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BRITISH STRIKE ENDS--AMERICAN STRIKE BEGINS

COAL SITUATION AS GRAVE IN AMERICA AS IN ENGLAND

Two Hundred Thousand More Miners Quit Work Last Night When Agreement Ended---Hopes That the General Strike Will be of Short Duration---Another Conference to be Held in Philadelphia on April 10th

(Special to Daily News.)
Cleveland, April 1.—Operators and miners both admit this morning that the coal situation throughout the country is indeed grave. The strike is now practically general, or it is expected to be today, and operators and miners are both engaged in a struggle to make the stoppage of coal production as brief as possible.

As a final effort to prevent a prolonged shutdown of the mines after this date, and possibly a general strike, in the second week of last month, the whole dispute was referred to a sub-committee, composed of eight miners' delegates and eight representatives of the operators. These have been in almost continuous session ever since.

John W. White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, said at the close of last Wednesday's heated conference of the two delegations: If we reach no agreement by April 1st, strikes must automatically follow, for we cannot work without an agreement. If we do not reach an agreement it will simply be a question as to how long the suspension of operations will last.

Of the 200,000 miners in the bituminous fields of Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, nearly the whole of them quit work at midnight, and in addition to this there are 475,000 anthracite miners who quit at noon yesterday. The latter quit for an indefinite period, or until they are conceded an advance of ten per cent. in pay and shorter working hours. Besides these

INDIANA MEN OUT

(Special to Daily News.)
Indianapolis, Ind., April 1.—All the bituminous and anthracite coal miners are idle today as a result of the walking out of 400,000 miners upon expiration of their agreement at midnight on Sunday. A walk-out differs from a strike because the unions allowed pump men and others to remain and protect the mines. Negotiations will be resumed April 10th, when an early settlement of the suspension is expected.

two bodies there are 150,000 bituminous coal miners in other states that are equally affected by the struggle. Thus the wages of 500,000 union miners are in dispute and the coal output of the country, other than that mined by a comparatively few non-union men, is involved.

Arrangements were completed yesterday afternoon for a reopening of the negotiations to settle the wage dispute and Thos. L. Lewis, a former president of the union, says he thinks settlement can be reached in a few days, but others are of the opinion that nothing can be definitely accomplished until the conference, which is to be held in Philadelphia on April 10th, though it is just possible a temporary working agreement might meantime be arrived at.

BRIGHTER IN BRITAIN

Coal Crisis There Believed to be Practically Over

(Special to Daily News.)
London, April 1.—The result of the ballot in the miners strike is causing little interest as a favorable decision is a foregone conclusion. Where the vote is against only the reconcilables are taking the trouble to vote.

A sign that the crisis is practically over is that the King has decided to spend Easter at Sandringham, instead of remaining at Windsor.

Best room in town at Savoy.

FOR HOME RULE

Monster Demonstration Held in Trinity Park, Dublin

(Special to Daily News.)
Dublin, April 1.—Thousands attended the great Home Rule demonstration in Trinity Park, the speakers addressing the crowds from four big platforms. John Redmond, William Redmond, John Dillon and Joseph Devlin were among the speakers.

SCOTT HEARD FROM

Sets at Rest Rumor That He Reached South Pole

(Special to Daily News.)
Wellington, N.Z., April 1.—Captain Scott's vessel, the Terra Nova, which carried the British expedition to the Antarctic, has arrived here reporting that Capt. Scott intends to remain in the Polar regions another year, and to continue his work. On January 3rd, he had reached within 150 miles of the Pole.

BOARD—Strictly tariff companies now represented by The Mack Realty & Insurance Co., The Insurance People, 2nd ave and

Piano for rent. Apply Keeley's Drug Store.

UNCIVIL WAR IS DECLARED IN RUPERT'S CITY COUNCIL

Manifesto of the Injured Party Again Hurling Defiance in the Face of His Defamer---Dr. Clayton Boldly Demanding That the Supporter of William Manson Immediately Apologize Publicly or Resign His High Office as Mayor

To the Editor of the Daily News:
Sir, Within the last few days there has appeared in the press both my letter to the city council and Mayor Newton's reply, in the shape of an editorial or that which fills the space in the mayor's paper as editorial matter. The mayor is to be congratulated on the improvement he is showing in his writing, for while this editorial lacks the dignity of such expressions as "The Mayor a Liar," (which he once applied to ex-Mayor Stork), and other similar terms which he from time to time adorns his columns when speaking of citizens who happen to cross his path. Yet it is typical of his strength as a

writer and the strong character behind the editorial pen of the Empire.

For reasons best known to themselves, and with the idea of not caring to have their characters besmirched by an irresponsible mud slinging editor, they have refrained from replying. If his same editor thinks for a moment that he will silence the writer of this article, or that any fears are entertained here as to the result of his attack why I will inform him that I will neither subscribe to a fund to buy him off, nor be frightened into keeping quiet, although I am informed that down in the town of Whitby, Ont., they sometimes adopt the former method.

Well, this little article of the Mayor's is headed "It's Up to Him!" True, not very imposing for the title of a leading article, but consider the literary gems which it contains. Here are a few of them. "Vicious mouth attack," "bar-room stunts," "We played for suckers," "The Empire man TOUCHED him in the Westholme theatre," (perhaps more laudable than in a back alley).

Now, sir, here is a sample of the styles of writing of Mayor Newton and of myself. These are before the public and for the public to read, and from them, perhaps, might be gathered some idea of the method the mayor adopts in his criticisms in comparison with the method adopted by myself.

The mayor asks me to apologize, and if he can show me where I have ever used any such

personality as I charge him with I will certainly do so. A like expression, though, it is safe to say, has never been heard in Prince Rupert, nor anywhere else where common decency obtains even from Mr. S. M. Newton. It remained for him to be honored by the title of mayor of this city before even he felt equal to the task, showing that as he has grown in official importance, he has shrivelled in moral decency. I submit, Mr. Editor, that in all decency, Mayor Newton should either apologize or resign his office as mayor, for citizens generally, men as well as women, are heartily sick of his brutal references, and expect him to at least respect the office of mayor, though he cannot dignify it.

Thanking you, sir, for the space allowed,
W. BARRATT CLAYTON,
Prince Rupert, March 30, 1912

UNCLE SAM FOR MADERO

Mexican Government Permitted to Purchase and Ship Arms from U.S.

(Special to Daily News.)
Washington, April 1.—At the request of President Madero the government has issued orders that arms and ammunition for the Mexican government may be purchased and shipped from the United States, indicating that the American government has decided to aid Madero in waging an energetic campaign against the rebels.

Don't forget the Carnival at the Skating Rink tonight.

S.S. MAY BROKE HER TAILSHAFT

With One Wheel Only Working the Favorite C. P. R. Steamer Limped in at Three a. m. and Held on Her Way North.

On her north trip this time the C.P.R. ss. Princess May snapped a tailshaft when within a day's voyage of Prince Rupert. With one propeller working the steamer, which has weathered safely more marine adventures than most others, continued her way gamely, and reached Rupert at 3 this morning, instead of 5 yesterday afternoon, as had been expected. Although the loss of one propeller's services makes progress slow, and the steamer less easy to handle, the May continued her trip northwards to Skagway, and will not lose more than twenty-four hours or so on the whole trip.

VARSITY BOAT RACE

Oxford Finished Six Lengths Ahead in a Hailstorm.

(Special to Daily News.)
London, April 1.—The Oxford crew proved easy winners in the varsity boat race on Saturday, finishing six lengths in the lead of Cambridge, after being ahead all the way. Oxford won the toss and had the sheltered shore. The race was finished in heavy rain and hailstorm.

Wanted—Position as experienced saleslady or chamber-work at once. Phone Black 148.

Big fancy dress carnival at the Skating Rink tonight.

NO LOOTING IN PEKIN

Contradictory Reports Coming in from Chinese Republic

(Special to Daily News.)
Nanking, April 1.—The report from Peking that looting is still being carried on there is said to be without foundation. Everything is declared to be harmonious there.

BAPTIZED BY FIRE ENGINE

Pastor Being Unable to Cross Stream Blesses Water and Tosses It Over, Drenching Baby and Crowd.

Berlin, April 1.—The village of Ratzdorf, in this province, has only half a pastor, the other half belonging to the village of Schidlow, lying directly opposite, across the Oder river. The Oder is now a raging whirlpool, going with ice, yet there was a Ratzdorf new born baby sadly in need of christening, as the little one was deathly sick. Since the pastor could not come across, and the next pastor was hours and hours away, the Schidlow divine hit upon a novel plan. He brought the fire engine to the river bank, blessed the water and made the baby and assistants line up on the other embankment. Then he performed the rites on his side of the Oder and finally shot a stream of blessed water across, drenching the baby and culminating the rites.

All the bystanders were baptized as well as the baby, but though it was bitterly cold no ill effects are reported.

SHORT CIRCUIT RAISED SPARKS

Fire Brigade Had a Run Sunday Morning, but "Bud" Corley Alone Was in Peril of Immediate Electrocution.

At three a.m. on Sunday there was a fire alarm on Sixth St., and the business section of the city seemed threatened by a great sparking of electric power lines overhead. The brigade turned out in fine style, but their services were not required. The sparking was due to a short circuit somewhere centrally which caused general fireworks on the wire system. One result of the display was to disorganize some telephone instruments. "Bud" Corley of the Royal Hotel was the first to discover the trouble, and when he rushed to his phone to ring in an alarm he discovered the phone trouble, too, for he got about ten thousand, six hundred volts through the left ear. He jumped forty-two feet on the level and is now in favor of the abolition of capital punishment by electrocution.

F.O.E. SMOKER

Plan Big Event for Wednesday Night in Helgerson Block

Anything the Eagles undertake usually results successfully, and that the big smoker to be given on Wednesday at their hall in the Helgerson block, will be one of the big events of the season is a foregone conclusion. The programme will include a 4 round boxing contest, tumbling, a barrel fight and singing. Good music will be provided and a general good time indulged in.

POLICE COURT THIS MORNING

Messrs. Peters and Fisher Figure in a "Houn' Dog" Case With Amusing Word Bandying.

Routine doings in the police court this morning were enlivened by a little word bandying between City Solicitor Peters and W. E. Fisher, over the case of dog slaying in which Mrs. Carl accuses George Turnbull of unnecessarily destroying a valuable dog of hers. The dog was valued at \$500. It was shot as it was suspected of stealing chickens. Mrs. Carl was present in court, and W. T. Robinson gave evidence on behalf of accused. The case was adjourned at one o'clock today, and will proceed tomorrow.

Amongst other police court doings today were the dismissal of the wire purchasing case with admonition to the purchaser to be careful in buying from irresponsible youngsters, and the fining of Henry Petersen, with the usual penalty for D. and D.

Be sure not to miss taking in the Carnival at the Skating Rink tonight.

MISSING ORGANIST

Young Lady Wandered in Bush and Died of Exposure.

Winnipeg, April 1.—Late yesterday afternoon the police discovered the body of a Miss Grace Brie, organist of the Maryland Avenue Methodist church, who had been missing for twenty-four hours. She had wandered away in the bush south of Crescentwood, got lost and died from exposure. She was twenty-four years of age.

DELICATESSEN SALE

Church Social and High Class Musical Entertainment.

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian Church beg to announce that on Wednesday afternoon, April 3rd, they will hold a delicatessen sale in the church hall, east of McBride street, and the same evening, at 8 o'clock, a musical entertainment. An admission of 25c will be charged.

Easter Bazaar

The ladies of Baptist church will hold a bazaar, April 9th and 10th in the McIntyre Hall. 2t

PRINCE RUPERT TWENTY MINUTES AGO

Ex-Chief McInnes training Clayton, W. Sibbald training the Mayor. Clayton loses 4½ lbs., Mayor gains 2½, 2 p.m. today.

"Houn' Dog" duel by Crown Lawyer Fisher, and City Solicitor Peters caught on this morning.

Both still in the ring when gong sounded at three o'clock. It was Clayton's round.

BIG FUNERAL GIVEN TO BRAVE CONSTABLE

Ten Thousand Silent People Witness the Sad Cortege Pass---Three Thousand Police, Soldiers and Representatives of Fraternal Societies March in Parade

(Special to Daily News.)
Vancouver, April 1.—Upwards of ten thousand silent people yesterday witnessed the funeral of Constable Byers, who was shot by a drink-crazed madman named Larson last week. Probably there were three thousand policemen, soldiers, and members of friendly societies in the procession, which marched to the music of Chopin's funeral march. Byers had gone to arrest Oscar Emil Larson on the information that a drunken man was firing a gun from his shack at unsuspecting passers by. The constable had no sooner reached the place than a bullet whistled through the air and struck him in the breast. Other police were sent and Byers was dispatched to the hospital where he lived but for a short time. Soon after a rush was made for the shack. The firing was renewed but during a lull the shack was entered and the body of Oscar Emil Larson was found stretched on the floor.

It was seen that he had turned the weapons on himself at the approach of the police and had emptied it. Five bullets had entered his chest, one had struck him on the temple, and there were other bullet wounds in the body.

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JOHN REDMOND, M.P.

Who Addressed Monster Demonstration in Dublin on Saturday

DUNCAN ROSS HERE

Reports Snow Nearly All Gone at Hazelton—Work Going on Rapidly

Duncan Ross was among the passengers by yesterday's train. He is en route to Vancouver, where he will remain for a week or so. Mr. Ross says that sleighing in the vicinity of Hazelton is about over for this year, and that

excellent progress is being made on G.T.P. construction work.

Missing Kenneth Morrison

Norman Morrison, of 618 Eddy Street, San Francisco, writes to the police here asking that a look out be kept for his father Kenneth Morrison, aged about 45 years, whom he last heard of at the Beaton Hotel, P.C.

Mrs. G. R. Naden will not receive this week.