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To Tackle Coal Problem After Railway Strike

President Is Optimistic About Settlement Between Railroad Executives And Employees This Week — Believes American People Will Compel Concessions

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Washington, July 31.—The rail strike settlement first and then the coal problem—that's President Harding's course this week. And he has a feeling that when the fairness of the rail strike settlement is disclosed as the details are revealed, the striking miners and operators will find themselves compelled by a powerful public opinion to make concessions to each other's viewpoint and bring peace.

Neither the railroad executives nor the railway employees will be able to say that the settlement is what they would have made it if left to themselves in a prolonged fight. But the intervention of the President has been on the theory that the American people will not permit the disputants to have a fight to a finish:

And the same is true of the coal controversy. Operators are adamant in their viewpoint; miners are stubbornly refusing to concede an inch, but they will both have to change tactics before the end of this week when they are brought face to face with the chief executive in the White House and are asked in the name of the American people to accept a compromise.

Neither miners nor operators will voluntarily make concessions. They will not even give in by processes of persuasion in conference with the peaceful elements in their own ranks—and both labor and operators respectively are being urged from within to make a settlement. But when the President of the United States takes the initiative again he is expected this time to get compliance from both operators and miners. There were many unfortunate phases to the last effort at peace which emanated from the White House. For one thing the operators wanted more time to fight; they believed that if the Government would furnish troops to protect strike-breakers the non-union production would soon reach a point where it would scare the union men into submission. As for the union leaders they were confident that later on they would get better terms of settlement.

The war of exhaustion has gone on two weeks since Mr. Harding proposed arbitration. Figures just issued by the United States geological survey show that non-union production since the operators were invited to resume operations has not been sufficient to warrant the nation in feeling comfortable about fuel supply next winter. The figures are by no means satisfactory to the administration here no matter how indicative they might be to the operators of a gradual increase in production. The operators blame the rail strike and say lack of cars is hindering production for coal isn't mined when cars are not available on which to load. But Government information contradicts that assertion: Enough coal hasn't been mined and not enough men are at work to insure an adequate supply.

In the face of those facts, the Government will try again to mediate in the dispute. Further conferences between the heads of operators and unions are inevitable the end of this week. There is a feeling of the utmost confidence that this time a new compromise can be launched and that it will be accepted. It would have required very little modification on fundamentals to have brought a settlement the last time the coal disputants were here. That modification did not come as the pressure of public opinion through the President was not sufficiently acute.

Industrial peace may be said to be in sight now. The situation in the coal industry is such that a settlement cannot be rejected by either side. President Harding has made the railroad executives see the importance of the public welfare over abstract issues in unionism and the same may be predicted for the coal operators and miners spokesmen.

FORECAST COTTON CROP

Washington, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—This year's cotton crop is placed at 11,449,000 bales in the second forecast of the season announced today by the Department of Agriculture, basing the estimate on the condition of the crop July 25, which was 70.8 per cent normal.

Preparing To Reply

Committee Of Railway Executives At Work — Labor Leaders Are Slow To Assemble

New York, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—The standing committee of the American Association of Railway Executives went into session today to prepare to reply to Harding's proposal for settlement of the strike. The answer is to be submitted later in the day to the hundred and forty-eight road presidents meeting here for ratification or rejection.

Chicago, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Labor leaders scheduled to attend the two meetings here today to consider Harding's proposal for settlement of the rail strike were slow in assembling, only two or three men being in the room 45 minutes after the hour set for the meeting.

Harding's Proposal
 Washington, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—The President's proposal for ending the rail strike provides that "all employees now on strike be returned to work to former positions with seniority and other rights unimpaired"; that both sides agree to recognize the validity of all decisions of the Labor Board; that all suits growing out of Labor Board's decisions be withdrawn; and disputes growing out of the walkout be left with the Labor Board for settlement.

Norfolk Southern To Improve Equipment

Washington, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—The Tennessee, Alabama & Georgia road asked the Interstate Commerce Commission today for permission to issue two and a half million first mortgage bonds. The funds are to be used for better roadbed, to strengthen bridges and to reconstruct sections of the line.

NORTH CAROLINA PEACHES AHEAD OF CALIFORNIA'S

"North Carolina peaches are better flavored than those grown in California," says J. A. Harris of Winter Park, Florida, who just back from California is visiting his former home here before returning to his adopted state.

"The California fruit is large and beautiful to look at," says Mr. Harris, "but the North Carolina product is by far more delicious. I could not fail to note the difference when, just back from California, I tasted again the peaches of my native State. The future of the peach industry in the North Carolina sandhills looks peculiarly promising, as I see it."

BAYSIDE-RIVERSIDE TO PLAY BALL WEDNESDAY

The Bayside team will play the Riverside team on the Main street diamond at five o'clock Wednesday afternoon. These two aggregations crossed bats last Friday but were compelled by the storm to stop in the third inning, at which time the score stood 2 to 1 in favor of Bayside. Both teams have been practicing and promise a fast game.

Forty Pilgrims Killed In Crash

Paris, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Forty persons were killed, and fifty others injured in a collision between two trains of pilgrims to the Grotto of Lourdes, one of the world's most famous shrines, early today. The collision occurred near Ville Comtal.

SUGGEST UNIFORM LAWS FOR STATES

National Commissioners Open 32nd Annual Meeting At San Francisco Tuesday

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—The national conference of commissioners on uniform state laws will open its thirty-second annual meeting here tomorrow to consider and act on proposed statutes for submission to the state legislature meeting during the next year. The commissioners will continue their sessions throughout the week.

Among the subjects which tentative drafts of uniform state laws have been drawn are aviation, joint parental guardianship of children, status and protection of illegitimate children, declaratory judgments, extradition of persons charged with crime and commercial acts.

Each one of these subjects has been considered by a special committee of the conference, and model statutes prepared. Commissioners from every state of the nation and from Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands are to be represented at the meetings when action on the proposals will be taken.

During the 31 years of the existence of the conference 311 uniform acts have been adopted in the various states and jurisdictions. Twenty-six uniform acts have been drafted and approved by the conference as covering the subjects which the commissioners believe should be handled by the state legislatures and in such a manner as to give general uniformity between the various commonwealths.

The six day session to be taken up largely with consideration and action on committee reports and drafts of bills. Increasing use of airplanes for commercial purposes has caused particular interest to be paid to a proposed uniform law for adoption by states governing the flight and responsibilities of aeronauts. This will be submitted to the commissioners, along with proposed laws governing the obligations of the parents of illegitimate children, and joint guardianship of children, two social subjects of importance.

The object of the conference, as stated in the constitution, is to promote uniformity of state laws on all subjects where uniformity is deemed desirable and advisable. It seeks to afford a means for states to hold their legislative powers which have tended in some respects to be absorbed by the nation-congress during the past few years.

Officers of the conference say that it tends to provide a way that "the American genius for efficiency may be accomplished in legislation as in business without doing violence to the spirit of American institutions, and this, not through the development of the powers of the general government to a point where centralization breaks down because of bureaucratic inefficiency, but rather through uniform state action. Uniform state laws should be secured not alone to supplement and to reinforce but also to forestall federal legislation."

Besides acting on proposed uniform state laws submitted by the conference committees, suggestions for additional laws will be received and considered by the meeting. Its recommendations for legislation are being received with increased favor by state legislatures, the commissioners say.

LITTLE CHILD DEAD

Miles Howard Jones, four-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones, died Tuesday morning at nine o'clock at the home on Southern avenue.

The funeral will be conducted at Cowen Cemetery in Newland by Rev. R. F. Hall, the procession leaving the home at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

AMERICAN PIGS SENT TO BRAZIL

Pigs May Be Pigs, But These Are Ambassadors To Get Two Countries Acquainted

Chicago, August 1. (By The Associated Press)—Forty-two porcine aristocrats, veritable super-pigs with the perkiness of little screw tails and double chins in endless undulations, will be shipped from New York August 8, to the Centennial Exposition at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

This prize herd which is valued at \$45,000 was selected from among twenty-six of the most carefully bred Poland-China herds in Illinois. At the exposition they will come in competition with prize swine from all over the world, including the Brazilian descendants of the prize-winning Berkshires imported by the Brazilian government years ago.

Brazil is destined to rank second to the United States in swine-producing, in the opinion of Guy H. Hall, director of the National Institute of Progressive Farming.

It is important to the world's food supply that Brazil's agrarian expansion should be along progressive lines," said Mr. Hall. "for the fact that pure-bred cattle, hogs and sheep produce more meat and more profit to the grower no longer requires argument. Brazil is alive to the fact and her livestock exhibit will be one of the greatest ever held. The Brazilian farmers are more progressive than generally understood in this country. They are large buyers of American farm implements and in their vast fields make much use of American tractors."

"Pigs is pigs," added Mr. Hall, but these Illinois Poland-Chinas are of ambassadorial significance. They bring the breeders of the two countries into acquaintance, and this is the slow, sure course of trade expansion."

POSTMASTER HOOPER HAS HIS TROUBLES

Sometimes He Brings Them Around To The Daily Advance For Solution

"Postmaster, won't you tack this notice up? Some one lost an automobile tire 32x4 Arrow Brand in Chowan County one-half mile from Charlie Barker's store, three miles from Edenton. I found it in the ditch on the 25th. Owner call at once."

The foregoing is just a sample of the correspondence which Postmaster Hooper has thrust upon him from day to day. Of course, the place for this was in The Daily Advance want columns, so Postmaster Hooper brought it around.

But the story was too entertaining and here it goes as news. If some misguided Elizabeth City person lost such a tire while straying about Edenton, he may obtain the name and address of the finder at The Advance office.

FIFTEEN KILLED IN HEAD-ON COLLISION

Cincinnati, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Fifteen are reported killed and a score injured in a head-on collision between a negro excursion train and a passenger train on the Cincinnati, Lebanon & Northern road at Lester Station, a suburb, today. Most of the fatalities were among the negroes.

CONTINUES VERY ILL

Mrs. J. E. Bourke, 504 Second street, who has been confined to bed for the past seven weeks, is still in a critical condition.

Highway Commission Adjourns After Passing Monthly Bills

The Pasquotank Highway Commission met in regular session Tuesday morning and adjourned after passing the monthly bills. With F. F. Coburn out of the city and with A. E. Jones not present, O. F. Gilbert, a member of the commission who has resigned as a result of the course of the majority with reference to the M. Hermon road, had to be called in order to effect a quorum. Mr. Gilbert, it was held, is a member of the commission until his successor is appointed and qualifies for the office.

Curtis Alberison, who recently enlisted in the U. S. Army, and who is now stationed at Norfolk, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Alberison, on Second street.

Two Girls Died From Eating Pie

New York, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Two girl stenographers died today and nearly a hundred persons employed in the garment house section of Broadway are ill of poison believed to have been taken in pie eaten in a restaurant at Broadway and Twenty-sixth street yesterday. Investigation of the restaurant is being made.

Car Strike In Chicago

Chicago, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Twenty thousand employes on the surface and elevated lines went on a strike at four o'clock this morning and the greater part of the working portion of the city's population was forced to seek improvised transportation. No statement was made as to when efforts would be made to resume traffic.

COTTON GROWERS ARE SIGNING UP

Raleigh, Aug. 1.—With its organization for handling this year's cotton crop of its members complete, the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative Association is conducting an intensive drive this month to bring its total sign-up to six hundred thousand bales, which will be 75 per cent of the estimated yield in North Carolina.

U. B. Blalock, of Wadeboro, general manager of the association, was kept busy most of the week looking after his duties as president of the North Carolina Farmers' convention, which was in session at West Raleigh. He is moving his family to Raleigh and will devote his entire time to looking after the affairs at the headquarters of the association.

Arrangements for establishing foreign connections to handle the four hundred thousand bales that have been signed up by the association, were made last week at a conference of directors of several Southern cotton growers' co-operative associations, which was attended by President W. H. Austin, Directors B. W. Kilgore and L. D. Robinson and General Manager Blalock, of the North Carolina Association, Chesley B. Howard, a prominent Atlanta cotton merchant, has been employed by the North Carolina, Georgia and Alabama associations as sales manager to handle their cotton.

Arrangements for financing the handling of the cotton of the co-operative associations has proven to be the easiest task of all. The War Finance Corporation has agreed to loan the North Carolina association to the amount of ten million dollars, but it is not expected that it will be necessary to use much of this promised loan as practically all the North Carolina banks have promised to make advances on the same basis as the War Finance Corporation.

When the cotton grower markets his cotton through this association, he will be given an advance on his cotton, which will be about 60 per cent of the market value of his cotton at the time he delivers it to the association. He secures this advance by attaching his warehouse receipt or bill of lading to a sight draft on the association. The later advances will be made as the cotton is marketed.

Lynch Negro Charged With Killing Deputy

Macon, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—A mob of three hundred lynched a negro identified as John Glover, charged with killing Deputy Sheriff Byrd, of Bibb County, near Holton, this afternoon.

W. L. Hill with Mrs. Hill and children left Monday for Nags Head to spend the week.

Lewis Calls Conference

Operators And Miners To Meet In Cleveland Next Monday To Settle Coal Strike

Philadelphia, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—A joint wage conference of operators and miners of the central competitive bituminous fields will be held in Cleveland next Monday for the purpose of negotiating an agreement designed to terminate the coal strike. The conference was called today by John L. Lewis, head of the mine workers. Lewis also announced that the general policy committee of the United Mine Workers will meet in Cleveland at the same time for the purpose of acting promptly on developments as they occur in the joint wage conference. All the men will remain on strike until an agreement or definite understanding is reached.

Indianapolis, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Indiana operators will not attend the conference called at Cleveland by International President Lewis, declared Morton Gould, president of the Indiana Bituminous Operators' Association.

REAR LIGHTS STILL GET AUTO DRIVERS IN TROUBLE

Failure to display the proper rear light, illuminating the license number suspended at the rear of the car, continues to get drivers in trouble in Elizabeth City police court.

James Simons and Marvin Williams were taxed with the costs for this offense Tuesday.

Johnny Overton, colored truck driver, was taxed with the costs for failure to display the license tag at the front and rear of the truck he was driving. Overton's truck was travelling without any license number whatever when he was stopped by Police Officer Twiddy.

PLAY NORFOLK TEAM FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The All-Star Elizabeth City baseball team will play the Poplar Branch team here this afternoon at five o'clock. Poplar Branch, it is said, will be a bit stronger on this visit by the addition of two of their best players, who were unable to come the last time. Poyner is slated to pitch for the visitors, while Evans and Jones are expected to do the battery work for the home team.

On Friday afternoon at 4:30 the All-Stars will play the Riverside Athletic Association of Norfolk on the Main street diamond. The Norfolk team is said to be a strong one, and a good game is assured fans.

COTTON JUMPS UP

New Orleans, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—Cotton jumped eight dollars and a half a bale immediately after the reading of the Government condition report today.

TWO-WAY SHIP CANAL COULD BE BUILT

Chicago, Aug. 1 (By The Associated Press)—A two-way ship canal between Lakes Superior and Michigan, deep enough for ocean steamers, could be built at a reasonable cost and would divert to this route and to Chicago at least seventy-five per cent of the tonnage which now goes through Sault Ste. Marie, according to D. Chase Denison, a Chicago engineer.

After surveying the territory through which it was proposed to build such a canal, Mr. Denison said that the best place for the cut-off route would be from a point near Au Train, Mich., on Lake Superior to the headwaters of the bay north of Escanaba, Mich., on Lake Michigan.

S. W. Scott and family, Calvin Halstead and Mrs. Halstead, Rev. E. L. Cole and Mrs. Cole, all of Weaverville, passed through the city Tuesday enroute to Nags Head, where they will spend the remainder of the week.