

PRESIDENT TO INFORM CONGRESS OF FACTS OF STRIKE SITUATION

Washington, Aug. 16 (By the Associated Press).—Arrangements were completed today for President Harding's appearance at a joint session of the senate and house tomorrow, when he will present to the federal legislators and country the government's position respecting the existing industrial troubles, particularly the railroad strike.

Chicago, Aug. 16 (By the Associated Press).—Transportation tie ups in the Far West began to unravel today as the rail head and union leaders looked toward direct negotiation for ending the strike of rail shop crafts men. Railway executives here are pessimistic over the success of the peace parleys placed in their case. Although conditions on the roads in the far West revealed by breaks in the strike of train crews, the general situation remained in a critical stage reached many days ago, and the President's next expected move was to lay the whole industrial crisis before congress. Embargoes are lifted and trains moved again over the Santa Fe, Southern Pacific and Union Pacific roads chiefly affected by walkouts of the Big Four brotherhoods.

Washington, Aug. 15 (By the Associated Press).—Congress and the country will be informed within 36 hours by President Harding of every fact in the railroad strike situation as he views it, and also, administration advisers said today, will be given an expression of his determination to give the full aid and protection of the federal government to maintenance of railway operations. There is no room for further presidential efforts to bring about compromise settlements of the shopmen's strike, a high official at the White House said, by negotiating between managements and the unions although the president does not wish to hinder attempts of officials of railroad unions not on strike to mediate for their associates.

Meanwhile there emerged today from the almost continuous meeting of the transportation labor organizations' heads an invitation to the Association of Railway Executives to reopen negotiations for a compromise settlement of the shopmen's strike, the five train service brotherhoods of engineers, conductors, trainmen, firemen and switchmen acting for the striking crafts. Warren S. Stone, chief of engineers, expressed the belief that the executives would confer again, meeting the brotherhoods' spokesmen by Thursday, and press dispatches later confirmed his conclusion.

President Harding also moved tonight to support the interstate commerce commission in enforcing safety laws which will shortly require withdrawals of locomotives from service on important carriers. With the matter placed before him by Chairman McChord of the commission, President Harding replied that he knew of "nothing to be done except to insist upon enforcement of the law," and said he trusted that "inspection forces would exert themselves to the utmost in order to be able to pass upon safe equipment."

Leaders of the striking railroad unions now in Washington indicated their disposition to await the new peace efforts of their associates, but made public their letter rejecting President Harding's final proposals for a compromise settlement of the strike. Through B. M. Jewell, their chairman, he also issued a statement contending that the railroad responses to the proposal had been a declination. The letter, in addition to declaring the president's proposals "impracticable," asserted that the strikers would not return to work unless assured of unimpaired seniority status.

A protracted session of the cabinet and visits to the White House by senators preceded the announcement that the president intended to take the country and congress into his confidence through a message. The issuance of the correspondence on safety of equipment also followed a conference at the executive offices, where Chairman McChord and Commissioner Atchison, and Chairman Hooper of the railroad labor board met with the president. It was the president's intention, a high official said, to incorporate in his message the facts as he had learned them in the industrial situation during weeks of conferences and considerations with the men most intimately concerned.

Attorney General Daugherty declared today that reports to the justice department indicated a serious situation in Kentucky, due to the tying up of many coal cars. But that in Illinois coal was being moved in spite of sporadic efforts of mine strike sympathizers to "cut out" coal cars from trains. In the West, he said, reports indicated that the "Industrial Workers of the World are quite

COAL PROFITEERS TO BE CURBED

Washington, Aug. 15.—Congress will be called upon for legal weapons to arm the government for war against coal profiteers, it was announced today by high administration officials. Legislation will be required, it was declared to assure price control and equitable distribution of fuel even in the event of a settlement of the whole national coal controversy.

Coal operators, Secretary Hoover stated, were breaking away from the fair price agreements except in some districts in Virginia and West Virginia, and congress, he declared, must act to check advancing charges and at the same time authorize the continuance of the federal distribution machinery now functioning by volunteer services which could not continue indefinitely.

Mr. Hoover indicated that about a week's study of the situation, and the effect of the Cleveland agreement on production, would be required before the necessary legislation could be framed. Attorney General Daugherty declared that several plans were already under consideration to combat coal profiteers and that careful study would be given to the proposal. Continuance of the federal distribution machinery would be necessary, Mr. Hoover asserted, and especially to meet the anthracite situation and provide for the requirements of the northwest section before winter sets in. As soon as anthracite was available, he declared, distribution of hard coal would be supervised by the federal organization along the lines now in practice for the movement of bituminous.

Price control by means of preferential allocation of coal cars was only possible, according to Federal Fuel Distributor Spencer, in districts where there was less than 100 per cent car supply. Where there were plenty of cars, he asserted, operators could obtain transportation at whatever prices they might charge for coal, despite the federal emergency organization.

Great use of No. 1 priority classification of the interstate commerce commission's service order No. 23, it was declared, would be made by the central coal distribution committee to fight fuel charges in excess of the Hoover prices. This classification gives the first priority to shipments specially designated by the commission and would enable, in districts where a shortage of cars existed, the giving or withholding of transportation facilities to operators as they adhere or break away from the Hoover price agreements.

Competitive bidding by railroads and public utilities for fuel, according to reports to the central committee, has disturbed the agreed price levels and the carriers were asked today by Mr. Spencer to make no offers for coal at prices above the Hoover levels.

Production and Consumption Of Cotton Crop

Washington, Aug. 16.—A world's production of commercial cotton, exclusive of linters grown in 1921 was approximately 15,197,000 bales of 478 pounds lint, while consumption, exclusive of linters, in United States was approximately 16,914,000, the census bureau announced. Consumed during July 304,936 bales compared with 536,387 in June, 244,843 in July of last year.

Georgia Woman Sues Candler for \$100,000

Atlanta, Aug. 16.—Damage of \$100,000 is asked of Walter Candler, local banker, by Mrs. Sarah Gillespie Byfield in a suit filed today in the DeKalb superior court. She alleges that as a result of the attack upon her by Candler in her state room aboard the steamship Berengaria on the night of July 16th. She has been forced to remain aboard much of the time since. Her condition finally necessitating an operation, which was performed Monday.

Guardsmen Sent to Ohio Coal Fields

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 16.—National Guardsmen who were sent to various Ohio coal fields for strike order have been demobilized by Governor Davis.

active in connection with railway strikes," and "very willing to take over some of the responsibilities of the government itself." What action would be taken with reference to the Kentucky walkouts, and those in the bordering territory south of the Ohio, the attorney general said the department did not care to disclose at this time.

SEEK MEN TO FILL STRIKERS' PLACES

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 15.—The Southern railway today began employing new men to take the places of its striking shopmen, it was announced at the local offices, in a statement coming from Vice President Miller. The Southern had hitherto refrained from efforts to fill the places of the shopmen who went out in the general strike early in July, but today's action was forecast yesterday in a statement from President Fairfax Harrison, saying, "if it means war to run the Southern railway, then let us have it now—not later." The strikers had refused to return, even though their seniority would not have been affected, on the grounds that the strike was a national one.

The statement made public tonight said that in addition to hiring men today the road would begin tomorrow advertising for experienced men who can qualify for the various technical positions left vacant by the striking shopmen, and named various points on the system at which such men might apply.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 15.—All annual passes, trip transportation and property of the Southern railroad, in the hands of striking shopmen, has been "called in" by H. W. Miller, vice president in charge of operation, it was learned here tonight.

Washington, Aug. 15.—Vice President W. H. Miller, in charge of operation of the Southern Railway system, states the Southern today began employing new men to fill the places of its striking shop employees and that beginning Wednesday morning he will advertise for experienced men who can qualify for positions as machinists, boiler makers, blacksmiths, sheet metal workers, electric workers and car repairers (freight and passenger). Applicants are advised to report in person or apply to J. E.

COOPERATIVE MARKETING CAMPAIGN STARTED WITH A

The campaign for cooperative marketing of cotton was started off with a rush yesterday with meetings of the business men of Jonesville and another meeting at Kelson at the tent where the revival services are being conducted.

The campaign is being conducted under the personal supervision of W. D. Wood, L. J. Browning and W. B. May.

D. J. MacMillan representing the association said today: "Union county has not signed anything like the amount of cotton we want. Only about 12 per cent of the crop based on the 1920 production has been signed. In my opinion it is simply because the growers do not understand the contract. How any sane man who understands the operation of a cooperative sales system can refuse to sign the contract is more than I can understand.

"There are only two questions a farmer asks when he comes to town to buy or sell. If he wants to buy he asks, 'How much is it?', and if he wants to sell it's 'How much will you give?' He has absolutely nothing to say about the price of his own products, and certainly nothing about what he buys.

"If he goes into a store to buy a pair of shoes and the merchant quotes him a price of \$5.00, when he pays that he knows that he has paid the manufacturer's cost, and a profit. He has paid the freight and the merchant's cost price, together with a profit to the retailer. That is merchandising. But when he goes to sell his own products he must sell at whatever price the other fellow or the market pays him. Cost of production to him is not taken into consideration; such a thing as selling costs or a profit to him is never thought of. He must take what is offered.

"The South Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative association has now a membership of 10,000 growers. They have perfected an organization and are ready to handle this year's cotton crop. The men at the head of it were elected by the growers. Not one of them but what is a cotton grower and has pledged his cotton to the association; not a single word can be said against them. More money has been pledged to the association than will be necessary to handle the crop. Co-operative marketing of tobacco has proven profitable and practical to the growers of South Carolina. Co-operative marketing has proven a success to the growers of cotton of Oklahoma, Texas and Mississippi.

"The great objection we have to overcome now is 'Wait and see.' Why wait and see? Why wait? Haven't they seen enough? What else can you see? The opponents said the farmers could not be organized.

GRUESOME FIND NEAR EUTAWVILLE

Eutawville, Aug. 15.—The skeleton of an unknown man, the flesh stripped from the bones by vultures, was discovered in an abandoned tenant house on the plantation of Simmons Brothers, a few miles from Eutawville. The gruesome find was made by a number of boys who happened to be passing near the house.

A coroner's jury summoned by Magistrate J. F. Wetmore, viewed the remains and it was found that a white man wearing blue overalls and blue shirt was seen about three weeks ago. He obtained food from two of the negroes and told them he did not want to see any white people. One negro woman said she had a roll of bills, one of which was \$20. A pair of overalls, a shirt and a pair of shoes were found in the tenant house yard and house, the shoes being placed side by side. The clothing was in the yard. A tuft of brown hair and a few blank checks on a bank at Peachland, N. C., are the only clues as to the man's identity. The jury rendered a verdict that the man came to his death from causes unknown to the jury.

Little Miss Mary Shams Oliphant of Greenville is visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Oliphant.

Stanfield, general manager at Cincinnati, Ohio; B. E. Simpson, general manager, Charlotte, N. C., or to master mechanics or general foremen at any of the following plants: Alexandria, Va., Richmond, Va., Lawrenceville, Va., Spencerville, N. C., Greenville, S. C., Columbia, S. C., Charleston, S. C., Atlanta, Ga., Macon, Ga., Bristol, Va., Knoxville, Tenn., Chattanooga, Tenn., Sheffield, Ala., Selma, Ala., Meridian, Miss., New Orleans, La., Somerset, Ky., Lexington, Va., and Princeton, Ind.

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C. H. Siegler of Aiken also entered the race and alashed with a reckless book adoption was camouflage. He heard a candidate say that "His back was sore from buying textbooks. That man was not living with his family and I doubt if he has bought a text book for his child in ten years." He was a candidate for the office also and it was his right to keep the issues straight. County superintendents could pursue the same policy in directing the trustees in Aiken where a county adoption was taken from the extended list of books adopted by the state, and thereby avoid the possibility of duplication where a family might move to another district.—The State.

Gypsy Smith in Seneca

Rev. Gypsy Smith, Jr., who conducted a tent meeting here, is to conduct a meeting in Seneca beginning in September. He is expected to draw a large crowd from the surrounding country.—Greenwood Index-Journal.

Monument Dealers Association To Meet August Twenty-Third

The Piedmont District of the Monument Dealers association is to meet in Union on August 23 in the rooms of the Young Men's Business League. Every dealer in the district is welcome and according to letters received there will be a good attendance.

While here the dealers will enjoy a big "feed" furnished by the Union Marble and Granite company and they will also be shown the city by cars furnished by the Young Men's Business League and other interested parties.

Ireland's Distinguished Son Is Laid to Rest

Dublin, Aug. 16 (By the Associated Press).—Ireland buried another of her distinguished sons today. Arthur Griffith was laid to rest in the historic Glasnevin cemetery, where so many famous patriots lie. After services of impressive solemnity in the beautiful cathedral of immaculate conception, homage to the memory of this truly great figure in Ireland in the dramatic struggle for emancipation was paid by huge crowds of representatives in all the walks of life.

Birth Announcement On August 7 there was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Petty a fine boy who is to be called William, Jr. Both mother and child are getting along nicely.

Notice The Rev. E. A. Fuller, D. D., will speak at the court house next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The public is invited. 1458-4t

COAL PRODUCTION TO GO FORWARD AS RESULT OF CLEVELAND MEETING

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Local market 21c