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TOO MANY ACRES SHOWN BY PROBE INTO COAL LAND

Members of Susquehanna Collieries Company Meet With Commissioners FIRST ESTIMATE WAS 7,000

Subsequent Inquiry Shows Nearly 2,000 Acres Less in Properties

Representatives of the Susquehanna Collieries Company met this afternoon with the County Commissioners and one of the engineers employed by the county to correct surface areas of coal lands owned by the company.

As the result of an investigation made by W. F. Sekol, an engineer assisting T. Ellsworth Davies, Scranton, in valuing coal fields in Dauphin county, it was found that the surface area of lands containing coal as returned by the coal company was correct. In the first report of the area of coal lands furnished by Mr. Davies it was estimated from the records of the auditor and junior warranty owners of the tracts that the total exceeded 7,000 acres.

Actual surveys and maps made during the last forty years by the company showed a total area of 5,070 acres of coal land. Mr. Sekol in his investigation a few days ago reported about 4,908 acres, or 162 less than the coal company returned. It is expected that at the meeting this afternoon the dispute about the exact measure of coal lands is to be settled.

Counsel Suggests Conference

George M. Humphrey, general counsel for the Susquehanna Company, suggested this morning session of the County Commissioners, that Mr. Sekol should meet again with David V. Randall, manager of the mines in the Lykens district, M. O. Edwards, district engineer at Lykens and other engineers of the company in an effort to agree on the amount of coal in the ground which has been removed, so that the question of valuations can be considered in the near future by the officials.

Mr. Humphrey discussed with the commissioners plans for hearings in the near future and again assured the officials that at all times the records and maps of the company are available for their use at any time.

Stock Offices Dray When Lights Go Out

Employees of Chandler Brothers & Co.'s local stock brokers offices took an enforced pre-Easter vacation this morning when electric power suddenly became a minus quantity and every incandescent in the office winked out. There was general gloom among those who watch the climb and slide of the stock quotations until late afternoon when the power came on as suddenly as it had vanished.

Woman Awarded \$25 in Alleged Slander Suit

Verdicts were turned in civil court by a jury in favor of the Harrisburg Railway Company, defendant in an action brought by Harry Bowman to recover damages and in favor of Mrs. Ida Fackler for \$25 in a suit brought against John N. Heck, Jr., for alleged slanderous statements.

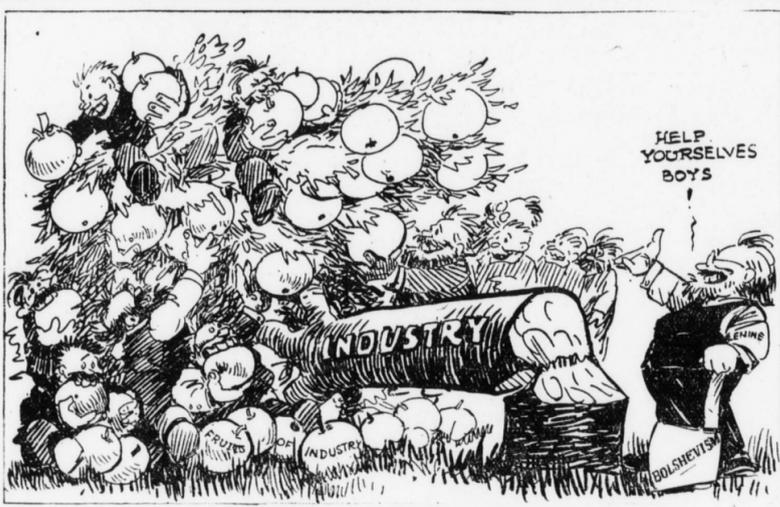
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Cutting Down the Tree to Get the Fruit



IT MAKES IT EASY PICKING FOR A WHILE.



BUT WHAT WILL THEY DO NEXT SEASON?

OCEAN FLIGHT IS ASSURED, SAYS AMERICAN ACE

Captain Rickenbacker Declares It Is Only a Matter of Building Big Machine

"There is no question but what a trans-Atlantic trip by airplane will be made in the near future, skeptical as many persons are in regard to such an event coming to pass," said Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, erstwhile idol of the automobile racing public, now American ace of aces and winner of the Croix de Guerre and the D. S. C., who has recently returned from his victories on the western front as commander of the famous 94th (Hat-in-the-Ring) Air Squadron, this morning.

"It is advisable to start from this continent instead of the old world, mainly in order to take advantage of the trade winds which we know are usually blowing eastward, anywhere from ten to twenty miles an hour. With this length of trip it is quite easy to understand the immense advantage one derives on such a flight by starting from this country. I believe that the best type of aircraft for this purpose at this time would be either a three-motor or four-motor machine which would permit one or two pilots to operate it, and a third man who is an expert in navigation. My idea as to which would be the better, between the heavier-than-air and the lighter-than-air is easily defined—for the Zeppelin type of airplane of a thirty-ton load capacity is more reliable and would be able to maintain a higher rate of speed than its equivalent heavier-than-air aeroplane, and could be done with considerable more comfort and pleasure to the passengers should it be used for that purpose."

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AMERICANS GET OFFERS TO WED IN ALIEN LAND

Vienna, April 17.—Foreigners, especially Americans, are receiving attractive marriage proposals from families of wealthy young women, who expect thus to save something from the wreck of their fortunes because foreign property will be exempted from nationalization. Women who marry foreigners will be enabled to travel freely over the frontiers, with their families.

KIWANIS AND ROTARY CLUBS AT LUNCHEON

Businessmen's Organizations in Vocal Combat at Penn-Harris

Members of the Harrisburg Rotary Club were the guests of the Kiwanis Club of Harrisburg at a rousing luncheon held at the Penn-Harris Hotel, having just arrived from Wilkes-Barre where he lectured last night.

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CROWN PRINCESS TAKES STEPS TO OBTAIN DIVORCE

Statement by Mother Alleges Cruelty and Numerous Acts of Infidelity

Zurich, April 17.—The former German Crown Princess Cecilie has taken steps to divorce her husband, Frederick William, according to a statement given to Swiss newspapers by the former Grand Duchess Anastasia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, mother of the former Crown Princess.

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GERMANY IS GIVEN UNTIL MAY 15 TO ACCEPT OR REJECT TERMS FOR PEACE AND END OF WORLD STRIFE

Reds Kill 1,800 in Ufa

London, April 17.—Eighteen hundred persons, including 400 women, were murdered by the Bolsheviks at Ufa, according to a telegram from Omsk received in official quarters here.

Ufa, one of the principal cities in the Orenburg district, near the Siberian border, was taken by the Bolsheviks early this spring, but late in March was recaptured by forces of the Omsk Ali-Russian government, which have continued to press back the Bolsheviks in this region. Dispatches from Omsk dated April 5 and received on Tuesday announced the massacre by the Bolsheviks of more than 2,000 civilians in and near the town of Osa, to the north of Ufa, in this district.

83,000 DEATHS IN ONE MONTH IN PETROGRAD

Lenine and Trotsky Seek Understanding With Moderate Elements; Bolshevism Giving Way to New Bourgeoisie

Copenhagen, April 17.—Bolshevism in Russia is giving way to a "new bourgeoisie," according to the director of the Moscow Red Cross committee who has arrived here. Premier Lenine and War Minister Trotsky are trying to reach an understanding with the moderate elements in Russia.

The situation in Petrograd, the direct reports, has been growing more and more anti-Bolshevik. In February there were 83,000 deaths in Petrograd compared to 123,000 in January.

Stockholm, April 17.—The Bolsheviks are carrying out rapid and systematic annihilation of all the bourgeois elements in Riga, according to reports from Libau to the Svenska Dagbladet.

The victims of the Bolshevik terror are taken to the island of Hasen in the Dyvina River and are said to number 70,000 including women and children. Not a word is said to take food or money to the island.

London, April 17.—Continued successes for Russian Soviet forces along almost the whole of the western Russian front, from the Baltic to the Black sea, are claimed in a Russian official wireless dispatch received here to-day.

BLANQUET FALLS IN BATTLES ON CARRANZA RULE

Aged Mexican General Found Dead After Force Is Defeated by Sanchez

Mexico City, April 17.—General Aureliano Blanquet, war minister in President Huerta's cabinet, who recently was reported to have landed in the Vera Cruz region for the purpose of starting a revolution against the Carranza government, was killed yesterday in a fight near Chavacilla village, according to press reports from Vera Cruz, which quote a report from General Francisco L. Urquiza, chief of military operations in the region of Cordova and Orizaba.

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VICTORY LOAN GETS UNDER WAY IN FINE STYLE

Smaller Towns Already Passing Quota Set For Big Campaign

Organization work to put across the Victory Liberty Loan with a smash that will be heard clear to Berlin and convince any dubious German that America is still "behind this war," was rapidly being completed to-day in anticipation of the opening of the drive throughout Dauphin, Perry and Juniata counties, April 28.

The contagion of success already was in the air and leaders of the campaign from every section of the three counties—and particularly Harrisburg, to-day asserted that the goal is in sight—with a veritable mountain of work to be accomplished, however, before that goal is reached.

Paxtonia Goes Over

The first town in this district to get over the top with its subscription is Paxtonia, which has already bought all the quota allotted.

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Pichon and Lloyd George Cautious in Outlining Demands to Be Made

VARIOUS ARTICLES NOW ARE IN HANDS OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE

Germany will be forced either to accept or reject the Allied peace terms by May 15, according to reports printed in Paris. It is indicated that no reply is expected before May 6, the Peace Conference being disposed to give the German government what it considers ample time in which to digest the terms and frame its reply.

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