

DEMOCRATS ARE CONFIDENT OF STATE VICTORY

Hoosier Leaders Hold Optimistic Sessions at French Lick.

ORGANIZATION CHIEF JOB

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FRENCH LICK, Ind., July 23.—A spirit of militancy and confidence pervades the 300 leading Hoosier democrats gathered here as the week-end guests of Thomas Taggart, and in all the conferences thus far held there was an optimism expressed that with Cox, Roosevelt, Taggart and McCullough on the ticket, Indiana will be safely placed under democratic control.

Following a general meeting this morning of all the guests, separate sessions of the men's and women's state committees, the state and congressional delegations and the democratic editors, were held this afternoon.

The deliberations centered on organization matter an tomorrow morning the results will be reported to another general meeting.

Henry Spain candidate for congress from the Seventh district, sounded what many believe will be the campaign keynote when he declared that the issues in Indiana are the fight against Goodrichism in the state and the imperialism of the senatorial cabal in the nation.

The session was vigorously applauded.

U. S. AGENT SENT TO COAL FIELDS

Wilson Names Hugh Kerwin
Mediator in Illinois.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—President Wilson today asked Hugh Kerwin, chief of organization of the labor department, to offer mediation in the Illinois coal fields.

The president's action followed a conference with Secretary Tamm and Representatives of Illinois coal operators at the whitehouse.

Kerwin said he would appoint a mediation committee to proceed immediately to Springfield, where hearings in the wage controversy will be held.

FUEL SHORTAGES ARE FORECASTED

CHICAGO, July 23.—Chicago coal operators today predicted serious fuel shortages throughout the nation within the next month because of the unauthorized strikes of 20,000 day workers in the southern Illinois fields and the threatened general walkout Monday of Illinois miners.

Operators attempting to avert a crisis made efforts to obtain release from the contract made following the bituminous coal strike.

They said unless sections of the contract relative to pay of day laborers was invalidated they would not be able to stay the strike.

Miners are asking higher wages for day work and President Frank Farrington of the Illinois union has declared his loss of control of the situation.

MURPHYSBORO, Ill., July 23.—Miners in every southern Illinois coal mine will strike today according to a telegram received by William H. Hemb, board member of the twelfth sub-district of the United Mine Workers of America.

Hutton declared all of the Franklin county miners would strike.

The field employing 12,000 is the biggest producer in the state and includes the famous Orient mine with a world record of 6,744 tons hoisted in eight hours.

West Frankfort and Benton miners are out.

DON'T CARE TO COMMENT—LEWIS

No hint of possible connection of mine workers' officials with the apparently authorized strike of Illinois bituminous coal miners was forthcoming from headquarters of the United Mine Workers here today.

Miners' leaders were much also as to whether union heads were taking action to end the walkout, which it is said "is becoming serious."

Asked if the strike were authorized, John J. Lewis, president of the miners' organization, said he "did not care to comment."

Lewis declined, too, to state whether he was keeping in touch with the Illinois situation.

It appeared doubtful whether federal machinery involved in the nation-wide coal strike again would come into play.

Practically all officials who participated in the prosecution of the miners at that time are out of the city.

Rob Rushville Store

Special to The Times.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., July 23.—The Knecht company clothing store was broken into Thursday morning and more than \$1,000 worth of merchandise was stolen.

The robbers also rifled the safe, taking \$10 in money and \$400 in checks.

Humphrey Boundary Bill to Governor

Senator Humphreys' bill providing for the construction and maintenance of bridges over streams which form a boundary line of the state was passed unanimously by the house of representatives today, and now goes to Gov. Goodrich for his signature to become a law.

Provisions in the measure affect only Sullivan county.

Amendments in the phrasology, and changing the number of petitioners from 300 to read "a majority of the freeholders" were accepted and included in the bill.

Plan Gasoline Rationing

Refiners Tell Government Proposal Is Only Way to Prevent 40-Cent Power Fuel.

WASHINGTON, July 23.—A gasoline rationing system to be applied throughout the United States is being considered by big refiners.

The rationing system is designed by the refiners as a last resort to curtail consumption and keep the price from being forced to more than 40 cents a gallon, government officials here have been informed by the representatives of the refiners.

Vice President A. D. Dasch is one representative of the big refiners who has discussed the rationing system with government officials.

Another is C. G. Sheffield of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Before adopting the rationing system refiners plan to issue a nation-wide appeal to the country to cut down driving.

As devised by the refiners the rationing plan would be a voluntary one by dealers in which the government would have no hand.

It would mean that gasoline would be doled out to dealers under a fixed quota for each state or locality.

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WHO SAID WE'D HAVE NO SUMMER?

HOURLY TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m. 73 1/2 a. m. 89
7 a. m. 82 1/2 12 a. m. 91
8 a. m. 83 1/2 1 p. m. 93
9 a. m. 85 1/2 2 p. m. 93
10 a. m. 87

PHEW!

Today was the hottest day of the summer in Indianapolis.

The temperature climbed in the tube, beginning at 6 o'clock, until it began to drop at 2 o'clock.

Persons, who during the recent cool weather, wondered audibly and frequently if there would be any really hot weather this summer, complained just as audibly of the heat, as they mopped their brows and sought the nearest swimming pools and soda fountains.

How 'Bout a Scrap?

Two billiard balls valued at \$18 are missing from the Claypool hotel billiard hall today.

Gene Henning, proprietor of the billiard hall, told the police the two balls were stolen from a drawer.

The police believe the thief might want to use them for a juggling match in a vaudeville show.

To Try Again to Shoot Falls in Steel Cask

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 23.—Bobby Leach, who successfully shot the Canadian falls in a steel barrel in 1911, has expressed his desire to repeat the feat.

At the national bridge it was said the raise would not be opposed if that organization found it necessary to the removal of the bridge.

The tentative date set by him is Aug. 25.

Cox Sends Suffrage Men to Tennessee

COLUMBUS, O., July 23.—Gov. James M. Cox today informed a committee of suffrage leaders that he has already sent personal representatives into Tennessee to work for the adoption of the suffrage amendment at the special legislative session beginning Aug. 9.

An announcement was made at the governor's office also that George White, chairman of the democratic state committee, has wired state chairmen urging them to have democratic state organizations at all chautauquas during the next few months.

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ACCEPT WAGE BOOST UNDER PROTEST

CHICAGO, July 23.—The spirit of a national railroad strike exceeded a quietude today, as the strike was to begin.

White, who is the chief of the strike, said the proposed wage increase was to be accepted.

It was estimated that the increased freight rates now being sought by the railroads would, if granted, take from the pocket of the consumer between \$6,000,000 and \$10,000,000.

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She Walked Right Out of Her Shoes

F. N. Breeding, 534 South Meridian street, is looking today for the woman who walked right out of her shoes at Meridian and Maryland streets.

Breeding found an almost new pair of shoes on the sidewalk.

There was no signs that they had been wrapped up or tied together.

They appeared simply to have ceased walking.

Lottery May Be Cause of Fuss With Denmark

NEW YORK, July 23.—Federal authorities today were investigating a lottery, said to be promoted by the Danish government, and circulars of which were received by many persons here.

Unless Denmark takes steps to stop promotion of this lottery in the United States, it was feared international complications might ensue.

The first prize in the lottery was \$50,000.

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Midwest Papers Raising Rates

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 23.—Led by the Kansas City Star, mid-west newspaper publishers, facing an increased cost of print paper, increased labor costs, and other costs, have advanced their subscription rates this month, while others are declaring their intentions of increasing rates.

The Star announced that a further increase of 10 cents a month in the cost of paper had forced it to increase their rates to subscribers. The new rates are 20 cents a week to subscribers in Kansas City's trade territory and 30 cents a week to those outside the trade territory.

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Argument Continued in Cases of Doctors

The oral argument in the cases of Drs. P. Wier, Alonso S. Neely, Calvin R. Atkins, G. Roland Perdue, Edgar M. Outland, Harrison B. Huise and Pearl O. Dickey, Indianapolis physicians, indicated by the Marion county grand jury, with operating a blind tiger was continued in criminal court until next Monday.

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TAR OR SALAD DRESSING OR PAINT

or eighty-five other kinds of stains and spots that get on clothing, table linens and other fabrics can be removed by following the directions given in a valuable booklet which The Times is sending free to its readers.

A copy of this book in your home may save you a \$1.00 dress or a valuable table cloth some day.

To get this booklet, put your name and address on the attached coupon and mail with a 2-cent stamp for return postage to The Indiana Daily Times Information Bureau.

Washington, D. C.

FREDERICK J. HASKIN, Director.

Enclosed find a two-cent stamp for postage on the booklet on the Removal of Stains.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

NAKED BODY OF GIRL FOUND IN TRUNK AT N. Y.

Expressed From Detroit June 17 and Put in Warehouse When Not Claimed.

ODOR TIPS OFF EMPLOYEE

NEW YORK, July 23.—A new murder mystery, with pretty young girl as victim, came to the attention of the police today when the corpse was found in a trunk in the warehouse of the American Railway Express Company, at 225 East Forty-fourth street.

A 12-inch knife wound is in the abdomen of the body.

The body was taken to the morgue, where physicians declared the wound showed it to have been a "riper" murderer.

This opinion also was expressed by Police Inspector Cray.

The trunk was shipped to this city from Detroit, Mich., and was sent to the warehouse when the consignee failed to appear to claim it.

The body was nude, and, according to a physician who examined it, a girl between 20 and 30 years old.

Several Detroit newspapers, an old fedora hat and a man's shirt were found in the trunk.

JAMMED INTO TRUNK BOTTOM.

The body was jammed into the bottom of the trunk.

Police are working on the theory that the crime had been committed by a detective.

The woman's teeth were in good condition.

She had blue eyes and was good-looking in life.

Her nose was flattened probably by the lid of the trunk.

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