

## PLANS TO OPEN SOFT COAL PITS ARE UNDER WAY

President's Promise of Protection  
Spurs Bituminous Owners  
to Action

Operators Confident  
Output Can Be Increased

Union Leaders Reiterate Belief  
That Strikers Will Re-  
fuse to Return

## OHIO PRODUCERS IN LINE

Harding Expected to Issue  
Proclamation Outlining  
His Program

Washington, July 18.—Preliminary  
plans for their attempt to reopen mines  
closed by the strike, despite failure of  
the Government's attempt to effect a  
settlement, were understood to occupy  
bituminous coal operators who remain-  
ed in Washington for another  
meeting today, following their reply to  
President Harding's arbitration proposi-  
tion with an offer to place their proprie-  
ties and services at the Govern-  
ment's disposal.

Invited by the President to "return  
to your mine properties and resume  
operations," on submitting their reply  
to his arbitration offer yesterday, in  
which a majority accepted unqualifiedly  
the plan previously rejected by the  
miners' union, the operators, through  
their chairman, Alfred M. Gage, later  
announced that an attempt to reopen  
the mines would be made. Consider-  
able production, the employers gener-  
ally believed, would result in a  
field in Pennsylvania and Ohio if no-  
where else.

## Government to Protect Plants

The Government, it was intimated in  
official circles today, had fully con-  
sidered all the possibilities involved in  
its decision to ask that the mines be  
reopened. The protection of Federal  
troops and the American flag, it was  
indicated, would be furnished, if neces-  
sary, to insure production where the  
mining was to be done, and the Govern-  
ment itself might call for volunteer  
miners of experience now engaged in  
other pursuits.

Beyond intimating a belief that the  
large available skilled miners would  
make difficult the effort to reopen mines,  
officials of the Miners' Union who re-  
mained in Washington today continued  
to insist on the necessity of the Govern-  
ment's protection of Federal troops,  
members of the United Mine Workers  
Policy Committee, whose refusal to ac-  
cept the President's arbitration offer  
was made certain by the sine die adjourn-  
ment of their meeting yesterday and  
left the city today. John L. Lewis,  
president of the union, said he could  
renew over, however, for a day or  
two.

## Expect to Open Mines

The operators who remained in Wash-  
ington to canvass the situation care-  
fully to determine what were the pros-  
pects for resuming coal production. It  
was clear that managers of coal mines  
in Pennsylvania expected that attempts  
to open closed-down properties would  
be successful. In Southern Ohio also  
executives of large mining concerns said  
they held strong hopes of successfully  
opening at least a percentage of that  
mining area.

## RATHENAU'S SLAYERS, TRAPPED, ARE SUICIDES

Fischer and Kern, Barricaded in  
Castle, Take Own Lives

Halle, Prussian Saxony, July 18.—  
(By A. A.)—Rather than give them-  
selves up to the police when on the  
eve of capture, Hermann Fischer and  
Edwin Kern, sought by the German au-  
thorities as the assassins of Foreign  
Minister Rathenau, shot their way last  
night in the turret of Havelburg Castle,  
near Had Koesen, to which they had  
been tracked.

## HOPE OF SETTLEMENT OF RAIL STRIKE GROWS; CONFERENCES SECRET

Optimism Replaces Previous Pessimism as Leaders  
of Three Parties Most Concerned Refuse to  
Issue Statements on Situation

NEXT STEP EXPECTED FROM WHITE HOUSE;  
HARDING STILL TRUSTS TO LABOR BOARD

Carriers Advertise Widely, Frankly Asking Men to Take Places  
of Strikers—Chicago Short of Coal and Feels  
Depression Due to Transportation Tie-Up

By GEORGE NOX MCCAIN  
Chicago, July 18.—Defying the pes-  
simism of yesterday, the railroad strike  
situation has assumed a more opti-  
mistic outlook. It is largely predicated on  
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tion.

At the employment agency of the  
Pennsylvania system on South Clark  
street, the agent in charge informed me  
that applications for work are being re-  
ceived in considerable numbers. Those  
accepted are to be distributed at points  
only as far East as Crestline, Ohio.  
Each of the five grand divisions of the  
road is recruiting its own men.

Applicants are not received in any  
manner that suggests a printed form,  
in which are set forth particular re-  
quirements, such as age, education,  
experience, length and place of  
previous service, and similar facts.

Special care, I was informed, is being  
taken in the selection of men, who are  
to be employed in the operation of  
locomotives, freight cars, and repair men.  
It has been found that numbers of au-  
tomobile repair men, attracted by the  
saves offered, who have registered as  
machinists, are unable to qualify as  
locomotive men.

Western and Southern railroads are  
recruiting men for lines as far South  
as Texas and as far West as Califor-  
nia. Additional inducement is the offer  
of transportation and free board to the  
men, who are to be recruited in places  
as far as the Baltimore and Ohio and Ches-  
apeake and Ohio, are recruiting men for  
services as far East as Norfolk and  
Richmond.

All advertisements frankly state that  
the men are wanted to take the place  
of strikers.

## BOY TRAMPLED IN SWANSON ST. FIRE

Overcome by Heat Just as Resi-  
dents Were Saving Furniture  
in Houses Near Blaze

DOUBLE BUILDING BURNS  
DIGNITARIES IN ATTENDANCE

A fire that destroyed a vacant brick  
and frame building at 781 and 783  
South Swanson street at 10:30 o'clock  
today endangered other properties and  
caused a panic in a nearby street.

As frantic residents of St. Alban's  
street east of Front dragged tables,  
chairs and other furniture to Front  
street a small boy, apparently over-  
come by the heat, dropped on the sidewalk.

Several men and women trampled the  
boy in their haste to save household  
articles. Patrolmen Maguire and Car-  
roll, of the Second and Christian  
streets station, saw the unconscious  
boy's plight and carried him away. His  
condition revived and scampered away before  
police could learn his name.

The double building which was  
burned almost to the foundations for-  
merly was occupied by the Northern  
Engineering Company. The flames  
started in the top floor and started out  
toward telegraph poles in front of the  
structure.

## SOCIETY WOMAN INJURED IN AUTO

Mrs. Upton Sullivan Hurlled 25  
Feet Over Fence Into Field  
by Collision

PASSING MOTORISTS HELP  
HUSBAND TAKE HER HOME

Crash Occurs on Wynnewood  
Road at 1:30 A. M.—Victim  
Painfully Hurt

Hurlled twenty-five feet into a field,  
Mrs. Upton Sullivan, society matron,  
who lives at 2127 De Laney street,  
was painfully injured at 1:30 o'clock  
this morning when the automobile in  
which she was riding with her husband  
collided with another machine on  
Wynnewood road.

Mrs. Sullivan was picked up in a  
dazed condition by her husband, who,  
with the assistance of passing motor-  
ists, took her to her home, where she  
is suffering from bruises and shock.

The accident occurred at Lancaster  
avenue and Wynnewood road. Mr. and  
Mrs. Sullivan were returning to town  
after having passed the evening with  
friends on the Main Line. Both were  
on the front seat. Suddenly another  
machine turned into Wynnewood road  
from Lancaster avenue.

Mr. Sullivan stepped to the right to  
allow the approaching car to pass, but  
he was too late to avoid a collision.  
Deise, of Ardmore Park, crashed into  
the side of the Sullivan automobile.

Mrs. Sullivan was thrown over a  
fence into the field. Mr. Sullivan, al-  
though shaken up, immediately went to  
his wife's aid, as did Mr. Deise.

Together they lifted her from the  
ground and carried her to the road,  
where another automobile party had  
stopped on seeing the wrecked ma-  
chine.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Sullivan  
was Miss Hannah C. Wright, and she  
is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam-  
uel Megargee Wright, 1003 Walnut  
street. She was married to Mr. Sulli-  
van last October and the pair spent an  
extensive honeymoon in Europe.

Mr. Sullivan is the son of Jeremiah  
Sullivan, 1910 Walnut street. He  
served with distinction during the war  
as a member of the famous Lafayette  
Escadrille in France and was  
graduated from Harvard in 1913.

## GIRL PAST DANGER FROM BROKEN NECK

Specialists Now Say She Will Com-  
pletely Recover Health

Mary A. Getman, 730 North Eighth  
street, the eighteen-year-old girl whose  
neck was broken a month ago when  
diving in the ocean, was pronounced  
out of danger today by physicians  
at the West Jersey Homeopathic  
Hospital.

The girl has been a marvel to the  
surgeons, who at first thought she would  
not live at all, then declared her death  
was but a matter of time, and finally  
prophesied that if she did live she would  
be a lifelong invalid.

Today, after the girl had been ex-  
amined by specialists, Dr. William F.  
Shafer issued a statement for the hos-  
pital. He said the girl would recover  
completely within a few days and be  
restored to her normal health.

"Nine out of ten persons who break  
their necks die," said the physician.  
The majority die immediately. Some  
live as long as forty-eight hours. No  
one has ever lived more than a matter  
of time until she is restored  
completely."

## ENGLAND'S RICHEST HEIRESS WEDS KING GEORGE'S COUSIN

Miss Edwina Ashley, Grand-  
daughter of Famous Banker,  
Bride of Lord Mountbatten

London, July 18.—A wedding second  
only in interest to the nuptials of  
Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles  
took place this afternoon in St. Mar-  
garet's, Westminster, when England's  
richest heiress, Miss Edwina Ashley,  
granddaughter of Sir Ernest Cassels,  
the famous banker, and goddaughter  
of King Edward VII, married a son  
of European royalty, Lord Louis  
Mountbatten. The bridegroom is a  
grandson of the late Queen Victoria,  
a cousin of King George and the closest  
friend and companion of the Prince of  
Wales, who was the best man at to-  
day's ceremony.

King George and Queen Mary at-  
tended the wedding, after which a recep-  
tion was held at Brook House, the  
Park Lane mansion, which is part of  
the bride's inheritance of over 5,000,  
000 to 20,000,000 pounds sterling, and  
which will be the home of the couple  
after their honeymoon in Spain as the  
guests of King Alfonso and their later  
trip to America.

Miss Ashley's wedding gown was  
cloth of silver, woven at Lyons with  
a Venetian lace train and Spanish point  
lace hanging from the shoulders. The  
bridemaids were dressed in blue with  
silver and white. Her trousseau is made  
up of the newest fashions in under-  
things, most of which she designed her-  
self. She selected materials of the  
most gossamer fineness, such as crepe,  
the finest champagne and wash satin. She  
is lavish in the use of lace, every piece  
having lace yokes and insets. One  
pink silk nightgown, for instance, has  
a yoke of white and Valenciennes and  
pink of Angletre.

The bridegroom, whose father, the  
late Lord Mountbatten, was Prince  
Louis of Battenburg until the King

## POLICE TAKE STAND FOR PEGGY IN TRIAL

Testify Both Montgomery and  
Follies Girl Were Sober on  
Night of Wedding

ELKTON JAMS COURTROOM

Elkton, Md., July 18.—"Just when  
may a man be said to be drunk?" and  
precisely "what degree of intoxication  
may be taken as an index of intem-  
perance?"

On these two questions hangs the  
marriage annulment suit of Jack Mont-  
gomery against his wife, Mrs. Peggy  
Follies Montgomery, restorable Follies  
girl.

They were married the morning of  
January 26, approximately ten hours  
after they met for the first time at the  
stage of the Garrick Theatre in  
Philadelphia.

The case was reopened today in the  
small, stuffy courtroom of the Mary-  
land Circuit Court, another act of what  
residents here consider a great legal  
drama.

The hard benches behind the rail are  
crowded with as many persons of both  
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## PHILADELPHIA WOMEN HURT IN LANCASTER

Mrs. Annie Gordon and Miss Maria  
Kouhey in Auto Smash

Mrs. Annie Gordon, 1255 South  
Fifty-fourth street, and Miss Maria  
Kouhey, 2907 Frankford avenue, were  
injured shortly before noon today in  
an automobile accident on the William  
Penn highway, a mile west of Leba-  
non, Pa. They were in a car owned  
by Dr. Joseph J. Prosser, an eye spe-  
cialist, of 2307 Frankford avenue, who  
was driving with his daughter-in-law, Mrs.  
John Prosser, Jr.

The auto tried to pass a touring  
car owned by Mr. and Mrs. S. P.  
Newhart, of Harburt, Miss. The  
Newhart car was overturned, but Mr.  
and Mrs. Newhart were not hurt. The  
Prosser car sustained a six-foot crack  
in the front window, the front break-  
ing the front wheel.

## CALL MAYOR IN PAROLE PROBE

Cortelyou Also Will Be Sum-  
moned as Witness in Gins-  
berg Investigation

INQUIRY WILL START  
IN EARNEST TOMORROW

Will Recommit Drug Peddler if  
Facts Warrant It, Judge  
Quigley Says

Judge Quigley, sitting in Common  
Pleas Court No. 1, Room B, today be-  
gan what he promises will be a search-  
ing inquiry into the charges that  
"Izzie" Ginsberg, notorious dealer in  
narcotic drugs, obtained a parole by  
money or the exercise of undue influ-  
ence.

In opening the inquiry the Judge de-  
clared that if the charges appeared to  
be well founded he would consider it  
his "duty and his pleasure" to re-  
voke Ginsberg's parole and recommit  
him to prison to serve out his three-  
year term.

The inquiry this morning was merely  
formal and preliminary. In fact, it  
lasted but seven minutes.

The investigation will be resumed,  
Judge Quigley announced, at 10 o'clock  
tomorrow morning, when all the wit-  
nesses will be present in order to sub-  
scribe affidavits and the Court will take its first deep  
plunge into the charges and insinuations  
that have been made since "Izzie" got  
out after serving fourteen months.

The courtroom was crowded at the  
preliminary hearing today, many law-  
yers being in attendance, with a sprink-  
ling of prominent citizens interested in  
civil affairs. A strong representation  
from the underworld came to see how  
"Izzie" fared.

Mayor Moore and Director Cortelyou  
were not present, nor was Director  
Warburton. Neither was "Izzie." The  
Mayor and directors will be "requested"  
to come tomorrow, along with all oth-  
ers who have had any direct contact  
to make on the release of Ginsberg.

Assistant District Attorney James  
C. Gordon, Jr., who prosecuted "Izzie"  
and was loudest in his criticism  
of Judge Quigley for letting him go,  
was not present today, but will be to-  
morrow. He immediately placed all the  
facilities of his office at the Court's  
disposal.

Former President Judge Patterson  
was one of the first to arrive. This  
was the court over which he used to  
preside and by an irony of fate or the  
fate of the law he was locked against him  
when he came.

Mr. Patterson was the first to enter  
the room when the doors finally were  
opened. He took a seat in the wit-  
ness box and waited for Judge Quigley  
and Joseph Tauline, former principal  
Assistant District Attorney, who con-  
sented to act as amicus curiae (friend  
of the court), for the conduct of the  
investigation.

The three went to the Judge's cham-  
bers for a conference, and shortly  
thereafter court was declared open.  
Judge Quigley presided and the case  
was significant of the official char-  
acter of the trial.

## GRIEVING OVER WIFE, KILLS HIMSELF AT 72

Wm. R. Hicks Found Dead in Gar-  
den, Revolver Clutched in Hand

With a revolver clutched in his  
hand, William R. Hicks, seventy-two  
years old, a retired florist, was found  
dead this morning in the garden of  
his home, 35 Wilmersden ave-  
nue, East Philadelphia. He had a bullet  
wound through the right temple.

A maid found the body behind a  
clump of rose bushes. She notified  
William R. Hicks, the dead man's son,  
who, who competes with a large plum-  
ber supply house in this city.

The elder Hicks left the house yester-  
day morning and when he failed to  
return last night his son notified  
the police. It is believed the aged man  
ended his life yesterday through despon-  
dency over the death of his wife ten  
days ago.

Narberth's Muzzling Order Likely  
to Be Extended to Other Places

The dog muzzling order recently put  
in force in Narberth on a Council order  
may be extended all along the Main  
Line as the result of a wild rum of a  
mad dog from Paoli to Media, in which  
police believe scores of other dogs were  
killed.

Just before the dog was killed Max  
Andrew, ten-year-old daughter of  
Frank Andrews, of Pennell road, Lima,  
was attacked by the dog. Her clothing  
was torn and she received no fresh wounds,  
Samuel Laches, foreman of a high-  
way gang in Middletown Township,  
shot the dog after a mile chase. On  
the other side, near the University Hos-  
pital, the dog's head was examined.

MOTORIST ARRESTED  
Eleventh Street Man Hit Boy and  
Refused to Aid Him, Charge

After a search of several weeks, police  
today arrested William Jackson,  
Eleventh street near Poplar, who is  
accused of running down a boy with a  
motorcar and refusing to aid the  
injured child.

Pedestrian Jackson was driving a ma-  
chine when he struck and slightly in-  
jured Harry Marcus, eleven, of 1138  
North Second street. The accident oc-  
curred July 15.

Justice today was arraigned on  
charges of driving without a license,  
taking an automobile without the  
owner's permission and refusing aid to  
a child injured near Poplar, who is  
a further hearing by Magistrate Roberts,  
in the Ninetenth and Oxford areas  
station.