

COAL OUTPUT CURB IS URGED BY COOLIDGE

Co-Operation of Operators, Miners Need, Executive Tells Both Sides.

By RAY TUCKER
WASHINGTON, March 14.—Co-operation between coal operators and miners is necessary preliminary to any Federal assistance designed to solve the problems besetting the bituminous industry, in the opinion of President Coolidge.

He has told those discussing the question with him that he favors steps to restrict production and govern the marketing of soft coal as one means of meeting the problem of too many mines and too many miners.

But it is his understanding that the inability of operators to negotiate agreement for curbing production so far has proved an obstacle to this solution.

Suggests Marketing Zones

The Government cannot do anything to restrict output, in the President's belief, because of court decisions that mining is an interstate rather than interstate activity. But Congress could help by amending the anti-trust laws so as to legalize such agreements, once operators and miners decided to adopt this policy.

Inasmuch as marketing subjects the industry to Federal regulation, he also believes the Government could aid in creating regional zones that might tend to minimize present evils of distribution.

President Coolidge is not disposed to take steps to bring the conflicting interests together, but he feels that conditions growing out of the present strike may force those concerned to initiate them.

Urge Government Control

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Ad F. Miller Announces That Charles Berkell Will Open His Stock Season at English's on Sunday Night, April 29, for the Summer.

By WALTER D. HICKMAN

The question is often asked, "What is the matter with the road?" and it has no bearing on things interesting to automobile drivers, but it is of vital importance to theatrical producers.

Of late, the number of traveling theatrical organizations have been reduced from hundreds to a very few and there are many parts of the country that formerly had one or more companies visit them each week that have not had one in a year.

While many reasons have been advanced for this greatly changed condition the opinion of one who has been prominent for a number of years as actor-manager is worth quoting.

Robert B. Mantell, who, with Genevieve Hanper as co-star, will be seen next week in Shakespearean repertoire at English's, answers the question in this wise: "There is nothing the matter with the road if you keep two cardinal points before you all the time. The first is to give to every class of plays that appeals to every normal minded young and old person, and the second is to be considerate of the players' purse."

"As regards the first condition, I take pardonable pride in pointing to our repertoire that, with the single exception of Bulwer Lytton's drama, 'Richelieu,' is made up wholly of Shakespeare's works which have stood the test for over 300 years, and it is a source of gratification to me to be able to say that they are at present enjoying greater popularity than at any other period in the thirty years that I have been presenting them."

"As to the second condition, I, after mature deliberation, decided that this season our prices would go back to normal and thus far I have had the hearty cooperation of theater managers with results that have been entirely satisfactory to all concerned."

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The committee members in charge are Mrs. George Kern, Mrs. W. B. Sequart and Mrs. B. Mills, of G. I. A. 522, and C. C. Livingston, W. B. Sequart, and J. W. Haney.

Two in Miracle Escape
By Times Special

LOGANSPORT, Ind., March 14.—J. D. Dubois and A. B. Gates, Pennsylvania Railroad brakeman, escaped practically unhurt despite being in a caboose struck by two locomotives here. The first engine striking the caboose hurled it to another track, where it was struck by the second. The caboose was demolished.

Early Grasshopper
By Times Special

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COMMEMORATE IBSEN

Norwegians Honors Playwright on

100th Birthday

By United Press

OSLO, Norway, March 14.—The centenary of Ibsen, whose dramas have made many sensitive theatergoers throughout the world shudder, is being celebrated here commencing today. The celebrations

will end on March 20, exactly 100 years after he was born, at Skien, South Norway.

Among Ibsen's most famous works are "Ghosts," "A Doll's House" and

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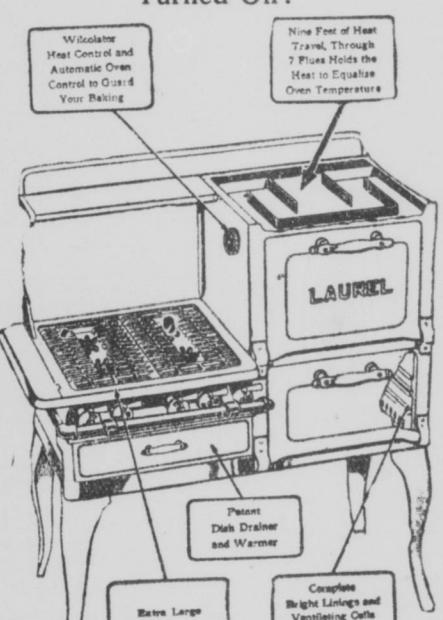
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