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Government Intervenes in United States Coal Strike

Proposal to put Freight and Passenger Embargo on Railways and Shut Down Non-essential Industries Throughout the Country; War-time Controller in Charge.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

WASHINGTON, November 19.—The Government has stepped to the front to force the miners and operators to negotiate a new wage agreement and resume work in the bituminous coal fields before the country is in the grip of a coal famine. Under the wartime power as fuel administrator and acting by direct authority of the President and cabinet, Dr. Harry A. Garfield called a joint meeting of the coal committees at which it was expected to give formal notice that the time had come to resume mining operations on a normal scale.

Word has been passed that the strike situation has reached a point where action is regarded by the federal authorities as absolutely imperative. Reports from the central competitive fields embracing the Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Western Pennsylvania strongholds of the United Mine Workers of America showed that all mines were shut down and there was not enough coal coming from non-union plants in other states to meet the normal demands by several million tons.

Coal Seized.

TORONTO, Nov. 19.—All soft coal in storage or in transit may be seized and hereafter manufacturers must apply for supplies to the fuel administrator, according to the notice given by H. A. Harrington, fuel administrator for Ontario.

Proposed Embargo.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—The director general of railroads, Walker D. Rines, and seven regional directors are meeting here to consider a nation-wide freight embargo as a means of conserving the supply of coal. An embargo on all freight on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad between Chicago and Pacific coast points has been in effect since Saturday.

If Director Rines approves, an order may be issued immediately which will mean a nation-wide embargo on freight, a forty per cent cut in the passenger train service throughout the country, the closing down of all non-essential industries and 15,000,000 men will be thrown out of employment.

MANY REFUSED ADMISSION TO THIS COUNTRY

Immigration Department is Busy Keeping Out Those Not Thought Suitable.

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

OTTAWA, Nov. 19.—An indication of the work of the Department of Immigration and Colonization in preventing none but the best possible class of settlers entering Canada, is shown in the figures for rejections and deportations for the first half of the fiscal year, from April 1 to Sept. 30. At points along the international boundary the rejections totalled 12,500 and the number of deportations for the same period was 215. Combined rejections and deportations was roughly one in every six of the number of persons admitted, which aggregated 68,934. The majority refused admission came under the cause listed as "indirect passage" and were of European nationality, the actual number of rejections for this cause being 8,252. For lack of funds 3,845 were turned back. Alien enemies numbering 178 found the door closed to them, and 341 persons were likely to become public charges and were refused.

PRESIDENT WILSON VETOES RATE BILL

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—President Wilson vetoed the Cummins rate bill restoring the pre-war powers of the Interstate Commerce Commission over the railroad rates.

A special meeting of the Sons of Canada will be held on Thursday at 8 p. m. Business—to form a Women's Auxiliary. All members will please be on hand. A special invitation is given to all Canadian women to join. D. F. ROBINSON, Secretary.

SOCIALISTS SECURE MAJORITY IN BELGIAN CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

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

BRUSSELS, Nov. 18.—From 25 to 27 seats in the Chamber of Deputies have been gained by Socialists in the elections in Belgium. The Catholics still hold a majority in the Senate.

TRAGIC WINTER IN STATES SAYS BANKER

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

TORONTO, Nov. 19.—F. A. Vandergrip, the New York banker and financier, who was the guest here yesterday of the combined Canadian and Empire Clubs, said that the outlook in the United States was for a tragic winter due to the paralyzing of industry and the lack of fuel and food.

ALASKA NEWSPAPER ON ALASKAN TRADE

The Alaska Dispatch formerly published in Juneau has moved its headquarters to Seattle where it is being published as a weekly giving the news of the whole territory. In double headlines on the front page it deals with what it terms an "invasion" of Alaskan trade by Prince Rupert and the "threatening" the Southeast Alaskan trade.

ALICE ARM BUSY

J. P. Hawkinson came to town last evening from Alice Arm and was most enthusiastic over the prospects of that camp. He says that the Dolly Varden mine is still shipping ore and it is hoped to continue doing so for some time to come. There is a good deal of snow in the mountains but the railway is kept clear and it is possible it may operate a good deal of the winter.

Toys, blocks, games, dolls, trains, children's books, mechanical toys, at Tite's Santa Claus headquarters.

CRITICIZES SERVICE ON WHEAT DELIVERY

Chairman of Board Says Failure to Handle Crop Will Cost Country Large Sum.

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

WINNIPEG, Nov. 19.—"With the crop season three weeks earlier this year than last, the railways in the west have failed to move the farmers' grain to the head of the lakes in anything like a satisfactory manner. If the crops are to be delivered to the Atlantic seaboard in time for shipment there will be an extra cost to the farmers and to the country of between three and four million dollars." Such is the statement just given out by Jas. Stewart, chairman of the Canadian Wheat Board.

TO BLAST ROCKS IN NAAS RIVER CANYON

Party Has Gone North to Spend Winter at Work.

A party in charge of Gaius Peck left by the steamer "Venture" on Sunday night for Mill Bay from which point they will proceed up the Naas River; to the canyon where they will spend the winter making the stream more passable for boats. Several rather bad accidents have happened at various times by boats hitting the rocks which stick out in the centre of the stream, so the Dominion Government have taken the matter in hand and by spring navigation will be made much safer.

The Naas River canyon is about 45 miles from the mouth of the river and boats going to the upper villages such as Aiyansh have to pass through it. Owing to the high water prevailing in the spring and summer it is impossible to blast rocks and clear snags so the work necessarily has to be done in the winter when there is ice and the water is at its lowest. The men have to go out on the rocks and drill so that powder can be used and the rocks thus smashed.

The ocean boats do not go as far up the river as the canyon, but after this work is done river boats will be able to pass as well as the many launches of the natives and whites travelling the river.

LIBERAL LEADER IN FROM WASHINGTON

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

OTTAWA, Nov. 19.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Liberal leader, returns to the capital today from Washington, where he has been attending the world's labor congress.

NEW ZEALAND GOES EAST BY PANAMA

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

VANCOUVER, Nov. 19.—The cruiser New Zealand sailed for the east coast via Panama Canal to pick up Admiral Jellicoe after he has crossed Canada by land and to take him to England.

WAR VETERANS MEET

Regular meeting of the Great War Veterans' Association tonight at 8 o'clock. All members requested to attend. Important business to be considered.

D. S. CAMERON, Secretary.

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GETS AWAY FROM CITY LOCK-UP

Fight Occurs in the Jail This Morning and Oriental Flee.

Mah Kee, the Chinaman serving nine months for issuing bad checks, escaped from the city lock-up between 7 and 8 this morning and has not yet been found. Mah was scrubbing the floor in the chief's office when a fight started in the kitchen of the jail and called the attention of the officer in charge. The constable had only been out a minute or so to stop the quarrel when, on returning, Mah Kee had vanished. It is thought that he has left town or is in hiding on some boat preparatory to going out, but the officers are taking every precaution and it is probable that he will be back in the cells before long, when he will also be called upon to answer to the more serious charge of jail breaking.

OPIUM FIENDS ARE ARRESTED

Eight Chinamen Appear Before Magistrate This Morning for Violating Drug Act.

Eight Chinamen appeared in the Police Court this morning to answer to various charges under the Drug Act. The police made a raid last night and made the arrests. This morning Lim Ming was fined \$50 for smoking opium. Seven others of the yellow race appeared and were remanded till tomorrow morning and are now out on bail. Chong Kee, charged with being the keeper, is out on \$100 bail while six others accused of being inmates were released on smaller sums. They are Chew Sen, Lem Saut, Lee Wing, Chow On, Chai Tick and Lum Jong.

FINE RECORD OF AVIATORS

Fast Mail Service Between London and European Continent Very Soon.

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

LONDON, Nov. 19.—The report of the Department of Civil Aviation shows 21,000 flights having been made and 52,000 passengers carried with only thirteen accidents since last May.

The fast mail service between London, Brussels, Paris and Amsterdam is to start shortly.

PRINCE OF WALES IN GREAT WHITE WAY

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

NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The Prince of Wales took in the Great White Way last evening. He was on a sight seeing tour and rubbed elbows with scores of persons along the streets without being recognized.

NO CURTAILMENT FOR THE PRESENT

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

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—(Noon.) Railway Director Hines announced that there will be no curtailment of traffic to conserve coal at present following the conference.

TRIBESMEN DEFEATED

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

MADRID, Nov. 19.—Spanish troops have disposed of rebellious tribesmen on the northwest coast of Africa.

FOOD RIOTS

MADRID, Nov. 19.—Many were wounded and three killed in food riots in the village of Peclarin.

Ask for Atkins' Sausages.

Preparedness Urged By Admiral Jellicoe

He Has Nothing to Say about Amount of Expenditures but Acting in Advisory Capacity; No Suggestion of Militarism.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

VANCOUVER, November 19.—In addressing the Canadian Club here Admiral Viscount Jellicoe, referring to his recent mission, said it was to advise the people only on subjects on which his advice was asked. He said he had noticed that questions had been asked as to his presence in Canada. Probably they feared that he was going to suggest too much militarism and the spending of too much money. Such was not the case. He was only here, he said, in an advisory capacity and it was Canada's right only to suggest how much money should be spent.

Admiral Jellicoe emphasized the necessity of a British sea power if the empire is to live and the necessity of being prepared for any emergency. It was not necessary, he declared, to build up a spirit of militarism but simply to face facts. The Empire's existence depended on its sea power and preparedness and he instanced how temporary control of the seas was lost through the submarine menace due to Great Britain's unpreparedness in meeting a new danger.

FULTON GOES EAST TO HUNT BIG GAME

Will Join Frank Mobley at Giscome to Seek Moose in the Nechako Country.

W. O. Fulton left for Giscome on this morning's train where he will join Frank Mobley, M. P. P. They will proceed from the railway to the haunts of the moose where Mr. Mobley makes an annual visit. They expect to return with something to show for the long trip on Tuesday or Thursday next.

BIG MAJORITY FOR FRENCH MODERATES

Extremists Have Only 54 Seats in New House of Deputies.

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

PARIS, Nov. 19.—Complete returns from the French elections show conservative, moderate and nationalist elements have 484 seats in the Chamber of Deputies. The extremists have 54 seats.

GARDE IS DELEGATE

Local Mining Engineer to Attend Convention at Vancouver.

A. C. Garde is to be Prince Rupert's delegate to the mining convention at Vancouver November 26 to 29 inclusive. He was appointed last night by the Council of the Board of Trade. He had a personal invitation to attend from Nicol Thompson, and it was considered that Prince Rupert should have representation there and that no better representative could be chosen than Mr. Garde.

GERMANS MAY GET PASSPORTS TO LEAVE

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

MONTREAL, Nov. 19.—Authority to issue passports to German residents in Canada desirous of leaving, has been granted, the Swiss Consul General announces to the Swiss consuls at Winnipeg and Vancouver. Passports are issued only at Montreal.

KOOTENAY BATTALION HOLD ANNUAL REUNION

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

NELSON, B. C., Nov. 19.—Over 100 former members of the 54th Kootenay Battalion were in Nelson yesterday for the unit's first annual reunion on the anniversary of the taking of Desire Trench in the Somme campaign.

REMEMBER

to keep December 12th open for the Whist League Dance.

CANADA WILL LIKELY HAVE REPRESENTATION

Industrial Importance Gives Her Right to Delegate in International Labor Office.

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

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Canada is likely to win her point and secure direct representation on the governing body of the International Labor Office. When the organizing committee of the conference prepared a list of the states of chief industrial importance, Canada was excluded. The Dominion Government immediately filed a protest and the protest is due to come before the council of the League of Nations at its first meeting.

So prominent has been the part played by Canadian delegates at the conference that it is understood to be a likelihood of Canada being one of the four which the conference appoints.

DOCTORS GIVING MUCH LIQUOR

Government Recommended to Restrict Amounts That May be Prescribed.

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

VANCOUVER, Nov. 19.—Prohibition representatives are making recommendations to the Government to limit the amount of liquor prescribed by physicians to five ounces, stating that the amount now prescribed is out of all proportion to the needs of the patients, most prescriptions being 40 ounces.

URGES DEFEAT OF LODGE RESOLUTION

President Appeals to Senate to Ratify Peace Treaty.

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

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—President Wilson today strongly urged the administration senators to defeat the Lodge resolution and to ratify the Peace Treaty.

BELGIAN ELECTION RETURNS COMPLETE

BRUSSELS, Nov. 19.—Complete election returns are unavailable, but the indications are that the chamber will include 80 Catholics, 65 Socialists, and 35 Democrats.

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