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Priority List For Industries Re-established; Maximum Prices to Be Fixed; Profiteers Face Prosecution; Will Not Hesitate to Curtail Consumption

CABINET WORKING OUT PLANS TO PROTECT MINERS WHO WORK

Washington, Oct. 30.—Federal agencies moved swiftly to-day to meet the situation which will result from the strike of bituminous coal miners Saturday. Developments included: Orders to railroads to confiscate all coal in transit if necessary to build up and reserve for operation of the roads. Re-establishments of the priorities list of the fuel administration so that the railroads, public service utilities and essentials 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. Announcement by Secretary Lane that the government would not hesitate to curtail consumption of coal in industries fifty per cent. so that essential industries might be kept in operation. General discussion of the situation by President Wilson's Cabinet which met in special session at the call of Secretary Lansing. Working out of plans by which miners who wish to continue work will be afforded every possible protection, including that of Federal troops, should that become necessary.

Fuel Administration in Charge

At the conclusion of the special cabinet meeting, Attorney General Palmer announced that the fuel administrator would take control of the handling of the coal and would use his authority under the Lever act to take whatever steps might be necessary to meet the situation. Mr. Palmer's announcement, which was authorized by the cabinet, said: "The President will be asked to-day to make an order canceling the suspension of restrictions as to the price of coal which will have the effect of restoring maximum prices. Upon the making of that order the Fuel Administrator will take such action as may be necessary to protect consumers both as to price and distribution of fuel."

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 to-day, holding that the wartime 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 suggestions were adopted, it would obviate the necessity of asking Congress for money to reorganize the fuel administration, and the railroad administration could allocate coal in accordance with the preferential list during the coal shortage two years ago.

Department of Justice Has Power While revival of the fuel administration had been urged by government officials to prevent hoarding and profiteering, the Department of Justice announced that it had power to handle that situation under the food control act.

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

Use Curtailment List by War Industries Board during the war would be taken as the basis for the industries to be supplied, Mr. Lane said. Plants engaged in manufacturing munitions might be cut off altogether.

Dr. Garfield was at the White House before the cabinet met in special session to put final approval on plans to protect 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.

Protection for miners willing to remain at work in the mines despite

[Continued on Page 17.] THE WEATHER Harrisburg and Vicinity: Rain to-night and Friday. Warmer. Lowest temperature to-night about 58 degrees. Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain to-night and Friday. Warmer. Fresh east to southeast winds. River: The Susquehanna river and all its branches will rise somewhat or remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 4 1/2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

Another Little Boy's Faith in Santa Claus Destroyed



SUPPLY OF HARD COAL NOT LARGE BEFORE STRIKE

Retail Dealers Expect Demand For Anthracite to Increase

Just how the proposed strike of miners of bituminous coal, will affect Harrisburg people, city coal merchants were unable to say to-day.

Householders of this city, consume anthracite coal to a large extent. But if the strike becomes effective, city residents will feel the effect when they attempt to secure further supplies of anthracite, according to one city dealer.

The supply of nut and egg coal is now said to be low in this city and little is on hand. The supply of egg, pea and buckwheat is described as being fair, but these will speedily feel the effect of any reduction in the production of bituminous coal, city dealers declare. Pea and buckwheat will be first called on by the industries whose supply of bituminous is cut off.

The suburban supply of coal is

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Attack Coal Act as Last of Series of Attempts to Usurp Executive Power

By Associated Press Indianapolis, Oct. 30.—A direct attack upon President Wilson's course in the coal strike situation as the "climax of a long series of attempted usurpations of executive power, was made to-day by John L. Lewis, acting president, and the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America. The attack came in a long telegram to Secretary of Labor Wilson, replying to a message from him delivered at the conference here yesterday.

The telegrams constituted the first exchange of views between the administration and the union. While the telegram from Secretary Wilson reached here yesterday, the reply was not completed until to-day, when it was submitted to the executive board by President Lewis. It was announced that the reply was approved by unanimous vote. Union headquarters refused to give out the Secretary's message, saying that its publication was something for the sender to approve.

Offers to Call Conference The reply indicated that the Secretary offered to call a conference of the miners and employers, which offer was accepted in the following language:

"We shall hold ourselves in readiness to attend any joint conference which may be arranged by you upon a fair basis and stand ready to reconvene the international convention of our organization whenever our honorable proposition for presentation to such convention."

BOY KILLED Warren, Pa., Oct. 30.—Charles Leghrer, aged 13, was shot and killed by Shelby Horne while hunting birds in the woods near here to-day. He was walking ahead of Horne, when Horne's gun was accidentally discharged. This is the first hunting accident of the season to be recorded here.

FOR COCKTAILS USE BAY RUM AND WORCESTERSHIRE SHAKE, AND CALL POLICE

Receipt Also Calls For a Dash of Alcohol, Peppermint and Ketchup, With a Hangover in Jail

This "cocktail" had the punch. Manufactured of pure alcohol, bay rum, peppermint, ketchup and Worcestershire sauce, all well mixed, it so affected a half-dozen of itinerant travelers yesterday afternoon that it was necessary for members of the Harrisburg police to assist them on their journey. Equipped with afore-mentioned article, plus cans of baked beans and bread, late yesterday afternoon the sextet set out for the island for a feast with liquid refreshment as the most important article on the menu. With no regard for the advice of the druggist from whom the bay rum had been purchased, that it

was intended for external and not internal lubrication, the party proceeded to become an "enjoyable" affair. The event was proceeding with exceeding merriment that bordered on hilarity. Police headquarters were notified. Patrolmen Hylan and Romig, with the Black Maria, set forth toward the rendezvous of the half-dozen on the island between the Market and Walnut street bridges and arrived in the midst of a "round." With a little gentle persuasion, five were sobered to some extent and assisted into Cumberland county. The sixth, a "peg-leg," spent the night in jail and was released to-day.

He's With 'Em

By Associated Press New York, Oct. 30.—Magistrate Dale, sitting in a Brooklyn police court, to-day suspended sentence on a man convicted of drunkenness on the ground that a "good" man reported in Congress have created a condition whereby a good many Americans will be deprived of their personal rights.

Brewers Prepare to Attack Constitutionality of Prohibition Act

By Associated Press New York, Oct. 30.—Constitutionality of the Volstead prohibition enforcement act as it applies to a suit which counsel for New York brewers and restaurant men were preparing today for filing in the Federal Court. The petition will ask that agents of the Government be restrained from enforcing the act. Similar suits, it was stated, will be brought in various other states.

Decision to attack the constitutionality of the measure was reached at a conference of brewing and restaurant interests last night, which convened at about the same hour that the effectiveness of the Volstead law began to be felt in a series of spectacular raids by internal revenue agents, in the course of which two men were shot.

There were 9 raids during the evening and 29 arrests. Revenue agents visited scores of other saloons, but found no evidence that they were not complying with the law. The shooting occurred in connection with a raid on a cafe in West Forty-second street, near Eighth avenue, known in the old days of the Tenderloin as "the red mill." Revenue agents declined to discuss the shooting, which spectators said was done by one or more of the agents.

Colonel Daniel Porter, supervising internal revenue agent for the New York district, who has charge of the liquor enforcement campaign here, declared his 600 men would wage a steady drive until the sale of anything stronger than "half per cent" had been eradicated.

BROWN SUGAR AT HIGH PRICE IS QUICKLY SOLD

Wholesale Dealers Unable to Say When Fresh Supply of Granulated Will Arrive

"Rotten" is the way one wholesale dealer described the sugar situation in Harrisburg.

With retailers having little or no stock on hand, the wholesalers have nothing in the warehouses to alleviate their shortage. "No sugar" signs in windows of many stores, greet seekers after supplies to relieve the shortage in their larder.

A small supply of granulated sugar has been received within the past several days, but in few instances did it get inside of the wholesalers' warehouses. In most cases, it was greedily snapped up by the retailers.

The supply of Louisiana sugar, which appeared at exceptionally high prices to aid in meeting the situation, is to-day said to be exhausted as far as this community is concerned. No information could be secured of any of this sugar being in the possession of any dealer. Despite the comparatively low quality of this sugar, the demand for it far exceeded the supply.

BOLSHEVIKS NEAR PETROGRAD LOSE

Helmsfors, Oct. 30.—A communication issued by the Russian northwest army says that Bolshevik attacks on the west Petrograd front Tuesday were repulsed and that 400 prisoners were taken. It adds that on Wednesday the White offensive west of Krasnoye Selo was proceeding successfully and that 1,500 prisoners had been taken.

LAST BIG RALLY OF REPUBLICANS ON FOR TONIGHT

Ward Workers and Committeemen to Hear Addresses at Courthouse Meeting

"GET OUT VOTE," SLOGAN

Only Question of Majority and County Chairman Asks Vote For Effect Next Year

The last big rally of the Republican campaign will be held in the courthouse this evening when members of the county committee in the city, the city committee and the Dauphin County Republican League will meet to hear the chairmen and candidates.

The text of this meeting will be: "Get out the vote."

That has become the slogan of the campaign.

There is no question of a great Republican victory, and this being generally recognized it is feared some Republicans may lose the interest that a hot fight engenders and may neglect to go to the polls.

"A big Republican majority is desirable at this time for the reasons that I think we ought to endorse most heartily the very splendid ticket nominated in September," said County Chairman William H. Horner to-day, "but aside from that we ought to serve notice on the Democrats what we mean to do in the Presidential election next year. This is no 'off-year.' What we do next Tuesday will have a large bearing on what Dauphin county will do next fall in the Presidential elections. The victory is assured this year, but the bigger majority now the bigger majority next fall and I know the Republicans feel on that score."

City Candidates Active Alderman George Hovert, Republican candidate for mayor, who received an overwhelming majority at the primaries, has been getting about the city every day for the past week and says he finds every reason to believe that his majority in November will be larger than at the primaries.

His opponent Dr. Hartman, has been making some show of activity, but it requires but a glance at the primary vote to see that he is beaten even before he starts. "I stand just where I stood before my nomination," said Mr. Hovert to-day. "My platform remains absolutely unchanged. If I go into office, as I shall, there will be no more police hearings by aldermen. I shall do that work and the city will receive the hundreds of dollars that will be saved thereby."

The Democratic councilman candidates are going it alone, each man for himself. On the other hand, William H. Lyman, Dr. S. F. Haessler, E. Z. Gross and Charles H. Burnett are working together, all for one and one for all, and the Republican workers are going out to elect the whole ticket with every prospect of being successful. There will be no cutting of tickets on the Republican side this year at least so far as the organization workers are concerned. They are for the whole ticket from top to bottom and the results are already apparent wherever the details of the campaign are being carried out by those who have been canvassing the various voting districts.

The Republican county candidates are in the upper end to-day, where they have met with hearty receptions. The country north of the mountains is going to roll up big majorities this year.

Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, Author and Poetess, Is Dead After Breakdown

New Haven, Conn., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, author and poetess, died at her home, The Bungalow, in Branford, to-day. Mrs. Wilcox had been ill for some time, having had a nervous collapse while engaged in war relief work in England.

Mrs. Wilcox had been constantly under medical care for nine months. In July she was brought to Branford in fulfillment of a desire to be in her own home, the place where most of her literary work had been done and where, with Mr. Wilcox, she had entertained friends from all over the world.

Mrs. Wilcox was in her sixty-fourth year and a native of Johnstown, Center Wis. Her literary work embraced a large number of books, both prose and poetry, and she was a contributor to many publications.

Her surviving relatives are a brother and a sister in the West.

Many New Arrests For Violations of Food and Fuel Control Expected

Washington, Oct. 30.—Many new arrests in a number of states for violations of the food and fuel control law are expected soon by the Department of Justice.

Attorney General Palmer made it clear to-day that the government's preoccupation with the coal strike had not slowed up the campaign to reduce living costs. Since the criminal amendments to the food and fuel control law have been added, the Department of Justice has been preparing to prosecute cases on evidence previously obtained. As a result it was said that indictments might be expected soon throughout the country of persons guilty of flagrant hoarding and profiteering.

RED CROSS IS GETTING READY FOR BIG DRIVE

Industrial Campaign Will Be Big Help in Securing Memberships

PUZZLE!

An automobile in the Square this morning bore a placard on which was a red cross and the word "Join."

"Shucks," said a man waiting for a Lemoine car. "What does Harrisburg Red Cross want with money?"

The reporter who heard the remark got in touch with Red Cross headquarters.

"What does it cost Harrisburg Red Cross to operate, counting the continual aid it gives in times of epidemic and in countless other ways?"

"Thirty thousand dollars a year," was the reply.

So that is why the Red Cross calls for money next week. It aims to collect \$30,000 in cash. We go to the National organization and \$8,000 \$1 memberships. Half of the membership money stays with Harrisburg Chapter.

Bell Telephone Company this morning called Red Cross headquarters.

"This is the Bell Telephone Company. We have the letter written by Mrs. Marlin E. Olmsted relative to the industrial drive for Red Cross memberships. Will you send us over the same quantity of supplies we got in all the other Red Cross drives. We propose making the same active campaign from November 2 to November 11 as we have made in the last three years."

Mrs. Olmsted has every reason to believe, she told Chairman Jennings to-day, that the industrial campaign will be a success.

In the meantime the many captains named for the six city districts are making strenuous efforts to recruit their teams for the drive next week. They had a little trouble at first, but the plea of Mrs. Lyman D.

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RESCUERS ARE ORDERED OUT OF BURNING MINE

Hope Abandoned For Twenty Who Are Imprisoned in Workings

ARE LEFT TO THEIR FATE

First-aid Parties Have Narrow Escape From Death When Walls Cave In

By 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 were ordered out of the Y. and O. mine No. 2 at Amsterdam, Ohio, 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 2 o'clock this morning they had reached a point 150 feet distant from entry No. 13, west, in which the 20 miners were supposed to be held prisoners.

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

Subsequent attempts to rescue the entombed men failing, the officials at daybreak ordered the men to leave the mine. Coal was afire throughout the entire workings and the mine was filled 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.

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COMMUTERS SHAKEN UP Jersey City, N. J., Oct. 30.—Five hundred commuters on the Englewood express of the Erie Railroad were shaken up to-day when the train jumped the track and five of its seven cars fell on their sides. The accident occurred just west of the mouth of the Jersey City tunnel and blocked two of the six main line tracks. No one was seriously injured.

GERMANY MUST SIGN PROTOCOL

Paris.—Before the Peace Treaty becomes effective, the German representatives will be required, it is expected here, to sign an additional protocol, binding Germany to carry out armistice clauses which were not incorporated in the Treaty of Versailles. The Supreme Council to-day considered the text of the proposed instrument.

WILSON NAMES ADVISER TO POST Washington.—Norman H. Davis, of Tullahoma, Tenn., who was one of the financial advisers to the American Peace Mission at Paris, was nominated to-day by President Wilson as assistant Secretary of the Treasury to succeed L. S. Rowe, resigned.

GOVERNOR POSTPONES CONFERENCE

Pes Moines.—Governor Harding has decided not to request a conference of governors of coal producing states to the present to discuss the threatened coal strike, he said this afternoon.

DISCUSS ADMISSION OF GERMANS

Washington.—The first subject on to-day's program of the International Labor Conference in session here to promote the improvement of working conditions throughout the world was the settlement of the admission of German and Austrian representatives to the conference.

MINE CARPENTERS ARE OUT

Scranton.—The strike of construction carpenters of all coal companies in the anthracite region became operative to-day. Reports at noon showed 1,500 men out in the region from Carbondale to Pottsville.

BOTH VARIETIES OF COAL AFFECTED

Washington.—Attorney General Palmer said this afternoon that the restoration of maximum prices on coal would apply to anthracite as well as bituminous coal.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph K. Weaver, Jr., Philadelphia, and Gertrude T. Christman.