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## Strike Call is Issued to Four Million Coal Miners

Meeting between operators and men at Philadelphia having failed acting president Lewis sent out order to drop tools October 31.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Indianapolis, October 16.—John J. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America, yesterday issued a strike call for midnight October 31, when 4,000,000 miners employed in the bituminous coal mines throughout the country will drop their picks and shovels and take a rest, unless there is a settlement in the meantime.

Representatives of the miners and operators met in Philadelphia last week but failed to reach an understanding. The general opinion is that the long time given before the strike goes into effect is a hopeful feature. Many things may happen in two weeks and in the meantime every effort will be made to secure a settlement. The tying up of the coal mines at this time of year means a fuel famine and the men know that they have chosen the time for a strike when it is likely to be most effective.

Washington, October 16. (Noon).—The strike of bituminous coal miners which is called for November 1 will catch the railroads with ten days' supply of coal, according to data before the senate coal investigating committee.

Industries throughout the United States will be paralyzed a month after the coal strike goes into effect, government experts estimated today.

## MAYNARD LEADS ALL AVIATORS

Half Way Across Continent on Return Trip—Death Toll Stands at 9.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Chicago, Oct. 16.—Lieut. Maynard, the leading transcontinental flier, is almost half way across the continent on his return trip. Through the snowstorms yesterday he made 136 miles in 56 minutes and another 93 mile dash in 33 minutes.

The death toll as a result of the race today stands at 9, with 39 pilots still in the contest.

**Maynard Falls.**  
 Omaha, Nebraska, October 16, 1:30 p. m.—Maynard, the flying parson, was forced down by a broken crank shaft at Wahoo, Nebraska, 30 miles west of here. Maynard was unhurt.

New York, Oct. 16.—All west-bound fliers are held by bad weather. Major Spatz at Rochester will probably not resume his flight until tomorrow.

## Opening Skirmish Over Grand Trunk

House divides over going into committee and Government sustained by a majority of twenty.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Ottawa, October 16.—The opening skirmish in what promises to develop into a general engagement of some duration between the Government and opposition in the House of Commons over the Government's Grand Trunk resolution "that consideration of the resolution be taken up in committee" took place in the House to a motion made right after the House met.

Liberals raised objections and immediately divided the House. The Government won the first round with a majority of 20, the vote for the motion standing at 58 to 38. Many members were absent and the Government had to call its supporters who were sitting in committees to get the number of votes it did.

In committee the discussion did not take the form of a set debate but developed into a quest for information. Many questions were asked and answered. Apparently the Liberals were feeling their way and endeavored to lay the groundwork for speeches when the principles of the Government's proposals are discussed on the second reading of the bill.

The question of the nationalization of railways was not broached. It is thought probable that a development in the situation as reviewed today, would be the moving by the opposition of a six months' hoist at a later stage of the discussion.

## COOK CHARGES A BOYCOTT BY PRODUCE MEN

Vancouver Parson Gives Evidence Before Cost of Living Inquiry Regarding Water Street Combine.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Vancouver, Oct. 16.—Quoting length from statements made at examinations for discovery in the suits of Chess Bros. vs. Oppenheimer, and Chess Bros. vs. McClellan, Rev. A. E. Cook contended the cost of living inquiry that sufficient evidence had been given to show that a combine exists among Water Street wholesalers and that this "king" held a boycott over one firm of produce dealers on the street.

The firm of Chess Bros. was not a member of the Vancouver Produce Association.

While Mr. Cook said he did not believe that there had been wholesale destruction of foodstuffs for consumption, he did maintain that produce was held for higher prices until it had become unfit for food.

## WAR VETERANS ELECT OFFICERS

Simon Duff is President for Next Half Year.

The semi-annual meeting of the Great War Veterans' Association was held in the rooms last evening. The meeting was well attended, the most important business being the election of officers for the present half-year. All the officers with the exception of the secretary-treasurer were keenly contested.

It was decided to amalgamate the offices of secretary and treasurer and the officer elected will also attend to the canteen and spend all his time in the office, which opens at 11 o'clock in the mornings. The following is the result of the election of officers:

Honorary President, Col. Cyrus W. Peck, M. P., V. C.  
 Honorary Vice-President, Capt. J. McGregor, V. C.  
 President, Simon Duff.  
 First Vice-President, J. H. Kelly  
 Second Vice-President, W. Kerr  
 Secretary-Treasurer, and official correspondent, D. S. Cameron, (elected by acclamation).  
 Executive, J. Cargill, A. J. Galland, J. Campbell, W. G. Dennis, and H. Ward.

A vote of thanks was passed to the retiring members.

## CURRIE MUST REST AWHILE

As Fishing Previous to Return East to Accept University Degree.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Victoria, Oct. 16.—General Sir Arthur Currie has been advised by his physician not to take part in future public functions. He has gone out on a fishing trip. Sir Arthur goes east to Toronto to accept the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws which is conferred on him by the Toronto University on November 1. He assumes his new duties as Inspector General and Chief Military Councillor for Canada on November 18.

## LIBERALS PLEASED WITH NEW LEADER

Powerful Eloquence and Logic of W. L. Mackenzie King are Convincing.

F. G. Dawson, who returned yesterday from a visit to Victoria and Vancouver, said that he met several of the delegates who attended the Liberal Convention at Ottawa recently and they were all enthusiastic over their new leader, W. L. Mackenzie King. They said that his eloquence and powerful logic were most convincing and that they were looking for great things as a result of his choice.

## TENDERS WANTED. Plumbing.

Replacing water pipes in Borden Street School. Tenders close Monday, October 20, at 5 p. m. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. For specifications apply to  
 W. D. VANCE, Secretary.

Many new lines in men's shoes. The Family Shoe Store.

Ladysmith Coal. The best. Prince Rupert Coal Company, Phone 15.

## COLLECTIVE BARGAINING DISCUSSED

National Industrial Conference Trying to Induce Conference To Agree on Question.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Washington, October 16.—Despite the declarations by the employers' delegates that they never would approve intervention in the steel strike and the insistent demands from the same group that the labor arbitration proposal be disposed of definitely, the National Industrial Conference voted as an assembly today to defer action on the labor plan pending an effort by the central committee of fifteen to agree on the question of collective bargaining.

## CARPENTERS DEMAND A DOLLAR INCREASE

Meeting Last Night Decides to Bring Wages up to Level of Vancouver.

The Carpenters' Union held a meeting in their hall last evening. There was a large attendance and several new members were received. These new members, several of whom came from Vancouver and other cities in the south, reported that the wages being paid for carpenters in the south is higher than those paid here. The carpenters are receiving \$7 a day and upwards there, while the wage prevailing here is \$6 per day.

The Union decided unanimously last evening to demand \$7 a day in this city after November 15. This, they said, they considered fair in view of the same being paid in Vancouver. The date was set a month ahead in order to give contractors plenty of time to prepare for the increase.

This demand for an increase was the most important feature of the meeting, although there was considerable routine business attended to.

## ASQUITH DESCRIBES PRESENT GOVERNMENT

London, October 16.—Premier Asquith in a speech here gave the following description of the present state of government: "The cabinet superseded the parliamentary authority of a eipher House of Commons, itself a caricature of the real opinion of the nation. We live politically from day to day."

## COOK STRIKES OIL

New York, Oct. 15.—Dr. Cook, one time claimant to the discovery of the north pole, is reported to have struck a rich Texas oil gusher.

Ask for Atkins' Sausages. B. C. Undertakers. Phone 41.

## HARD WORK COUNTS IN DAILY NEWS PRIZE CONTEST NOW UNDER WAY

Hard work is what counts in the Daily News Prize Contest. The canvasser cannot afford to lose any opportunity of getting busy. While there are three prizes, it is the first that is most attractive and the hard and persistent worker is the one that is likely to get it.

It must be remembered that out of town subscribers are just as easy to get as those in the city. Anyone having time to visit nearby points cannot fail to get results. Sometimes friends will secure subscriptions at outlying points, or work can be done through the mails. It does not matter how the points are secured so long as the records are turned in promptly and regularly.

## RATIONING IN BRITAIN

Many Canadians Who are Overseas Would Come Home But no Ships.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Ottawa, Oct. 16.—The department of immigration and colonization has received a cable warning from England that thousands of Canadians are anxious to come home but are unable to secure passage for at least six months.

When the cable was sent rationing had been resorted to. The weekly allowance was: butter, one ounce; sugar, six ounces; coal, one hundred pounds, and meat, forty cents worth.

## AGRICULTURE TO BE ENCOURAGED IN GREAT BRITAIN

London, Oct. 14.—Agriculture is to be encouraged by the state in this country. A policy is being considered that will, it is expected, be brought before parliament in the near future.

## MANITOBA UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT INSTALLED

Winnipeg, Oct. 16.—Rev. John Mackay, D. D., formerly president of Westminster Hall, the Presbyterian college in Vancouver, was installed as principal of Manitoba College at the service last night in Knox Church.

## FRENCH ARE NOW OUT AFTER PROHIBITION

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Paris, October 15.—A fight against alcohol is the leading plank in the national platform in the coming elections. The ministers demand the absolute suppression of the sale of alcohol.

## WAR TO PEACE

London, Oct. 15.—A powerful fire extinguisher has been made from a German flame throwing device used in trench warfare.

## WAR MEMORIAL STATEMENT

Balance on Hand of Over \$1,400 Toward New Building.

The financial report for the past half year ending September 30 and the memorial account was received by the semi-annual meeting of the G. W. V. A. The General Account of the Association's finances shows a balance on hand of \$146.51. The debit of the canteen which has just opened was \$405 which is the net balance and includes all the overhead expenses of getting it started. It will now begin to show a profit, it is expected. \$55.85 was spent in relief work during the six months.

The following is a statement of the Memorial account which will be interesting to people who have subscribed to it:

Credit.	
News Publishing Co.	\$ 6.00
Balance on hand	1,430.75
	\$1,436.75
Debit.	
Balance brought forward	\$497.00
Interest on bonds	13.75
Proceeds from dance	126.00
Sons of Canada donation	300.00
Victory Bonds	500.00
	\$1,436.75

The books were audited by R. H. Shockley.

## BIG SAWMILL UP IN SMOKE

Vancouver Fire Causes Loss of \$400,000 in Kilns, Sheds and Lumber.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)  
 Vancouver, Oct. 16.—Fire in the British Columbia Fir and Cedar Co.'s mill occasioned a loss of \$400,000. The dry kilns, storage sheds and half a million feet of lumber were consumed in the big blaze.

## STILL LIFE

Ottawa, Oct. 15.—Illicit stills seized this year to date number 316 for the whole of Canada as against 449 for the previous year.

## SITE CHOSEN FOR DRYDOCK AT ESQUIMALT

Skinner's Cove is Chosen as the Result of Negotiations Lasting Several Weeks.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

Victoria, October 16.—As a result of the negotiations lasting several weeks, Skinner's Cove, Esquimalt, has been selected as the site for the new Federal drydock.

Esquimalt is about four miles from Victoria and is the headquarters for the Canadian Naval department on this coast. It was formerly a British Government naval station for the North Pacific.

## CHIEF MINING CENTRE IN NORTHERN B. C.

That is What E. E. Campbell Says of Stewart.

E. E. Campbell, mine manager at Anyox, was the chief speaker at the recent meeting of the North Coast branch of the Mining Institute held at Stewart a few days ago.

He pointed out the reawakened interest in the Portland Canal district, and he looked for this to be an exceptional camp. While it was not generally known, he said, the Granby Hidden Creek mine was the biggest copper mine in the British Empire. The Dolly Varden at Alice Arm was a fine property in a splendid section, and he looked for big things here. In fact, in regard to this district Mr. Campbell said during his address in the evening: "I am not given to making prophecies, but I prophesy that Stewart will become the chief mining centre in northern British Columbia. I travelled all over the northwest from Washington to Alaska when I was in the field for Granby and I never saw a district that has the potential possibilities that this has."

## BORDEN MUST HAVE A PROLONGED REST

(Special via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—Advices from Hot Springs, Virginia, indicate an improvement in Sir Robert Borden's health. It is slow but satisfactory. To insure complete recovery will necessitate a prolonged rest.

## CARPENTERS' WAGES

At a meeting of the Carpenters held in their Union Hall on October 15, the following resolution was passed: "That on and after November 15, the minimum wage to be 87 1/2c per hour; that contractors with contracts made previous to that time be granted an extension of time if asked for, but all contracts made on and after October 16, to come under the new scale." 242

Wanted, a nurse, trained or otherwise, to take charge of a case of Scarlet fever.  
 J. P. CADE, Medical Health Officer.