



MINES IDLE WHEN WORKERS ATTEND THREE FUNERALS

Men Quit Work Because of Company Refusal to Collect Contribution

OPERATORS ARE BLAMED Miners Take Means to Demonstrate Position on Collection Agency

Lykens, June 21.—That they might attend the funerals of their three comrades who were killed in the cavern of the Short Mountain Colliery of the Susquehanna Coal Company on Monday, nearly a thousand workmen of the company refused to work yesterday and are not working today, in accordance with a ruling of the Lykens Union of the United Mine Workers of America.

Yesterday morning they attended the funeral of Rudolph Hirsch, of Lykens, and in the afternoon that of Charles Fenstermacher. This afternoon they are attending the obsequies of Thomas Davis.

In explaining why they are not working and getting out approximately 4,000 tons of anthracite coal on these two days in view of the imminent shortage of anthracite, the miners say that they are forbidden to work on the days of funerals of dead fellow workmen under provisions of their local branch. This ruling they say, was enacted because the Susquehanna Coal Company refused to permit its clerical force to make certain deductions from their wages on the day of the funerals. To be paid to the dependants of the dead men. So as the only method by which they can pay tribute to their workmen, they do not work on the days of the funerals of any men, accidentally killed, and attend the funerals of the victims.

This has been the custom of the workers, it is said, since the workmen's compensation act became effective. Previous to that time the Susquehanna Coal Company, at the request of the Miners' Union, had its clerical force deduct twenty percent of the wages of each workman to be paid to the dependants of the dead men. Since the enactment of the compensation act, which requires the company to compensate the dependants, the clerical force does not perform this duty. So the workmen, to pay tribute to the dead men, refuse to work. This they have done ever since the enforcement of the compensation law.

Republican County Committee to Hold Meeting Tomorrow

The annual meeting of the Republican County Committee will be held tomorrow morning. Every district in the county will be represented. Chairman William H. Horner will call the committee to order at 10 o'clock, in Courtroom No. 2. Congressman Aaron S. Kreider, Senator E. B. Lederman and the other candidates will speak. The business sessions also by William M. Hargest and John E. Fox.

Women Urged to Wear Old Clothes During the War

Emphasizing the fact that the United States government will spend in its 1918 war campaign plans approximately nineteen billion dollars, just seven billion less than she spent during all of her entire previous existence, Miss Ruth Fisher in the House of Representatives emphasized the part civilians must take in this war. Speaking on "Textiles and Clothing," she said that civilians can help very well by wearing old clothes.

Oldest clothes will be quite fashionable during the fall winter," she said, "and patches may rightfully be counted as badges of honor." By wearing old clothes, Miss Fisher said, civilians can aid in releasing for war duties many persons now engaged in manufacturing clothing demanded by the idiosyncrasies of the people.

Mrs. Sanford Freeman, chairman of the Home Products Committee, presided at last evening's meeting. Rabbi Louis J. Haas led in prayer. Community singing featured the program. Mrs. Mabel Cronise Jones will preside at this evening's meeting.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Showers and warmer to-night; Saturday showers with rising temperature; Sunday showers with rising temperature; Monday showers with rising temperature; Tuesday showers with rising temperature; Wednesday showers with rising temperature; Thursday showers with rising temperature; Friday showers with rising temperature; Saturday showers with rising temperature; Sunday showers with rising temperature.

General Conditions Pressure has diminished over nearly all the eastern half of the country. A general clearing to 12 degrees in temperature has occurred in the Middle Atlantic and New England States.

Drove Into the "Rough"



NOT GAINING MUCH AND SEE WHAT IT'S DOING TO HIS SCORE

MAY ELIMINATE STOPS NOW MADE BY TROLLEY CARS

Drastic Measures Proposed to Save Coal, Labor and Time of Workmen

Officials of the Harrisburg Railway Company and Ross A. Hickok, local fuel administrator, will confer during the coming week on a plan to eliminate many of the stops now made by the cars on the lines both in the city and rural districts. The conference will be the result of a letter sent to Frank B. Musser, president of the always company, by William Potter, state fuel administrator, notifying him to work out a fuel conservation program and arrange an additional "skip-stop" system with the local administration.

The letter also makes numerous other recommendations which must be carried out. Recently the railway company inaugurated a fuel saving by eliminating all alley stops, but the order of the state administrator is more drastic and provides that no more than eight stops be allowed to a mile in the business district, six in the residence districts and four in the country.

Similar letters were sent to all [Continued on Page 4.]

Longest Day of Year Is Marred by Heavy Clouds; Summer Gets Bad Start

Summer was officially ushered in with most of the palm beaches and other lighter garments discarded for clothing affording more protection. While the weather appeared to be unusual for the summer season, it was not altogether as bright as it seemed. The fact that the sun was covered by clouds together with the fact that a fairly brisk breeze prevailed, accounts for the apparent coolness.

The lowest temperature recorded today was 55 degrees, but a lower temperature than that was recorded just two years ago on the first day of summer when the mercury went one degree lower. The highest temperature of the day was recorded at 8 o'clock when the thermometer registered 64 degrees. It will likely fall somewhat later in the day with the effect that the mean temperature will be approximately 57 or 58 degrees, about three degrees below the average mean temperature in Harrisburg for the past twenty years.

Drift Call For 8,976 Men Set For July 15

Washington, June 21.—Provost Marshal General Crowder to-day called for 8,976 draft registrants qualified for general military service, to be sent on July 15 to various camps for special training. The call is to be held open for volunteers until July 1.

D. H. ELLINGER, LONG IN EMPLOY OF CITY, DIES

Served For Years as Municipal Sanitary Officer; Prominent in Fraternal Orders

David H. Ellinger, aged 71, sanitary officer, the oldest employe in the service of the city, both as to age and term of employment, who had been confined to his bed for the last six weeks, died at his home, 413 Boas street, early this morning. Before his last sickness he had been at his office only several weeks after being in bed for a time. Twice within the last two years he has had strokes of paralysis.

Mr. Ellinger was born in Hummelstown, coming to this city about forty-five years ago. He was express messenger between Harrisburg and Baltimore and also Harrisburg and Winchester. Later he entered the employ of the Citizen Railway Company, which was consolidated with the present Harrisburg Railway Company. He then became a manager of the Prudential Insur-

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Yankee Aviators Tear Holes in River Bridge in Bombing Expedition

Italian Army Headquarters, Thursday, June 20.—The first American aviators to fly on the Italian front went to-day on a bombing expedition and succeeded in blowing two holes in a new Austrian bridge across the Piave river.

The commander of the Italian aviation camp expressed satisfaction with the work of the Americans.

The aviation forces on this front are displaying the most intense activity.

DRAFT DODGER WHO MAGNIFIED HIS ILLS GETS SHORT SHIFT

Uncanny Apparatus Now Able to Inform Officials Where Maligner Is Lying to Escape the Army

The draft dodger who had hopes of escaping active service with the Army because of his plea of poor physical condition is "up against it," according to the verdict of physicians of local draft boards to-day upon receipt of information from the Provost Marshal General on how to weed out the maligner from honest men.

CITY MEN WILL TURN FARMERS TO HELP FOOD

Supply of Labor Short and Demand For Army Supplies Is Urgent

Every able-bodied man in Harrisburg and Dauphin county will be asked shortly to lend a hand to the farmer. The plan was announced today in all its very simple details by Richard C. Haldeman, who is director in Dauphin county for the United States Public Service Reserve. Whether you are a store clerk, bank clerk, minister of the gospel, school teacher, machinist, laborer, you will have an opportunity to be whisked out into the wholesome country air in a high powered motor car and give your patriotic muscle to the patriotic farmer who, perhaps, cannot get his hay in.

"The supply of farm labor," says Mr. Haldeman, "is far short so much so that unless help is given the farmers they will not be able to produce the food which must be supplied to [Continued on Page 14.]

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Vienna Admits Reverse

Vienna in its official statement admits that its troops are on the defensive, and is content to report that it is groing beyond control of the civil authorities and martial law in the Austrian capital is not unlikely. The workmen continue to demand more bread and the agitation is spreading.

Advice received in neutral countries are to the effect that the present trouble is the most serious the Austrian government has yet faced and is causing grave apprehension throughout the country. Germany appears unable to help because it is faced with a serious food situation itself.

Yanks Are Busy

Subnormal fighting activity continues generally on the front in France and Belgium. The American troops appear to be the only ones who are busy and the actions which have occupied them have not been extensive.

West of Montdidier American troops in a short and desperate engagement have cleaned out German trenches and machine-gun nests at Cantigny. Most of the Germans who remained to fight the Americans were killed, while a number were made prisoners.

Huns Give False Report

Berlin officially claims that German troops have penetrated the American trenches at Seicheprey. The falsity of this report is shown by a dispatch from the American Front which says that the "penetration" was only an attempted raid by sixty Germans.

Announcement is made of the torpedoing in the Mediterranean of the French transport Sant' Anna with the loss of 638 lives. The vessel was sunk on May 10 and 1,312 of the soldiers and native workmen on board were saved.

Germans Preparing For New Assault on British Positions in Flanders

Hun Armies Rested For New Attempt to Break Through Haig's Lines; Crown Prince's Men Exhausted

FOOD RIOTS MAY LEAD TO AUSTRIAN REVOLT

Paris, June 21.—Grave events are impending on the British front, according to military experts, who see in the intensity of the German campaign at various points the preliminary steps of a new German attack.

It is pointed out that the Fourth army group, under Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, has had leisure for reorganization during the three weeks since it was engaged in battle and is now ready for a new effort along the front.

It has been established that units of Crown Prince Rupprecht's army were engaged in the abortive attack on Rheims Tuesday night. This is considered proof by the L'Homme Libre that the German Crown Prince's army is tired and exhausted.

Copenhagen, June 21.—The situation at Prague, Bohemia, and the industrial centers in that district, says the Neue Freie Presse of Vienna, has become so serious that the Austrian government will either be compelled to increase the bread ration or run the risk of still greater unemployment among the working people. In the latter event, the newspaper declares, railway communication would be cut off and a revolution would break out.

London, June 21.—In many provinces of Hungary there is only one-third or one-quarter the food necessary to maintain a population in health, former Premier Tisza declared in a speech to the Hungarian Parliament yesterday, according to a Budapest telegram forwarded by the Exchange Telegraph correspondent at Amsterdam.

Baylies, Yankee Ace, Missing Since June 17; Machine Fell in Flames

Paris, June 21.—First Lieutenant Frank Baylies, an American member of the French flying corps, has been missing since June 17, when his machine fell in flames six miles within the German lines.

Leading American ace in the French flying corps, Baylies was shot down during an unequal fight with four German machines. With Sergeants Dubonnet and Macari of the Stork escadrille, he had finished several hours patrolling, and they were about to return at twilight when they sighted four single-seater airplanes which they mistook for British machines.

But they were German, and they seized an opportunity to attack Baylies simultaneously. The enemy had the advantage of position and number, but Baylies put up a game fight. He attempted to take the offensive but his machine caught fire and fell after a few moments about six miles within the German lines.

Sergeant Macari thinks that Lieut. Baylies may have had a good landing if he escaped death in the flames of the burning machine.

American Machine Guns Inflict Losses on Hun Patrols at Two Points

Washington, June 21.—Enemy patrols suffered considerable losses northwest of Chateau Thierry and in the Woivre region, General Pershing reported to-day in his communication for yesterday. In the Chateau Thierry and Woivre regions and in Lorraine artillery fighting continues.

The communication follows: "Section A—Patrolling has again been especially active. Northwest of Chateau Thierry and in the Woivre, hostile patrols suffered considerable losses in patrol encounters and from our machine gun fire. Artillery fighting continues in these regions and in Lorraine.

"Section B—There is nothing to report in this section."

CONCERT PROGRAM The Steelton Band, under the leadership of Director Zaia, will give the following program at a band concert in Reservoir Park to-night:

"America." "March, 'Liberty Loan'." . . . Sousa Grand selection, Macbeth. . . Verdi Melodies from the comic opera "Maid Marian." . . . R. deKoven Grand scenes from "Samson and Delilah." . . . Saint-Saens Fantasia on Scotch, Irish and English airs. "Ainig." . . . Ch. Baetene "Ballet Egyptian"—in 4 parts English airs. "Ainig." . . . A. Luigni Motives from "The Grand Mogul." . . . G. Luders "Star Spangled Banner."

AUSTRIANS MUST START NEW DRIVE OR ADMIT DEFEAT

Italians in Readiness to Meet Second Phase of Piave Offensive

LATINS OUTCLASS ENEMY Town of Nervesa Set on Fire by Guns of Empire's Foes

London, June 21.—The weekly food ration in Austria, the Daily Mail correspondent at The Hague quotes the Arbeiter Zeitung of Vienna as reporting, is as follows:

Twenty-two ounces of bread; one pound of potatoes, of which half cannot be eaten; one ounce of black bran mash; one ounce of another mill produce; an ounce and a half of fat; six and one-half ounces of sugar; one egg; seven ounces of meat and a little jam and coffee substitutes.

The Vienna newspaper says that the meat allowance is obtained "if the applicant waits all night for it."

Use Airplanes to Escape From War-Burdened Berlin

Copenhagen, June 21.—Four residents of Berlin attempted to escape from Germany Thursday in two airplanes. One succeeded in landing in Denmark, but the other was brought down in the Baltic Sea by German guardships. The machine which landed in Denmark had two occupants, one of whom, a reserve officer, is a professor in the University of Berlin. They say they fled from Berlin because of the conditions there.

Foe Outclasses Austrians

Along the Piave the Italian positions are virtually unchanged. The Austrians are fighting well, according to the Italians, but the latter are outclassing them. It is believed the Italians would have driven the Austrians back across the river before the situation, however, is still regarded as most serious and all preparations have been made to meet any new offensive.

YANKEE GRIP ON 38 MILES OF FRONT

Washington—American soldiers are now holding the fighting line for a distance of 38 miles on the western front, according to information given members of the House Military Committee to-day at the weekly conference with Secretary Baker and General March, chief-of-staff.

"DRY" RIDER HALTS FOR HEARINGS

Washington—The Senate Agriculture committee to-day decided to postpone action on Jones' prohibition rider to agricultural appropriation bill and to reopen hearings.

CHURCHILL TO BE CHIEF CENSOR

Washington—Army censorship is to be placed directly under the military intelligence section of the general staff with Colonel Marlborough Churchill as chief censor.

NEW GERMAN ATTACK IMPENDING

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CZECHO-SLOVAKS CONTROL RAILWAY

Moscow—Czecho-Slovak control of sections of the Trans-Siberian railway has completely cut all rail and wire communications between Siberia and Russia and has resulted in depriving Russia of the Siberian grain supply.

RUSSELLITES GET 20 YEARS

New York—Joseph F. Rutherford, successor to "Pastor" Russell as head of the International Bible Students' Association, and six of his associates were to-day sentenced to twenty years imprisonment for conspiracy to violate the espionage law.

TWO KILLED WHEN BOMB EXPLODES

Baltimore—Two soldiers were killed and a third severely injured by the premature explosion of a trench mortar bomb at the army proving grounds at Aberdeen, Md., yesterday. Secretary Baker and several ordnance officers were standing less than 300 yards away.

MARRIAGE LICENSES Philip S. Bryan and Susan A. Shakespeare, Harrisburg; Edward I. Hurley, Newville, and Edyth M. Beard, Mechanicsburg; Harvey E. Shutt and Bertha A. Harmon, Dietzick; Edgar A. Carl and Bertha M. Grehn, Harrisburg; Hyman M. Kremer, Baltimore, and Ann Cohen, Harrisburg.