

## A. F. OF L. UNIONS HAVE 3,153,913 MEMBERS, SECRETARY REPORTS

ATLANTIC, N. J.—The membership of the unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor for August, 1935, was 3,153,913, Frank Morrison, Secretary and Treasurer pro tem of the American Federation of Labor, reported to the Federation's annual convention here.

"The membership of affiliated unions for the year ending August 31, 1935," Mr. Morrison said, "is 3,045,347, an increase of 437,336 members over the average membership for the twelve months last year."

"The total membership for the month of August, 1935, is 3,153,913, which shows an increase of paid membership in August, 1935, over the average paid membership of the affiliated unions last year of 545,902."

"National and international organizations are required to pay the per capita tax upon their full paid-up membership and, therefore, the membership does not include all the members who are unemployed during the fiscal year."

In analyzing these figures Mr. Morrison said:

"There are 31,291 local unions in the 109 national and international

unions and 1,354 local trade and federal labor unions directly affiliated to the American Federation of Labor, a grand total of 32,645 local unions."

"The average paid membership of the national and international unions is 2,933,858, and the average paid membership of the directly affiliated local unions of the American Federation of Labor is 111,489, making a grand total paid membership of 3,045,347."

### ROOSEVELT NAMES BERRY INDUSTRIAL COORDINATOR

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Roosevelt named Maj. George L. Berry, Division Administrator of the NRA, to the new office of "Coordinator for Industrial Cooperation." The main duty of Major Berry will be to supervise "conferences of representatives of industry, labor and consumers for consideration of the best means of accelerating industrial recovery, eliminating unemployment and maintaining business and labor standards."

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## False Testimony Is Charged By Mooney's Attorneys In Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9.—Attorneys for Thomas J. Mooney at the habeas corpus hearing of the convicted 1916 Preparedness Day parade bomber attempted to prove the testimony of the late Frank C. Oxman, Oregon cattleman, a prosecution witness, was false.

Oxman in an affidavit at Kansas City in 1916, several weeks after the San Francisco parade was bombed, stated he saw Mooney and Warren K. Billings in a jitney bus on Market street shortly before the bomb exploded. With them, he said, were two other men and a woman of "pronounced features."

The affidavit declared Billings took a suitcase from the car and placed it beside a building on Stuart street, near Market, after which he and Mooney got back in the car "talking in a foreign language."

The Mooney prosecution contended the explosive which killed 10 persons and injured 40 was taken to the scene in a suitcase.

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## Tennessee Miners Striking Against A Wage Decrease

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Oct. 9.—More than 10,000 coal miners in Tennessee and five southeastern Kentucky counties, embracing District 19, continue on strike after collapse of negotiations between the Southern Appalachian Coal Operators' Association and the United Mine Workers for a wage agreement.

Operators are asking a wage scale that would run 40 cents under wages paid in the adjoining Virginia and Harlan and Hazard, Ky., districts, claiming it costs more to mine coal in this district because seams are thinner and harder to get to.

The union is demanding the same wage scale—\$5.10 a day—for all four districts, the contract to run until March 31, 1937. This was the contract agreed to in Washington recently, ending the bituminous coal strike in most sections.

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## RAIL EMPLOYEES DECREASE 30,378 IN TWELVE MONTHS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Interstate Commerce Commission reported that on July 15, Class 1 railways, including switching and terminal companies had 1,018,430 employees on their payrolls. The commission said this number was 30,378 below the number reported for July, 1934.

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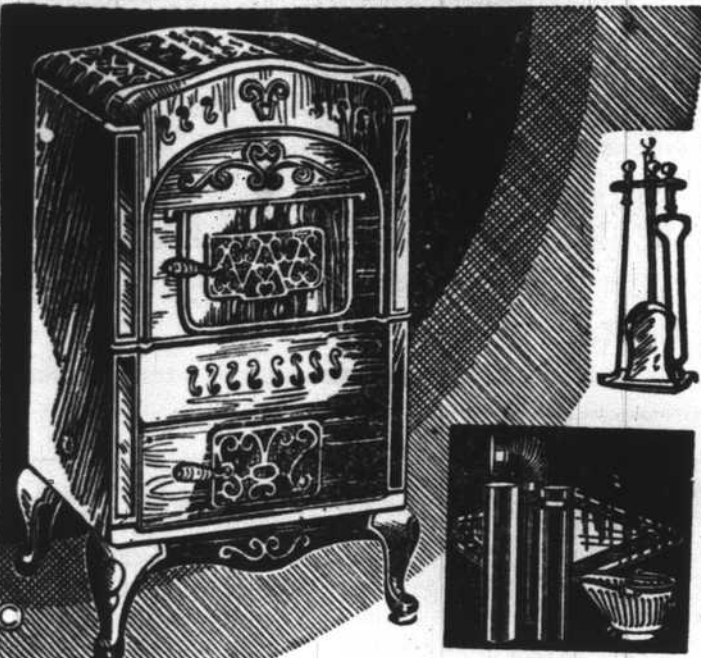
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