

Indiana to Take Over Coal Mines

Governor Says State Will Operate One or More Pits if Strike Is Not Settled by August 1.

Conference Is Suggested

Indianapolis, Ind., July 27.—Governor McCray, in a statement addressed to the public, announced today that "if the strike is not determined within five days from this date I will take over one or more mines and supply the people of Indiana with fuel."

Indianapolis, Ind., July 27.—Indiana operators would meet with miners' representatives in a four-state conference if operators of the other states in the central competitive field would enter the conference.

"Have Won Strike." Philadelphia, July 27.—John L. Lewis, president of the miners union, said here this afternoon that he had "every reason to believe that an interstate joint conference of the central competitive fields will be arranged within a few days."

Standing in the lobby of the Bellevue Stratford hotel, where he has been conferring with district presidents of the union from Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, Mr. Lewis dictated the following statement to newspaper men:

"It is undoubtedly true that to all purposes and effect the mine workers have won their present strike and it is almost universally recognized in industrial and financial circles throughout the country that no wage reductions can be applied to the mining industry."

"It only remains for an interstate joint conference to be convened in order to permit the immediate negotiation of a new wage agreement. This is the only way by which a settlement can be made. There will be no district or separate settlements."

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Increased Loadings. Washington, July 27.—(By A. P.)—Favorable action to the government's efforts to stimulate coal production despite the miners' strike was seen today in figures assembled by the railroads showing that 13,083 cars of coal were loaded on Monday at operating mines as compared with 9,860 cars last Saturday.

Rescinds Call. St. Louis, Mo., July 27.—(By A. P.)—President Frank Farrington of the Illinois miners today rescinded his call for a state miners' convention at Peoria, August 3. He said this action was taken because of newspaper announcements of the convention.

Organize in Iowa. Des Moines, Ia., July 27.—(By A. P.)—Organization of a state wide fuel commission to insure Iowa's securing its share of coal, from the other states and to equalize its distribution was begun by Governor Kendall today.

Protest Made Against Location of Hospitals

Chicago, July 27.—(By A. P.)—Col. A. Sprague, chairman of the American Legion's national rehabilitation committee, made public a telegram to President Harding asking him to reconsider the decision to build two hospitals for army neuropsychiatric patients, one at St. Cloud, Minn., and the other at Camp Custer, Mich.

Col. Sprague, who Tuesday published correspondence with Brig. Gen. Charles A. Sawyer, the president's personal physician, asking him to "step aside" and cease blocking the program of relief for wounded men, told President Harding that "best medical opinion" does not favor the locations selected.

The Camp Custer site adjoins an artillery range and the St. Cloud location is too far from medical centers, the telegram says. The same objection, Col. Sprague adds, applies to the hospital to be located at Appleton, O.

U. P. Clerks to Confer With Officials Upon Differences. Amicable settlement of differences is expected at a meeting here August 10 of representatives of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks on the Union Pacific system with Union Pacific officials.

Important developments were reported in the strike situation here Thursday. Rail officials said that more men were being hired. Few, if any mechanics are returning to work, according to officials of the shopmen's unions.

Youths Caught in Chase Confess Omaha Banditry



Ray Conklin, left, and on the right, E. R. Evans, alias Edwards.

Two youthful motor bandit suspects who were captured by police Wednesday afternoon after a thrilling chase at Sixtieth and Q streets, were identified and confessed yesterday morning, Charles H. Van Deusen, chief of detectives, announced.

With their arrest the police claimed a record of eight alleged bandits captured within a week.

The prisoners are Ray Conklin, 22, 1407 North Seventeenth street, and E. R. Evans, 25, 2420 Leavenworth street, whose real name, police say, is Edwards.

They were identified by John Steiger, 2615 Dodge street, and Charles Carey, 3819 Martha street, as the men who held up them and Walter Andreasen, 2623 South Thirty-second street, and three girls at Seventieth and Center streets the night of July 23.

A. E. Moore, 1542 North Eighteenth street, and W. E. Coate, 3212

Marcy street, identified them as the bandits who held them up in the Fairacres district 20 minutes later the same night.

Thirty thousand dollars bond each was fixed for Conklin and Evans when they were heard before Judge W. F. Wappich in Central police court yesterday morning and held for district court. Bond was made \$10,000 on each of three counts, robbery, highway robbery and motor theft.

Conklin and Evans admitted those crimes, according to the police, and also confessed that they held up L. T. Turley of Craig, Colo., and L. Z. Withers of Lincoln, Neb. Tuesday night at Seventieth and Center streets, and stole a Hudson motor car from Dr. J. E. Summers, 3624 Dewey avenue.

The bandits carried a long handled hammer under a coat, giving it the appearance of a shotgun, and used it to damage the spark plugs of cars to prevent pursuit.

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Court Holds Woman for Fatal Shots

Mother of Two, Accused of Murdering Blinded Man

Husband Is Released

Mrs. Linda Taylor, 38, drab little woman with saggy blond hair, pointed nose, sallow complexion and deep-set eyes, waived preliminary hearing in Council Bluffs police court yesterday morning and was held without bond for first degree murder.

Mrs. Taylor shot and killed Sam C. Freiden, 41, real estate dealer, former banker, former merchant, Shriner and president of the newly organized Citizens Ice and Coal company on the porch of her home at 827 Avenue A at noon Wednesday.

In good spirits after a night of refreshing sleep in jail, Mrs. Taylor laughed and joked with Lawrence Taylor, her brother-in-law, and his wife and smiled down upon the baby that Mrs. Lawrence Taylor carried to her arms at noon Wednesday.

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Mrs. Taylor's defense is that Freiden attacked her in her home July 18 and that she shot him dead after failing to obtain relief from county authorities.

Charles E. Swanson, county attorney, to whom Taylor took his wife to pour out her complaint before he is said to have bought the revolver that she might protect herself, views the woman's defense as untenable.

"Suffering Hallucination." "Mrs. Taylor is suffering hallucination and has built up the story of the attack from her imagination," Swanson said.

"They told me my wife's world would be a big business man," Taylor declared, "and we left knowing that the law wouldn't protect her."

Despite the husband's confidence in his wife's story, authorities are investigating the strange case for another motive.

On one side they have a drab little woman whose history extends back to a grade school house in Harlan, Ia., then builds up to an early motherhood of two children, and on the other side they have a man whose colorless existence in a little home here she appeared to be peacefully content in the apparent affections of her husband.

Appearing in court yesterday morning, she did not seem strange to the role of a domestic kind of woman that Sam Freiden would go to see about cleaning up a house for new tenants.

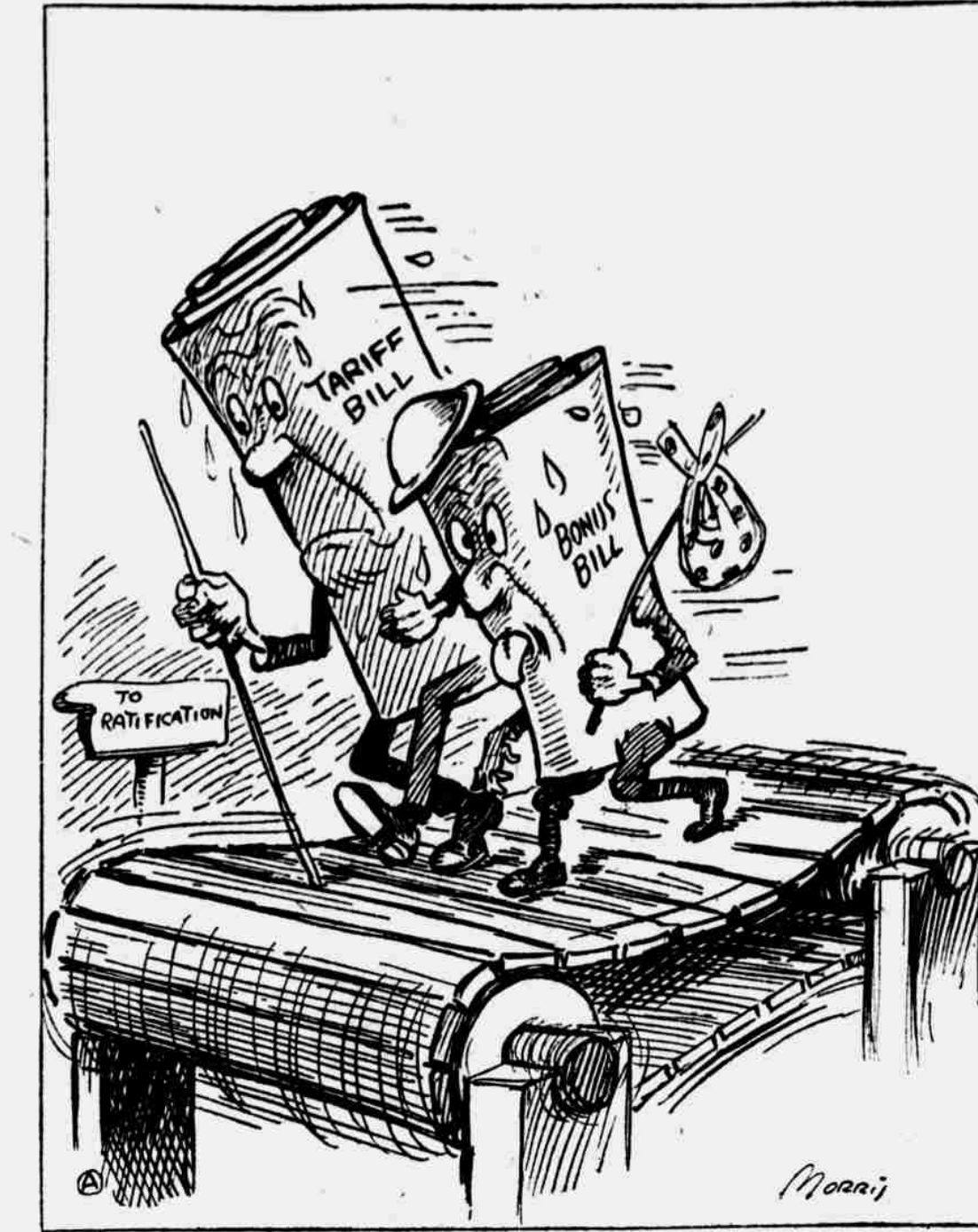
On the other side of the mystery is Sam Freiden, former banker, a successful real estate dealer for years, a man high up in fraternal circles' esteem, happily married, the father of a boy of 12.

Why the paths of Freiden and Mrs. Taylor crossed Wednesday is a phase of the case over which investigators are puzzling.

"He went to see her about cleaning up a house for new tenants," Freiden is said to have said.

Omaha Planes Race to Tarkio for Air Meet

"Seems Like We Will Never Get There, Buddy"---



Roping Record Is Set at Cheyenne Frontier Contest

Oklahoma Rider Ties Steer in 20.45 Seconds, Winning World's Championship—Thrilling Features.

Cheyenne, Wyo., July 27.—(Special.)—Some of the fastest time ever made at the Cheyenne Frontier Days was scored Wednesday in the world's championship steer roping contest.

Ben Johnson of Isreik, Okla., pulled down a mark of 20.4 seconds, and Roy Kivett of the Y-6 ranch, near Cheyenne, was a good third with 22.15, leaving the three leaders of the day only 1.25 seconds apart.

Panther Pete and Miss Greene, whose names were scarcely known to the crowd as bucking bronchos, broke into the spotlight by throwing Orville Merrill and Don Brownell, respectively.

Mabel Strickland showed herself closer to the McAlpin trophy for the best all-around woman rider by carrying off the relay race for the second time in two days, and also doing some extremely clever work in the trick and fancy riding.

One animal fell in the wild horse race and the rider suffered a stiff jolt. Another rider was thrown, but not badly injured. There were no serious mishaps.

Nearly 6,000 persons were present. New York, July 27.—E. W. Wagner, head of the firm of E. W. Wagner & Co., which failed last December, has been expelled from the New York stock exchange.

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Longest Blimp Flight

Small Tornado Hits Central City Stores

Central City, July 27.—(Special.)—A small tornado struck the upper end of Sixteenth street at 11 last night, completely derailing four business houses, which with the heavy rain that immediately followed caused thousands of dollars worth of damage.

The upper portion of the front of the building that houses the Beatty confectionery was completely torn away, bricks, cement and debris falling to the street.

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Chance for Fame Open to Newspaper Folk of Nebraska

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END OF RAIL STRIKE NOW SEEMS NEAR

Peace or Truce Believed Close at Hand Following Conference of Both Sides With President.

Proposals Are Drawn Up

Washington, July 27.—(By A. P.)—Tentative proposals for the settlement of the railroad shopmen's strike were drawn up after a series of conferences between President Harding and labor leaders headed by Mr. Jewell of the shopmen's union.

It was understood that the suggested plan for settlement—details of which were withheld by those participating in its formulation—would be submitted later to executives of the railroads.

Omaha Bee Learned Wire. Washington, July 27.—Peace or a truce in the rail strike was believed to be close at hand, following a day of conferences, extending far into the night, at the White House between President Harding and representatives of the warring factions.

Although the utmost secrecy prevailed concerning the outcome of the conferences, the belief grew during the day that the end of the strike was not far off.

The attitude of the executives, it was understood, was unchanged concerning the seniority rule, the chief obstacle of peace, notwithstanding pressure brought to bear by the president to induce them to abandon this stand.

Basis Narrows Down. The basis of an armistice, therefore, has about narrowed down to this: That the striking shopmen return to work with the assurance that the railroad labor board will grant them a rehearing of their grievances and assume jurisdiction over the much-disputed seniority question.

President Harding began his conferences early Thursday morning, beginning with T. DeWitt Cuyler, president of the American Association of Railway Executives.

Mr. Cuyler had left the White House, Mr. Jewell, the shopmen's chief, and the presidents of the various shopcraft unions arrived from Chicago and went at once into conference with Mr. Harding.

Mr. Cuyler also returned to the White House later in the evening. Other statements were given out by the shopmen and Cuyler after the conferences and nothing was forthcoming from the White House.

Both Cuyler and Jewell stated they would remain in Washington to await developments.

Confers With Johnston. Immediately upon their arrival from Chicago and before going to the White House, the strike leaders had a conference with William H. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists.

Developments in the coal strike situation in Washington were few and relatively unimportant.

Favorable replies have been received from the presidential coal distribution committee for the formation of a national coal distribution committee.

Mountain Climber Killed

Glacier Park, Mont., July 27.—Dr. Frank B. Wynn of Indianapolis, nationally noted as leader in mountain climbing activities in the United States, was killed in a fall here while at the head of a party ascending Mount Siyeh.

The Weather

Forecast. Probably showers and cooler Friday. Hourly Temperatures. Table with columns for time and temperature.