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## OFFERS MODEST INCREASE TO THE MINE WORKERS

At a meeting which speedily developed a wrathful denunciation of the administration by the miners, Fuel Administrator Garfield presented to the coal operators and workers Tuesday the terms of settlement of the mine strike approved by the president's cabinet. The chief features of the settlement proposal are:

A wage advance averaging 14 per cent, instead of the 60 per cent originally demanded by the miners, the 31.61 per cent proposed by Secretary of Labor Wilson endorsed by the miners, and the 20 per cent offered by the operators.

No increase in the price of coal to consumers.

Creation of a joint commission of operators and miners, with the secretary of the interior as chairman, to work out the details of the wage adjustments in accordance with these principles and to furnish information and advice for the settlement of its disputes in the future.

The proposal of a wage increase of only 14 per cent raise, came as a surprise to everyone and aroused the anger of the leaders of the miners' union, who protested vehemently to Doctor Garfield as soon as he had finished reading the statement of the terms approved by the cabinet. Doctor Garfield asserted that 14 per cent added to the wage advance received by the miners since that time. He said that Secretary of Labor Wilson had been in error in calculating that it would require an additional 31.61 per cent in pay to equalize the increased living cost.

To give the miners a raise of more than 14 per cent, Doctor Garfield contended, would make their increase exceed the advance in the cost of living, and this example, if followed generally in industry, would create a vicious spiral of mounting wages and rising cost of necessities.

John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America declared, when the meeting broke up that "the miners will not accept a 14 per cent wage increase."

### Negotiations End.

Washington, Nov. 27.—An abrupt end came late today to all attempts to settle the nation-wide coal strike by peaceful agreement.

Miners and operators spent a bleak Thanksgiving afternoon in embittered debate over the government proposal for a 14 per cent wage increase, made last night by Fuel Administrator Garfield, rejected it and every other proposal that was forthcoming and then dissolved sine die.

Participants went home tonight, and where the break left, coal strike conditions, no one of them, miner or operator, would say. Likewise in official quarters there was silence.

Men's heavy gray sweaters, \$4.00 value at \$2.95. THE HUB.

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## COMMITTEE MAKES STATEMENT OF THE COAL SITUATION

When the Coal Committee took charge of the retail distribution of coal in the city Wednesday morning there was not a single pound of soft coal in any dealer's hands in town. The city turned over to us about 15 tons of slack from the supply at the water plant, and about 15 tons of coke in the L. & P. yards. This was distributed to the most needy householders in 500 pound lots during the day, 95 being supplied.

In the meantime application was made by the committee for a steady supply of coal through the fuel administration, and a memorandum of the local situation, with the application wired to Omaha. This same was sent to Supt Woodruff at Cheyenne by Mr. Bailey, the local railroad agent. The committee also sent a wire to Genl. Mgr. Jeffers at Omaha and to the state railroad commission at Lincoln. Late in the afternoon we received word from Mr. Shelver, the local trainmaster, that one carload of coal had been released to Waltham and later we had word through Mr. Bailey that two more carloads had been released to the fuel committee. These cars were all switched and set by evening, on the orders of Mr. Shelver. We also had a wire from Mr. Jeffers that these two cars were released to us and later that another car to a dealer was released up west and would be down soon.

We are now taking orders for 1000 pound lots from those most in need and the applicant must sign a statement showing the amount of fuel on hand, and we have made the rule that we will not supply coal to anyone who has more than one week's supply. We have also asked the dealers and all the draymen to report any large supplies of coal, and in case they find a week's supply or more to refuse to deliver the coal, and in case of serious misstatement will cause the name of the party making such to be published in the local papers.

The two carloads of coal which had been diverted by the government to the local committee—as well as future diversions—bear a guaranteed price of twelve dollars per ton on account of the possibility of claims filed by the owners thereof. This coal will be sold at that price plus 75 cents delivery charge for a half ton. Coal coming to dealers on regular invoice will be sold at the old price.

We have to date tried only to take care of residence needs, but if further supplies are available, we have hopes of taking care of all the business needs.

We want to thank everyone for their co-operation, being aided in every way by the local coal dealers, and we have had the best of advice and assistance from Mr. Streitz, our mayor, also from Mr. Shelver and Mr. Bailey in the local railroad offices and Genl. Mgr. Jeffers and Supt. Woodruff, out of town officials of the company.

We can only advise that the situation is serious, and that every person make

his best effort to conserve his supply of fuel and light during this stringency.  
J. C. WILSON,  
F. J. DIENER,  
J. V. ROMIGH,  
North Platte Fuel Committee.

## JUDGE MILTONBERGER PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY MORNING

I. L. Miltonberger passed away at his home on north Locust street at 2:30 yesterday morning following an illness of several months. Death was due to kidney and heart trouble, and for some time past his condition had been such as to preclude hope of a recovery.

His death removed from Lincoln county one of its best and most widely known men; a man who had been a resident of the county for thirty-five years, who had filled positions of trust with credit to himself and a man who enjoyed the good-will of every acquaintance. Locating in Buchanan precinct in the latter part of the 80's, he devoted his time for several years to farming and then moved to North Platte where the family has since resided. Twice he was elected to the office of sheriff, a position which he creditably filled, and for several years prior to his death had held the position of police judge, and was also chairman of the city park commission.

Judge Miltonberger was a splendid citizen and his passing away will be deeply regretted by many friends in all parts of the county.

Frederick Bowers and company presented "Kiss Me Again" at the Keith last evening to an audience that more than filled the seating capacity of the house. The dancing was unusually clever, the singing very fair and plenty of comedy to keep the audience laughing the greater part of the time.

J. G. Boeler, delegate to the constitutional convention from Lincoln county will leave Sunday for the capital city to be on hand when the convention opens next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clabaugh and Mr. and Mrs. Don Clabaugh, who had been visiting in town with relatives, left this morning for Greeley.

Deposits in the Keith county banks as shown by the statements called for this month aggregate in round numbers \$2,000,000.

Judge Grimes went to Lexington this morning to finish the week holding court. He has been holding court there for three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bailey returned to Cozad this morning after spending Thanksgiving with their son George and Mr. and Mrs. Lem Bailey.

J. J. Halligan went to Lexington this morning to attend the session of district court.

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## ARTHUR MAY OF SEATTLE WEDS MISS HUFFMAN

A beautiful Thanksgiving wedding took place at eight o'clock last evening at the Lutheran church, when Miss Irma Margaret Huffman became the bride of Arthur Arnold May. Miss Florence MacKay was at the organ and as an opening prelude played the Tannhauser March by Wagner, after which Paul Harrington sang Alliston's "A Song of Thanksgiving." This was followed by an organ solo of Cadman's, "At Dawning," after which Paul Harrington sang the wedding song "Because." Miss MacKay then played the Lohengrin wedding march and the bridesmaids, Misses Mayne Pizer, Alma Waltham, Myrtle Beeler and Gertrude Dill, wearing gowns of pink tulle and white roses and smiling, entered and took their place at the altar while the ushers, Ernest Rincker, Victor Halligan, William Norris, Harry Huffman and Carl Amick placed up the side aisle to their places. The bridegroom, accompanied by the best man, Earl Spaulding, entered from the vestry room. Miss Ethel May, sister of the groom, was maid of honor and wore pink satin and tulle and carried a long white staff tied with tulle and flowers. Little Margaret Reynolds carried a silver basket with a single pink rose. In the center of which rested the ring. She wore a fluffy white georgette dress tied with a pink tulle sash. The bride entered on the arm of her father, G. S. Huffman. She was gowned in duchess satin draped with tulle and with the bodice of heavy silver lace. He veil of tulle was held in place by sprays of lilies of the valley, worn by her mother at her wedding. The train, which fell from the shoulders was embroidered in silver and lined with shell pink and was carried by Virginia Scott and Nancy Mitchell, who wore fluffy dresses of pink georgette. The bride carried a shower bouquet of sweetheart roses and smilax.

Rev. C. Franklin Koch read the marriage lines, after which Miss MacKay played the Mendelssohn march as a recessional.

The reception was held in the church assembly room which had been profusely decorated with palms and pink and white roses.

Mr. and Mrs. May left on a late train for the west, stopping at Denver and Salt Lake City while enroute to Seattle where they will make their home.

An unusual note of the wedding was the fact that Miss Huffman was the first bride to be married in the new Lutheran church which has just been completed, while her mother was the first bride of the old building.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. May, McKinley May and Miss Ethel May, of Gothenburg, Miss Gertrude Dill of Chicago, Mrs. Mary Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Huffman and son Paul, Harry Huffman and Carl Amick of Omaha, and Mr. and Mrs. Holzmark, of Lexington.

The bride has been one of North Platte's brightest and most accomplished young ladies. Graduating from the high school she went to Chicago and for a couple of years took instruction in voice, expression and dramatic art, and later was star in a company producing "The Mikado" and other comic operas. In this work she was a brilliant success.

Mr. May, since completing his education, has been associated with his father in the ownership and management of the Gothenburg telephone exchange, which they recently sold to the Nebraska Company. The groom goes to Seattle for the present, but with his father and brother expects to purchase the exchange at Ellensburg, Wash., a town of about 12,000 people.

### Machine Does Work Quickly.

A piece of drudgery that has been assigned to machine labor is applying stucco. A new electric machine, with blades making 1,500 revolutions per minute puts on the material, and the operator and an assistant feeding the hopper cover the space rapidly and efficiently. The plastic substance is projected with such force that a thin film of moisture is squeezed out behind it, causing a waterproof protective coat of enamel to form upon the surface.

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## Many Want Coal.

At 9:30 this forenoon twenty-eight men and women were standing in line at the committee coal office waiting to receive orders for coal, and the line was growing in length each minute. In the line was a banker, business men and laborers, evidence that the coal shortage is afflicting all classes. Yesterday only about fifty orders were issued.

### Wanted

Man and wife without children man to work and wife to cook. Will pay \$130 a month including lights, rent and fuel. Phone Red 1221.

Special—Home cured bacon 35c per pound. Brodbeck's Meat Market.

## Methodist Church Announcements

There will be no services at the Methodist church Sunday. We are entirely out of coal. We will join with the Presbyterians in all services. Sunday school at 9:45. Epworth League at 6:30. We earnestly desire that the usual attendance will be present. Go to church somewhere. Don't let your spiritual fires go out. H. E. HESS, Pastor

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