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Thunder showers probable tonight, followed by generally fair and somewhat cooler Wednesday.

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LEWIS URGES \$5 AS MINE BASIC WAGE

'Every Concession That Can Be Wrued From Industry,' Illinoisans Told.

FEARS PERIL TO UNION

Pay Will Be on Level of Kentucky If Organization Falls, Is Warning.

Acceptance of the \$5 a day basic wage for the Illinois field, district No. 12, United Mine Workers of America, as one representing "every concession that can be wrung from the impoverished coal companies in a stricken and almost expiring industry," was recommended in a statement given out here today by John L. Lewis, international president of the United Mine Workers of America.

Lewis reviewed efforts of the scale committee of district No. 12 in its negotiations with operators, the refusal of the district to accept the scale committee's recommendation, and subsequent review of the negotiations by the international officials.

The revised report, bearing slight concessions in operating conditions, but none in basic or other pay, will be the subject of a referendum vote in the district, Aug. 6.

The original recommendation of the scale committee followed conference with the Illinois Coal Operators' Association between March 8 and July 8. It was rejected in a referendum vote.

Then international officers were invited to participate in negotiations at Springfield July 23 to 25. It is the report on those discussions which is now up for referendum.

The wage reductions in the agreement and the various inequalities which exist within its structure are as distasteful to the members of the scale committee and the international representatives as they are to the membership of the district, Lewis' statement reads.

It is, however, the firm conviction and inescapable conclusion of the majority of the members of the scale committee and the district and international representatives associated in the Springfield joint conference that the agreement, distasteful as it may be, represents every concession that, at this time, can be wrung from the impoverished coal companies in a stricken and almost expiring industry."

Lewis concludes with a warning that if the union is destroyed, wages "will not be \$5 on the basic inside day rates," but "inevitably will be the wages now being paid the distressed mine workers in Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio."

Crisis at Dixie Bee

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Aug. 2.—Indiana's mine disturbance approached a crucial test between nonunion workers at the Dixie Bee shaft and union picketers today, with the latter warning that "we must be business today."

Meanwhile, Sheriff Joe Dreher of Vigo county and Governor Harry G. Leslie parried with renewed telegrams, each inviting the other into conference, and each refusing the other's terms for the discussion.

Leslie wired the sheriff this morning as follows: "Will discuss the mine situation with you if you will send a representative tomorrow."

To which Dreher replied:

"Workers now in Dixie Bee. My deputies and myself must remain on the job in Vigo county. Request you send representatives at once from adjutant-general's office to be with me on the spot and report to you. Do not delay."

While this exchange of telegrams was being made, the night engineer at the Dixie Bee, escorted by a deputy sheriff, was intercepted by a small group of union picketers.

One remarked: "We'll be back this afternoon, and this time we mean business."

Sheriff Dreher said he feared they did "mean business" and that a clash might occur when the day force leaves the pits at 3:30 this afternoon.

250 to Guard Lewis

BENTON, Ill., Aug. 2.—Sheriff Browning Robinson and approximately 250 deputies stood guard as upward of 15,000 miners gathered at Fairground park near here to hear John L. Lewis, international miners' union president, speak this afternoon.

"It will be an orderly meeting, or else," Sheriff Robinson warned.

Disorders created at recent meetings will not be tolerated, the sheriff said.

Hourly Temperatures

6 a. m. . . . 68 10 a. m. . . . 73
7 a. m. . . . 69 11 a. m. . . . 75
8 a. m. . . . 69 12 (noon) 80
9 a. m. . . . 71 1 p. m. . . . 84

Housekeeping Rooms Rented for Only 53 Cents.

Mrs. Anna Taylor advertised some suites of 1, 2 and 3 housekeeping rooms in a three-line room ad in The Times. The ad appeared only once and rented her rooms. The advertising cost was only 53 cents for the three-line ad. Economize. Rent your rooms with Times Room ads.

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SAVES TEACHERS' PAY

Nejdl, Self-Educated, Halts Cut

SENATOR James J. Nejdl (Rep.) Whiting, who came to America as a Bohemian immigrant at the age of 9, and "never saw the inside of a schoolhouse," today saved Hoosier school standards, by defeating an attempt to lower the teachers' minimum wage.

The veteran Lake county senator, recognized as one of the most able parliamentarians in the upper house, took the floor in defense of the teachers when the bill appeared on second reading.

He pointed out that the present \$800 minimum salary reduces teachers to about \$2.66 a day, "figuring the year around." Calling attention to the educational requirements for teaching, he launched a tirade against backers of the measure.

BONUS BATTLE VICTIM BURIED IN ARLINGTON

U. S. Army Fires Salute to William Hushka at Last Rites.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 2.—The bonus expeditionary force buried the first of its dead today with the salute of the United States army which only five days ago had driven it from Washington.

William J. Hushka of Chicago, shot to death in a battle with police Thursday afternoon, was lowered into a grave at Arlington National Cemetery, there to rest among the heroes of the nation's wars.

A few hours previously the second veteran to fall in the disorders of last week died of gunshot wounds. He was Eric Carlson, 38, a veteran with a year's service overseas.

Over a hill a quarter of a mile away from Hushka's grave, rests the unknown soldier.

And over the knolls of pleasant Arlington, once the home of Robert E. Lee, stands almost countless crosses, each marking the place where rests some man who has died after serving his country.

1500 Follow Cortege

Fifteen hundred people followed on the pilgrimage to Arlington. In a cortege many blocks long, they circled the White House.

There policemen and guards, set days ago to protect the President against annoyance from the "army," of which Hushka was a member, removed their hats or stood at attention as the hearse passed, bearing the first of the dead of the "Battle of Washington."

The President, at the moment, was sitting with his cabinet inside, discussing affairs of state.

Commander Walter W. Waters of the bonus expeditionary force said today he believed the objections of Governor Albert C. Ritchie to establishment of a bonus camp near Waterbury, Md., would be withdrawn after further study of the situation.

Waters was confident that his conference with the Governor this afternoon would clear away "many of the apparent difficulties now existing."

Ritchie Denounces Project

Ritchie denounced the project as "totally impracticable" and said he was obtaining legal advice to determine whether it was possible to prevent the thousands of bonus army refugees now in Johnstown, from going to Waterbury.

Governor Ritchie said the camp site was "totally unsuitable."

"It is principally scrub woodland with no agriculture upon it, possible, no food of any kind, nothing like an adequate water supply and of course no sewerage facilities," he said. "No group could earn a livelihood on that land, and health and sanitation would be seriously affected."

The Governor said the presence of thousands of veterans with "no means of livelihood and no resources" would "present a social problem of law and order of the first magnitude."

CARS FROM 35 STATES
PASS CORNER IN DAY

Traffic Cop Counts Visiting Autos as They Pass Post.

Automobiles from thirty-five states passed the Delaware and Ohio streets intersections in eight hours Monday, John Rader, traffic patrolman, stated when he quit work for the day at 6 p. m.

Shortly after going on duty Rader noticed a car from Maine and a few minutes later one from New Hampshire. He decided to keep a count and it showed both cars represented, with Maine and Wash-

ington.

Thirty-fifth state was recorded when a car from Arizona passed shortly before.

FIREFMEN HAVE IT EASY

City Has Not Dollar's Worth of Loss in Twenty-Four Hours.

Monday was a banner day in the fire department, records revealing there was not a dollar's loss by fire during the twenty-four hours.

Firemen made three runs during the day, but there were no fire losses. This is the second time in two years that such a record has been set, according to Thomas Haefling, Gamewell department superintendent.

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PROSECUTOR TO AID BATTLE TO NAB RACKETEERS

Wilson Puts Investigator on Trail of Garage Blackmailers.

By United Press

INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 2.—U. S. Attorney General George W. W. Wilson has placed an investigator on the trail of garage blackmailers.

Wilson announced that detective John Dugan, assigned to his office as an investigator, has been placed on the case, with orders to "end racketeering, now and forever, in the city and county."

While Wilson prepared to act detectives still are located at various "plants" in the city, where recipients of the extortion notes were told to place their money.

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Wettest spot in Indiana was Terre Haute, where the rainfall was 3.94 inches. Other reports were: Lafayette, 2.63; Bloomington, 1.83; Crawfordsville, 1.82; Greencastle, 1.25; Paoli, 1.22, and Shoals, 1.19.

The rain will be worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to Indiana farmers, it was estimated today from an authoritative source.

Meanwhile, a check was being made to determine if an Indianapolis manufacturing company and a downtown store were threatened.

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