floors of the six big warehouses this morning.

It was estimated during the sale that the tobacco was bringing an average between 25c and 26c a pound. Observers said there were many primings and few wrappers on the floors. Some good tobacco sold from \$40 to \$70 per hundred weight. Farmers apparently were satisfied with prices.

Tobacco sales were started at the opening, but quadruple sales were employed shortly before 10 a. m.

EUROPE DISAPPOINTED AT LONDON CONFERENCE

Press of Europe Almost Universal in Belief that Something Good Have Been Accomplished. London, Aug. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Europe was unable to rise to what might have been a great opportunity to put her feet on the road to recovery. This is the consensus of the press commentators regarding failure of the London conference, but as to what was responsible for its failure depends upon whether one accepts the French or British viewpoint.

The pro-government editorials express hope that France will take the counsel of reason and not continue to act against her own best interests, while those of opposition press say the British people will not allow any administration to quarrel with their friends and ally for the benefit and satisfaction of the Germans.

THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Firm and Active Months Sold About 14 to 22 Points Net Higher. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Aug. 15.—Relative firm Liverpool cables and more favorable view of domestic labor prospects led to advances in the cotton market during today's early trading. The break in the market was a rather disturbing feature, and some Southern hedge selling was reported, but offerings were absorbed by trade and commission house buying, and after opening firm at an advance of 9 to 15 points active months sold about 14 to 22 points net higher.

Cotton futures opened steady. Oct. 20:38; Dec. 20:40; Jan. 20:29; March 20:30; May 20:17.

Relief Fund for Hall Storm Sufferers

A number of contributions have been made to the fund for the relief of the hall storm sufferers. The fund is being handled by the Citizens Bank and Trust Company and anyone desiring to make a contribution may leave same at that bank. The following contributions have been made since the list was published last:

- Mrs. M. J. Walker \$1.00
- Thos. Waller .50
- Cash .50
- W. A. Goodman 1.00
- C. J. Goodman 10.00
- Mrs. W. B. Woodhead 2.00
- J. B. Robertson 1.00
- A. Fink 1.00
- Trammell's Store, Kannapolis 1.00

With Our Advertisers.

Women handle most of the family income. The Citizens Bank and Trust Company is anxious to serve Cabarrus women in monetary matters, says new ad.

Clene's Pharmacy has a big stock of toothbrushes now with a few special prices for this week.

Do you need a trunk? Now is the time to buy one, says the Concord Furniture Co. One-fourth off for cash or credit.

LESLIE BELL AGAIN CITY TENNIS STAR

Defeats Harry Caldwell Monday Afternoon for Championship of City. J. Leslie Bell is again champion of Concord in tennis. Bell won the championship for the third time Monday by defeating Harry Caldwell in straight sets, 6-3 and 6-4.

The first set furnished some of the best tennis ever seen on the Y courts. The men fought evenly for five games, and then Bell's steadiness and perfect placing put him in the lead, and he was never headed again.

In the second set Bell got better while Caldwell lost some of the zip and dash that characterized his play in the first set. Bell won the set and the city title easily.

This is the third year, and the second consecutive year that Bell has won the championship. He is the only player to win the title more than once.

ROCKY FACE MOUNTAIN TO BE DEVASTATED

Tons of Granite Broken Away by Initial Blast on Famous Mountain. Taylorsville, Aug. 14.—A veritable bombardment of Rocky Face Mountain—seemingly a mighty earthquake—has been in progress for the last two days near here. The initial blast in the operations of the Hiddenite Granite Company, of Hiddenite, was set off Thursday afternoon about 5 o'clock.

Stones weighing from ten to twenty tons were hurled 500 feet in the air, some falling over the railroad recently built and damaging the track to such an extent that it will need repairs.

Two mountains comprise the quarry—known as Rocky Face and "Little" Rocky Face—both being formed together and of the same quality of stone. A force of 50 to 60 men have been at work there for the past three months, sometimes under a blazing heat of 90 and 95 degrees, digging excavations, drilling, cutting away the wilderness, building a railroad track and permanent homes for the employees, and generally speaking, every fellow at his best, feeling a deep concern in the developments of Alexander county's principal resource.

Engine Correll, superintendent of the work at the mountain, is an experienced mining engineer and is responsible for the progress thus far. Mr. Correll, who is from Concord, is a member of the company known as the Hiddenite Granite Company, which has sub-leased this project from the Alexander Land and Granite Company for a period of five years.

Six tons of heavy powder were used in 550 holes of Rocky Face Thursday afternoon that blew out 75,000 tons of rock. Enough stone was made available by this "shoot" to supply shipping material for the next six months. This stone has been fully tested and found to be a quality altogether superior to the best grade of blue-gray granite found anywhere in the United States. By far it is suitable for millstones, curbing, ballast and principally monumental purposes. And by no means will the supply fall short, as rock will be quarried there for the next generation.

Rocky Face, a mammoth figure, standing out prominently to the casual observer, reaches 400 feet or more in altitude, and covers at least 12 acres. Year in and year out the massive figure has stood the storms of the ages, and only recently an apple orchard was set out on the top by Capt. E. E. Lackey and his father, of Hiddenite, and it has known nothing else to do with the exception of growing Lamberwig apples.

COLLINS TO CARRY ON FOR IRISH FREEDOM

Bemoans Griffith's Death But Says He Will Continue Till Trouble Is Ended. Dublin, Aug. 14.—Michael Collins, interviewed today at the field headquarters of the national army, termed Quarter Griffith's death a calamity for Ireland, and said it was not too late for Eamon De Valera and his followers to honor the passing of a great patriot by accepting the terms the free state government has offered to achieve the unity of Ireland.

The commander-in-chief added that he would continue his military work until the trouble was ended.

The head of the national forces described Arthur Griffith's death as the loss of a stalwart colleague, a staunch militant, and a wise counsellor. Some malignant fate, he said, seemed to be dogging Ireland and, always at a critical period in her history deprived her of the leader she trusted and followed.

"At present I am a soldier," said the Irish leader, "but I think I can promise that if those who are against us would even now come forward and accept what is offered by the government, our differences can be composed. It is not too late for all to honor the passing of the great patriot by now believing what that patriot has given his life for—united Ireland and the Irish nation."

Regarding the future of the government, Mr. Collins said that reconstruction would have to take place but "I shall not retire from my military duties until the troubles are ended."

Salisbury Girl Made Conference Secretary

Salisbury, Aug. 14.—Miss Virginia Jenkins, for several years principal of the West Ward school, and a leading Sunday school worker in the city, is to become Sunday school secretary in charge of elementary work in the western North Carolina Methodist conference. She succeeds Miss Ida Womack, of Reidsville.

Miss Jenkins will have headquarters in Lexington, but will spend most of her time visiting schools in different sections of the conference bounds.

According to a French scientist spots on the sun are responsible for aggravating certain diseases, such as asthma.

PRESIDENT THROUGH AS STRIKE MEDIATOR

Will Probably Tell Rail Executives to Resume Full Operations, As Coal Operators Were Told.

GOVERNMENT TO BACK RAILROADS

President May Go Before Congress With Comprehensive Statement About the Rail Strike.

Washington, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—President Harding having abandoned all efforts at mediation of the rail strike, was declared today by his advisers to have virtually decided to inform the railroad executives of the country that in the operation of trains they will be given full protection and the aid of the government.

The President, it was stated, was determined that the only course the government now could pursue was the path it followed in the coal strike—extension of invitation to the employees to operate their properties, and the Federal government with the co-operation of the states would stand behind them in their efforts so far as they are directed to the serving of the public.

Consideration is being given by the President, it was asserted, to the proposition of going before Congress with a comprehensive statement of the whole rail strike situation, including the rebuffs that have met the government's attempts at settlement.

This statement, if made, it was said, would include no suggestions as to the legislation but would be designed to place before Congress and the country the facts in the situation as viewed by the government.

The President was described by one of his advisers as "having his back up" and fully determined that nothing further could be done through negotiations.

Endeavors at mediation were continued today by the leaders of the brotherhoods of the railroads operating employees and of the other railroad labor organizations whose members have not been called out on strike. These leaders held another conference with R. M. Jewell, leader of the striking shop craft workers, and other chiefs of the strike unions. Foremost among the matters under consideration was understood to be the proposal of the brotherhood leaders that attempts would be made to negotiate a settlement with the railroads whose executives have shown an inclination toward compromise.

The whole rail strike situation was gone over by the President and his cabinet today.

To Put Situation Before Congress

Washington, Aug. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—President Harding will place the rail strike situation before Congress and before the country within 48 hours, it was officially announced today at the White House.

The announcement came after the President had conferred with cabinet and leaders in Congress, and after the railroad union labor organization had made public their rejection of the President's last settlement proposal, together with a statement that the chief of non-striking unions planned to continue efforts at mediation.

The administrative spokesman who made known the President's purpose declared there was "no ground for the executive to stand upon in advancing any further proposition" for settlement of the strike other than those that already had been laid before the management and the workmen now striking.

The impression prevailed among the President's advisers that he would in his statement to Congress, and through Congress to the country make no suggestion as to legislation, but the administrative spokesman said that depended on the events that occur within the brief time before he speaks.

QUICKSAND DOWNS THREE

Man Who Goes to Rescue of Girls Is Engulfed With Them. Shamokin, Pa., Aug. 14.—Harry J. Straub, aged 51, his daughter, Alva, aged 14, and her chum, Mary Kuski, aged 15, all of Shamokin, today drove to Blug Point, a mile below Catawissa, for an outing. The girls removed their stockings and began wading in the river when they encountered a bar of quicksand.

Drawn by their cries, Straub went to the rescue and all three were drowned. The bodies were recovered.

Red-Coats to March in Burlington

Burlington, Aug. 14.—The measured tread and ominous beat of drums will resound in the valleys of the Alamance in Burlington on Alamance Day when five hundred red-coats led by the Crown's Governor of North Carolina, Tryon march to subdue the re-entranced rebels of 1771. The celebration to be held on August 17th will be one of the biggest events of the season and thousands are expected to be in Burlington for the day.

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