

Miners Start 6-Day Work Holiday Tonight

Lewis Order Unchallenged By Government

Safety Report Expected Soon

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WASHINGTON, March 31.—The government offered no opposition today as John L. Lewis' 400,000 soft coal miners prepared to quit work at midnight.

A six-day period of mourning will be observed by the miners for the 111 victims of the Centralia, Ill., mine disaster.

Secretary of Interior J. A. Krug, operator of the government-held mines, declined to challenge Mr. Lewis' right to call the unprecedented stoppage. Ranking Republicans said congress would not interfere.

At the same time, however, there were signs that both congress and the executive branch of the government would take steps to improve mine safety. Mr. Krug issued a statement saying he would send the senate soon a report on overall safety conditions in American soft coal mines.

Some Grumbling Heard

Reports from the coal fields indicated some scattered grumbling at the loss of several days' wages, but even the grumblers were ready to heed Mr. Lewis' call.

A government official said coal production this week would have been less than half of normal even without the stoppage.

Tomorrow is a traditional mine holiday, celebrating establishment of the 8-hour day. In addition, many miners stay off of Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Absenteeism usually runs high on the Saturday before Easter. Wednesday would have been the only day of full production.

Steel Production to Fall

Holy week production normally falls about 50 per cent. However, it is estimated about five million tons of coal will be lost by the holiday.

This will cause some industrial cutbacks. U. S. Steel Corp. said it might have to bank eight blast furnaces at Pittsburgh.

Mr. Krug was accused by Mr. Lewis of having "murdered" the ill.



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NATIONAL 24-HOUR FORECAST SUMMARY

Rain is scheduled to occur through Ohio, West Virginia, western New York and western Pennsylvania southward through Virginia tonight and early tomorrow as well as in the coastal sections of Washington and Oregon. (Affected areas on the Fotocast picture where this rain will fall.)

Clear skies are promised the New England states, California, Nevada and Arizona. Considerable cloudiness will persist over the middle Atlantic states, the Ohio valley, Lake region, the Mississippi valley, eastern Texas, Washington and Oregon. (See cloudy areas inset map.)

Frost, however, is not forecast for all points along this line since favorable wind and humidity also determine the appearance of

and northern Illinois. Showers will develop in the Dakotas, the Mississippi valley and eastern Texas.

Temperatures will moderate in the Ohio valley and along the coastal states from Florida to Maine as warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico flows inland. Large, open air mass airflow indicates the direction this Gulf air is moving.

The frost line on the Fotocast is drawn through points where lowest temperatures will be 34 Tuesday. Still lower readings will occur north of this line.

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Centralia miners through "criminal negligence." However his statement made no reference to the United Mine Workers chief.

President Louis Austin of U. M. W. district 11 at Terre Haute said that each Hoosier coal firm with a U. M. W. contract had been notified officially of John L. Lewis' order for mourning the Centralia, Ill., mine disaster victims.

In Knox county, three mines failed to open today when about 1000 miners failed to appear for work. No reason was given. All other pits in that area were working.

Robert Gray, solid fuels adminis-

Dreamer Gives Hubbell Clue

Two detectives today investigated the story of a man who said he had "dreamed" of the whereabouts of 8-year-old Peter Hubbell, who disappeared March 8.

The man first told the story to Police Chief Howard Sanders this morning. He later told the same story to Deputy Sheriff Virgil Quinn, who has been investigating the youngster's mysterious disappearance.

Peter said the man dreamed he saw Peter near a spot where workmen were "digging trees." He said he believed the place of which he dreamed was in the vicinity of the Riverside nursery but he couldn't be sure.

City Detectives Michael Smiley and Myron Bartlow were sent out with the dreamer to check the area he described. The man was shown pictures of the Hubbell boy to help him make sure he had seen the right youngster in his dream.

Asked if the child of whom he dreamed was alive, the man told police he "couldn't tell."

Peter Hubbell disappeared from the Riviera club and has not been reported since.

Iceland Volcano Spouts Eight Streams of Lava

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, March 31 (U. P.) — Eight streams of lava flowed down the sides of Mt. Hekla volcano today, but its activity seemed to be declining.

Several old women and children on nearby farms were removed, but authorities said that there was little danger of damage.

Thousands of icelanders motored to the mountains to watch the eruption.

Henry M. Day, 86, Lifelong Resident, Dies

Henry M. Day, life-long resident of Indianapolis, died last night in the home of his closest friends, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett McKinley Lewis, 3938 Washington Blvd.

Mr. Day was 86, a retired real estate operator and member of the First Baptist church and the Wheeler mission. There are no survivors.

Services will be conducted by Dr. Carlton W. Atwater, pastor of the First Baptist church, Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. in the Flanner & Buchanan mortuary. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Tickets Completed

MONTECILLO, Ind., March 31.—City voters in the May primaries will have their choice of complete tickets in both parties with the filing by Edward C. Burch on the Democratic ticket for mayor.

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How women and girls may get wanted relief from functional periodic pain

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