

14 KILLED IN ILLINOIS MINE WAR

Witnesses to Confront Prisoner

Fred Brown, Now Safely Lodged in State Penitentiary, Will Be Brought to Omaha in Few Days.

Case in Shotwell's Hand

Fred Brown will be brought to Omaha in a few days at the request of County Attorney Shotwell. This was disclosed yesterday by Shotwell after Acting Chief of Police Pete Dillon had presented to the county prosecutor an official report containing evidence in the Brown case collected by Omaha police.

This report was made after Detectives Aughe and Franks had assembled all police material in the case for Chief Dillon. Point to Shooting. Shotwell declined to make public the contents of the report, but admitted that the police, in their information, offered evidence pointing to the probability of Brown being the slayer of Charles and Robert Sieken during an oil station holdup.

Brown will be brought to Omaha as soon as possible, Shotwell said, depending on the healing of his wound, to be identified by witnesses listed in the police information. "The police angle of the case looks good," said Shotwell. "But I will know more about it and will make public more of the facts after I have been able to make a personal investigation into the statement of evidence."

Holdup Suspect. Police will make further efforts, Shotwell added, to connect Brown with a number of recent holdups and robberies in Omaha. When the chain man is brought to Omaha from the state penitentiary, where he is now held for recuperation from his wound, he will be compelled to give a complete and detailed account of his habits and actions while in Omaha since his parole from prison, Shotwell said.

Manacle Man Placed in State Penitentiary

Lincoln, June 21.—(Special.)—Fred Brown is now a prisoner in the state penitentiary here. His only words were to say that the trip had greatly fatigued him. Brown, in company with State Sheriff Gus Myers and Warden W. T. Feunton, arrived in Lincoln at 8:40 this morning over the Northwestern from Fremont.

A crowd of 500 or 600 persons at the depot watched as the chain man was placed in an ambulance and taken to the state prison where he will be held in the prison hospital until he has recovered from the gunshot wound he suffered when captured near Medicine Bow, Wyo.

No Statement. No statement was made by Brown as he was placed in the penitentiary. His only words were to say that the trip had greatly fatigued him. On the way from Fremont to Lincoln he chatted at intervals with (Turn to Page Two, Column One.)

Foul Play Is Feared to Three Young Girls

Sioux Falls, S. D., June 21.—Local police today said that no trace of Sylvia McDowell, aged 15; Effie Miller, 13, and Geneva Irwin, 14, the three young girls reported missing from their homes in Luverne, Minn., since last Sunday night, had been found here. Sioux Falls officials were asked to aid in the search last night by Harry Irwin, father of one of the girls.

The girls left the Irwin home early Sunday evening, saying that they intended going "for a little walk." They took neither wraps nor money, and have not been seen or heard from since. It is feared they have met with foul play, as all the girls were said to have been contented with their home life. Their parents say that they were not in the habit of going out with young men.

Aspirant for Congress Has Five Fourth Invitations

Dunbar, Neb., June 21.—(Special.)—Wilbur W. Anness of this place, aspirant for congress from the First district on the republican ticket, has five fourth of July invitations on his desk, two of them from Lancaster county. Mr. Anness will speak at Table Rock on July 4, that town being the first on his list. He also has three picnic dates scheduled. A movement is on foot to have Walter L. Anderson of Lincoln and Wilbur Anness appear together at a series of meetings.

Voters of Herman Endorse Light Plant Bond Issue

Herman, Neb., June 21.—(Special Telegram.)—At a special election, voters of Herman endorsed the proposed bond issue of \$20,000 for the construction of an electric light system and a contract with the Continental Gas and Electric company of Omaha for the current. The vote was 176 to 3. The bonds already have been sold to the Peters Trust company of Omaha at a premium of 4 per cent. Bids for construction of the system will be opened June 22.

"Pussyfoot" to Sail for England, But Not on U. S. 'Bootleg Scow'

New York, June 21.—When William E. "Pussyfoot" Johnson sails of Liverpool tomorrow to resume his prohibition drive overseas, it will be on the British steamer Scythia. "I will not ride on American bootleg scows," he said today, announcing his decision. "I don't regard such ships as being safe to travel on." The managers of the United Shipping board spent much money advertising in American newspapers appealing to Americans to ride on their ships for patriotic reasons, and then more money in European newspapers appealing to Europeans to ride on American ships because there is plenty of booze on board. "I don't know what these shipping board fellows could do to make America more ridiculous in the eyes of the world."

Leadership of Radicals Sought by La Follette

Wisconsin Senator Has Presidential Aspirations—Plans New Party If Republicans Cannot Be Stampeded.

By GEORGE F. AUTHIER. Washington Correspondent Omaha Post-Telegram, June 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Robert M. La Follette, Wisconsin, is in the field for the leadership of a radical American party, according to reliable information reaching the senate, and seeking to become its nominee for president. This information was corroborated by a dramatic attempt on the part of the Wisconsin senator to stage in the senate a reproduction of his speech made June 14, before the American Federation of Labor, in which he attacked the supreme court and enunciated a doctrine which would make congress the supreme branch of the government. He will seek to bring this change about by a constitutional amendment.

Plans Amalgamation. According to the information which he reached senators, Senator La Follette believes the time is ripe for an amalgamation of the radical agrarian and radical labor groups into one party, which is already represented in some of the states as the farmer-labor party. Senator La Follette, according to the same information, will remain within the republican party until after his re-election as United States senator and then, if he fails to stampede the republican party into the radical camp, a failure practically certain, he will lead the new party movement.

The plan involves an attempt to bring about an amalgamation of the radical farm and labor elements, as outlined in the original scheme of the Nonpartisan league of North Dakota. Heretofore these attempts have not met with marked success. The effort to fuse the two elements was a failure in Minnesota, but the friends of Senator La Follette say it succeeded in Iowa, when Smith W. Brookhart was nominated for United States senator.

Ticket Now in Field. The farmer-labor ticket is now in the field in Minnesota and Nebraska, and the La Follette forces hope to carry with them the radical elements of such farm states as Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa and Nebraska.

The program which the Wisconsin senator is understood to have in mind is not known to have the support of Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, but does have the support of the more radical element in labor represented by William Z. Foster and others.

Recall of Decisions. The program involves what amounts to a recall of judicial decisions, by making it possible for congress to nullify a supreme court decision by passing a law declared unconstitutional by that body, a doctrine which as pointed out in the senate today by Senator Kellogg, Minnesota, would make it possible for congress to nullify all of the constitutional provisions, including the amendments to the constitution known as the bill of rights, to change the form of government at will.

Other features of the proposed program will be opposition to the Esch-

Rail-Mine Joint Strike 'Must Come'

Lewis for Miners and Jewell for Rail Workers Issue Statement That "There's No Alternative."

Plan More Conferences

Cincinnati, O., June 21.—(By A. P.)—Four amendments to the constitution of the United States and repeal of the Sherman anti-trust law were recommended today to the American Federation of Labor convention by its special policy committee, the members of the working court decisions regarded as adverse to labor. Among the proposed amendments was a congressional veto of supreme court decisions.

Other amendments were proposed by the committee as follows: An amendment prohibiting the labor of children under 16 years of age in any mine, mill, factory, workshop or other mercantile establishment; an amendment prohibiting enactment of any anti-strike law, or preventing collective bargaining between employers and employees, and an amendment to make the constitution more flexible and easier of amendment.

Plan More Meetings. Cincinnati, O., June 21.—(By A. P.)—Further meetings to consider joint strike action were being planned today between leaders of the striking coal miners and the rail unions that are threatening a nation-wide rail walkout next month. The union chiefs indicated that they expected to hold conferences here this week, to be followed by a later meeting in Chicago, where the rail leaders will canvass the strike vote next week.

A unanimity of sentiment as to the necessity of the rail strike was shown by a joint statement of Cincinnati, O., June 21.—(By A. P.)—Without discussion or opposition the American Federation of Labor convention today adopted a resolution favoring an investigation "of the alleged discriminatory action which is said to be contemplated by Harvard College" to bar admission of Hebrews as students. The resolution declared the federation's disapproval of "any departure from true liberal tradition," and condemned as "un-American any policy which may deny to any racial or religious groups equal opportunities for education."

The convention also adopted resolutions favoring a congressional investigation of parcel post rates, and ordering the federation officers to investigate the federated press to determine its fairness in the presentation of labor news.

Claim "Common Crisis." The joint statement, which the union men said they regarded as important on account of its dual authorship, declared a "common crisis" faced both the railroad men and the miners, and added "it is only natural that these workers decide to do everything necessary to protect their separate interests."

It was asserted that both the miners and the railroad men had "no alternative but to strike," and that "all attempts at peaceable and orderly adjustments have been fruitless."

The present crisis and the impending struggle," the statement continues, "is not one which the workers in the mines or on the railroads can withhold or avoid without being recreant to their manhood and to those principles which all men who love liberty and humanity must carry forward inviolate and risk all to maintain. It involves the fundamentals of economic and social life. All workers will be affected by the extent to which the forces seeking to crush these workers in the railroad and mining industries are successfully resisted."

Called to Consider Public." "The forces which degrade our

Battered Schooner With Man Aboard Nears Island Shore

New Bedford, Mass., June 21.—This old whaling city, accustomed for generations to hearing strange tales of the sea, added another story to its annals today. It centered about the mysterious appearance of a battered schooner hulk and a tattered half starved man about here, close to the shore of West Island yesterday. The man, emaciated and with a heavy growth of beard, was found eating grass on the beach by a summer visitor. He could only tell the police that he had drifted to the island and that he had recently been in Boston and New York. His name, he said, was Osmund Erickson, and his address "the water."

His unseaworthy craft, measuring 30 feet over all, was lying close in to the shore. It carried a tiny, unsteady jury rig, made of two pieces of board. Its sails were a few shreds of old clothing. A dozen patches on the hulk had not kept out the water and the man's bunk was half afloat. There was no food aboard.

Mrs. Olesen Wins Demo. Nomination for U. S. Senator

Family of Three Thrilled With Knowledge Wife and Mother Chosen to Pioneer Trail for Women.

St. Paul, Minn., June 21.—Returns from Minnesota's state-wide primary today were sufficiently near completion to show Mrs. Anna Dickie Olesen far in the lead of Thomas Meighen, her nearest opponent, for the democratic nomination for United States senator.

Sentiment on the question of sending a woman to the United States senate will be an added feature to party issues in the general election in Minnesota next November. The nomination of Mrs. Olesen as the senatorial standard bearer for the democrats next fall will call for an expression of this sentiment in addition to the question of adherence to party lines and issues involving the national administration.

Opposed to Kellogg. Frank B. Kellogg, junior senator from Minnesota, and one of President Harding's stalwarts in the senate, who was renominated in the republican primary over Ernest Lundeen, will face the political barrier with Mrs. Olesen next fall, along with the "hardcore" labor labor nominee, Senator Kellogg remained in Washington during the primary campaign, leaving his candidacy in the hands of the regular republican organization, which gave him its endorsement in the state convention.

Endorsed Candidate. Mrs. Olesen likewise was an endorsed candidate. Delegates to the democratic state convention, like the democrats at the polls Monday, selected her as the organization candidate for the senate.

The first woman to sit in congress—Miss Jeannette Rankin—came out of the northwest, when Montana voters sent her to the lower house in 1916. Whether the northwest will give the senate its first woman member will be answered at the polls in Minnesota next November.

Miss Grace F. Kaerscher of Ortonville was the republican nominee for clerk of the supreme court. Governor J. A. O. Prues and other republican state officers were renominated.

Family in Cloquet Celebrates Victory

Cloquet, Minn., June 21.—(By A. P.)—To the country at large she may be a nameless town, but to this city of 8,000 population, she will always be Mrs. Peter Olesen, though even her husband, who is superintendent of Cloquet's schools, insists that the "Anna Dickie" be substituted for the Mrs. Peter, when she is referred to in newspaper articles.

And tonight the little family of three—especially the husband and 14-

Howard Accepts Democratic Filing

Norfolk, Neb., June 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Edgar Howard, former lieutenant-governor, and editor of the Columbus Daily Telegram, was here last night and after conferences with local Democratic leaders, he announced that he had accepted the democratic filing for congress in the Third district, made for him at Columbus.

He had recently accepted the progressive congressional filing, and much speculation is shown in how the third party and Nonpartisan league leaders, with whom Howard is said to have been flirting, will take this change in the political action of the Columbus candidate. Simultaneously with this announcement, it was stated that the acceptance which was filed for Howard for lieutenant-governor was not sanctioned by himself and would be withdrawn. Democrats say that Howard has joined forces with Hitchcock, and that Charles Bryan also is in harmony with the Hitchcock campaign and that William Jennings Bryan may come to Nebraska to campaign for the democrat senator.

Just When Business Is Beginning to Sit Up



1,000 Marooned in Border Towns by Rio Grande Flood

Critical Stage in Rising Waters, Which Have Inundated 16,000 Acres, Expected Tonight.

Brownsville, Tex., June 21.—Four hundred feet of levee protecting a section of the San Benito irrigation district, about 24 miles from Brownsville, gave way before flood waters of the Rio Grande this morning, causing the first inundation of lowlands in Cameron county. A large force of workmen rushed to the scene began work building up levee protection for the little town of Los Indios, which is threatened by the break.

Many Mexicans Marooned. San Antonio, Tex., June 21.—(By A. P.)—The critical stage in the lower Rio Grande flood, which already has inundated nearly 16,000 acres in Starr, Hidalgo and Cameron counties, marooned nearly 1,000 Mexicans in small border towns, and covered the roads leading west of Mercedes, is expected between midnight tonight and dawn Thursday when the crest of the upper flood is due to reach the edge of Starr county.

This upper flood, the result of a cloudburst Saturday, remarkable in the history of the river, not only because it has exceeded all previous records, but also because of its slow movement and sustained volume. From a stream normally 200 to 300 yards wide and 18 inches to six feet deep, the Rio Grande has become 50 feet deep at the flood crest and from three-quarters to a mile wide. The volume of water is so great that at Laredo, Tex., where an unofficial stage of 52 feet was reached at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, the river was still 50 feet deep at 6 o'clock last night. At Eagle Pass a 51-foot stage was reached at midnight Sunday and it had receded to six feet above normal at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening.

Drives Farmers to Hills. Brownsville, Tex., June 21.—Flood waters of the Rio Grande which Monday and yesterday wrought havoc at Eagle Pass and Laredo, last night had reached Zapata, Tex., district, 150 miles west of here, driving Mexican farmers and goat-herders into the hills on both sides of the river.

10,000 Homeless. Sofia, June 21.—Ten thousand persons have been homeless by devastating floods which inundated the suburban districts of Sofia, following rains Monday and Tuesday. No loss of life has been reported. There was much damage to live stock.

Fairbury Has Earliest Harvest in Its History

Fairbury, June 21.—(Special.)—The harvest of wheat started in real earnest yesterday. The time is two weeks earlier than ever in the history of Jefferson county. The prospects which were so bright a week ago have been blighted by the continued drought and the most optimistic feel disappointed.

The corn crop is standing the drought remarkably well and farmers are busy killing weeds and pulverizing the surface of the soil.

Elks Stampeded to Columbus Confab From 19 Pastures

Town Dolled Up in Holiday Clothes—Flags Fly as Visitors Stream in From All Over State.

Columbus, Neb., June 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Elks from all the 19 green pastures where their herds graze in Nebraska, are stampeding to Columbus today for the annual convention of their state association which was formally opened in Maencher hall this afternoon and will continue throughout tomorrow.

Nearly 100 delegates registered at the headquarters in the local lodge rooms prior to the opening of the afternoon session and fully 100 others were here in unofficial capacity. It is anticipated that the attendance will be doubled by late arrivals on trains and in automobiles this evening and tomorrow.

With flags flying and the Elks' purple everywhere displayed, the city is dolled up in holiday regalia to give its guests the glad hand. A bit of early color is being injected into the welcoming of the visitors by the old Thurston hotel bus, which, with a couple of white melody musicians mounted on top and drawn by a faithful, though antiquated mule, is meeting all the trains.

Officers Arrive Early. Among the arrivals this forenoon were the officers of the association, Clyde W. Morton, Kearney, president; W. W. Jene, Falls City; Carl Kramer, Columbus, and H. C. Haverty, Hastings, vice presidents; J. H. Cuddy, Chadron, secretary; C. B. Nicodemus, Fremont, treasurer; C. A. McCloud, York; Dan B. Butler, Omaha, and Walter Mainline, Grand Island, trustees.

Delegations of more than 40 each from Falls City and York were on the ground early. The Falls City contingent was headed by ex-governor John H. Morehead, who is a candidate for congress in his home district. With the Yorkers came the York military band of 35 pieces, which is supplying the musical program for the festivities. The Omaha Elks' band and Columbus City band will take over that end of the entertainment tomorrow.

Welcomed by Mayor. The convention was opened in Maencher hall at 2 today with invocation by Rev. W. L. Blaker, pastor of Grace church and chaplain of the Columbus lodge. The remainder of the program for the afternoon session follows:

Welcome on behalf of the city, Edgar Howard.

Welcome on behalf Columbus lodge, Otto F. Walter, past district deputy.

Response, Clyde W. Morton, president state association.

Roll call of officers. Report of committee on credentials. Reports of officers.

'Know Omaha' Ad Series Will Be Carried in Bee

Eight Full-Page Advertisements to Picture Marvellous Growth of City as Market Center.

"Know Omaha and Omaha Stores" is the general theme of a series of eight full-page advertisements to be published by The Omaha Bee, beginning today.

This series has an interest for every resident of Omaha and tributary territory. It pictures the marvellous growth of Omaha as a retail market center in unusually graphic manner. By photographs and historical text the story of Omaha's growth and Omaha's present advantages as a trading point are told with compelling force.

The advertisements are an unsolicited tribute by The Omaha Bee to the city's retail trade. Preparation of the copy, the engraving and all other work in connection therewith was undertaken by the various departments of this newspaper.

Picnic Held by Cheyenne County Farmers' Unions

Sidney, Neb., June 21.—(Special.)—The annual county picnic of the Cheyenne County Farmers union was held at Kruegers lake, six miles east of Sidney. The Bunker Hill local band furnished the music, assisted by a male quartet from Sidney. The principal address was delivered by C. J. Osborn, state president of the organization. A baseball game between two of the locals of the county was staged.

About 2,000 were present and picnic lunches were served. Sidney, Lodgepole and Sunol business houses closed at noon to permit their employees and proprietors to attend.

Referendum on Code Law Is Sought by Candidate

Lincoln, Neb., June 21.—Orville Jones, democratic candidate for attorney general, brought an action in mandamus in the district court of Lancaster county today asking that the court order Secretary of State D. M. Amsberry to submit the Nebraska code law to a referendum of the people in the November election. Judge Fred Shepard then issued an alias writ of mandamus calling upon the secretary of state to appear and show cause why the prayer should not be granted. July 16 is the return date.

The Weather

Forecast. Thursday fair, continued warm. Hourly Temperatures. 5 a. m. 72 10 a. m. 80 1 p. m. 84 4 p. m. 86 7 p. m. 82 10 p. m. 78

Strikers in Battle Four Hours

White Flag Hoisted by Operators Who Agree to Surrender Plant Operated by Nonunion Workers.

5,000 Join in Fighting

Omaha Bee Special Wire. Herrin, Ill., June 21.—Fourteen men were killed, two others are dying and more than a score were wounded in the afternoon when an army of miners estimated to number more than 5,000 stormed the stockade of the Southern Illinois Coal company's mine six miles from this city, according to reports reaching here tonight.

The majority of the dead are mine guards, it is said. The battle lasted more than four hours. At 7 this evening a white flag was hoisted from inside the stockade, with a request for a conference.

Miners officials demanded the surrender of the mine and cessation of operations, it is declared, to which the operators are said to have acceded.

Strike Breakers Used. The mine, since the declaration of the strike some weeks ago, has been operating with nonunion labor; the workers were guarded by operatives from private detective agencies, among them being the Hargreaves secret service of Chicago.

Shortly before 2 a large truck with 10 of the Hargreaves operatives was traveling along a road nine miles north of Carbondale, Ill. Strikers, ambushed in a clump of trees, opened fire on the truck. Three of the operatives were wounded; the truck fled to Carbondale where they were placed in the hospital.

As word of the attack reached Herrin, West Frankfort, and other mining communities, knots of men quickly gathered on the streets. Impromptu speakers jumped on wagons and porches and addressed the growing crowds.

Get Arms From Homes. These soon gradually dispersed to their homes to return a few moments later with rifles and revolvers. At Herrin a crowd numbering 200 invaded the hardware stores of the Braun, North company, the Herrin Supply company, and the Turner Hardware company and demanded arms and ammunition.

Move On Mine. At 3 the crowds, as if from a concerted signal, moved toward the Southern Illinois Coal company's mine. There a stockade had been erected by the guards. Men armed with rifles were posted at every corner. (Turn to Page Two, Column Six.)

Marriages Slump, Births Gain 1,400 in Nebraska

Lincoln, June 21.—The number of marriages in Nebraska fell off heavily in 1921, as compared with the number in 1920 and 1919, while births in the same period gained more than 1,400 over 1920 and more than 5,000 over 1919, according to an annual report of vital statistics issued today by the State Bureau of Health. Deaths in 1921 were less than the number in 1920 by 912.

The report records 32,186 births, 12,022 deaths, 13,853 marriages, and 3,758 divorce proceedings in 1921. The 1920 figures show 30,749 births, 12,934 deaths, 15,928 marriage licenses and 3,928 divorce proceedings.

Paving and Sewer Building Flourish at Grand Island

Grand Island, Neb., June 21.—(Special.)—Builders are reporting a slight let-up in contracts for new houses. The permits for the past few months, however, aggregate a sum close to \$100,000, of which the highest single contract was a little over \$6,000. In addition to these, construction in one paving district, sewer construction work, and the building of several business blocks is providing much employment. Owing to the absence of sufficient material, the sewer contractors are not able to immediately employ all the men who have applied for work.

Dawson Potato Growers Make Inspection Tour

Gothenburg, Neb., June 21.—(Special.)—Dawson county potato growers visited 15 fields, totaling 2,000 acres, in a tour of inspection throughout the county. The trip was part of a campaign to promote potato raising in this county. H. O. Werner of the college of agriculture and a potato specialist gave the local growers expert advice.

Dry Spell Broken. Ellsworth, Neb., June 21.—A much-needed rain fell here Tuesday, breaking a dry spell that has continued since June 1 and was beginning to be alarming to county potato growers. Prospects now are very promising.

Real Estate Offerings In Today's Bee. The dealers listed below have selected offerings in today's Bee. Turn to the Want Ads. Gloyer & Spata, J. J. Mulvihill, American Security Co., S. F. Bostwick, D. E. Buck Co., Amos Grant Co., W. T. Graham, E. E. Belman, W. H. Gates, Louis Cohn, Benson, Carmichael, Norris & Norris, Pike & Price, Gibson & Co., W. Farnam Smith Co., Byron Reed Co., Charles W. Martin, J. L. Hiett Co., Mark Martin, John W. Robbins, Shuler & Cary, Osborne Real Estate Co., Kaye Bros., H. W. Volland, Payne & Carnaby, J. E. Schaefer, H. W. Robbins, Hastings & Hayden, Home Realty Co., Glover & Merrill, George & Co., R. F. Clary Co.