

8000 Hoosier Miners Join 6-Day Nationwide Holiday

District Head Denies Move Is a Walkout

Start Back to Work Sunday Midnight

More than 8000 Hoosier coal miners were off work today joining 400,000 United Mine Workers in a nationwide six-day holiday in memory of the victims of the Centralia, Ill., mine disaster.

The memorial holiday, ordered by John L. Lewis, began at midnight under a little-known clause in the A. F. of L. mine workers' contract. Louis Austin, president of district 11, U. M. W., said it was the first time the clause permitting a nationwide observance in such cases had been invoked.

"Mr. Austin's headquarters are at Terre Haute. He emphasized that the work stoppage was in no sense a "walkout in anger," and indicated that in the long run coal production would be no worse than if the miners had stayed at work. The unnerving effect of a disaster like the one in the Centralia mines spreads to every coal field, he said, and can seriously impair any individual's productive capacity.

2000 Jump Gun'

An estimated 2000 miners in seven deep shaft mines in the state "jumped the gun" on the holiday yesterday. By this morning stoppage was virtually complete in 80 Indiana deep and strip mines.

The miners have been ordered to start back to work beginning with shifts that come on at midnight Sunday.

C. C. Lydick, managing director of the Indiana Coal Trades Association, estimated production loss during the memorial holiday would be around 220,000 tons. Normal production for a six-day period would be about 660,000 tons but much of that would have been lost anyway because of regular miner holidays falling this week.

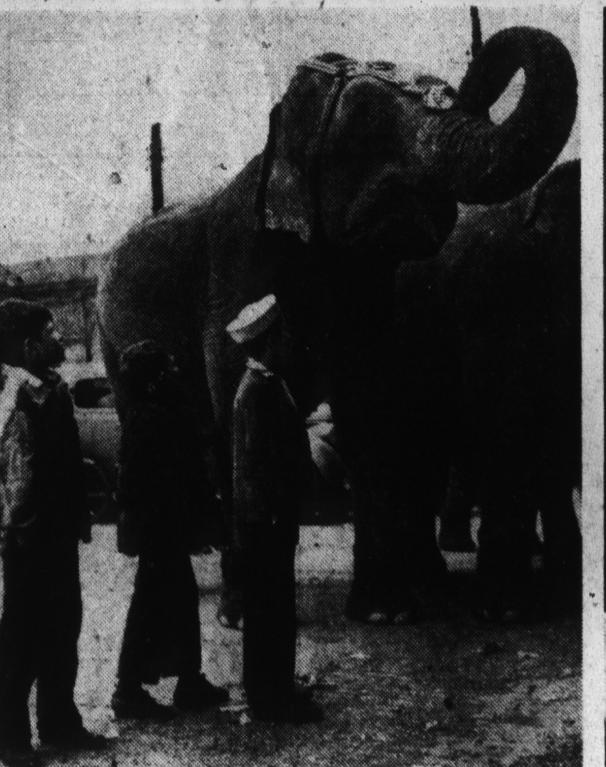
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Today is "John Mitchell day" for miners who celebrate it in honor of the former U. M. W. president who established the eight-hour day.

Many miners also would be off work for Holy Thursday and Good Friday. Saturday production usually is about half that of a normal day, mine officials pointed out.

No industries were expected to suffer seriously from the mine holiday because they have reasonably large stock piles built up since the last industry-wide strike was called off last fall.

Meanwhile, State Mine Inspector Griffith Morris reported that Indiana's 45 underground mines were in "good condition." Indiana has not had a mine disaster since 1941 when 14 men died in the Panhandle mine near Bicknell.



LIVING TRADEMARK—Elephants are the living trademark of any circus. Here Lena, of the Shrine-Polack Bros. circus, looks her glamorous best for admiring youngsters in the alley back of the Murat before show time.



POPCORN'S GOOD—Phyllis Ann Robbins, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Robbins of French Lick, working away on bag of popcorn in the Murat theater lobby during intermission of the show.



WATCHING ACROBATS—Times' Photographer John Spicklemire caught this candid shot of two youngsters watching the Aerial Ballet early in yesterday's matinee.



CLOWNS, NOW—The camera records amusement in the faces of two young members of yesterday's matinee audience when clowns were performing.

Small Fry Howl Approval At Shrine Circus Here

Polack Bros. Performers at Murat Theater Offer 20 Fast-Moving Acts

By HENRY BUTLER

Kids' laughter is the genuine thing.

A lot of it resounded in the Murat theater yesterday afternoon when the Shrine-Polack Bros. circus opened its two-week run of 36 scheduled performances.

Busily munching popcorn, the youngsters intently watched the colorful, fast-moving variety show.

The hollered and whistled approval of clowns, elephants, bareback riders, acrobats, jugglers—all the traditional circus stuff.

They got a big kick out of the ridiculous antics of the Black Bros., tramp comedians and acrobats; the incredible bareback somersaulting act put on by the Giustino Loyal troupe; the amazing juggling of the Five Willys. The final finale is done with lighted torches.

Has Dash, Daring

This year's circus, which includes such familiar items as Capt. Emil Pallenberg's motorcycle-riding bear has ample dash and daring in its 20 acts. Mme. Malakova making the audience dizzy with her high-wire bicycle balancing, the aerial ballet, the Erickson Bros., rugged-muscled gymnasts, the Delbosq and "Serenado," their dancing horses—these are samples of the varied program.

Among yesterday's matinee audience were 76 boys and girls from the Masonic Home at Franklin marking the start of the Shrine program to bring more than 10,000 children to the circus as guests of local organizations.

Arrangements have been made to bring every boy and girl to the theater from Indianapolis hospitals, orphanages and other institutions and to give every underprivileged child in the city a free ticket.

Parade on Tomorrow

The circus will be on parade through the downtown area beginning at 12:15 p. m. tomorrow, headed by the Murat Temple marching band. Other organizations in the line of march will include the Murat Oriental band, the Arab patrol, the Chanters, the Ceremonial directors, the Gun squad, Drum corps, Harlan Bros. Hawaiian band and the recently organized Murat Horse patrol in its first public appearance.

From the Murat, the parade route will be southwest on Massachusetts ave. to Pennsylvania st.; south on Pennsylvania to Market st., west to the circle, north on Meridian to Michigan, and east on Michigan back to the Murat.

Landis Introduces Bill To Shut Unsafe Mines

Times Washington Bureau

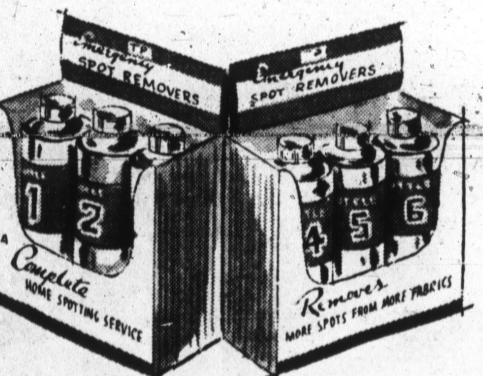
WASHINGTON, April 1.—Rep. Gerald W. Landis (R., Ind.) rank majority member of the house labor committee today introduced an amendment to the mine safety law which would empower a federal inspector to close a mine found unsafe.

Such action would have prevented the Centralia disaster, Mr. Landis contends.

In presenting the amendment, he made a speech in the house urging reduction of the miners working day from the present nine hours to eight.

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'Franco Monarchy' Meets Criticism

Viewed as Move To Assure Own Rule

By FRANK BRESEE
United Press Staff Correspondent

MADRID, April 1.—Spanish monarchists quarters today described Generalissimo Francisco Franco's plan for eventual restoration of the monarchy as "totally unacceptable."

The monarchists based their denunciation of Franco's move to establish a regency council on three grounds:

ONE: It allows Generalissimo Franco to remain in power as chief of state for the rest of his life, it so desires.

TWO: It imposes physical and legal qualifications and obligations upon any eventual monarch.

THREE: It provides for preservation of the Franco regime's work, such as the Falange and the Franco laws.

Cortes to Approve

The Caudillo announced his proposed law to the nation by radio last night. He will submit it to the Cortes (parliament) for formal approval.

Madrid monarchists quarters viewed Generalissimo Franco's announcement as a move to forestall any immediate monarchist maneuver to effect a restoration, and as a step to assure his own grip on power.

The proposed law establishes a nine-man regency council under the Caudillo's direction. It specifies that Spain is a monarchist state and that Generalissimo Franco is chief of state.

Age Requirement Set

If Generalissimo Franco dies, is incapacitated or decides to choose a successor, the regency council will designate as the new chief of state "a person of royal blood" most qualified.

The new ruler must be 30 years old, Spanish and a Catholic. Don Juan—pretender to the Spanish throne and now living in Lisbon—is 33. If no such person is available, the council is to name a regent. The Cortes must approve the council's choice by a two-thirds vote.

The new ruler, moreover, must swear to uphold the basic laws of Spain—that is, the fundamental laws passed by the Franco regime.

Doubt Changes

Observers in several European capitals doubted that it would lead to any important change soon in the Spanish leadership.

A Moscow dispatch from Walter Cronkite, United Press correspondent, said the Russians took a cynical view of the Franco plans. The Soviets contend that nothing less than re-establishment of the Spanish republic will satisfy the Spanish masses.

The spokesman said the foreign office held the view that Generalissimo Franco could not commit the Spanish people to any regime, and it was up to the people to decide for themselves.

Spanish republican leaders here Asturias, Juan's son.

Display Gems At Kay Jewelry



GEM EXPERT—Miss Susanne Steinem models an earring from the half-million dollar display she will supervise at Kay jewelry store tomorrow through Saturday.

Miss Susanne Steinem, gem expert, will supervise a \$500,000 display at the Kay jewelry tomorrow through Saturday.

Featured will be star sapphires, diamond, bracelets and carved emeralds.

Miss Steinem will operate a diamond-cutting wheel, showing the actual operation which takes place between the rough and finished stones.

She will explain various technical aspects of diamond cutting and polishing and tell stories about the histories and superstitions surrounding various gems.

"Smear" Is Charged

Mr. Lie's aides believe the charges are part of a "smear campaign" directed against the portly Norwegian who is chief of the 55-nation world peace organization.

They are under strict orders from Mr. Lie, however, to keep silent and let the rumors take their course.

There have been unofficial suggestions that some of the talk emanated from the U. S. department of state, where there reportedly are some persons critical of the United Nations chief.

The Americans pointed out that only last week President Truman went out of his way to commend Mr. Lie personally for "the strong and steadfast manner" in which he had taken over as the "impartial servant" of the 55 nations.

Red Viewpoint Seen

The sense of most of the charges made at Mr. Lie and some of his appointees in the 2800-person secretariat has been that they are inclined to favor the Soviet viewpoint.

Mr. Lie's aides deny the charges. They point out that the United Nations payroll is bound to carry some persons with a pro-Soviet bias because the Soviet Union is one of the Big Five and entitled to representation on the secretariat.

They hasten to point out that the payroll carries far more Americans and Britons than Russians.

Actor's Estate to Widow

HOLLYWOOD, April 1 (U. P.)—Veteran Actor Ben Webster, who died Feb. 26 at the age of 82, left his estate to his widow, Actress Dame Bay Whitty. His will was filed today.

Attorney George Brosin estimated the California property of the estate was worth \$60,000, but he did not know the worth of securities in England, where Mr. Webster was the "dean of the theater."

Frank P. F. Webster also is cutting organization's estate against Ostrom group.

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