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U. S. MINES TO BE WORKING NEXT WEEK

OUTLOOK IS VERY FAVORABLE

Seventy Five Per Cent of Miners Expected to Endorse the Agreement.

Sydney, Aug. 29—Unless something entirely unforeseen happens before now and Thursday night, Monday will likely see most of the coal mines working full time again.

Further reports from the distant sections of the coal fields confirm the estimate that seventy-five per cent of the mine workers will vote in favor of the Sydney agreement reached Friday night between representatives of the British Empire Steel Corporation and the district executive of the United Mine Workers for submission to a referendum of the miners of the province.

Mine leaders complain bitterly of assertions to the effect that "Reds" are working to bring about the overthrow of the executive. They point out that it was the so-called "Reds" who triumphed in the district election on Aug. 15 and who negotiated the Sydney agreement which will be voted on next Thursday and state that it is absurd to say that the "Reds" trying to overthrow themselves.

There is said, however, by some observers to be one real peril to the Sydney agreement. These in order not to appear to eager to accept the settlement, the United Mine Workers are arranging for an artificial opposition of considerable proportions. In some quarters it is feared that too many may follow this idea.

The coal fields tonight reported no disturbances, that picketing was being maintained as usual, and that good progress was being made in pumping out and reconditioning mines.

MR. N. GILMAN PASSES AWAY

Mr. Nehemiah Gilman a former member of the York County Council died quite suddenly at his home at Pokiok, on Saturday, aged 81 years. He was one of the best known men in northern New Brunswick, being one of the firm of Gilman Bros. & Burden and the last member of the firm which carried on lumbering operations at Keswick, Pokiok and Black River in Quebec. His partners were his brother David Gilman and George F. Burden, ex-M. P. P. He had a highly honorable business record and a wide circle of friends. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. Hanford Burden of Pokiok, Mrs. George Pinder of Temperance Vale and Mrs. Alfred Merrieth of this town; one brother, Thomas, of Temple; one sister, Mrs. Robert Pickard of the Barony.

The funeral was on Sunday afternoon conducted by Rev. Mr. Jones of Prince William with interment at the Barony. The pall bearers were John Anderson, Edward Burden, Clifford Lint and Frank Clare.

WOMEN ARE SWINDLED

Toronto, Aug. 29—Mrs. Jacob Richman, of Dovercourt road, Toronto, was swindled out of \$2,400 on Saturday by strangers who called at her home and represented themselves as mining men. They showed her a box of ore which they told her was almost pure gold and the mines they declared would make the promoters fabulously wealthy. Mrs. Richman was interested and drew a cheque for \$2,400 all she had in the bank to purchase an interest in the mine. She did this on the understanding that the box of ore said to be worth \$5,000 would be left in her possession. After the strangers had departed she opened the box and found it contained about 25 cents worth of brass tacks. Mrs. Richman hurriedly notified the bank but the cheque had already been cashed. No arrests have been made.

James R. Boyce of St. Catharines, was in the city yesterday.

A GRAMOPHONE THAT BREATHES

London, Aug. 30—A gramophone that "breathes" like a human being is shown here for a scheme of synchronization of motion pictures with the talking machine. Its invention is claimed by E. H. Verity, who long has been trying to find a method of synchronizing the two.

In discussing it he says: "After experiments lasting over fifteen months I realized that the gramophone must breathe in order to get the proper effect. I employ an ordinary sound box which is attached to a tone arm at the end of which is fitted an electric element and a suitable arrangement of holes induces a draft which is so placed that the entire apparatus works under conditions similar to the human throat while speech is in progress."

SELLS GEMS TO PURCHASE CLOTHING

Close Friend of Late Austrian Emperor is Feeling Pinch of Hard Times.

Vienna, Aug. 30—Katharina Schrat, like many of the royalties who eagerly sought her influence for the more than thirty years that she was the acknowledged friend of Francis Joseph to-day is facing poverty despite the gifts and a \$250,000 bequest left her by the Emperor and has been reduced to selling some of her jewels to buy clothing for herself.

Friends here have admitted that she has sold for a mere song two handsome diamond pendants which were presented to her by the King of Bulgaria for a service she did him. The diamonds are historical and first attracted attention when Princess Adelaide sister of King Louis Philippe of France gave them to her mother Princess Clementine. It was the son of the latter who gave them to Frau Schrat and with them he sent a note thanking Frau Schrat for the "tremendous service" she had done him and his country.

The service it is said consisted of Frau Schrat's allowing a certain Bulgarian who had an immense influence at the Greek court to dine at her table and thus meet Francis Joseph when the old Emperor's advisers were seeking to prevent such a meeting. At least that is the story that is told, but so much has been told and written of Frau Schrat and her relations with the Emperor that it is hard to sift fact from fiction.

STEAMER SUNK WITH A BIG LOSS OF LIFE

Santiago, Chile, Aug. 29—Only six persons, including two passengers, out of a total of 222 on board the Chilean steamer Itata were saved when the vessel sank today off the Chilean coast near Coquimbo. The steamer sailed yesterday afternoon from Coquimbo with 255 passengers aboard. Of these ninety were laborers proceeding to Antofagasta. Heavy cross seas damaged the rudder of the vessel which was overloaded.

In this helpless condition and caught in the strong south gale, the steamer was swept time and time again by the enormous waves. She listed badly and in a short time sank by the bow.

The Chilean warship Chacabuco, which speeded to the rescue, found only scores of drowned floating on the ocean and remnants of wreckage. One boat carrying twenty persons capsized and seventeen perished.

Another boat with many passengers and sailors aboard and in which Captain Caldera, who had been grievously injured, was placed, also capsized near the beach. Only two passengers and one sailor of this group escaped.

Howard B. Adams of Boston, Mass. was in the city yesterday.

Unable to Reach An Agreement in Reparations Issue

COMMISSION HAD ANOTHER STRENUOUS DAY WHICH ENDED WITHOUT ANY PRACTICAL RESULTS—SPECIAL ENVOYS FROM BERLIN HAD NO NEW CONCESSIONS TO MAKE—BELGIAN PLAN IS MOST IN FAVOR.

Paris, Aug. 29—The members of the reparations commission were deadlocked this evening after another strenuous day given over entirely to an effort to reach a basis for unanimous agreement on German payments and prevent a split in the commission and a possible breach of the Franco-British relations. The failure of the German delegates, Herr Schroeder and Herr Bergmann, special envoys from Berlin, to bring with them any new concessions from the German government had a depressing effect in certain circles where it was hoped Germany might have formulated some new scheme.

Herr Bergmann conferred this afternoon with members of the reparations commission and told them that the last minute proposal handed to Sir John Bradbury just before the mission left Berlin was the last effort of the German government to meet the French demands. Bergmann and Schroeder however, bring further details of these proposals which will be outlined to the commission tomorrow morning by the latter.

BELGIAN PLAN FAVORED

The reparations commission has again postponed for twenty-four hours its decision in the matter, which, if a satisfactory one, will be announced Thursday. But if it is apparent that no unanimous decision can be reached, it is possible that there will be a further delay.

The Belgian plan remains the most talked of solution, but France will not consider it unless 200,000,000 gold marks are deposited in the Bank of England by Germany as a guarantee. It is not believed that Germany will consent to this.

Sir John Bradbury is still urging a moratorium based on the guarantees which have already been exacted. It is thought that his resolution calling for a moratorium without further guarantees will be the first proposition voted upon by the commission Thursday. This will be voted down according to present indications, after which some form of compromise which the delegates hope to arrange before Thursday will be considered.

The German delegates denied reports that Hugo Stinnes was in Paris. They declared that Herr Stinnes had no plans for coming here so far as they knew.

WORKING GIRLS TO HAVE HOTEL

New York, Aug. 30—Girls in business in New York will have a hotel of their own next spring where the restrictions will be no more than in the average hotel. Charles B. Webster of R. H. Macey & Co., bequeathed a third of his fortune for a hostelry exclusively for working girls.

The building to be 13 stories high will be known as the Webster apartments and will stand within a mile of the department store zone. It will have accommodations for 400 persons.

Mr. Webster left instructions that the hotel was to avoid all earmarks of an institution and that no money was to be made from the endowment.

The building will cost \$740,000 with liberal endowment left for operating expenses.

Taxes Being Paid

The extension of the discount period for city taxes to include the whole of the month of August is producing a movement of taxes toward the city treasury. Quite a number of ratepayers who let the regular discount period go by have taken advantage of the extension.

Edmundston Celebration

Hon. J. E. Michaud of Edmundston is in the city today on business. He states that Edmundston will have a big time next Monday, Labor Day, the occasion being the opening of the new International Bridge at that place. A great influx of visitors is expected on that day.

Good Prospect for F. B. C.

The Fredericton Business College will reopen on Tuesday next, Sept. 6th for the year. The prospect at the present time is for an attendance of students as large as the average. With students entering each month the highest attendance at the school is not attained until after the New Year.

AIRPLANE FELL AMONG SHARKS

London, Aug. 30—Capt. Norman MacMillan has cabled the Daily News from Chittagong, British India a vivid account of the experiences of himself and Lt. Maillans after their airplane had fallen into the sea in their attempt to continue the projected flight around the world started by Maj. W. T. Blake and now definitely abandoned.

The airmen were forced down by engine trouble and suffered so much from exposure that they were sent to a hospital when rescued. For 50 hours they drifted about in the shark infested waters and their despair became complete when the crew of a native brig passed them in the evident belief that they were evil spirits.

The naval launch which finally rescued them was on the point of passing also thinking the airmen were native fishermen.

Not To Meet Monday.

Monday next being Labor Day and a public holiday the usual committee meeting of the City Council will not be held until Tuesday.

Boone-Coyle.

On Monday evening at the George St. Baptist Parsonage, Miss Helen Coyle and Hazen Boone both of this city were married by Rev. Z. L. Fash. They were attended by Miss Beatrice Boone sister of the groom and J. Barry Allan. The bride was dressed in a suit of blue tricolour with hat to match. They will reside on New Maryland Hill.

Tonight's Band Concert.

The program for the concert to be played tonight at Parliament Square by the combined York Regt. and Burt's Corner Bands is as follows: March, Headway; Overture, Blaze of Glory; Waltz, Three O'Clock in the Morning; Fox Trot, Vamping Rose; March, Under the Double Eagle; Selection, The Bohemian Girl; Waltz, When the Tide Comes In; Waltz, When Francis Dances With Me; God Save the King.

TOMMY PHILLIPS LOSES EYESIGHT

The many friends of Thomas Phillips of Morrison's Mills, former base ball umpire, expert canoeist and for years the champion shad fisherman of the St. John River, will sincerely regret to learn that he is suffering from a nervous ailment which has affected the optic nerve and totally deprived him of his eyesight, temporarily at least. Mr. Phillips has been residing in Boston for the past three years and while there consulted a number of doctors, but could obtain no relief. He has been at Rusiagornish for a while this summer, but is now stopping at his old home at Morrison's Mills. Mr. Phillips was about the streets yesterday in company with his sister, and met many old friends, who sympathized with him in his affliction.

D'ANNUNZIO GETS WORDS OF SYMPATHY

Telegrams From King and Peasant Pour Into His Lake Garda Villa.

Rome, Aug. 30—Every morning brings a new version as to how Gabriele d'Annunzio came to fall from his window. If he intended to test his present prestige he will be contented during his convalescence. Telegrams of solicitude have poured into his Lake Garda villa from all parts of the globe from the King of Italy down to humblest workers certainly there is not a single man in Italy and probably not in Europe who can command such a piquant variety of admirers.

In spite of the fact that the poet is often hailed as the first president of the Italian republic the King sent Col. Maoli as a special envoy to inquire after his health and Princess Letitia the King's sister wired her sympathy at the same moment that a cordial message from the railroad workers was received.

A telegram from Daragana the Socialist parliamentarian arrived at the same time as did one from Martin originator of the famous cock tail Elenora Duse sent a fervent message. The Minister of War conveyed the greetings of the army and the famous Count Giacomo custodian of Palatine Hill, hailed him as the Custodian of the Adriatic.

And as a final touch doctors leaving the villa found a haggard young Fascista who had fought with D'Annunzio to win Fiume kneeling on the grass, praying while tears ran down his cheeks. The boy had made a pilgrimage from the Trentino afoot in his extravagant devotion so as to be near his chief.

SOLDIERS SEEK INSURANCE

Ottawa, Aug. 30—Upwards of three million dollars worth of insurance was applied for under the Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act during the three weeks ending August 26, it is stated at the head office of the Department of Soldiers Civil Re establishment here and applications are still being received in increasing numbers.

The great increase in business is attributed to the fact that a great many ex service men are under a misapprehension as to the closing date for making application.

The closing date for applications under the act as originally passed was September 1, 1922, but the Parliamentary Committee of this year extended the period for another twelve months or until September 1, 1923.

Attended Meeting at St. John.

Among the coal dealers who were in attendance at the conference held on Tuesday at St. John on the matter of coal supply for the winter were R. T. Baird, S. L. Morrison and A. H. Vanwart of this city.

MAY WIDEN POWERS OF THE PRESIDENT

A DISCUSSION IN CONGRESS

Still Talking of Taking Over Control of Railways and Coal Mines.

Washington, Aug. 29—Smouldering official opinion in favor of a presidential authorization to take over United States railroads and coal mines not operated at their highest efficiency was revived in congress today when it was made known at the White House that President Harding still held that such a grant of power was desirable although without any idea of using the authority except in a case of direct public necessity.

One immediate result of the renewed discussion of government operation was the prospect that the House might be called upon at short notice to put itself on record in the matter. Representative Johnson, Republican Johnson, South Dakota, announced his intention to offer tomorrow an amendment to the administration coal control bill which would give the president the authority he was said to desire.

Several other members of the House indicated that they also would submit a measure with the same purpose in view although congressional leaders predicted no such legislation would be passed for the present.

As explained at the White House the president's attitude is that the administration's hold on the situation would be measurably strengthened if it had as a foundation the potential power to take over a single railroad or a system of carriers a single railroad of a system of carriers a single mine or a series of mining properties which had been shown clearly to have failed to render the public the full service of which they were capable.

Mr. Harding it was declared believed that the bituminous coal industry was working out its own problem under the impetus of the practical settlement reached at Cleveland and held further that the anthracite strike would be settled shortly on a basis which would permit the hard coal mines to return rapidly to production.

A less optimistic view of the fuel situation was taken by Chairman Cummins of the senate interstate commerce committee in his report on the coal control bill.

"The present situation is an exceedingly grave one," the report declared adding that unless the railroads succeeded in measurably increasing their facilities for hauling coal the situation would be the same as though the bituminous strike was still in progress throughout the industry.

RAINS BRING OUT STRANDED LUMBER DRIVES

As stated in these columns yesterday the recent rain storm did a good turn to the River Valley Lumber Company of Oromocto. Last spring they were forced to abandon a million feet of logs on streams in Sunbury and Queens Counties. The heavy rains of June did not extend to that region, but last week's storm started something moving. Mr. R. B. Smith, M. P. P., the manager of the company lost no time in getting crews of men to work on the Otnabog and Brisley streams and also on the Back Creek and yesterday the welcome news came that all of the drives, aggregating one million feet, were in safe water. The company's mill at Oromocto finished sawing last week, but now with more logs available it will probably start up again in the course of a few days.

To See Ball Game at St. John

A number of baseball fans left this morning by rail for St. John to see the ball game between Fredericton and St. Stephen this evening. A McM. Staples went this morning. A motor party composed of William Vaughan, A. B. Kitchen, Walter Kitchen and W. E. Farrell left this afternoon.