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Strike Retards State Industry

Soft Coal Is Needed For Steel Production

By Capitol News Service

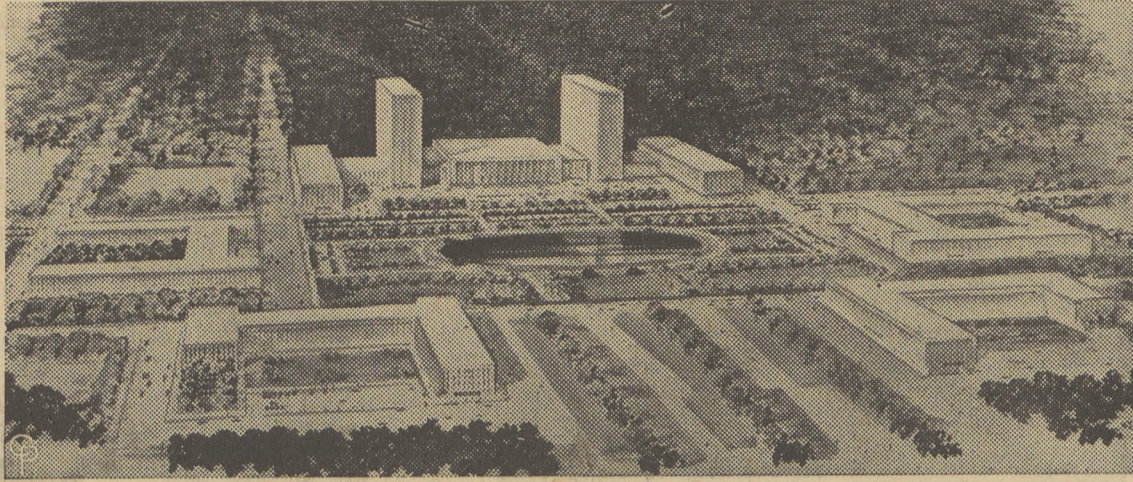
Harrisburg, April 25—Pennsylvania industry is beginning to feel the effects of the soft coal strike as plants throughout the Commonwealth are being forced to shut down for lack of fuel.

Reports indicate that at the present time there are in the neighborhood of 20,000 steel workers alone laid off as a result of the reduced supply of bituminous coal. Here in Harrisburg, the State office of the United States Employment Service said that the number of new claims filed for unemployment compensation has been constantly on the increase since the beginning of the month when the strike of John L. Lewis' soft coal miners went into effect.

The strike has placed more than 90,000 miners on the idle list, but the State Department of Labor and Industry has yet to rule on their eligibility for unemployment compensation payment benefits. Meanwhile those who have been made idle as a result of the strike are eligible to draw payments following a week's waiting period.

During the week preceding the soft coal strike there were nearly 8,000 claims for unemployment compensation payments, but two weeks after the strike got under way and its effects began to be felt in industry, the number of applications jumped to approximately 18,000. As of the first of the month, according to a survey conducted by the Commonwealth, Pennsylvania industries using soft coal had sufficient supply on hand to carry them through the month, or at least to mid-April. But the results of the strike are now being felt. For example here in Harrisburg during the past week, the Steelton plant of the Bethlehem Steel Company, and the Central Iron and Steel Company, have started laying off workers as a result of a dwindling supply of coal.

ARCHITECT'S PLAN FOR PERMANENT U.N. SITE



WITH NEW YORK IN THE LEAD as a prospective permanent site for the U.N., the above plan of Architect Aymer Embury again is being given consideration. Embury is now remodeling the New York building, on the old World's Fair grounds, selected as temporary quarters for U.N. General Assembly meetings. He submitted the design shown here when the Manhattan area was first given consideration some months ago. In this original plan, the New York building, where the sessions would be held, is centered in the background and it would look out on modernistic units, plus landscaped grounds, gardens and fountains. (International)

Health Topics

By F. BUDD SCHOOLEY, M.D.

CANCER OF THE COLON

Cancer of the colon or large intestine is a disease of advancing age. Seventy per cent occur after fifty years of age. It predominates in males, about three men to one woman. Hereditary predisposition is shown by the increased family incidence of intestinal cancer.

The first symptoms may not necessarily indicate a cancer of recent development or of brief duration. There may be no symptoms of very early cancer of the bowel. Weight loss is not an early symptom, but always a sign that the growth is far advanced. Small tumors may not change bowel function, and the changes are so gradual that the individual pays little attention to his condition or is apt to minimize his complaints. Abdominal discomfort and weakness are common. A palpable abdominal tumor may be found on examination, and mild tenderness may be present in the region of the growth.

Blood may be observed in the stools. A change in bowel habit may occur months before any sign of bleeding. A person who has had regular bowel habits suddenly notices that he becomes constipated or has a feeling of incomplete evacuation. As the tumor interferes with bowel function, symptoms of partial or intermittent intestinal obstruction occur. As the ulceration becomes large, a considerable discharge of mucus and pus causes frequent bowel movements. Blood appears in small amounts, mixed with or streaking the stool. In other cases, painless constipation may be the only symptom for a long period.

Cancer of the right side of the colon shows very little change in the stools but is accompanied by abdominal discomfort or colic. Cancer of the left side of the colon causes less abdominal pain but more stool changes as the tumor approaches the rectum. It is more important to bear in mind that

intermittent, crampy abdominal pain with distention and constipation may indicate cancer of the colon.

Chronic ulcerative colitis may be followed by cancer. Also, perforation may occur at the site of the tumor, and should always be considered in persons of cancer age who show evidence of abdominal inflammation despite absence of other signs of malignancy.

Early diagnosis of cancer of the colon depends on thorough investigation of all symptoms. The history of early symptoms, complete physical examination, digital examination of the rectum, analysis of stools for blood and X-ray studies of the colon are essential for early diagnosis and proper treatment.

To Set Clocks Ahead

Along with other communities of Luzerne County, the Back Mountain Region will turn its clocks ahead at 2 A.M. on April 28 when Daylight Saving Time goes into effect in Wilkes-Barre and 10 other major cities of the nation.

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For Service Men



Lt. Culp Is Home

First Lieutenant Lewis Culp is on his terminal leave after spending twenty-two months in Europe, four of them in England and twenty-two in France. He expects to be discharged through Fort Dix. Mrs. Culp is the former Jean Bogart of Church street. Lewis is the son of Mrs. Lewis Culp of Huntville.

In Station Hospital

Pvt. Francis J. Beline is recovering from pneumonia at the regional hospital, Fort McClellan, Alabama, where he has been stationed since the latter part of March.

Plans To Reenlist

1st Lt. Howard H. Carey of Shavertown, Pennsylvania, is at William Beaumont General Hospital, one of the army's largest, El Paso, Texas.

Prior to his entrance in service he was employed as a pipe-line terminal operator. He was inducted August, 1942, and served overseas for a period of twenty-two months in England, France, and Germany. He wears the European Theater of Operations Ribbon with five battle stars, the Service Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the Victory Ribbon, and the Occupation Ribbon. His unit was the 9th Air Defense Command, 386 AAA Battalion, in which he held the position of platoon commander.

Lt. Carey plans to re-enlist. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Carey of Dallas, Pa. His wife, Karlene, now resides in El Paso.

John Coon of Overbrook Avenue is expected home next week. Since last November he has been employed as a public works officer with the Navy in the Azores.

Farm Show Gets Army Building

Harrisburg, April 22—Pennsylvania's 1947 Farm Show will be bigger and better than ever and streamlined, it was indicated today following an announcement by Secretary of Agriculture Miles Horst that a temporary building constructed by the Army has been acquired by the Farm Show Commission.

The new building, on the northwest corner of the Farm Show group, will add more than 50,000 square feet of floor space covering 1 1/4 acres of ground. With the acquisition of the new building, the total floor space of the farm show buildings is now in the neighborhood of 15 acres.

Secretary Horst, who is also chairman of the Farm Show Commission, said the new building will be used as a beef cattle barn for exhibit purposes and will enable the Commission to add at least 300 head of cattle to the show.

The farm show buildings were taken over by the War Department during the war for training aircraft workers and reconditioning aircraft engines. The War Department lease on the building was canceled February 21 and a committee was immediately named by Chairman Horst to investigate changes that might be incorporated when Army engineers started restoring the buildings to their original condition. The committee will meet here May 9.

The new building is a one-story structure, made of steel, and Secretary Horst said it will add to the streamlining project of the Farm Show now being worked out to handle the 100,000 daily Farm Show visitors, with more convenience and comfort. Major changes that are now planned include more and wider aisles throughout the commercial and livestock sections of the main structure.

False Alarms Bother Forest Fire Crews

More than sixty per cent of the forest fires reported to Harvey's Fire Tower at Irem Country Club

this season have been false alarms according to William Lesh, State Forest Inspector.

"We haven't had many bad fires this year," Mr. Lesh reports, "But we have to send out a fire fighting crew every time we receive an alarm."

"Farmers and others who plan to burn brush would do us a favor if they would call the tower, Dallas 153-R-16, and notify us of their intentions, then we could be prepared and not send a crew out on a wildgoose chase when some other tower or individual reports a fire in our area."

Observes Holy Day



FLANKED BY ACOLYTES, Generalissimo Francisco Franco, Spain's chief of state, participates in the traditional Palm Sunday procession in Madrid. "El Caudillo" is carrying a palm frond. (International)

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE

Today I doff my chapeau to the Old Dominion—and to the Governor of same. That Governor gent—he is made of prime stuff. His vertebrae is not synthetic. It is okay with him, he says, if you choose to join a union or not join a union—it is up to you—but you get tough about it and start pushing other people around and interfering with the peace and tranquility of Virginia, there is gonna be some pushin' back. He will do the pushin' back.

It is refreshing to see such stamina versus like out there where the Governor of California had started for the opening of the season ball game, but where a couple pickets got there first, and the Gov. turned around and sneaked home.

Of all the sad things that our U.S.A. puts up with—but should not—it is pickets. With mosquitos we can get a fly-spray that works pretty good, but with pickets, we hesitate. Anyway we been doin' so quite regular, until this old Virginia Soreback got his dander up. That boy is no sissie. He should have three cheers—and a pat on the back. He is no mediocre kind of governor.

Yours with the low down,
Jo Serra

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