

## STRIKES KEEP 653,000 IDLE

Airline Pilots' Schedule Walkout April 21.

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Little progress was reported today in the government's attempt to resume negotiations in the 13-day coal mine strike.

Meanwhile, harried federal mediators faced a new strike threat—a walkout scheduled for the week of April 21 by pilots of Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc.

Strikes and industrial disputes kept 653,000 workers idle. In other developments:

ONE: Thirty thousand employees of International Harvester Co. were voting on whether to end their 83-day strike. A new contract, providing an 18-cent hourly wage increase, was approved at Chicago by the Harvester council of the United Farm Equipment Workers (C.I.O.).

TWO: Movement of trucks into Louisville, Ky., and the shipment of freight to and from the city was halted by an "unauthorized walkout" of about 1,000 A. F. of L. truck drivers and dockmen.

THREE: Negotiations on an "exploratory basis" were resumed in the prolonged strike against Westinghouse Electric.

FOUR: A government fact-finding board decided to hold hearings beginning next Friday in San Francisco on the threatened walkout of C. I. O. longshoremen at Pacific coast ports.

FIVE: At Cleveland, representatives of the Brotherhoods of Railroad Trainmen and Locomotive Engineers will meet with railroad officials in Chicago April 22 to review findings of a fact-finding board which recently concluded hearings in their dispute over wage increase and changes in operating rules.

The board is scheduled to report to President Truman Thursday.

SIX: The long-standing Duquesne Light Co., dispute, which caused one crippling power strike in the Pittsburgh industrial area and the threat of another, was settled with an arbitration award of an 18-cent hourly increase to 3400 employees.

SEVEN: Union and company representatives renewed negotiations in an effort to settle the three-day-old strike of 100 Birmingham, Ala., transit workers.

In the coal strike, mine operators told Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach that they feared the granting of tonnage assessments to the United Mine Workers (A. F. of L.) for a health and welfare fund would set a precedent for other unions to follow.

### \$8000 MORE ASKED FOR DOG POUND FUND

An emergency appropriation of \$8000 to finance collection and feeding of dogs in the city pound will be asked the city council Monday night.

Mrs. Leona Frankfort, superintendent of the pound, has revealed her 1946 budget of \$19,305 is almost exhausted. She said lack of funds will halt feeding and collection of dogs which averages 800 a month.

"All we will be able to do without more money will be to destroy those dogs brought to the pound by private citizens," she added.

### HOOSIER VETERANS RECEIVE \$1,750,000

The veterans administration announced today that more than \$1,750,000 in disability benefits were paid to Hoosier veterans in March.

Veterans of both world wars and peacetime service, numbering 39,606, received \$1,762,816. Of this sum \$1,16,116 was paid to 25,894 veterans of world war II.

Death claims amounting to \$319,541 were paid to dependents of 7463 deceased veterans, 2537 for world war II; 4686 for world war I, and 240 for regular peacetime army or navy.

### CLUBS PROTEST FEE FOR PLAY IN PARK

Resolutions protesting the park department's proposed fee charge for use of city recreational facilities were adopted last night by the board of directors of the Federation of Associated clubs.

The directors contended that "health and happiness of our citizens, especially children, are dependent upon free use of baseball grounds, tennis courts, and swimming pools."

The resolutions have been forwarded to the park department with the request the fee be dropped.

### Top Spellers From Pike Township



Hudah Lou Thompson, 14-year-old eighth grader at Pike township school, was a co-winner in the Pike finals of The Times Spelling Bee.

John Hall, 12-year-old seventh grader, as the other Pike winner, also earned the right to compete in the city-county semi-finals April 22 at Shortridge high school.

### HUGE DIRIGIBLES AWAIT GO-SIGN

300-Passenger Airships Under Study.

AKRON, O., April 13 (U. P.)—A new era for trans-oceanic middle-sisters, those who think a plane is too fast and a ship too slow, depended today on whether the Good year Tire & Rubber Co. would be given the go-ahead for construction of 300-passenger dirigibles.

In revealing its plans for the dirigibles, Goodyear said plans were under study by numerous government committees, representing the post office, commerce and state departments.

At Honolulu, Goodyear Vice President H. E. Blythe said the big dirigibles could carry 300 passengers and predicted they would be in operation within five years with all the comforts of sea travel "except the swimming pool."

#### Take Two Years to Build

He added the construction of 10,000,000 cubic foot "super dirigibles" would begin immediately after the government gives its approval. It will take about two years to construct the first one but after that, the company expects to turn out dirigibles at six-month intervals at a cost of about \$8,000,000 each.

Specifications show the dirigibles are about a third larger than the old German Graf Zeppelin and larger than the former American dirigibles Macon and Akron. They will be filled with non-inflammable helium, on which the United States has exclusive possession and unlimited supplies.

Fly at 75 M. P. H.

Goodyear said giant airships could fly from the west coast to Honolulu with 90 tons of cargo at 75 miles an hour and at half the cost of an airplane.

The company added dirigibles would be able to pick up and discharge passengers in mid-flight.

#### Veteran of Navy Back in Law Firm

Recently returned from active duty as a lieutenant in the navy, Alvin C. Johnson has rejoined the law firm of Lutz, Johnson & Lutz, 734 Circle Tower building.

He served in the aviation branch as an operations and legal officer. From 1932 to 1936, he was assistant state attorney general under the Mc-Nutt administration. A graduate of Indiana university law school, he is married and has a son and daughter.

#### URGES NEW JUNKET TO SOUTH AMERICA

Another South American junket is in the making today for globe-trotting Indianapolis businessmen.

The proposal was made last night in a Pan American celebration in Caleb Mills hall. Shortridge high school by Elmer R. Krueger, Chamber of Commerce chairman of the recent 40-day tour of 11 republics to the south.

Mr. Krueger appealed to the speaker of the evening, American ambassador to the Dominican republic, Joseph F. McGurk, to cut the red tape in travel and make possible the use of commercial flights so that business can be transacted en route.

Mr. Krueger traced the history and extolled the value of the Pan-American union which began 56 years ago tomorrow.

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#### PRIVATE RITES SET FOR MRS. LELA HENRY

Private services for Mrs. Lela Edna Henry, a resident of Indianapolis for 32 years, will be conducted at 1:30 p. m. Monday in Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Burial will be in Glen Haven cemetery.

Mrs. Henry, a resident of 4466 Carrollton ave., died yesterday in St. Francis hospital. She was a member of the Seventh Presbyterian church.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Helen Wynne, of Indianapolis, and two grandchildren.

#### FILM STARS SEPARATE

HOLLYWOOD, April 13 (U. P.)—Actress Mary Beth Hughes and her husband, Actor Ted North, former naval officer, have separated, friends said today.

Many upstate cities, chiefly in Lake county, have observed DST for 18 years in the summer months, following Chicago's lead. Indianapolis, however, specifically was prevented from observing daylight time only during the war when the national wartime measure was in effect. A special act of congress would be necessary before a change could be made there.

#### Arguments Raised

It also gave complainers more time to complain. Indignant citizens claimed standard time was "God's time." Most of them were farmers. Angry opposition arose against the summer time shift. It didn't even subside completely during the war, when war time was established on a nation-wide basis by federal order.

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