

## UNEMPLOYMENT IS DECREASING

Condition Improving All Over Midwest, Says Chicago Man.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Unemployment is decreasing, according to a survey of the principal industrial areas by the United Press today.

New York, Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia reported more men at work and prospects still more would get jobs in the near future.

J. J. Boyd of the Illinois employment bureau said unemployment decreased 50 per cent in Chicago during March.

"I believe the situation all over the mid-West is improving," he said. "There has been an unusual demand for freight car builders, always a barometer of employment conditions."

Dr. Ben Reisman, employment expert of the city health department, backed Boyd's statement, saying there had been a "remarkable decrease" in unemployment.

Birmingham and Atlanta, principal industrial cities in the South, reported a gradual increase in the number of jobs.

The Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce reported it had sent a questionnaire to cities throughout the East. The answers showed a recent increase of about 53 per cent in employment.

Union Heads See Victory in Wage Offer

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reports of serious attempts at violence in the nation-wide strike.

At union headquarters, continuance of work by miners in certain States was explained in this fashion:

Union officials are not opposed to the continuance of work by negro miners in Alabama who had long been idle because of difficulties in that field.

They likewise, it was stated, are not opposed to union men working in West Virginia, the storm center of the coal strike.

Tennessee miners are considered automatically removed from the union by their action in continuing work, because, it was explained, the United Mine Workers are not a party to the contract in force there.

Western Kentucky miners are authorized to continue work because of an overlapping contract there which has a year to run.

CONGRESS COLD ON LEWIS IDEA

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The recommendation of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, that the Government take over the coal mines and operate them in the interest of the public as the only possible cure for the ills with which the industry is afflicted, left Congress cold today.

Even the most ardent advocate of Government ownership entertains no hopes that such a program could be put through, although many members of Congress are convinced that sooner or later, as Lewis said, some remedy will have to be found.

Indications increased today that the coal strike is to be a long drawn out controversy. Testimony from both sides, as developed by congressional investigation, disclosed that the coal operators will not enter into any country-wide wage agreement, and as for the miners, the testimony has been equally positive that they will not make any State or local agreements, and will agree to settlement only on a nation-wide basis.

The postures and apparent determination on both sides left congressional investigators in somewhat of a quandary today, although they pursued their inquiry into conditions leading up to the controversy. President Lewis again was the chief witness.

A pet plan of some members of Congress was emphatically rejected by the miners' chief. This was the contemplation of the creation of a Government agency, clothed with authority to fix wages and regulate working conditions—a sort of permanent peace and arbitration body.

"It will not do," said President Lewis. "The miners are not favorable to the creation of any governmental tribunal empowered to fix wages and regulate working hours. The very theory is repugnant to them."

President Lewis will leave the capital today for New York, following his appearance before the House labor committee.

BREAK IN RANKS OF OPERATORS

SCRANTON, Pa., April 4.—A break in the ranks of anthracite operators occurred today when the Grove Coal Company of Peckville, near here offered to grant the miners' demands for twenty per cent advance in wages.

The company is a small independent concern and not affiliated with the Anthracite Operators Association.

It was said today small mining companies in the local field are contemplating action of the same nature.

DENY DRIVING 100 MINERS OUT

BECKLEY, W. Va., April 4.—Investigation of reports that 100 union miners have been driven out of Stotesbury, W. Va., were begun today by district United Mine Workers officials and county officers.

The reports received by John Gathern, union secretary of the district were that opposition had been aroused because an organization of miners was effected last week.

C. R. Staple of the E. E. White Coal Company, which operates the collieries at Stotesbury, today made vigorous denial of the report.

BORAH SEES MINE SEIZURE

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Mine owners of the United States are inviting the public to take their mines away from them, when they refuse to abide by their contract and confer with miners regarding wage and working agreements, Senator Borah, Idaho, said in a speech in the Senate today.

"It has been said the Government is helpless in this strike situation," Borah declared.

"It will no longer remain helpless, for the interest of the public must be maintained."

WAGON MINES QUESTION UP

BRAZIL, Ind., April 4.—Whether small wagon mines, in the Brazil block coal field, shall be allowed to continue operation during the national strike, is to be determined at a conference of union officials and owners of the mines next Monday. The district executive board decided the policy of permitting operation of such mines, but agreed to the later conference, at which it is expected the owners will be permitted to deliver fuel to domestic consumers, but will be barred from supplying industries with coal.

CUT FROM \$7.50 TO \$3.50 PER DAY

KANSAS CITY, April 4.—Coal operators of the Southwest today had expressed a willingness to enter into negotiations with United Mine Workers for establishment of a new wage scale and

## BURBANK'S BETTER GARDEN TIPS DELICATE FLOWERS

Article No. 10

By LUTHER BURBANK.  
World's Greatest Scientific Agriculturist.

If a more elaborate assortment of flowers than that already spoken of is desired, the gladiolus should be given a prominent place.

It is hard to find a flower more profuse in growth and blossoms and they are to be had in an almost endless variety of color and form.

Gladioli will grow in almost any soil, but earth containing sand and secum are used, do not use fresh manure. This often tends to produce disease in the bulb. Five or six inches below the surface is a proper depth for planting, although where the soil is particularly

sandy it is well to plant even an inch deeper. Selection of an open spot where the sun strikes is important. Also water plentifully before the plant begins to flower. In cutting the flowers leave at least four full leaves on the bulb.

This matter of cutting brings up another mistake beginners make all too frequently. They make the mistake of cutting all the leaves away. This should be carefully guarded against as new bulbs grow after flowering and need the help of the leaves. Another point to remember in cutting is to insert the point of a knife edgewise into a stem and crack the stem over, rather than breaking it off.

This aids the bulb in its natural growth. (More flower hints by Burbank tomorrow.)

## There May Be Light All Day and All Night

BERGEN, N. J., April 4.—Perpetual light next to perpetual motion, the dream of scientists of ages, is at hand.

Crises of the future may be lighted by powerful globes requiring no motive power.

Lights, once lit will go on forever, eradicating darkness turning night into day at the will of humanity.

Tremendous natural forces now required to motivate electricity for lighting purposes, and to supply illuminating gas can be turned to other uses.

These are but a few of the dreams for the next half century or even the next decade created by a reported remarkable discovery of a young Italian inventor here, who has developed already a light which once charged, will burn for three years without further contact.

Behind guarded gates, workers in a small factory here are producing the first fruits of the inventor's scheme for perpetual illumination.

The light is said to be first, it is said, will be a pocket affair, or for use in lighting interior. It is non-explosive, air tight and convenient to carry. It will sell for less than \$5.00.

Once lighted, the alleged invention cannot be extinguished, but shutters dim it when not in use.

The light is "cold"; it remains at all times at a temperature ten degrees above freezing.

working agreement. Basis of negotiations will be a return to the wage scale of 1917 which provides for a wage of \$3.00 a day as compared with \$7.50 under the expired agreement, according to W. L. A. Johnson, general commissioner for the Southwestern Interstate Coal Operators Association. Johnson declared the operators are justified in seeking this wage scale in view of competitive conditions in surrounding coal producing States.

NEGRO GUNMAN ATTACKS MINER

CLINTON, Ind., April 4.—As a result of the first violence in connection with the coal strike in Indiana, police and county authorities are seeking a negro who shot and seriously wounded Elmer Williams, a miner. Williams, passing Miami Mine No. 8, where he worked, attempted to stop the negro "shooting up" mine buildings, he said. The negro turned his weapon on the miner, shooting him through the head. Williams probably will live. The assailant's motive in shooting into the buildings was a mystery as no one was at work.

SHAMMING, SAYS PRESIDENT LEWIS

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Coal operators who declare that they cannot confer with union miners to negotiate a new wage scale because of fear of the anti-trust laws are "shamming," the public, John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, declared today before the House Labor Committee during its investigation of the nation-wide coal strike.

Lewis told the committee that the attorney general had rendered an opinion to President Harding, who, in turn transmitted it to the operators, that such a conference would not be unlawful.

I. W. W. AGENTS IN ANTHRACITE FIELDS

Agitators who claim to be members of the Industrial Workers of the World, but who are said by Indianapolis union officials to be paid agents, have made their appearance in the Pennsylvania anthracite fields. The miners, who claim that the agitators are paid to give the strike cause a black eye with the public, promise to drive out the alleged I. W. W. agents.

OPERATORS MAKE STRIKE SURVEY

CHICAGO, April 4.—Non-union miners are sticking to their picks and shovels in the non-union fields, the Illinois coal operators announced today in making public the result of a survey conducted in the States of Kentucky, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Virginia mines are working seventy per cent full time capacity, it was stated.

"Twenty-two thousand non-union miners in Central Pennsylvania have remained at work," the announcement said. "The Unions are making no progress in the non-union fields of Pennsylvania."

According to the statement, all non-union miners in Northeastern Kentucky are working 100 per cent, wherever orders for coal are available. In the Harlan field all non-union mines are working.

Production in the non-union fields of West Virginia is continuing, the statement adds. The Pocahontas and Tug River districts are listed as "working 100 per cent." The mines in the Windy Gulf district are operating 90 per cent, and a corresponding good showing from the "view point" view point recorded in other districts of the State.

Arbuckle to Fight "Struggle Prints"

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The defense planned today to launch an attack on the State's "struggle print" testimony as one of the final phases of the case in the third manslaughter trial of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle.

Through E. O. Heinrichs, consulting criminologist testified certain impressions were the finger prints of Virginia Rappe with those of Arbuckle superimposed.

SENATOR COMING HOME

Senator Harry S. New is expected to return to Indianapolis next week for an undetermined stay in the interests of his candidacy, Fred I. King, his primary campaign manager, said today.

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## Girl Who 'Jilted' Millionaire Chats

PINK PAJAMA-CLAD MISS BARES SOUL

## All Fagged Out From Fitting Gown

By PATRICIA DAUGHERTY.  
ON BOARD THE CALIFORNIA LIMITED, EN ROUTE TO CHICAGO, April 4.—Secret telling time when the lights are out and "our mother had called" the fourth and last time, to "stop your chattering and go to sleep," and you go right on, only in a whisper, and tell your chum the rest—why you like the boy next door, what you are going to be when you grow up—and everything.

Do you remember? Of course you do, if you ever were a little girl and had secrets—and Mary Landon Baker, despite all that has been said and written, is just a little girl, and every one will admit she has had secrets. And so we lay in her compartment on the California limited and she told them to me.

The lights were on at first and we had gotten into our pajamas, her's were pink; trimmed with lace and she was combing her lovely bobbed hair.

LEFT RICH YOUTH WAITING AT CHURCH.

Miss Baker, it will be remembered, left Allister McCormick, son of a Chicago millionaire, "waiting at the church," which was thronged with Chicago society on the afternoon they were to be wed.

She told me the reasons why she failed to appear for the wedding.

The wedding was to have taken place on Monday.

"Thursday night before the wedding there was a party for Allister and me at the Casino Club," she said, "and I just adore dancing so we stayed up pretty late. Then Friday night I had a dinner party and we had a rehearsal at the church. As if any girl has to be shown how to walk up the aisle on her wedding day. I was awfully tired Saturday morning, but I got up because the dressmakers wanted to try on my dresses."

"I slept all day Sunday. I was so exhausted and nervous and Allister came over. When he saw I was ill, he insisted on postponing the ceremony and I wouldn't think of it; but the next morning I was so weak and exhausted from all the dressmakers' fitting and the round of parties people gave for us I couldn't get up."

ALLISTER GIVES ANOTHER RING.

"Allister telephoned and again insisted we postpone the ceremony or have it read in my house."

"Nothing doing," I said. "I'm going to be married in church at 4 o'clock," but at 3:30 as I went from my bedroom to the drawing room to have my wedding picture taken I collapsed—wedding gown, veil, flowers and all, and the next thing I knew it was 7 o'clock on Jan. 2, and I wasn't married.

"I collapsed from the strain of fitting on clothes and going to parties all sea-

## Mattress Dealer Case Ordered Continued

A charge of unlawfully manufacturing and unlawfully selling mattresses pending against Frank Weisenberger, 247 North Gray street, was continued in Criminal Court by Judge James A. Collins today; until tomorrow in order that one of the mattresses in question might be brought into court.

It is alleged Weisenberger used "whoddy," pieces of old carpets and clothing and old mattress materials and rags in the manufacture of supposedly new mattresses.

## Negro Is Sentenced for Jewel Thefts

John Weaver, 24, negro, charged with bringing stolen goods into the State, was sentenced to serve one to fourteen years in the Indiana State Reformatory by Judge James A. Collins in Criminal Court today.

Weaver, it was charged, stole diamond rings valued at about \$1,500 from Edward W. Van Houten of Suffield, N. Y., Jan. 10. He brought the rings to Indianapolis and when arrested had one ring, valued at \$500, in his possession.

Election Officials to Receive \$3 Day

A conference was held yesterday by Maurice E. Tennant and W. W. Spencer, members of the State board of election commissioners, with Jesse E. Eschbach of the State board of accounts, in regard to expenditures for the primary election. It was decided the pay of election officials will be limited to \$3 a day on a basis from midnight to midnight if that amount of time is required. The State officials have not decided how many assistant clerks should be employed, but recommend one be used where there are more than 1,000 voters in a precinct.

## RAILSTON GETS INVITATION

Samuel M. Ralston, candidate for the Democratic nomination for United States Senator, has been invited to speak at the Lafayette Jackson day banquet, April 13.

## Wife Tells Police Husband Is Gone

The disappearance of Herbert Tons, 1900 Ashland avenue, a florist employed at Temperley's greenhouses, 5318 College avenue, was reported to the police last night by Dr. Ira E. Dunleavy.

According to Mrs. Tons, who is verging on a nervous collapse, her husband left home Sunday morning to go to work and has not been seen since. His employers say he was a hard working, reliable man of excellent habits.

Several months ago he had an attack of influenza, which left him in a very nervous condition. The family came to Indianapolis about a year ago from Ft. Wayne.

Tons is 31 years of age, about 5 feet 9 inches in height and weighs about 150 pounds. When he left home he wore a light green suit, a brown silk necktie and eyeglasses.

GERMAN ARMS FOR MEXICO.

MEXICO CITY, April 3.—The offer of several German factories to sell cheap to

Mexico large quantities of war material has been approved by several officials of the War Department.

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## Women's New CANTON CREPE DRESSES \$9.00

The wise shoppers will be on hand early, as these dresses won't last long at this price. Embroidered and fringe trimmed styles of Canton crepe, in navy, Henna, periwinkle, brown and black; sizes 16 to 44.

## A Sale of Girls' SAMPLE COATS

Miniature Models, Possessing All the Charm and Style of the Women's Garments

**\$5 Grades \$2.98** **\$10 Grades \$6.98** **\$15 Grades \$9.98**

In this group are coats of wool velour in the wanted colors; for girls of 2 to 14 years—**\$2.98**

These are the stylish new capes and wraps of velour in the wanted colors, 2 to 14 years—**\$6.98**

In this lot are wraps, coats, capes and jumper combinations; in the new fabrics and colors—**\$9.98**

## Boys' Easter Suits \$4.95 \$7.95

Two Pairs Pants New Norfolk, double-breasted models, sport and golf styles, in attractive patterns; each suit with two pairs fully lined pants; sizes 7 to 17.

Wash Suits Oliver Twist, Middy and Tommy Tucker styles of good fast colors; materials in the new styles; sizes ..... **98c**

Boys' Black Straw Hats A number of pretty styles to select from; all sizes ..... **50c**

Men's Work Trousers \$1.49 Of serviceable materials in neat blue, gray and brown patterns; cuff bottom styles; in sizes 30 to 42.....

Jumper DRESSES \$1.00 For the Little Tots Cute jumper dresses of good gingham, in pretty plaid and check designs, with blouse of crisp white organdie; sizes 2 to 6.

GINGHAM DRESSES, Sizes 8 to 14—Pretty dresses of good quality gingham, in plaids, checks, plain colors and attractive combinations..... **\$1.29**

WHITE DRESSES, Sizes 8 to 14—Of sheer velvets and crisp organdies; handsomely embroidered and lace trimmed; styles in sizes 8 to 14 ..... **\$1.98**

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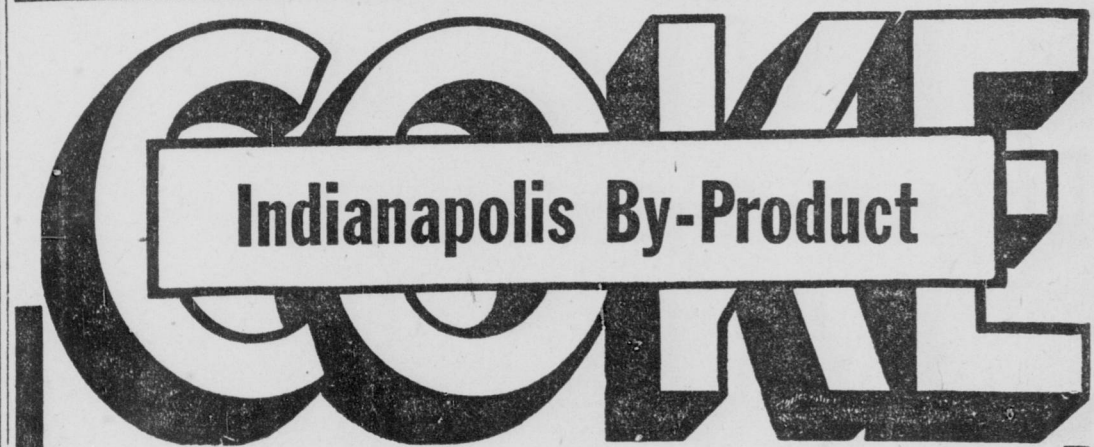
Five-piece suite, cocoa brown; gold trim. Table and four chairs ..... **\$75** Terms \$10 Per Month

Five-piece suite, mahogany finish; beautiful design. Table and four chairs ..... **\$95** Terms \$10 Per Month

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