

COPPER MINERS CALL BLUFF

Attorney Says Demand Made by the Operators is Buncombe. MAKES OFFER TO COMMITTEE

Strikers Will Agree to Inquiry Into Federation If Methods and Finances of Calumet and Hecla Are Gone Into.

HANCOCK, Mich., Feb. 13.—Whether the Western Federation of Miners will be included in the present inquiry will not be determined by the congressional committee which is investigating the strike of the copper miners, until the two absent members of the committee arrive. This announcement was made by Congressman Taylor, chairman of the committee, in response to a question yesterday from Allan F. Ross of counsel for the mining companies. In order to show that no employees had been discriminated against because of his membership in the union, attorneys for the companies have asked each witness whether he was a member of the federation, and if so, for how long a time.

An offer to submit the Western Federation of Miners to a searching investigation if an equally full inquiry was afforded into the affairs of the Calumet and Hecla Mining company, was made today at the opening of the hearing. "I want to meet the exhibition of buncombe made yesterday by counsel for the other side," said O. N. Hilton of counsel for the union. "In asking whether the Western Federation was to be excluded from this investigation, we are willing for an investigation of the federation if the Calumet and Hecla company also is investigated. We would like to inquire into its interlocking directorates, its operations in stocks and into its officers. We desire latitude also to investigate the Citizens' alliance."

Chairman Taylor said that the committee wanted to give both sides wide latitude to inquire into anything pertaining to the strike situation and the causes leading to it. "If all these causes are merely offered for the purpose of intimidation and not to assist in getting at the bottom of the trouble," he continued, "I don't think we would want to inquire into them. I don't suppose the mining companies want to go into the murder of Governor Steunenberg and other events that have been charged against the federation elsewhere in the past. If we did, it would require a year or more. We must confine ourselves to something germane to the situation here."

Representative Robert M. Switzer of Ohio arrived today and sat with the committee. Representative Hamlin of Missouri is now the only absentee. The announcement was made that the hearings would be held at the county court house in Houghton beginning Monday, owing to the limited capacity of the hall here.

Frosts Feet While Doing Charity Work for Taylor Family

Protected feet are no obstacle to doing charity work, according to William Sisson, a real estate man who lives at the Young Men's Christian association. He suffered that painful inconvenience Thursday while helping in the relief work for Mrs. Edna Taylor and her large family of sufferers north of Benson.

Mr. Sisson donated his services in the work of gathering donations for the poor sufferers, and drove H. H. Harpen's auto all Thursday afternoon, in spite of the severe weather. The cold nipped his feet before he realized its seriousness. A good load of provisions, clothing and other needed articles were secured and turned over to the poverty stricken family.

Today Richard Burnell is gathering more donations in his own rig. He says that money is needed much more than food or clothing now, as the family must have another house to move into soon, having been ordered to vacate their present shack.

Miss Carrie Nash, principal of Clifton Hill school, gave \$2 toward the house fund, and a similar sum was received from an unnamed citizen who appreciated the needs and worth of the cause. Further remittances are urged, even though the amount be small. They should be addressed to the Taylor fund, care of The Bee, and will be acknowledged.

Transient Salesmen in Bad Favor with Retailers of Omaha

Transient salesmen who pay no taxes in Omaha and have no established business here are in bad favor with the Associated Retailers of Omaha. Also Rome Miller, proprietor of the Hotel Rome, is being criticized by the Retailers' association for renting rooms to such transient salesmen.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Associated Retailers of Omaha at the Paxton hotel Thursday a committee consisting of Robert Rosenzweig, W. S. Horzman and A. T. Benson, was appointed to wait upon Rome Miller with a complaint against his housing such transient salesmen. It was when Rome Miller complained to the Commercial club of the club's serving banquets that the retailers took up the fight against his housing transient salesmen who come here and sell goods direct to consumers.

A circular letter from the German Alliance to some of the retailers attracted considerable comment during the course of the meeting. The letter sets forth that some of the retailers are not giving sufficient patronage to the German Tribune, the German paper published in Omaha by Val Peter, and further suggests that "We think the best way to show our appreciation, other things being equal, is to prefer those who favor us." No action was taken on the matter by the retailers, as it was held that since the letters were written to individuals and not to the association, it might not be a proper subject for the association to set upon.

Babies and Other Live Animals Barred from the Parcel Post

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Babies are not mailable. The Postoffice department no holds in an edict today barring them from the parcel post. The question arose over a request by the postmaster at Stratford, Okl., for a ruling by the department as to whether a patron of his office could send a 2-year-old child by parcel post from Twin Falls, Idaho, to Stratford. The postmaster was greatly puzzled because he could find nothing in the regulations covering such a case. So he referred it to the Postoffice department.

It was the first time the authorities had been asked to rule upon the question and it caused a mild sensation. A hurried consultation of officials resulted and after reference to the parcel post regulations it was discovered the Oklahoma postmaster was right, that there was nothing in them covering such a case.

Second Assistant Postmaster General Stewart, therefore, decided that all human beings and live animals are barred from the mails. The one exception, however, is the queen bee, which is the only living creature that can enjoy the privileges of the parcel post.

Cashier Bauman of Water Board Gets Disgusted and Quits

Otto Bauman, for nearly two years cashier for the Water board, has resigned following a disagreement with General Manager H. Beecher Howell, the Water board boss. "A man with any red blood in his veins can't work for H. Beecher Howell," said Bauman.

H. L. Underwood, for several years an employe of the Water board, has been appointed cashier by Howell.

Prof. J. E. Cooper, horticulturist of Nebraska State university, will deliver a stereoscopic lecture at Odd Fellows hall, Benson, tomorrow evening, under the auspices of the Non-partisan Progressive club of that suburb. The club members felt the urgent need of getting the residents of Benson more interested in the planting of trees, flowers and shrubbery, also in the parking of streets, and took steps to secure Mr. Cooper for a lecture on this subject at this time. There will be no admission charge, and everybody is welcome. Mr. Cooper will be preceded on the program by a few short remarks by Mr. Howell and Editor Burgess of Twentieth Century Farmer. There will also be a short musical program.

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Magnificent Selections, Unquestionable Qualities and Efficient Service

--These Mean Satisfactory Shopping Saturday at Brandeis

COMING EVENTS

The next week will be one of intense interest at the Brandeis Stores.

MONDAY—Beginning the greatest sale of rugs ever held in Omaha.

MONDAY—Also a great special purchase of wall paper at bargain prices.

TUESDAY—A big sale of women's suits and skirts.

WEDNESDAY—Mammoth sale of shoes for men, women and children in the Basement.

75 Doz. Pair Women's Fine Silk Hosiery

\$1.50, \$2 and \$2.25 Qualities—\$1

These silk hose are the product of one of the country's best known makers whose name we cannot mention, because he sold us this hosiery far below its regular value.

They are splendid quality pure thread silk, in heavy and medium weights; firm, elastic texture, with fine, smooth finish. All silk or with lisle garter tops, double lisle soles. All have high apicled heels and toes; black, white, tan and colors. Made to sell at \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.25 under their trade mark. You can buy them Saturday, while they last, at pair.

Lisle Hosiery at 35c—Women's fine mercerized lisle thread hose or silk boot hose, in black, tan and white, excellent quality; very unusual offer, pair, 35c.

Hosiery Special at 15c—Men's, women's and children's fine mercerized lisle thread hosiery, in black, white and tan; special lot of very unusual quality, at 15c.

Women's and Children's Fine Cotton Hosiery, in tan and black. A dependable quality, specially priced at, pair, 10c.

A Great Saturday Sale of Fine Dresses for Party and Afternoon Wear. Values to \$30, at \$6.98

These 150 dresses comprise surplus stock and sample lines of a leading New York maker, purchased at a great concession in price.

Many charming styles for women and misses, for afternoon, evening and party wear. Made of fine chiffons, messalines, crepes de chine, silk poplins and nets, with fancy draped overskirt effects. Many beautifully trimmed with dainty laces and ribbons; light and dark shades; all sizes are in the lot, but not every size in each style. Most of these dresses formerly priced up to \$30. Choice of the lot Saturday for.....

\$6.98

Clearance Prices Saturday on Women's and Misses' Coats

Misses' and Women's Coats, 3/4 and full lengths, Many desirable styles, Cheviots, Chinchillas, Plushes, Zibelines, Boucles and Mixtures. Formerly priced to \$17.50.

\$6.75

Hundreds of Women's Coats, Worth regularly up to \$35. Persianas, Plushes, Caraculs. Plain tailored and draped. Qualities of superior excellence.

\$12.75

Numerous good styles in Women's and Misses' Coats, Chinchillas, Cheviots, Boucles, Zibelines Plushes, Caraculs, Plain tailored or fancy cuts. Formerly priced up to \$25.

\$8.75

Hundreds of Men's Suits and Overcoats \$10

Worth \$15, \$20 and \$25

Exceptionally well cut and well tailored garments, taken from regular stock and reduced from their former "Lowest-in-the-city" prices.

Having been Brandeis stock, every Suit and every Coat is necessarily up to the very high Brandeis standard of excellence in every detail.

The only reason for reduction is that we must make room for the spring goods that are about to arrive.

There is an Overcoat or Suit here for every man, whether young or middle-aged, at a price that makes it well worth while to buy. There are plenty of both Suits and Overcoats in medium weights, and in fabrics suitable for Spring and early Summer. Good assortments in style, fabric and colorings, and plenty of sizes in at least several styles for men of varying physique.

Your unrestricted choice of any Man's Overcoat in the Basement; previously priced up to \$10, only.....

\$3.98

Saturday Sale of Men's Pants in Three Great Lots

These pants include the very choicest of our stocks. Peg or semi-peg top styles. Strictly all wool worsteds and cashmeres; all good colors in patterns. Reduced in three lots for quick selling Saturday:

Our regular \$3.00 and \$3.50 pants, Saturday at.....	\$1.75	Our regular \$4.00 and \$4.50 pants, Saturday at.....	\$2.75	Our regular \$5.00 to \$7.00 pants, Saturday at.....	\$3.75
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Great Clearance of a \$3,000 Stock of Musical Supplies

Sheet Music, Books, Instruments—Taken Over from a Closed-out Music Store—Bargain Prices

Popular Sheet Music	De Luxe Sheet Music
"White Rivers of Love Flow On," "To Have, to Hold, to Love," "Whisper-will," "There's a Girl in the Heart of Maryland," "Every Rose Reminds Me of You," "Have a Heart," "Good-bye, My Love," "In the Candle Light by Old Wishing Well," "Peg O' My Heart," "Every Girl was Meant for Someone," "Playland," and hundreds of others.	"Humoresque," "Dying Poet," "The Palms," "Tulips," "Anvil Chorus," "Falling Waters," "Fairly Waltz," "Stephanie Gavotte," "Mountain Belle," "Old Oaken Bucket," "Con Amor," "Silver Waves," "Morning Prayer," "Old Folks at Home," "Angel's Dream," "Monastery Belle," "Convent Belle," "Cavallaria Rusticana," and all other standard classical numbers.

9c Gem Dance Folio No 1914, Witmark Moving Picture Book, Sam Fox Picture Book. The very first pieces. First Parlor Pieces, and any kind of music book you may wish for. On sale Saturday at..... **29c**

BIG MUSICAL PRODUCTION SUCCESSES, TO CLEAR

"Irish Lullaby," "Never Met Before a Girl Like You," "Dream Girl of Mine," "Chauncey O'Connell's 3 biggest hits," "When I'm With You," "Girl That Dreams of Me," "I Don't Know Why I Kissed You," "When Love is Young," "M. Wonderful Dream Girl," "My Wild Irish Rose," "When Irish Eyes are Smiling," and all the big hits.....	23c
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Great Sale of Gloves

worth from \$1.50 to \$3 a pair, Saturday

\$1

200 pairs 16-button length White Kid Gloves.
200 pairs 16 and 20-button length black and colored Kid and Suede Gloves.
150 pairs 16-button embroidered Silk Gloves.
185 pairs 2-clasp real Kid Gloves.
145 pairs 1-clasp Cap Gloves.
210 pairs 1-clasp Pique Kid Gloves.

One of the finest lots we have ever offered. Be sure to see them on the main floor Saturday.

Sale of Fine Hand Bags, \$1

Stylish, new shapes in fine quality bags. Real morocco, seal or saffian leathers, in various colors. Some are silk lined; others are leather lined. These are our regular \$2 and \$3 bags, and will prove a very unusual bargain Saturday at \$1.

\$5 Hand Bags, \$2.98

Hand bags of real seal, pin seal, real morocco and real goat seal, in all the newest shapes, styles and colors; leather or silk lined, with 2 or 3-piece fittings. Our regular \$5 values; specially priced Saturday, \$2.98.

\$5 Mesh Bags, \$2.98

Fine quality German silver mesh bags, with 7-inch frame, kid lined, ring mesh or unbreakable mesh; our regular \$5 bags, Saturday, \$2.98.

\$3 Mesh Bags, \$1.98

Mesh bags, 4 1/2 inches deep, kid lined; our regular \$3 bags; special for Saturday at \$1.98.

\$2 German silver vanity cases, special at \$1.

Sale of Coat Chains

Choice of our 52-inch Long Coat Chains, worth to \$2.50, special at \$1.

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Choice of our \$5 and \$6 Long Coat Chains, at \$2.98; very pretty and set with all color stones.

Men's \$1 Leather Poles, with safety attachment, special at \$1.

\$1.25 Aluminum Braid Pins, set with brilliant white stones..... **75c**

Regular \$1 Clocks, special Saturday..... **49c**

\$3 quadruple plated Bread Trays, special Saturday..... **\$1.69**

Vm. Rogers' odd pieces Table ware, special at \$1.50 each..... **15c**

FANCY WAISTS \$1.60

Worth up to \$5 for 1

A Big Saturday Sale

Beautiful waists of messalines, taffetas, Jap silks; also fine laces and velvets. Plain tailored or elaborately trimmed models, variety in large enough to assure satisfactory choice to every woman. Waists regularly worth up to \$5.00, Saturday at \$1.60.

\$1 Night Gowns, 79c

Women's fine outing flannel gowns, in plain colors and stripes, made extra long and full. Regular \$1 and \$1.25; Saturday, special, 79c.

75c Petticoats, 45c

Women's fine outing flannel and knit petticoats, in plain colors and stripes, with tucked flounce, worth up to 75c; special for Saturday, at..... **45c**

Men's \$5 6 Shoes \$2.95

Broken size lines and small lots of our finest shoes for men at a bargain price Saturday; button or lace, in various good styles; dull, patent or tan leathers; first-class in every detail; our best \$5 and \$6 values at \$2.95.

Women's Dress Shoes

Women's fine dress shoes, in patent, suede or dull leathers; odd lots and broken lines of our regular \$3.50 and \$4 grades, at \$2.35.

Women's House Slippers, in patent leather and kidskin, regular \$1.50 and \$2 values; special Saturday, \$1.

Fine Satin Slippers

Fine satin slippers, in pink, blue and white, for women; all perfect and clean; regular \$3 slippers, special Saturday, at \$1.50.

Clearance Boys' Coats and Suits

All our Boys' Overcoats, in chin-clothes, velours and jaxtures. Norfolk, shawl collar and various other models, ages 2 to 10 years. Former prices \$5 to \$7.50, clearing price..... **\$3.45**

Overcoats for larger boys, in plain gray, tan and fancy mixtures; double and single breasted with convertible collar, ages 9 to 17; former prices \$5 to \$6.50, clearing price, \$2.45.

Russian Suits for boys; tan, grays, shepherd plaids, blue seiges and mixtures. All are the latest models for ages 2 to 8; former prices \$4.50 to \$5; clearing price, \$2.45.

Boys' Suits in tweeds, chevrons, fancy mixtures and blue seiges; medium and heavy weights; Norfolk and plain coat styles; many have 2 pairs of pants, fully lined; ages 6 to 17; former price \$5 to \$6.50; clearing price, \$3.45.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES MAY JOIN MILITIA AND DO DUTY

No employes of Uncle Sam, at least no postal employes, is to be in bad repute with the department for activity in militia duty, according to an order issued by Postmaster General Burleson. On the contrary, the order indicates that the department approves of postoffice employes joining the militia and keeping up the duties which are incident to their belonging to the state militia.

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