

Million Workers In Nation Face Layoffs Next Week

Rail Embargo Cuts Output Of Industries

Auto Manufacturers Plan to Shutdown

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PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4.—The nation headed rapidly toward an industrial crisis today. A freight embargo, resulting from the 14-day soft coal strike, left scores of factories with only a few days to operate.

More than 1,000,000 workers, 500,000 of them in the automobile industry, faced layoffs next week as a result of the embargo, effective Friday.

As the full force of the coal strike bit into the nation's economy, there were the following developments:

The Ford Motor Co. of Detroit announced it would cease all manufacturing at midnight Thursday. Assemblies will shut down a few days after that. An estimated 85,000 production workers will be laid off.

G. M. to Shut Down

General Motors Corp. announced it could operate "only a few days at the most" after the rail embargo goes into effect. G. M. employs 263,000 hourly-rated workers.

Chrysler Corp., which employs 75,000 workers, said it was contemplating an early shutdown. Automobile parts manufacturers also were expected to close.

Scores of other industries planned to halt operations as soon as present storage space is filled.

N. Y. Faces Shutdown

The port of New York faced an almost complete shutdown because of the freight embargo. G. C. Randall, manager of export freight for the American Association of Railroads, said there were only 11,000 carloads of export freight in the city and they would be moved in two weeks.

After that, only ships carrying exempted commodities will be loaded. These comprise about 20 percent of the vessels operating out of New York.

The commerce industry association of New York said the freight embargo will idle a "high percentage" of the city's 2,500,000 workers with a resultant "tremendous" loss in wages. Solid Fuels Administration Director Herbert F. Pfaff said at least 80 small industrial firms in New York area already were closed with 5000 idle.

State Guard Augments Police

Governor Frank J. Lausche of Ohio ordered a company of the state's national guard into Hamilton where the city's street lights will be turned out at midnight. The guard will augment the regular police force in the city of 40,000 population. Streetcar service will be cut in half to conserve the city's eight-day supply of coal.

Health officials in Denver feared an epidemic of influenza would result from the coal famine in that city where the last lump of fuel was sold Saturday. Many homes were without heat and thousands of residents scrounged the nearby countryside for wood to keep fires going.

Railroads were expected to furlough thousands of workers as a result of the freight embargo and further restrictions on passenger travel. The embargo was expected to throw 20,000 workers into idleness next week.

County Council Studies Pleas

The newly-elected county council today took under advisement requests for extra funds totaling \$18,425 for additional operating expenses of county government units for the rest of this year.

Largest item in the list of requests is \$9600 asked by the county election board for expenses of the Nov. 5 balloting which ran above budget estimates. Councilmen indicated they will try to cut several hundred dollars out of this request.

The county welfare department asked for \$3600 additional funds to care for dependent children and the Children's Guardian home asked \$3000 for food costs.

The council will vote on the appropriations tomorrow.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lawrence R. Barton, 2055 Ralston; Virginia Mae Harrell, 330 E. 25th; Roger Maurice Burch, 1309 N. Pennsylvania; Lola Grace Kendall, 710 Kilbourn; Elbert Richard Milton Coulter, 850 W. 43d; Kansas City, Mo.; Elizabeth Medico, 3675 N. New Jersey.

Charles W. French, 3607 N. Balsam; Virginia T. Gripp, 345 N. Tacoma; Joseph M. Gabbard, 1102 N. Alabama; Katherine Louise Greenwood, 536 N. Livingston.

Joe Miller, 226 Walnut; Benton Harbor; Mich.; Myrtle Helen Steele, 385 John; Benton Harbor.

Jennie Philip Smith, 816 N. Jefferson; Julia Marie Schmidt, 222 N. Arsenal; Orville Smith, 2171 Kenwood; Caroline Louise Pogue, 2180 N. Illinois.

James Harry Warren, 1122 Beecher; Barbara Jean Margrave, 1231 S. 8 Meridian; Raymond Oliver Witte, 4743 Brookville rd.; Mary Ruth Pariah, 716 Wagoner; Clarence Woodruff, 341 S. Illinois; Ruth Harris, 3441 N. Illinois.

BIRTHS

At Coleman-Hamilton, Frances Dunnigan; At St. Francis-Richard, Keith Hardman; Thomas, Margaret; Mary, and Cecil; At St. Vincent-George, Nancy Diermer, and Glen; Jeannette Beyer.

At Methodist-Sherman, Margaret Mirvis; Holman, Mary Ann; Wanda; Casey; Douglas; Arthur; Howard; Vivian; McCamack; Arthur; Wanda; Bryson; and Douglas; Asenath Horine.

At Columbia-Silas, Eva; Esther; Earl; Marie; Wall; and Frederick; Bernice; Oshay.

At Home-Clarence, Margaret Christ, 1354 N. Harding; and Porter, Lydia; Harris, 1287 W. Wilbur st.

At City-Joe, Inez Marie Gonzalez; At St. Vincent-Arthur, Betty Jean.

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GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reed (above) marked their golden wedding anniversary Sunday with a family dinner on their farm near Paragon. Natives of Ripley County, both are descendants of Civil war veterans. They have eight children and 21 grandchildren.

General Strike Tightens Grip on Oakland, Cal.

BULLETIN
OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 4 (U. P.).—The city council declared a state of emergency in this strike-bound city today.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 4 (U. P.).—An A. F. of L. mass strike locked a strange hold for the second day on the lives of one million persons in the metropolitan Oakland area today.

Mayor Herbert L. Beach asked the city council to proclaim a state of emergency.

Thousands of wage earners were unable to travel to work, and thousands more were deprived of fresh foods and newspapers.

The mayor branded the strike "a physical assault on the rights of more than a half million people" and declared:

"No community can exist in anarchy."

He asked the city council to proclaim the state of emergency early today.

While this did not imply martial law, the mayor assumed immediate command of the police force.

Even as the council prepared to act, citizens of Oakland and those of a dozen neighboring communities awoke to find their plight had worsened considerably in 24 hours.

Food supplies were dwindling, and no replenishment was possible. Stores and restaurants were closed or closing as stocks ran out.

Transportation remained frozen, even though the president of the Key system lines appealed to transit workers to return and "perform essential public service to hundreds of thousands of people of the Bay area who have no part in the controversy."

C. I. O. Mostly on Job
Construction work stopped. Trucking was halted except for the delivery of milk to homes and emergency supplies to hospitals and institutions.

Water, gas, electricity and telephone services were unaffected. Theaters were open.

C. I. O. workers stayed on the job except where it involved crossing A. F. of L. picket lines.

Offices and factories operated at reduced efficiency because employees were unable to get to work.

Those with jobs across the bay in San Francisco found themselves snarled for hours in traffic jams along the approaches to the San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge.

The striking unionists gave no sign of relenting in their mass walkout which paralyzed the normal lives of most inhabitants of cities along the eastern shore of San Francisco bay.

Fifteen thousand A. F. of L. members attended a mass meeting last night where their leaders emphasized that "agreement on our terms" was the only way the strike could end.

The mass strike was called after city police convoyed supplies through A. F. of L. picket lines to two downtown department stores.

Duck Hunting in North Found Not So Good
WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (U. P.).—The fish and wildlife service confirmed officially today what most hunters in northern states already knew—duck hunting isn't so good this year.

Seventy-two percent of the hunters who have turned in scorecards report there are fewer ducks than last year, the service said.

Chicago Layoffs To Begin Shortly

CHICAGO, Dec. 4 (U. P.).—Some 10,000 Chicago area industrial plants will begin gradual shutdowns within a few days, as a result of the federal government's freight embargo. A Chicago Association of Commerce spokesman predicted today.

The embargo goes into effect Friday to conserve dwindling coal supplies.

Midwest railroad lines were expected to take smaller financial losses than eastern systems because Midwest freight is mostly food and livestock, exempt from the embargo.

But the reduction in movement of manufactured goods was expected to hit many industrial plants, forcing them to layoff employees and perhaps close entirely.

SHRIMP SEASON
WASHINGTON—The peak season for American shrimp fishing is in September and October.

Christmas Decorations, Travel Cut; Half of Freight Shipments Banned

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (U. P.).—Because of the coal strike, Christmas, 1946, promises to be a chilly, dimly-lighted holiday season of little travel, fewer gifts, the barest of Yuletide trimmings and drastic mailing restrictions.

That was the picture today following four new government coal-saving orders intended to conserve railroad space for the most essential goods and services.

These orders provide:

ONE: A ban, beginning Friday, on all freight shipments by rail or express except for specifically exempted commodities such as food, fuel, medicine, newspapers and sanitation supplies.

TWO: Beginning Monday, passenger travel on coal-burning railroads will be cut to about half of normal. A 25 per cent reduction already is in effect.

THREE: Beginning today, virtually all rail shipments destined for export are halted. Exceptions are bulk grain, livestock and supplies for U. S. armed forces overseas. Others require a special permit.

FOUR: Beginning Friday, no parcel post packages may be mailed overseas, except to U. S. armed forces. For domestic shipment, post-offices will accept no packages weighing more than five pounds and measuring more than 18 inches long, or 60 inches combined length and girth. Exempted are live, day-old poultry; seeds, plants and other nursery stock; eggs, butter and other perishables, and medicine, drugs, surgical instruments and surgical dressing.

Defense Transportation Director J. Monroe Johnston thought these restrictions would keep coal-burning railroads going until the end of February.

The freight embargo is equal to a cut of about 50 per cent. It applies to all types of locomotives, although exceptions may be granted later to those which don't burn coal. The cut in passenger travel applies only to coal-burning locomotives.

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Miners Angry at Lewis Verdict

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 4 (U. P.).—Western Pennsylvania miners, angry over the conviction of John L. Lewis, accused the federal government of trying to smash the united mine workers union today.

They threatened reprisals if their militant chief is put in jail.

In the taprooms and general stores, and on the street corners of the coal towns, they talked loudly and defiantly. They vowed they wouldn't return to work "until Lewis tells us to."

One miner warned that "an economic revolution will hit the country" if Mr. Lewis is punished.

"If they punish Lewis, all labor will come out on strike," another said.

NEW TYPE GLUE MADE
WASHINGTON—A new type urea-resin glue has been introduced for the same applications as animal and casein glues.

Electric Toaster Warms One Home

DENVER, Dec. 4 (U. P.).—Mr. and Mrs. William Vanderpan, old age pensioners, warmed their hands over a 35-year-old electric toaster today and waited for the coal strike to end.

The couple, both in their 80's, had no other heating unit in their two-room apartment except the kitchen stove, fired by natural gas.

The Vanderpans and 440 other families at the huge four-block square Lincoln Park housing project have been keeping warm by emergency measures, ever since the central heating unit ran out of coal five days ago.

All Denver coal yards have been empty just as long and city health officials said influenza was gaining headway because of the fuel shortage.

TAKE CALCIUM TO CHILE
WASHINGTON—Visitors to Chile are advised to take along a supply of calcium pills to counteract the deficiency of this mineral in Chilean-grown foods.

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Light and bright colors. Sizes 2 to 6, 3.00
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Soft, all-wool cardigan style, in red, open, maize and navy. Sizes 3 to 6, 4.00

She's Never Too Young for Jewelry
Hand-carved wooden "Bug" pins, 1.00*
pr. Sterling barette, 1.00*. Sterling Indian bracelet, 1.00*

Suspenders Slacks for Very Young Men
Whitman gabardine in navy or brown. Sizes 3 to 6, 4.00. Long-sleeved polo shirt, 1.00

Boy's Jacquard Sweater
All-wool pullover in airplane pattern. Navy or brown, sizes 4 to 6, 4.00
All-wool plaid scarf, 1.00

"Little American" Wagon
Gayly painted hard wood, with white pull cord. Red body, blue and white wheels, 3.00

Girl's Chenille Robe
Warm, soft and washable chenille. Aqua, open, red. Sizes 7 to 14, 7.98

Churchill Weavers Scarfs
All wool, hand-woven by the Churchill Weavers of Berea, Ky. Assorted plaids, pastels and white, 2.50

Indian Bracelets
Sterling and coin silver. Some set with genuine Nevada turquoise, 3.00*

Seventeen Cosmetic Case
"The Young Approach To Beauty." Contains face powder, cologne and lipstick, 1.50*

Sub-Deb Slips
Tailored rayon satin in white or feteose. Bias cut with adjustable shoulder straps. Teen sizes, 1.85

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