

Outlook In Coal Strike Is Brighter

Eleventh-Hour Intervention By British Premier Brings Renewed Hope of Early Settlement.

Hinges on Pumping Issue

By The Associated Press. London, April 7.—Another day of tense alternating between hope and fear ended with one of the premier's 11th-hour interventions, bringing renewed prospects that the grave industrial crisis will be averted. He announced in the house of commons tonight, willingness of the government to participate in a conference to discuss pumping before other matters were considered.

Informal conferences continued this evening, moderates like Mr. Asquith, Lord Robert Cecil, Arthur Henderson and John Robert Clynes seeking to induce the miners to return to pumping and it was supposed that the whole question was turning on this slender hope.

Prime Minister Lloyd George, after an absence, returned to the house unexpectedly at 11 o'clock and informed the members that the government had agreed to a course which it believed practically certain the miners will accept.

Henderson Nonplused. What steps had led up to this change of front were not revealed, Arthur Henderson, who rose to reply to the premier, was nonplused. He had, he said, to express regret that the premier had not given notice of such an important statement.

As he had earlier explained, the miners' federation would have preferred to open the conference without conditions, but he had not had an opportunity to consult the federation since afternoon, therefore he could not assume responsibility.

Organizations composing the triple alliance held no further meetings tonight. The board of trade issued an official report of today's negotiations. The report concludes with a repudiation of the accusation that the government is engaged in a general attack on wages.

Charge Unfounded. "Such a charge is as monstrous as it is unfounded. The government and community alike are desirous that the best wages should be paid in every industry, that such industry can afford."

The council of the independent labor party called on its members to support the miners by every means in their power, declaring the crisis was due to "an attempt by organized capital to establish the right of unlimited plunder and to degrade the standard of living, which must be resisted."

Suspect Arrested At Ord for Shooting Of Grand Island Man

Grand Island, April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Marvin Jarboe was arrested at Ord and is being held as a suspect in the shooting of Special Agent A. K. Eaton of the Union Pacific here. His inquiries as to the condition of the wounded officer before word of the shooting had been received in Ord aroused suspicion. A description was received over the telephone and he is said to resemble the man who fired the shots.

The arrest of a second suspect is expected soon. Mr. Eaton was struck by two bullets and will be in the hospital for some time, but it is not believed his injuries are fatal.

Beatrice, Neb., April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Archie Nick Eaton, who was shot and seriously wounded by traps in Grand Island Wednesday is an old Beatrice boy and formerly served on the police force here.

Central City Man Hangs Self in Neighbor's Barn

Central City, Neb., April 7.—(Special.)—The body of Lawrence Tyler, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Tyler, residing southwest of Central City, was found hanging from the rafters of a barn on the Lee Clayton farm near here. The young man had been in Central City the evening before and spent the time with his sweetheart. She claims he left her in the best of spirits and referred several times to their approaching marriage in May. The car he had driven home was found a short distance from the house, where it had run off the culvert and upset. No marks were found on his body that would in any way indicate that he was in the car when it turned over.

Indicted Official Denies He Accepted \$12,000 Bribe

Los Angeles, Calif., April 7.—Walter Lips, formerly Los Angeles fire chief and later for several years a Los Angeles county deputy sheriff, denied today that he had confessed having solicited and accepted a bribe of \$12,000 from Joe Furay, alleged smuggler now in jail in Texas, as the district attorney, and the latter's chief deputy, stated yesterday he had done.

Lips and W. J. Anderson, another deputy sheriff, were indicted several weeks ago for alleged extortion and bribery.

Author Dies

Pasadena, Cal., April 7.—Dr. Garret Newkirk, 74, author and magazine writer, died at his home here today. Dr. Newkirk wrote a number of books on Abraham Lincoln.

100 Years Young Is He, Civil War Vet Asserts



Newton Kinnison.

Newton Kinnison, inmate of the old soldiers' home at Milford, will celebrate his 100th birthday the 25th day of this month. He is now visiting his son, Arthur Kinnison, 1120 South Thirteenth street.

"I'm the youngest one in this family," he announced proudly and indeed he could easily pass for half his age.

He came to visit his new great-grandchild, born to a daughter of the Arthur Kinnisons.

Kinnison served in the union army. His son, Arthur, though 44 at the time, tried to enlist in the recent war, and a grandson was kept out of the service a few months ago.

The old "vet" made the trip from Milford alone and will return there after his visit here.

Grain Pooling Plan Defeated At Farmers' Meet

Roll of Committee of 17 Shows 12 Members Against Compulsory Marketing Scheme—Fight Bitter.

Chicago, April 7.—A poll of the committee of 17 on the pooling proposition, taken this afternoon, showed 12 for optional pooling, four for compulsory pooling and one, a government employee, not voting, according to Chairman Gustafson.

While the committee which drew up the proposed system and called the conference stood by its guns for pooling at option of the farmer, delegates from various sections told the convention that compulsory pooling was the only thing that would make the system a success. Other delegates supporting the committee's plan insisted compulsion led to sure failure.

Kansas Leads Fight. The attack on optional pooling was reopened by L. P. Bailey, chairman of the Kansas organization of wheat growers of America, which stands for 100 per cent pooling, but is willing to compromise on 33 1/3 per cent. Prof. H. C. Filley of the University of Nebraska, said that if pooling was good farmers would take advantage of the optional privilege offered.

The committee of 17 made its first answer through William Hirth, member from Columbia, Mo. "Compulsory pooling would mean absolute defeat of this proposition before it got started," he said. "If we have compulsory pooling, we will get a better price for our grain. That is what we are all after."

Have Had Pool. "But lately we have had the greatest loss in the history of the United States. Expecting higher prices, the farmer has thoroughly whiffed his wheat that it only trickled into market. It was shut off as never before—and yet he has not been able to get a decent price for his wheat."

More pooling doesn't necessarily mean price, when other factors are more powerful. "Any group of men can throw \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 on the exchanges and without a counterbalance can drive the market where they want it."

We haven't any right to say that thousands of farmers shall blindfold themselves to sign up for so much of their crop before this marketing machine has had a chance to prove itself. In my judgment, if you adopt compulsory pooling, you are about to hazard the success of the whole plan."

Investigation of Wreck Of Limited Train Starts

Somerset, Ky., April 7.—An investigation of the wreck of the Royal Palm limited, of the Queen and Crescent route, wrecked yesterday near New River, Tenn., with the loss of four lives and 30 injured, today was being pushed by officials of the Southern railroad. That the greatest damage was caused by rock ledges near the track tipping open the day coaches was the opinion of survivors here today.

The train, bound from Jacksonville, Fla., for Chicago was on a curve when spreading rails or buckled track detailed three coaches and three Pullman coaches.

"King of Opium Smugglers" Is Under Arrest in New York

Ogdensburg, N. Y., April 7.—Harry Stone of Chicago, known to federal authorities as the "king of opium smugglers," was arrested by customs inspectors today on a train bound from Montreal to Massena, Morphine, cocaine and opium valued at between \$25,000 and \$50,000, which it is charged were in his possession, were seized.

Bureau For Disabled Men Urged

Recommendations for Care of Ex-Service Men Made in Report of Special Investigating Commission.

Co-Operation Necessary

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, April 7.—President Harding will take immediate steps to end the confusion, inefficiency and inadequacy involved in the present system of care and relief of disabled soldiers and sailors, which have made the discharge of this war obligation little short of a national scandal.

In accord with the recommendations of the Dawes commission, submitted to him today, the president will urge congress to consolidate all of the agencies for soldier care and relief into an independent veterans' service administration under a director general directly under the jurisdiction of the executive.

Pending such legislation, the president will consolidate these agencies so far as is possible under existing law. Mr. Harding indicated that he would make his recommendations in this particular a major feature of his message to congress next Tuesday and would press for immediate passage of the necessary legislation.

Railway Unions Agree to Scheme Urged by Harding

Organizations Representing 500,000 Men Submit to Plan for Settling Dispute Over Agreements.

Chicago, April 7.—Five railroad labor unions with 500,000 members tonight agreed to President Harding's labor plan for ending industrial disputes between the roads and their workers, proposing that the president call a conference of representatives of both sides, at which the rules governing working conditions would be made to take the place of the national agreements now in dispute before the railroad labor board.

The proposal was contained in a statement by representatives of the five mechanical unions and was sent to the president by B. M. Jewell, president of the railway employees' organization of the American Federation of Labor.

It proposed that all wage disputes be held in abeyance, pending the conference, holding that wages could be quickly adjusted when the question of suitable rights had been settled.

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The dispute between the New York Central and its unskilled workers over a permanent reduction in wages will be heard on April 18 in connection with similar disputes which have been filed by other railroads.

Ex-Emperor Charles Occupying "Refuge" Of King Constantine

Lucerne, Switzerland, April 7.—Former Emperor Charles, domiciled here after his unsuccessful trip to Hungary in an effort to reclaim the throne, is occupying with former Queen Zita the same hotel suite in which King Constantine and Queen Sophie of Greece lived while in exile. It is known as "the king's and queen's refuge."

The Swiss government permitted the ex-ruler to return only on condition that he take part in no intrigues or propaganda measures. He is prohibited from giving interviews or leaving the canton of Lucerne, within which a villa will be chosen for the family.

Charles desires to remain in Switzerland, as does the ex-empress.

Council of Ambassadors to Meet in New York in May

Washington, April 7.—Thirty nations will be represented at the conference of ambassadors to be held in New York May 6 to 16, inclusive, the Department of Commerce announced today. The conference has been arranged by the National Association of Manufacturers in an effort to enlist active co-operation of the nation's producers in stabilizing reciprocal world trade and will be the first of its kind in this country.

The State and Commerce departments, as well as the Pan-American union, are strongly supporting the idea and each will be represented by special exhibits and trade advisers, the announcement said.

Canvass Shows Woman is Elected Red Cloud Mayor. Red Cloud, Neb., April 7.—(Special.)—The official canvass of the poll books used at the city election shows that Miss Mary Peterson was elected mayor of Red Cloud by seven votes. It had previously been supposed that her opponent, A. McCall, had received three majority. The canvass disclosed an error of 10 votes.

Return of Bergdoll Diplomatic Question For State Department

Washington, April 7.—Extradition reports that Canada had been asked to extradite Bergdoll for violation of Canadian passport regulations when he departed from there for Germany. Secretary Weeks said such action would not surprise him.

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The Baden government, the latter continued, "refused the request on the ground Bergdoll was not in the class of military offenders whose extradition was provided for by the armistice."

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Railroad Employees Refuse to Submit Wage Case to Labor Board

San Francisco, April 7.—The representatives of the Southern Pacific railway declined to join with the company today in an appeal to the railroad labor board that it adjust existing wage differences, the company announced. They indicated, however, that they would take no action until the board had decided on such differences. The total number of unskilled workers in the company's system approximates 10,000.

Spring Fever in Lexington

"Canned" From High School Four Youngsters Take Auto and Journey Forth to See World and Get Married.

Grand Island, Neb., April 7.—(Special.)—Sheriff McCutchan considerably reduced the temperature in a "spring fever" elopement of two Lexington couples, when he held them in the "cooler" for the night.

Doris Tyler, 16; Fern Cummings, 18; Arthur Shields, 18; and Earl Stone, 19; were expelled from the Lexington High school. They gathered their possessions and set out to see the world and get a pair of marriage licenses en route. They journeyed eastward in the Tyler family car. Sheriff McCutchan was notified and found the car here with the two girls waiting for the boys, who had gone to buy a lunch. When they came back the sheriff promptly "pinched" the crowd.

The couples had literally to be torn from each others arms. All went. The girls were sure that they could not live through the night.

Pseudo "Duke" Is Frustrated In Jail Break

Makes Hacksaw Out of Steel From Soldier's Legging, Cutting Teeth With Safety Razor Blade.

Fremont, Neb., April 7.—(Special Telegram.)—Craig Chesterfield, alleged duke and son of Lord Chesterfield, held in the Dodge county jail on the charge of forgery, was frustrated in his second attempt at a jail break. If he had been successful in this instance, a wholesale jail delivery might have been possible. The officials discovered that the "Duke" had improvised a saw from the steel of a soldier's legging. By cutting teeth into it with a safety razor blade he formed it into hacksaw with an old tobacco can.

Chesterfield succeeded in filing an end of a three-quarter inch chilled steel bar and was half way through the remaining end when the officials noticed steel filings on a lower ledge of the bars. It had taken the alleged forger over a planned to escape. He was placed in another cell today and all instruments of exit were taken from him.

In explaining the reason for his attempt to make a getaway, the "Duke" said, "Well, I had nothing to lose. The county attorney promised me the best part of 20 years anyway."

The rest of the prisoners were aware of his attempts and at times assisted him, according to the deputy sheriff. Some time ago, when placed in solitary confinement, Chesterfield tried to pry a window from its place and was caught just before he planned to escape. He was placed in another cell today and all instruments of exit were taken from him.

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Mexican Government Denies It Has Recognized Reds

Mexico City, April 7.—Relations have not been established between Mexico and the soviet government of Russia and the administration has not named a Mexican minister at Moscow, it was declared at the foreign office last night. This statement was made in denial of a purported official announcement to that effect published by El Universal yesterday.

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Immediate replies to Mr. Hughes' communications are not expected.

Three Irishmen Killed as Reprisals for Shooting

Belfast, April 7.—Charles Slevin, John Devine and Daniel Doherty, residents of Drogheda, county Tyrone, were removed from their homes last night by armed men, and their bodies were found outside the village this morning. It is believed they were victims of reprisals for attacks made upon crown forces Tuesday night.

Serving Notice



Allies Expected To Grant Demands Of United States

Opinion Expressed That Principle Stated by Secretary Hughes on Mandates Will Be Accepted.

By The Associated Press. Washington, April 7.—Administration officials may be stated with authority, confidently expected the allies to accept the principle stated by Secretary Hughes in his notes of Monday, that the United States has surrendered none of its rights in the overseas possessions of Germany and that it cannot be bound by decisions affecting those possessions made by the league of nations without its assent.

There is reason to believe that the correspondence begun in November will not be closed with the receipt of the replies from Japan, Great Britain, France and Italy. If the expectations of American officials are realized, details regarding American rights will have to be worked out in negotiation. In the event, however, that the four powers do not find an agreement with the American view, there would arise a situation, action on which officials refused to forecast.

Shantung Not an Issue. The Shantung settlement, which has been sharply criticized, is not at issue in the controversy. It is learned that the phrase "overseas possessions" was used advisedly and it is pointed out that Shantung was not a German possession. Kiaochow, also a part of that province, was held by Germany through a concession from China.

The view of the Harding administration on the Shantung settlement has not been stated, but this settlement was vigorously opposed by the new administration leaders in the senate while the treaty of Versailles was under consideration.

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Man Blown to Fragments By Nitroglycerine Blast

Honolulu, Okl., April 7.—A. W. Weed, 35, driver of a nitroglycerine truck for the Osage Torpedo company of Pawhuska, Okl., was instantly killed last night when 100 quarts of nitroglycerine exploded about five miles west of here. Weed was alone at the time. With the exception of a fragment of a boot, picked up 200 yards from the scene, no trace of the body has been found.

Ex-Governor Prince of Bavaria Weds Princess Antoinette

Berlin, April 7.—Former Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria and Princess Antoinette, the daughter of the late Emperor of Austria, were married today at Hohenburg castle, the Luxembourg chateau near Toul in upper Bavaria, in the presence of the members of the Saxon and other royal families.

Woman Scores for State In Ogdens Murder Trial. Ogdens, Utah, April 7.—"Go ahead and kill him; in America they never do anything when girls shoot men," Miss Jessie Terminus testified that this statement was made by Mrs. John Scardino, who, with her husband, is on trial here on a charge of murdering Mike Terminus, their daughter's unwelcome suitor.

Mail Theft Loot Totals \$750,000

Most of Money in Registered Sack Was Consigned to Banks of Indianapolis—\$190,000 in Currency.

Chicago, Ill., April 7.—Indications today were that the loot obtained in the mail robbery at the Dearborn Street railway station would aggregate an amount between \$500,000 and \$750,000.

The evidence that the loss would be large was obtained when the police recovered a mail pouch that had been ripped open, rifled and thrown aside. It contained money wrappers which showed there had been one package of \$100,000 in \$1,000 bills, another of \$40,000 in \$100 bills and a third of \$50,000.

The pouch also had contained five sacks each holding five smaller bags containing currency and consigned to various federal reserve bank members. Most of the money was consigned to Indianapolis banks.

Shortly after noon yesterday five men parked an automobile in a vacant lot across Federal street from the Polk street station loading platform, pulled off their coats and started playing base ball.

Suddenly End Game. At 4:40 o'clock they suddenly threw down gloves, bat, and ball, and drawing revolvers, made a dash for the loading platform. A mail truck, carrying a consignment of registered mail, had just backed up to the platform, which was crowded with baggage smashers and freight handlers.

"Throw up your hands," the men shouted. Four of them waved revolvers menacingly at the crew of men while the fifth shouted to Clerk D. J. Colbert, "Toss out the registered mail sack."

Clerk Colbert, who had left the federal building with the mail to accompany it until it reached its destination in Indianapolis. He threw out the sack.

Sack Was Bulky. It was bulky, and too big a load for the ordinary man. The robber, described as a giant weighing over 200 pounds, grabbed the sack with one hand and carried it to the car across the street.

Two other bags containing ordinary mail were taken. The robbers started to depart, the big one darted around the automobile after placing a sack in it. One of the other men, the only one who wore a coat shot at the giant before he recognized him. It is not known whether the big man was hit.

The mail was to leave on the Hoosier Limited, the fast Monon special train which pulled out of the station at 5:30 p. m. railroad time.

Anti-Cigarette Bill Is Killed by House By Overwhelming Vote

Lincoln, April 7.—(Special.)—The lower house killed the anti-cigarette bill this afternoon by a vote of 59 to 28.

Failure to enforce past anti-cigarette laws, sentiment of former soldiers against the bill, economic loss to Nebraska and gain to Iowa, which the day before legalized the sale of cigarettes, and the fear that continuous passage of "blue laws" would arouse a contempt of all laws, were arguments used against the bill.

Charges that women were smoking cigarettes on the streets of Lincoln, that youths were smoking them and that cigarettes undermined health were made by members supporting the bill.

Those opposed to the bill declared youths and women could and did smoke cigarettes when anti-cigarette laws were on the statutes. Eleven members of the Douglas county delegation voted against the bill. John O. Yeiser, jr., was absent. A majority of the members of the Lancaster delegation also voted to kill the bill.

Packers Seek \$3,350,000 On War Orders for Meats

Washington, April 7.—Arguments were made in the United States court of claims today in four test actions known as "the Lancaster cases," to recover from the government approximately \$3,350,000 for damages sustained. It is said, by refusal of the War department to accept 63,000,000 pounds of beef and bacon ordered by the United States food administration in December, 1919.

The actions have been brought by Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Miller and Hart and Morris & Co., and the decision is expected to affect a number of other suits contemplated by packers involving more than \$5,000,000.

The Weather

Forecast. Friday partly cloudy; not much change in temperature.

Hourly Temperatures. 5 a. m. 53 10 a. m. 56 11 a. m. 58 12 m. 59 1 p. m. 58 2 p. m. 56 3 p. m. 54 4 p. m. 52 5 p. m. 50 6 p. m. 48 7 p. m. 46 8 p. m. 44 9 p. m. 42 10 p. m. 40 11 p. m. 38 12 noon 36