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# WAR - TIME RESTRICTIONS MAY BE PLACED ON CON-SUMPTION OF COAL

Secretary Lane Announces That Government Will Not Hesitate to Curtail Consumption Fifty Per Cent - Railroads Confiscate Coal in Transit.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 - Federal government agencies moved swiftly today to meet the situation which will result from the strike of Situminous coal miners Saturday.

#### Developments included:

Orders to railroads to confiscate all coal in transit if necessary to build up a reserve for operation of the roads. Re-establishment of the priorities list

of the fuel administration so that the railroads, public service utilities and essential industries will have first call on whatever coal is mined and on that in storage.

Preparation of an executive order establishing maximum prices for coal and completion of plans by the department of justice to punish those guilty of profiteering and hoarding.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30-Revival of the fuel administration to deal with conditions growing out of the coal strike is not necessary, Dr. Harry A. Garfield advised the President's cabinet today. holding that the war-time powers of that body now are vested in the railroad administration which will have full authority to distribute coal to essential industries. Members of the cabinet said that if Dr. Garfield's suggestion was adopted, it would obviate the necessity of asking congress for money to reorganize the fuel administration, and that the railroad administration could allocate coal in accordance with the preferential list in effect during the coal shortage two years ago. While revival of the fuel administration had been urged by government of ficials to prevent hoarding and profiteering, the department of justice aunounced that it had power to handle that situation under the food control act.

teet the public when the strike of miners goes into effect Saturday. Director General Hines also was summoned to give a detailed report of conditions confronting the railroad administration. Members of the cabinet were particularly anxious to know how long the railroad stock of fuel would last and how rapidly. coal was being moved from the mines. It had been expected that the first step in the general campaign of the govern-

ment would be to bring back the fuel administration which still exists, although its working organization has been demobilized. Dr. Garfield pointed out, however, that

the railroad administration could wield all of the powers vested heretofore in Dr. Garfield's organization.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 .- An executive order restoring maximum prices for oal will be issued by President Wilson, probably today. Officials would not say what maximum had been determined up-

Secretary Lane announced as the cabinet met that the government would not hesitate to curtail the consumption of coal in industries 50 per cent in order that the coal on hand and that available from unaffected non-union mines might be equitably distributed to essential industries.

The railroad administration today ordered the confiscation of all coal in transit where necessary to obtain a reserve supply to keep the roads in operation. In taking over such coal, exemptions will be made as far as possible of coal destined to certain classes of consignees based on the priority list established by the fuel administration.

The northwest has a fair winter's supply stored at Duluth, Minn., and other nearby storage points, Mr. Lane said.

**COMMITTEES NAMED FOR RED CROSS ROLL CALL** 

Chairman O. B. Carpenter and Assistants All Ready For Big **Red Cross Drive in the Coun**ty Next Week - Personnel of Committees - More Details Later.

Chairman O. B. Carpenter, of the Third Red Cross Roll Call for Gaston County, is busy this week laying plans to put the county over the top next week when the national drive for the Red Cross is inauguated. He has announced the following committees:

O. B. Carpenter, General Chairman, Third Red Cross Roll Call.

W. Y. Warren, Chairman Business Men's Division. S. B. Dolley, Chairman Speaker's

Bureau. W. B. Roddey, Chairman Industrial Di-

rision. G. G. Willis, Roll Call Cashier. Major A. L. Bulwinkle, Chairman World War Veteran's Division,

Captains of teams for house to hous anvass:

Chester Street, Mrs. L. N. Glenn, York Street, Mrs. A. A. McLean, South Street and Fourth Avenue, Mrs.

T. C. Quickle. S. Marrietta Street, Mrs. W. J. Clif ford.

S. Oakland Street, Mrs. J. W. Timberlake. S. Broad Street, Mrs. S. A. Kindley, E. Franklin, Mrs. B. E. Atkins. N. Marrietta Street, Mrs. Jno. L. Beal. W. Third Avenue, Mrs. J. Y. Miller, Second Avenue, Mrs. W. W. Glenn. Long Avenue, Falls and Dallas Street, Mrs. J. M. Shuford.

W. Airline Avenue, Mrs. H. B. Moore.

W. Main Avenue, Mrs. J. M. Holland. W. Franklin Avenue, Miss Ida Pursley.

E. Main Avenue, Mrs. E. Lee Hanks. E. Aairline and E. Long Avenue, Miss

Ruby Spencer. Chesterplace, Mrs. T. E. Summerow. In charge of Booth in Postoffice, Mrs. J. White Wafe.

The following workers have been appointed to be in booth during the week of the Drive:

Misses Frances Atkinson, Nellie Rose Sloan, Lavinia Hunter, Lillian Watson, Margaret Whitesides, Prue Thomasson, Maude Rankin, Jennie Pegram, Mrs. F. C. Michael, Mrs. J. W. Atkins, Mrs. Ed. C. Adams and Mrs. S. B. Dolley. Further announcements of other plans and sub-cimmittees will be made in a later issue of The Gazette.

#### MRS. ELLA WHEELER WILCOX, STATE COUNCIL ENDS IMPOR-FAMOUS AUTHOR, DEAD TANT SESSION THIS AFTERNOON

**Organization Representing 7,000 Club Women** of State Held Interesting Two-Day Session, Considering Many Important Subjects - Address Last Night by Mr. J. H. Separk - Many **Reports Heard at Final Session - Delightful** Luncheon Closed Meeting.

#### (By Mrs. Zoe Kincaid Brockman.)

Mrs. Wilcox had been constantly under From the time the chairman of hos ; dered the council and one around which medical care for months. During her illpitality, Mrs. S. A. Robinson, met the ness overseas messages to friends de first delegate at the train until the adspaired of her recovery. She regained in a measure her strength and in July was journment of the final session of the brought to New York and then to Brancouncil and all it brought with it was ford in fulfillment of a desire to be in her a source of joy to club women and to own home, the place wherein most of her the city at large. The council represents literary work had been done, and where, the 7,000 club women of the state and, with Mr. Wilcox, she had entertained with the exception of the president and Mrs. Wilcox was in her 64th year and the corresponding secretary, no two counwas a native of Johnstown Center, Wis. cil members came from the same town. She was married to Mr. Wilcox in 1884.

This morning's session opened with assembly singing led by Mrs. Hook with Mrs. Fred D. Barkley at the piano. Prayer was then offered by Superintendent J. S. Wray. The singing of the federation song followed after which Mrs. Fred D. Barkley most charmingly rendered a piano solo which was greatly enjoyed and enthusiastically encored. Minutes of the two preceding business sessions were read by the secretary, Miss Harriett Elliott, of the faculty of the North Carolina College for Women at Greensboro.

The first report of the morning was that of the General Federation Secretary, Mrs. E. F. Reid, of Lenoir, one of whose duties is that of taking subscriptions to the General Federation magazine. Reports from presidents of districts were then heard and a report was made by Mrs. H. E. White, of High Point, chairman of membership. Mrs. Hook then read a report from Dr. Delia Dixon Carroll, state chairman of health. Mrs. Lucina G. Irish, field secretary of the National Travelers Aid Society, spoke briefly of the work done through and by

much interest centered was the tea at the Loray community house Wednesday afternoon. Receiving at the front door were Mrs. W. D. Anderson, Mrs. J. W. Baker, Mrs. G. W. Ragan and Miss Leila Wilson. At the door leading into the day nursery were Mrs. Burgess and Mrs. S. O. Walker. This room was very attractive with its rows of white cribs and its white enameled lockers where small belongings are kept. From the nursery the visitors were shown into the kindergarten by Miss Lillie Wyatt. Here, under the supervision of Miss Jennie Brittain were the little folks of kindergarten age, demurely seated on tiny red chairs, awaiting with interest the visitors. With Miss Brittain at the piano, the little folks skip ped most joyously to music and played many interesting games. Miss Reid showed the visitors into the tea room, which was attractively decorated with antumn flowers. Tea was poured by Misses Potts and Otey and sandwiches, wafers and mints were served by six girls of the domestic science class. Much interest was manifested by the visitors in this sttractive, up-to-date and efficiently man-

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### JENKINS DID NOT CON-**NIVE IN ABDICATION**

**Published Stories Intimated** That American Consular Agent Had Tricked Associates - Evidence is to the Con-

HUGHES, M'ADOO AND WICK-

Her literary work embraced a large num-

ber of books, both prose and poetry, and

she was a contributor to many publica-

Her surviving relatives are a brother

friends from over all the world.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Oct. 30 .- Mrs.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox, author and poetess,

died at her home, "The Bungalow," in

Branford, today. Mrs. Wilcox had been

ill for some months, having had a nervous

collapse while engaged in war relief work

Her death was not unexpected by those

who shared the seclusion of her home. The

exact nature of her final illness is not

in England.

stated.

tious.

**Prominent Array Legal Talent** Appears in Case to Test Validity Federal Farm Loan Act in Kansas.

#### (By The Associated Press)

KANSAS CITY, MO., Oct. 30 .--- Chas. E. Hughes, William G. McAdoo and Geo. W. Wickersham, of New York, were ready to appear in United States court here to day as attorneys for the defense in a suit the Traveler's Aid, and the purpose for brought by Charles E. Smith to test the which it was organized. She spoke of validity of the federal farm loan act.

## and a sister in the west. The body will be taken to Springfield, Mass., for cermation and a service will be held there.

**ERSHAM ARE ATTORNEYS** 

Dr. Garfield was at the white house before the cabinet met in special session to put final approval on plans to pro-

There is from 150,000,000 to 200,000,-000 tons of non-union coal mined yearly and this would be divided as follows: Railroad supply 100,000,000 tons; domestic 50,000,000, and public utilities 25,-000 000. This would leave no coal for industries from this source and Mr. Lane said they would have to be taken care of through curtailment of their consumption

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Oct. 30, -Sheriffs and mayors of all cities and municipalities in West Virginia had under consideration today a recommendation from Governor John Cornwell, that they organize "committees of spirited citi-

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# **TWENTY MINERS ENTOMBED;** HOPE OF RESCUE ABANDONED

After Battling Their Way to Within Few Feet of Miners, Rescue Workers are Ordered Back by Officials Who Fear Explosion Might Occur.

#### (By The Associated Press)

STEUBENVILLE, O., Oct. 30 .- After battling their way to within 150 feet of where 20 miners have been imprisoned since yesterday morning, rescue workers at 20 today when it was learned that were ordered out of the Y and O mine No. 2 at Amsterdam, O., at 6 o'clock this morning by mine officials and state mine inspectors, who feared an explosion might occur, according to word received here. Hope has been abandoned that the miners are alive.

Rescue parties worked all night long in the gas-filled mine. At two o'cleck this morning they had reached a point 150 feet distant from entry No. 15, west, in which the 20 miners were supposed to be held prisoners.

Fire broke out then behind the rescue party and its members were forced to fight their way through flames and smoke. many narrowly escaping suffocation

Subsequently attempts to rescue the entombed men failed, the officials at day break ordering the men to leave the mines. Coal was afire throughout the entire workings and the mine was filk the with gas. After a final tour of inspection shortly before 6 o'clock, the inspectors pronounced it extremely dangerous to continue the rescue work. Officials said they believed the entombed men were dead. All the company's property about the mouth of the shaft was then cleared for fear of an explosion.

Late last night the timbers of the main entry were burned out and dropped, cue work.

resulting in serious slate and coal falls which impeded the rescue work. The state mine rescue car arrived at 10 o'clock last night, but was unable to operate. The list of missing was officially placed Andrew McLesson, 41, a loader, went into the mine yesterday morning. State mine inspectors and mine officials, are in consultation and on their decision will rest whether any further attempt will be made to reach the entombed men.

AMSTERDAM, O., Oct. 30-Rescue work at the Youghiogheny and Ohio coal mine, where 21 miners are trapped, continued today. Officials this morning believed they were within a few yards of where the men are trapped. A cavein, caused when supporting timbers had been eaten away by flames, has made rescue work more difficult.

The miners were entombed yesterday when an electric generator exploded and set fire to the main interior Intense heat and smoke has greatly handicapped bert L. Cox, who commanded the 113th 12 work of the rescuers.

Of the men entombed, but one has made his way to the surface. He emerged last night, saying he had been pulled to the shaft by his mule while he lay on the floor of a mine car. He was badly fore the afternoon meeting. burned.

Entrance of the mine was crowded by rlatives and friends of the miners who eagerly watched the progress of the res-



Since Wednesday's announcements, the milding final of the North Carolina Orthopaedic Respital has been increased by the following subscriptions:

Capt. T. S. Frott ..... 4 39,000 H. Schneider ...... 25.00 All subscriptions reguiness of size will be gratefully releived, says Mr. Babington and adds that often the \$5 and \$10 subscriptions are large: than the \$50 and

# FEDERAL OFFICERS INVESTI-GATE SINKING STEAMER

#### (By The Associated Press)

MUSKEGON, MICH., Oct. 30,-While federal officers continued their investigation of the sinking Tuesday of the lake steamer Muskegon, which battled her way across Lake Michigan through a raging storm only to be dashed to pieces against the piers in the harbor here, divers today were searching the hull of the vessel and tug crews were dragging the bottom of the channel in an effort to find the bodies of the victims, believed now to number between 20 and 24. Only six bodies have been recovered and the exact number of the missing has not been definitely established, because of the loss of the ship's register.



#### (By The Associated Press)

RALEIGH, Oct. 31 .- The first state convention of the North Carolina division of the American Legion convened here today for a one-day meeting. Colonel Alfield artillery of the 30th division, and Governor T. W. Bickett were the principal speakers. The election of state officers and delegates to the national convention was the the principal business be-

An attachment to be operated by a typist's knee has been patented to push a typewriter carriage back when the end of a line is reached.

Mr. Smith, a director of the Kansas this work as being distinctly protective City Title & Trust Co., seeks to enjoin the in its nature and not for the purpose company from purchasing bonds or loans of giving railway information. She askfrom the federal land bank and joint ed for the co-operation of North Carolina stock land banks created under the law club women in the extension of Travel-

on the ground that the tax exemption er's Aid societies. Mrs. Hook then clause of the act is unconstitutional, and spoke for the financial committees and that the issuance of bonits by the institu- asked for suggestions as to its work. An tions is illegal. William Marshall Bullitt, of Louisville, Ky., former solicitor time business was disposed of and ad general of the United States government, is chief council for the plaintiff. The federal land bank, of Wichita,

inter-plea to the suit as did the first joint | journed. stock land bank of Chicago.

Mr. Hughes represents the Wichita bank and Messrs. McAdoo and Wickersham the Chicago institution. In addition. Mr. Hughes has been appointed an assistant attorney general of the United States to represent the government in the in the suit.

TRANS-CONTINENTAL AIR RACE PRACTICALLY OVER.

#### (By The Associated Press)

CHICAGO, Oct. 30-Two of the five aviators remaining in the 5,402 mile trans-continental army airplane race today were in easy flying distance of their goal and the other three, barring accidents and unfavorable weather should be at their home hangars before the contest officially is ended at sundown to morrow evening. Lieut, Col. H. E. Hartney, flying a German Fokker, and Lieut R M. Bagby were 142 miles from Mincola, N. Y., their starting point, today, having flown 668 miles from Chicago vesterday.

Lieut. H. B. Gish was ready to take off today at Rock Island, Ills., with 965 miles remaining, and Captain F. Steinle was 1,373 miles from the finish at St. Paul, Neb.

Lieut. R. S. Worthington, only remaining westbound flyer, was 755 miles from San Francisco at Green River, Wyo.

#### CABINET IN SPECIAL SESSION.

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 .- President Wilson's cabinet was called in special session this morning to make final plans for dealing with the strike of bituminous coal miners Saturday. The call was issued by Secretary Lansing.

COLORADO NATIONAL GUARD IS MOBILIZED.

#### (By The Associated Press)

DENVER, COLO., Oct. 30 .- Mobilization of the Colorado national guard for the protection of miners who wish to work in case a strike of soft coal miners occurs November 1, was begun today upon instructions from Governor Stroup. The national guard, approximately 1. 200 strong, is ordered to mobilize at Golden and Trinidad by Friday night.

# open discussion followed, after which roujournment for luncheon took place at 1 p. m. Immediately after luncheon a meeting of the executive board was held.

Kas, created under the law, has filed an after which the council formally ad-

Wednesday's luncheon, given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. McLean on South York street, was especially charming in its Hallowe 'en setting, and the attractive arrangement of autumn flowers throughout the rooms. In the music and dining rooms were handsome mahogany tables covered with maderia luncheon sets. The centerpiece of each table was a pumpkin filled with magnificent yellow and white chrysanthemuns, over which witches on broom sticks were riding. At

each end of the eables were huge black cats attached to the pumpkins by runners of orange ribbons. Tiny black cats were suspended from the chandeliers by vellow ribbons. Orange shaded candles were used on the tables and the favors were small orange colored boxes filled with yellow and white mints and topped with riding witches. Yellow and white chrysanthemums in handsome cut glass baskets and vases were effectively used in these rooms. White and yellow chrysanthemums were also used in the sun parlor where smaller tables, covered with cluny mats, were placed. Small tables covered with lace mats were also arranged in the hall, the decorations here being handsome bronze chrysanthemums. An elaborate and delicious menu was served, consisting of chicken a la king, fruit salad on Florida lettuce, potato chips, beaten biscuits, candied ginger, frozen custard and white and gold cake. Goldbanded china was used throughout the luncheon.

Mrs. D. A. Garrison was toast-mistress and toasts as follows were given: "Mrs. Reilly and the Thrift Campaign'' by Mrs. W. C. Barrett; "The Mother of the Federation, Mrs. Robert R. Cotten," by Mrs. R. K. Babington; "The Women of To-day," by Mrs. Joe S. Wray. Following the luncheon, the guests were shown into the spacious living room where good cheer expressed itself in the bright fire burning in the huge open fireplace. and the lovely bowls of red and white dahlias. Here coffee was poured from a handsome silver coffee service by Mesdames W. F. Michael and E. W. Gilliam. Music was enjoyed throughout the luncheon hour. This was the last social courtesy shown the council during their sojourn in the city, and the occasion was a very happy on. DELIGHTFUL TEA AT LORAY.

One of the most delightful affairs ten- | countries lacking coal mines.

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vations.

#### (By The Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, Wednesday, Oct. 29 .--'nonshed intimations that the abduction William O. Jenkins, American consulor agent at Pueblo, presented phases indicative of connivance by Jenkins and certain of his associates with the bandits, are refuted in a story published by The Excelsior. The newspaper's story is the result of an investigation by its special representatives in Puebla.

The Excelsior says the consular agent was really kidnapped and that Cordorva, leader of the bandits, signed a receipt for (00,000 pesos although it says it is not known how much of this amount has been paid or who paid it.

The arrest of Jenkins' attorney, who cas been released on bail, is believed to have been brought about by the local ourts wanting to assure testimony to aid in clearing up charges in connection with what persons paid over the ransom money. Mr. Jenkins is still in the hospital suffering from the effects of a week's pri-

MEXICAN BANDITS ATTACK PASSENGER TRAIN

#### (By The Associated Press)

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 30-A band of fifty or sixty rebels under command of General Guzman, who recently left the Carranza army and joined the revolutionary forces of General Almazan. several days ago attacked a passenger train on the Monterey and Gulf Railroad, killing four passengers and wounding a number of others, according to a despatch from Laredo today.

The attack on the train took place about twenty miles east of Monterey at Bullas station. The Carranza military guard detrained and returned the fire of the bandits, killing several of them.

### TEN MILLION DOLLAR BANK **BACKED BY CHINESE**

#### (By The Associated Press)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 30 .- Back-I by the Chinese government a bank capitalized at \$10,000,000 now being established in New York, will establish branches in Vancouver, Seattle, Wash., San Francisco and Montreal, according to an announcement made by Hsu Un Yuen, privy councillor of the Chinese cabinet, who was here today on his way home. Mr. Hsu is returning to Peking with a number of American bankers who hope to arrange a credit system between China and America.

The New York bank will be known as the American Industrial Bank of China.

Argentina is one of the few important