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## SIX-DAY WEEK PLAN OF GOVERNMENT IS AGAIN REJECTED

### Proposal Submitted by Secretary of Labor Perkins Is Rejected By The Mine Operators

New York—Northern and Southern Coal Operators again rejected on Wednesday a proposal re-submitted to them by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins calling for an annual 6-day work week guarantee as a basis for negotiation of a new contract.

The proposal by the Secretary of Labor was accepted in principle by U. M. W. of A. President, John L. Lewis, in lieu of a \$2-a-day wage increase, that it would boost the annual wage of miners by adding 77 days to the 1942 work schedule. Under the plan submitted by the government, Lewis said, "The equity for the miners as against 231 working days in 1942 would be \$2.25 a day in increased earnings."

In turning down the proposal, Charles O'Neill, president of the northern operators, said his group interpreted it to mean "that we guarantee six days' work a week except where for good cause a mine must be idle, with the additional suggestion that if the mine workers work three, four or five days, time and one-half be paid for one day in that week." He said Miss Perkins had suggested to him that if conditions should cause the mines to be closed during any week, the miners would get one day of time and one-half even though a six day week was not worked.

"On the basis of six days 52 weeks a year, the operators, of course, cannot give it consideration and have rejected it on the basis that we understand it, he added.

### Mark Scores Operators

James Mack, president of District No. 2, U. M. W. of A., who has had a prominent role in bituminous contract negotiations in New York, yesterday scored refusal of operators to guarantee miners the six-day work week.

Mr. Mack backed up the attitude expressed by John L. Lewis in signaling willingness to accept the six-day work week guarantee as a basis for the mine agreement.

First report of the six-day work week was made in a "white paper" prepared and distributed by the operators, President Mark stated. In the "white paper" which was addressed to members of the various associations, it was stated that the mines were assured a full work week in 1943 to continue peak production required by the throbbing war tempo, Mark stated.

The full work week would be assuming an annual wage of \$2,360 the paper is said to have shown. When President John L. Lewis said he would accept the terms as set forth in the "white paper" operators refused to consider the proposal.

Mark said the paper was then forwarded to President Roosevelt and to members of the War Labor Board. Contract proceedings have been at little more than a standstill, district president Mark stated.

President Mark and Edw. Sweeney, secretary-treasurer of District No. 2 returned this week from the New York conferences together. They are clearing up back work in the District Office in Clearfield before returning to the conference. They expect to return soon; Vice President Clarence Donaldson is attending the sessions.

Arnold Gabelli, Nanty-Glo; Mike Punchak, Tire Hill; William Dembosky, Earnest; and Sam Burns, Sykesville; the policy committee representing District 2 has been sent home but may be called back into session.

## BOND BOOTH IS LOCATED IN HALUSKA BUILDING

The headquarters of Patton War-Savings Staff for the second war loan drive is located in the Haluska building on Magee Avenue, Patton. It is open for business from 7:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M. every night, except Sunday, at which time War Bonds and Stamps may be purchased.

Local ladies are urged to participate in this drive and volunteer to sell stamps and bonds at the booth any night they can possibly do so. All volunteers should call or contact Mrs. Kenneth Rhody, chairman of the Women's War Savings Staff in Patton. Ladies, do your part by assisting in this drive.

The following are on duty at the booth this week: Monday, Betty Greene; Tuesday, Mrs. C. Derringer; Wednesday, Marnetta Kuttruff; Thursday, Anna Mary Bortman; Friday, "Angie" Bianco; Saturday, Grace Bearer.

—Alaska's population of 72,524 includes 39,170 whites, 15,576 Eskimos, 11,283 Indian, 5599 Aleuts, 263 Japanese and 633 of unknown racial or-

## COSTLY FIRE VISITS SOUTH FORK AREA

Nine persons were made homeless and damage estimated at more than \$15,000 resulted Sunday morning when fire destroyed two dwellings and a garage in Rockville, just outside South Fork Borough limits.

South Fork Firemen said the fire started in an automobile which was housed in a garage between the Abe Cury and Pany Bourdes homes. Both dwellings were burned to the ground as firemen were unable to obtain sufficient water to combat the blaze.

Greatest damage was to the six-room frame dwelling of the Abe Cury family. The house and all the furnishings, together with the garage and car were destroyed completely with damage estimated at approximately \$9,000. There are four members of the family.

## MINERS RESORT TO NEWSPAPER ADS TO PROVE PAY JUSTICE

### Cite Need of Portal to Portal Demand in Appeal to Nation in Tuesday's Papers.

The United Mine Workers of America on Tuesday of this week asked in full five column newspaper advertisement over the nation that the 450,000 soft coal miners be paid "for the most dangerous part of our work," time of entry to time of departure from the mines.

The UMW announced that its advertisement, second of a series explaining its case to the American public, claims that portal to portal pay has been allowed miners in the Nation's metal mines and in other industries.

No mention was made of other demands in the advertisement. Claiming they ask for "only simple justice," the miners said in the advertisement that time of passage underground was often the most dangerous part of their day's work, but that coal miners paid for a seven hour day actually spent an average of at least eight and one-half hours below ground.

"In no other industry in the world does a man report for work, stand in line and gets his tools and equipment, check in, take his turn on the cage and go down into the deep recesses of the mine, then walk long distances to his working place, before his pay starts. It's the same thing coming out. The minute a man leaves the 'face' where he actually digs, his pay stops and he risks the dangers of underground travel on his own time."

The advertisement said that miners are doing their part in the war effort, although "we know we could go to war plants and get a lot more money for much easier work." It declared the miners, because of long experience in the coal industry, know they are "serving our country best by remaining there," and "are proud of our war time production record."

"We are asking that an injustice be corrected," the advertisement asserts. "We are not asking to be paid for the time we spend getting our tools and necessary equipment. We are not asking that the company give us the powder we now pay for, nor to stand the other charges which are rightfully theirs. We do ask that we be paid for the most dangerous part of our work, the time we spend in travel into the mine in the morning and coming out at night."

## CLEAN-UP WEEK IN PATTON BOROUGH SET FOR WEEK OF MAY 3rd

As posted on placards about town, Patton's annual spring clean-up period has been designated for the week beginning May 3rd.

The success of this movement, of course, rests with the property owners or tenants.

The Board of Health calls upon all property owners and renters to have yards and premises cleared of all tin cans, bottles, or other forms of rubbish prior to the week of May 3rd; to place all such rubbish in suitable containers so that it may be readily loaded into trucks and hauled away. The hauling will begin on Monday, May 3rd.

The health board also asks that you "do not delay in getting yards and premises cleared and by so doing keep your premises in a sanitary condition and preserve the health of all the residents of Patton."

An inspection of properties will be made, following Clean-Up Week.

—Of the 51,827 residents of the Panama zone in 1940 there were 18,524 of Negro ancestry.



"They Give Their Lives—You Lend Your Money"

## PRESIDENT OF WOLF FURNITURE COMPANY EXPIRES IN ALTOONA

### Mrs. Annie C. Wolf Was Outstanding in Church Work in Diocese of Altoona

Mrs. Annie C. Wolf, aged 76 years, president of the Wolf Furniture Co., which has stores in several Pennsylvania cities, died last Wednesday night.

The daughter of the late Albert J. Anderson, one of the pioneer settlers of Cambria county, she was a well-known Catholic lay-woman in the state. In 1930 Pope Pius XI awarded her the papal cross for her religious activities. St. Francis College at Loretto conferred an honorary doctor of laws degree upon her in 1940 and last year the Columbian Squires awarded her the Blessed Mother plaque as the outstanding Catholic lay-woman in Altoona.

A graduate of St. Xavier College, Beatty, Pa., Mrs. Wolf became president of the furniture company after the death of her husband in 1918. The company is operated by her two sons, George and Herbert Wolf, both of Altoona.

Mrs. Wolf was a member of the Quota Club, the Business and Professional Women's Club, Catholic Daughters of America and Blairmont Country Club.

Members of her family include four children—Mrs. James A. Sloan, of Johnstown; Mrs. Paul R. Kuhn and George and Herbert, all of Altoona. George Wolf is president of the Altoona Diocese Retreat League. Mrs. Wolf also leaves a sister, Miss Magdalen Anderson of Altoona, and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday morning at nine o'clock with interment in St. John's cemetery.

## BARNESBORO HERO GIVEN DISCHARGE

Marine Cpl. Carmen C. Panar of Barnesboro who was struck by bullets in fierce Guadalcanal fighting as he carried a mortally wounded hometown pal to safety, has arrived back home.

Cpl. Panar, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Panar, was by the side of Pvt. Jack Maguire when the latter fell. While carrying his friend back from the front he was wounded severely when bullets crashed into the bones of his left shoulder.

Pvt. Maguire, a former Patton lad, died a short time later in a Marine hospital, while Cpl. Panar's wounds confined him to the base hospital until a short time ago when he was granted his honorable discharge.

Cpl. Panar has been in the service for three years, having joined the Marine Corps after having been graduated from Barnesboro high school.

Pennsylvania turkey raisers have reported in the Federal-State Crop Reporting Survey, intentions to raise 15 per cent more turkeys this year, which would indicate a crop of 1,730,000 birds compared with 1,020,000 birds last year.

## SCOUTERS PREPARE TRAINING PROGRAM

Plans for Scout leadership training courses to be conducted in Patton, Hastings and Barnesboro, were outlined last Thursday night at a meeting of Scouters from the North and Central Cambria districts, in Carrolltown.

Attending the session were thirty Scout leaders who conferred with Harry K. Eby, national director of volunteer training for the Boy Scouts of America, in an address at the session Mr. Eby emphasized the need of training more adult leaders in the Scout movement.

The training courses will begin as soon as instructors are selected and will be open to all scoutmasters, assistants, commissioners, troop committee members and fathers of the Scouts.

## OVER TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS IS RAISED IN PATTON DURING DRIVE

### And More Than Eight Thousand from Clearfield Branch Goes to Red Cross Coffers

A total of \$8,069 has been collected by the Clearfield Branch of the American Red Cross for the organization's War Fund, it was announced at a meeting last Thursday night in the headquarters in the Masonic Building, Patton.

George Clark, Hastings, branch chairman, announced the appointment of Mrs. R. J. Little, Patton, as chairman of the volunteer services. Ralph Litzinger, chairman of the War Fund drive in Patton, announced that \$2,105 had been collected by his workers, T. C. McGoeys reported the collection of \$1,100 in the Blandburg section while J. L. Marks said \$803 was contributed by residents of the Patton area. Hastings workers said that \$3,500 already had been received and more probably will be contributed. Reports from Dean and Dysart showed a total of \$161 taken in while Harold J. Luther reported the collection of \$400 in the Coupon district.

Mrs. Robert Forsythe, Patton, announced that 460 garments were made by branch members during the month of March. It also was announced that branch leaders made 114 home service calls during the month. The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, May 6th.

## Tony Pastor to Open Sunset Easter Monday



Tony Pastor

Tony Pastor and his Orchestra, nineteen artists and entertainers, featuring Eugenie Baird, Stubby Pastor, the ever famous Johnny (Paradiddle Joe) Morris and many others, will play for the annual Easter Monday dance at Sunset on April 26th.

Tony Pastor is coming direct to Sunset from the Roosevelt Hotel, Washington, D. C., from which spot he broadcasts nightly. Dancing will start at nine o'clock and continue to one-thirty.

## LAUDS C. A. P. HEROES.

High praise for the "heroic" service being performed by the Pennsylvania Civil Air Patrol volunteers on Atlantic coast anti-submarine patrol was voiced recently by Dr. Ralph Cooper Hutchinson, Executive Director of the State Council of Defense. More than 200 Pennsylvania CAP officers and men, out of a state wide membership of 3,500, are on the coastal patrol duty.

## LIVE ONES.

Long Beach, Cal.—It wasn't any hangover, after all. Motorists saw two huge elephants lumbering along the highway. They fell from a circus truck that went out of control on a curve.

## TROUT FISHING SEASON OPENS THIS THURSDAY

### Perfect Conditions Are in Prospect for Expected Army of Pennsylvania Anglers.

Harrisburg.— Perfect conditions are the prospect for an army of some 200,000 fishermen who are expected to invade Pennsylvania's mountain and meadow streams with the start of the trout season today, Thursday. "Conditions are general throughout the state," Commissioner C. A. French said, adding "an abundance of water during the fall and winter months along with a large number of trout left over from last season have made streams the most favorable in recent years, and weather conditions today will count for a big or little 'take.'"

French said the commission is behind in its stocking program, principally because of lack of trucks, but he assured anglers at least 700,000 legal sized trout, six inches or more, are in the streams.

He asserted streams in the North-east Tier counties are not yet entirely stocked, but work there will be completed before the season is well advanced.

In summing up prospects for the season, French declared, "The fish will be there, it's up to the people to catch them."

The commissioner expects a large number of fishermen but admitted there will be less than in former seasons because of the men in the service and those working in war plants.

Limit for the day's catch is ten trout of the various species including brook, brown and rainbow. The brook trout are also known as mountain trout and vary in length from six to fourteen inches, brown trout or German trout, were imported from Europe when American streams were stocked, while rainbow trout belong to streams of the Atlantic coast and are the called spring beauties.

## BILL TO DROP JEFFERSON CO. FROM 27th DISTRICT IS PASSED BY SENATORS

### Passage of Bill by House Appears Assured; Signature of Governor Martin Is Certainty

Harrisburg — Senator John J. Haluska yesterday won the first step in his fight to have the 27th Congressional district reduced by the elimination of Jefferson Co. The Senate passed the congressional reapportionment bill by a vote of 28 to 12, all Democrats excepting Senator Haluska voting against the measure.

The Senator in explaining his vote to the Senate declared he was voting with the Republican majority so that the 27th district would be "relieved of Jefferson Co. and bring it more in line with the population of other districts in the state."

"The 27th District with a population of 428,490 according to the last census, is the second largest in the state," Senator Haluska said. "And the people of the district are entitled of fairer representation which can be secured only by reducing the size of the district."

The bill has been sent to the House and as it is an administration measure, it is believed that it will pass. Signature of Gov. Martin is assured. Senator Haluska has been assured that the new setup as regards the 27th District will not be eliminated from the measure when it is passed on by the House.

Under the reapportionment measure, the Cambria-Indiana-Armstrong district will be known as the 26th. The only district in the state, under the present apportionment, having a greater population than the 27th District is the 12th, (Luzerne Co.) which has a population, according to the last census of 441,518.

What Senator Haluska did not tell the Senate was that under the redistricting measure, the Democrats of the district will have an improved opportunity to elect a congressman to succeed Congressman Harve Tibbott, or to defeat other Republicans who may be nominated next year.

## FIRST SLATE QUARRY

The first slate quarry in Pennsylvania was opened in Northampton county about 1812 and in 1845 many slate miners came from Wales to work these deposits, the State Department of Commerce reports. Today both Northampton and Lehigh County rank high in the production of slate.

Slow motion movies are taken at a rapid speed, while fast action movies are taken at a very slow speed.