

ORDER CURTLING HEAT IN CARS CUTS CONSUMPTION 20 TO 30 PER CENT COMPANY'S SUPPLY CUT OFF

Conservation of Coal Brings Many Privations

The whole nation is feeling the pinch of fuel scarcity due to the coal strike. Philadelphia cars are heatless, probably effecting a saving of 100 tons of coal a day.

Chicago business is on a 6 1/2-hour basis which may be reduced to four hours if plants have shut down. New York elevated and subway lines are heatless. The Great White Way operates electric signs only between 7:30 and 8:30 p. m.

Orders issued by the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co., in effect today, reducing heating in its cars to a minimum will result in reducing the heat in about 90 per cent of the coal used by the company during the winter months.

The action is made necessary, according to officials of the company, by notification from their coal brokers that shipments of coal to the company have been stopped.

An now operated the cars are without heat during the "peak" hours— from 5 p. m. to 6:30 p. m. and from about 6 o'clock until 8 in the morning. During the rest of the time the heat is turned on one point excepting when extremely cold weather may dictate a greater amount of heat. Three points are the maximum.

Company officials say that when three points are turned on it takes 50 per cent and sometimes up to as high as 75 per cent of the coal used to furnish power to heat the cars. At one point power to heat the cars consumed to furnish heat is 20 per cent or a little more.

The company uses about 500 tons of coal each day, which makes the saving which will be effected by the new ruling average 100 tons daily. Members of the regional coal committee of the railroad administration are in favor of the saving, saying that the coal situation is extremely serious.

The management of the P. R. T., in a statement, emphasizes that it does not desire to inconvenience its patrons; but states that as it has but sixty days' supply of coal on hand it must do its utmost to conserve. At present the coal it will get will be limited to the supply of the regional coal committee, which is being hoarded here, which is pooled and allotted to various users.

Nothing further regarding Regional Director Baker's statement recommending the discontinuance of electrically illuminated advertising displays has been done here, and it is doubtful anything will be done until machinery for enforcement is set up.

Persons interested pointed out today that the saving resulting from the new ruling will be lost if the windows would be lighted, according to lighting authorities.

They cite an address by E. L. Cole, former regional director of the Pennsylvania Electric Association at Bedford Springs, Pa., in which he pointed out that such an action would be trifling, but that it would be done because of its psychological effect on the public, which otherwise would be discouraged by the lack of coal while it saw electric signs and show windows brightly lighted.

Mr. Cole at that time said the fuel administration was extremely doubtful if there would be any saving from darkened windows and signs. Such illumination, he said, was necessary to attract attention to the business load carried by the Philadelphia Electric Co. at the station.

This is explained by the fact that in Philadelphia the three heaviest loads are carried on the line used to convey power for industrial purposes, loads on other lines must be increased. Unless this amount of coal is being consumed each day Chicago may have to be put on four-hour business day basis. The coal situation was reported to be more serious here today than at any time since the beginning of the coal strike. Hundreds of additional manufacturing plants at Chicago closed today because of their inability to obtain fuel and many more thousands of men are idle.

Chicago's downtown streets at night resemble those of a village as far as illumination is concerned, only street lights being turned on. Electric heating of trains was suspended during the period. Officials said it means a saving of 100 tons of coal a day. Beginning tonight the Great White Way in the theatrical district will go out of business. Big electric signs will be operated only between the hours of 7:30 and 8:30 p. m.

Additional industries in the nation face shutdowns and a partnership with Chicago and Kansas City. Effective at 12:01 Monday morning, the most sweeping reduction in railroad service in history—reduction in train miles of one-third in "train miles" on all railroads diverging west, southwest and northwest from Chicago—has been ordered. Regional directors estimated that this would save about 100,000 tons of coal daily. Other curtailments of railroad service were being considered today.

No trains in the eastern region will be taken off unless absolutely necessary. A. T. Hardin, regional director, announced.

Restaurant Fire Causes Excitement. Fire in a restaurant at the southwest corner of Seventeenth and Chestnut streets created some excitement, but was quickly extinguished. J. Harvey, the proprietor of the place, estimated the loss at \$200. The origin of the fire

OPERATORS DELAY COAL STRIKE CHARGE

Government Makes Nation-Wide Investigation of Alleged Coal Conspiracy

NO NEW WAGE PROPOSAL U. S. Grand Jury to Probe Strike in West Virginia

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—Leon H. Kelly, United States district attorney for the southern district of West Virginia, announced today that a special grand jury had been called for next week to investigate charges growing out of the coal strike.

Coal production in the Kanawha field showed a slight increase today over that of yesterday, thirty mines being in operation.

By the Associated Press. Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—Government agencies in Indianapolis today continued collection and compilation of evidence of alleged collusion between coal miners and operators to limit production of coal for presentation to the Federal Grand Jury when it convenes here next Monday. A special session of the Grand Jury was called by United States District Judge A. B. Anderson yesterday, and, according to a report for the government, an investigation nationwide in its extent will be conducted.

MEN NAMED TO END CITY MARKET ROW

Alba Johnson, Clarence S. Kates and E. T. Butterworth Asked to Settle Dispute

Alba B. Johnson, Clarence S. Kates and E. T. Butterworth have been named to restore order in the chaotic city market commission.

This action was taken following a meeting in City Hall yesterday, when bitter disputes between members resulted in an interested private citizen making the direct charge that the commission is not in favor of low priced food.

The committee will form by laws, determine whether the commission is empowered to operate stores such as the 10 per cent above cost stores recently opened under the direction of George T. Sale, a member, and Joseph S. MacLaughlin, chairman, and otherwise direct the action of the commission. The committee was named by the chairman after recitation by a member. The others agreed.

To Ask Moore's Aid. Mr. Sale today asserted he was going to appeal for Mayor-elect Moore's cooperation toward supplying cheaper food to the public. He said he intends to open more 10 per cent stores and will ignore the market commission who are opposed to the plan.

"Before Mayor Smith went on a vacation I had a meeting with Mr. Moore," Mr. Sale said. "He said to me: 'You are doing a noble work. Keep on the job.'"

Mr. Sale said a member of his family had a can of tomatoes and a can of string beans in a refrigerator. Their total cost was fifty-seven cents, he said. The same brand of tomatoes in the same quantity sold for total of thirty-three cents in the 10 per cent store, he added.

The meeting yesterday was a bitter battle of forces for and against the 10 per cent store. Mr. Sale led the fight for the store men. He charged that other members of the commission were plotting to fight against securing lower priced food for the public.

Sale Quotes Figures. He quoted prices showing that the foods in the 10 per cent store were selling at half the price of those in regular retail stores in many instances. At various points in the reading of his typewritten indictment Mr. Sale was interrupted by interested witnesses or members of the commission. Finally he was compelled to quit reading the report because of the noise of tabling it was called for and carried.

At this point, Robert E. Henderson, a private citizen, arose and addressed the group. "Mr. Chairman," he said, "from what I have seen here it is quite evident that the Philadelphia Market Commission is not in favor of low-priced food."

In his fight for the continuation of the 10 per cent store Mr. Sale received the hearty support of Mr. MacLaughlin, but virtually all the other commission members were against the idea.

Mr. Sale cited instance after instance where he said plain profiteering was being done by the commission. He declared the action of retailers and commission merchants.

Statement by Commission. The following statement was issued by the commission: "The impression having gone forth that the Philadelphia Market Commission and established stores for the distribution of goods on a basis of 10 per cent profit, the commission desires the Philadelphia newspapers to give the widest publicity to the fact that it has not started any such project, nor is it responsible in any way for any statements that would lead the public to believe the contrary."

The only sales having the sanction and endorsement of the commission are those covering the army and navy goods, and the commission desires to go on and endorse as heartily commending all those who are aiding in this distribution.

Men at Meeting. Those who attended the meeting were Henry W. Young, a wholesale fish dealer of the Reading Terminal Market; William H. Eden, president of the Girard Associated Stores, who has recently been associated with Mr. Sale in the operation of the stores in question; C. S. Kates, president of the Pennsylvania Rural Progress Association; Albert E. Saiser, president of the Retail Grocers Association; A. C. Bigelow, president of the Mors-Sheep-More-Wool Association of America; Mrs. W. E. Linglebach, representing the Woman Buyers Association; R. E. Clayberger, E. T. Butterworth and E. S. Armstrong, representing the commission merchants.

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'SLATE' DRAWN FOR CIVIL SERVICE BODY

Reilly and Bolger Said to Be Sure of Commissionerships. Third Doubtful

COUNCIL TO ELECT MEN

A tentative "slate" for the civil service commission was drawn up today by persons said to be close to the incoming administration.

Reilly and Bolger, secretary of the Town Meeting party, are to be elected by the new Council of twenty-one, a change created by the new charter. Heretofore the commissioners have been appointed by the Mayor.

Here is the suggested line-up: Frank M. Ritter, former president of the civil service commission, under Mayor Hanksburg.

Horace W. Reilly, secretary of the Town Meeting party.

The name of Albert Smith Faught has also been brought forward for a civil service commissionership.

It is understood that persons close to Mayor-elect Moore are urging him to retain in the cabinet the outgoing secretary of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' Association, today issued the following statement:

The coal operators of Indiana have no reason under the sun to fear any kind of an investigation of their activities that the government desires to make. In making this investigation the federal authorities will find every assistance and every facility that we can give them.

At a place under a Lincoln Acker as purchasing is being sought for Mr. Hoban. It has been pointed out he has a large stock of coal and a good technique and would be valuable in the purchasing office.

Mr. Hoban is a Democrat and it is reported that he is the favorite choice of that fact. It is said the Mayor-elect believes a Republican should be considered.

Reads Charter Extracts. By reading extracts from the new charter, Senator Vare called attention to the fact that political activity is denied to city but not to county officeholders.

There was an undercurrent of gossip in political circles today that Senator Vare's followers will make political capital out of the \$2.85 rate. As most of the members of the council are to be elected after January, they are said to be unwilling to be held responsible for the increased rate.

This unwillingness, according to reports, will result in a show of opposition to the proposed rate at the next meeting of Councils.

Dividing interest with the impending primary election, the Mayor-elect Moore's cabinet. There is little likelihood that any cabinet appointments will be made this week.

The directorship of public safety, regarded as the most important in the cabinet, is yet to be filled. Those who believed a military man would be chosen by a statement by Mr. Moore.

The Mayor-elect was asked if he regarded military experience prerequisite for the post.

Military Experience Not Necessary. "Not necessarily," said Mr. Moore. "A director of public safety should be a man of ability, having courage to do the big things required of him, whether in the face of crime and crookedness or in the face of better street lighting or any of the requirements of bureau under his direction. He should be fearless, and he should be a man who can give an order and see that it is enforced. Of course a man who knows something about discipline is desirable."

Charles L. Seasholes, military attaché at Trenton, N. J., who has been in Philadelphia for several years, is believed to be a strong contender for the post.

Private Detective Slain. Prisoner Apparently Shot Him and Wrecked Motorcar.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 5.—(By A. P.)—Philip Russo, said to be a private detective, was shot and killed here, was found dead near Wilmerding today. He had been shot three times. His wrecked automobile was at the bottom of a ravine nearby.

Police in 7 Districts Join "Sons of Rest". Not a Prisoner Today Occupies a Cell in South Philadelphia Stations.

5000 SEEK TO TAKE CENSUS IN THIS CITY

Extra Cent Per Name Attracts Men, Women and Boys of All Ages

1856 TO BE SELECTED

The proposed \$2.85 tax rate for 1920 is regarded by Mayor-elect Moore as a means of successfully meeting the city's financial situation.

Five thousand of us are fighting for a chance to help find out how many of us there are in the city. A lot of the interest may be idle curiosity, but some of it is thought to be due to the extra cent per name that has been added to the bounty of the censustakers.

According to a telegram just received from Washington by the local census bureau, the inhabitant-hunters will get four cents for each name they snare for government's list of the natives of these parts.

Five thousand applicants, ranging in age from schoolboys to old men who can remember when census taking in Philadelphia wasn't so much of a job, and including veterans of several wars, married women, bachelors, book agents, suffering from the printers' strike, persons who are just plain out of a job, and representatives of all the races of the city, will compete for the 1856 places on the census force which Robert J. Keegan is marshaling to comb the streets of the city in an effort to get out a complete social and unsocial register.

Examinations will be held tomorrow in seven high schools throughout the city. The tests, unlike most examinations, will deal strictly with the matter in hand and will take the form of filling census blanks from material furnished by the census takers. The best 1856 of these papers will be selected in Washington, and their writers will be given a chance to collect about \$70 apiece from the government for their services in the past year.

Each of the successful candidates will be given a district to cover in two weeks. Whenever he runs into a bunch of Americans that speak English he makes a report and a linguist is sent out to find out how many are in the unintelligible family.

The census takers must probe into the original, original original, family relations, education, business (if any) and a lot of personal matters that don't generally leak out. Census takers generally get a reputation for being nosy about their own neighborhood.

Robert J. Keegan, director of the Philadelphia census, hopes to locate 3,000,000 of us here in Philadelphia county.

POLICE IN 7 DISTRICTS JOIN "SONS OF REST"

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Only Charge by Court Remains Before Decision Is Reached

LAWYERS END SUMMING UP

The case against William S. Leib, the Schuylkill county politician, charged with fraud in connection with state tax receipts, goes to the jury today.

All that remains before the jury returns to deliberate upon a verdict is the charge by Judge Johnson in Quarter Sessions Court.

John H. Maurer, assistant district attorney, who has had charge of the prosecution of Leib, and John P. Whelan and William A. Carr, attorneys for the defense, have completed their closing addresses.

Leib is accused of forging four tax receipts for \$2100 paid to the state by the Merchant & Evans Co. The court allowed the Commonwealth to call Thomas Raeburn White, a lawyer, yesterday as a witness in rebuttal to corroborate James D. Evans, vice president of the Merchant concern, regarding a conversation with the defendant.

Mr. White testified to several conversations in the presence of Mr. Evans and Mr. Leib. On cross-examination, he said the talk concerned affairs of the Schuylkill Railway Co. and may not have included reference to the alleged forged receipts.

Mr. Whelan, in addressing the jury, said that if the court decides the charge to be a misdemeanor the jury could place the costs of the prosecution on the Commonwealth or the private prosecutor.

It has been clearly shown that James D. Evans is the private prosecutor," said Mr. Whelan, "and if you believe this defendant's arrest was without warrant and unjustified then you can impose on the Commonwealth the costs of this prosecution and acquit the defendant."

ONE-WAY STREET BILL IN COMMITTEE TODAY

Measure Also Covers Parking Privileges—Opposition Is Expected

The one-way street bill, which has caused so much discussion among automobilists and contractors, will come before Councils' committee on highways this afternoon.

The bill, introduced in Council at the request of Thomas E. Mitten, president of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co., is the most drastic traffic regulation ever suggested and the advisability of making it effective all over the city is questioned.

Weeks ago the measure was reported favorably to Councils. Later it was withdrawn at the request of the building contractors, who take exception to the small allowance of parking privileges and to the regulation requiring certain classes of hauling to be done during certain hours of the morning.

The measure, which provides all vehicular traffic must move with the trolley cars and permits of parking privileges for a reasonable length of time, was assigned to the committee to affect the entire city between Olney and Oregon avenues.

At this afternoon's session efforts at revision will be made so the provisions finally agreed upon can be given a test between South street and Columbia avenue. One clause that prohibits the use of car tracks to vehicles has been construed to mean much heavy wear on the shoulders of streets for which the city is solely liable.

CHICKENPOX IN BRISTOL

Disregard of Quarantine Measures Causes Disease to Spread

Doylesstown, Pa., Dec. 5.—Because some of the residents of Bristol township, in lower Bucks county, disliked the idea of quarantining for contagious diseases, a peculiar skin malady that has been prevalent among the school children was discovered to be chickenpox.

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ACCUSER'S HELD IN DETECTIVE CASE

Grocer, Who Alleged Extortion, Must Answer Charge of Receiving Stolen Goods

INNOCENT BUYER, HE SAYS

Alexander Leaf, the grocer of the northwest corner of Eleventh street and Fairmount avenue, who preferred charges of extortion, conspiracy and blackmail against two city detectives, was held in \$500 bail by Magistrate Commer today on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

Jacob Gomborow and Thomas McCullough, the detectives, who, it is charged, offered to save Leaf from prosecution for purchasing a quantity of stolen coffee, are held under \$1000 bail each, for court. William B. Mills, assistant superintendent of police, will take action to suspend the men today.

Leaf was arrested by Captain of Detectives Alfred Souder, on a warrant sworn out by William P. Krouse, from whom the coffee was stolen. "I acted with honest intent in buying the coffee," Leaf said. "It was offered to me by an employe, a salesman of the Krouse firm. The price was cheap, but he said Krouse was going out of business. I paid \$120 for 800 pounds, and I got a receipt from the employe."

But McCullough got the receipt later, Leaf says. He says McCullough first came into his store on November 25. He accused Leaf of buying stolen goods, the stockbroker says, and then said it might be "fixed up" if Leaf paid enough.

The next day Leaf consulted Abraham Levinthal, a lawyer. He visited him twice, the second time, according to Leaf, Gomborow was there and advised him to pay whatever was demanded to settle.

"I paid McCullough \$50 on account, and was to pay \$250 later," Leaf testified yesterday. However, he consulted another lawyer, and was advised to lay the whole matter before the district attorney.

He did, and after an investigation, the warrant for the arrest of the two detectives was issued.

SCOTCHSPUN Cravats For Christmas Gifts \$2.00

Inspired by the Homespun Weaves of the Galashells Regions of Scotland.

Scotch proficiency in homespun wools is internationally respected. In Scotchspun we have transplanted the Scotch mood and method into the field of cravatings. The shades and tones are reminiscent of Scotland, and are possible only by the weaving process employed.

Many of the silks are of Scotch origin—others have been duplicated in America by weavers who have migrated from Scotland.

Scotchspun are made in plain and two-toned weaves, combinations which are singularly attractive and beautiful.

JACOB REED'S SONS

1424-1426 Chestnut Street

\$5000 POLICY COST \$68.90

Age 40—dividends reduce this cost after 10 years. Write for booklet policy at your age. STOKES PACKARD, HAYGHTON & SMITH, 434 WALNUT STREET

Donations Solicited

for a Bummage Sale to be held at the Douglas Hotel, Lombard and Twelfth streets, December 18, 19 and 20. Write for list of names of donors when notified.

J. E. CALDWELL & CO

JEWELERS—SILVERSMITHS—STATIONERS CHESTNUT AND JUNIPER STREETS IMPORTANT CHRISTMAS GIFTS PEARL NECKLACES, NECKLACE PEARLS, EXCEPTIONAL JEWELS.

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