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FORECAST: Mostly cloudy, continued cool tonight. Tomorrow partly cloudy, little change in temperature.

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U. S. Ends Cuts On Use of Coal By Railroads

Miners Logging In Returning to Pits

The government today removed all restrictions on coal-burning railroad operations as the nation's coal pits slowly reopened.

Cancelled, effective at 3 p. m. Indianapolis time, were a recent order which cut coal-burning operations 25 per cent and another order which would have imposed another 25 per cent reduction Thursday.

The action was taken jointly by the Office of Defense Transportation and the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Settlement of the United Mine Workers pension demands sent about a quarter of the nation's 400,000 soft coal miners back to the pits today.

However, thousands of miners were reported preparing to "sit it out" pending tomorrow's Federal Court hearing on contempt of court charges against UMW President John L. Lewis for delaying in calling off the 29-day strike.

A survey of the soft coal fields showed:

PENNSYLVANIA—In the western fields only 9000 of 56,000 workers returned. Most "captive" pits of the steel companies remained closed. Production was estimated at 15 per cent. In central Pennsylvania 9300 of 37,000 miners returned. Sympathy strikes which killed 35,000 anthracite workers were ending.

OHIO—Only 1300 of the state's 15,000 miners went to work. Several local unions met today and decided to stay out until after Lewis' contempt hearing.

ILLINOIS—About 21,000 of the 24,000 UMW members back at work.

INDIANA—It was estimated that 4500 miners were working, including open pit strip miners. Most of the 8500 deep pit workers failed to report.

"Pre-arranged meetings" of union shaft miners were blamed for the failure of workers to report to their jobs.

John Brann, president of a United Mine Workers local at Terre Haute, said that the miners employed in seven shaft mines in the area had planned to hold meetings when the nation-wide soft coal strike ended to decide whether they wanted to return to their jobs.

Meetings were scheduled for today by all union locals in UMW District 11, Mr. Brann said.

KENTUCKY—Surveys disclosed 21,500 of the 54,000 Kentucky miners returning. Some absenteeism was blamed on storms which flooded mines and disrupted power and communication lines.

ALABAMA—Production was estimated at 50 per cent. However, several important captive mines failed to reopen.

TENNESSEE—Lee C. Gunter, president of the Southern Appalachian Coal Operators Association, said he expected all mines to be open by tomorrow. The first of the state's 8000 miners already were entering the pits.

VIRGINIA—The Virginia Coal Operators Association predicted most mines would reopen sometime today. William Minton, president of UMW District 28, called for all miners to return "immediately."

WEST VIRGINIA—Best estimates were that between 60,000 and 70,000 of the state's 113,000 miners had returned. Many mines were closed by flooding as the result of heavy storms.

UTAH—None of the state's miners reported for work. A UMW spokesman said meetings would be held today to "get membership indorsement of a plan to remain out until after the results of the Lewis trial are known."

Pensions Bargain Factor, NLRB Rules

WASHINGTON, Apr. 13 (UP)—The National Labor Relations Board ruled today that employers must bargain with unions on pension plans when unions request such bargaining.

In a four-to-one decision, the Board said pensions clearly fall within the Taft-Hartley Act which requires employers and unions to bargain collectively on wages, hours and "other conditions of employment."

Today's ruling was the first board decision in its 13-year history on any so-called "social fringe issues."

Heretofore, employers could bargain on and grant pension plans if they wished. But they were not bound to bargain on a union's demand for pensions.

The board's decision was handed down in a case involving the CIO United Steelworkers and the Inland Steel Co.

Candidate, Family Injured in Auto Crash

SOUTH BEND, Apr. 13 (UP)—Granville Leeke, 39, vice presidential candidate of the Greenback Party, and his wife and her mother were treated in a South Bend hospital yesterday for injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Police said the car driven by Leeke collided with one operated by Paul Arnold, 24, Buchanan, Mich. Their injuries were not serious.

Manual: Tradition Mighty, Morale Low



OUTLOOK—Manual students themselves note the dirt on the windows with anonymous sarcasm. "Erected 1801—Washed 1803" is "engraved" in the dust of this window near the shop rooms. Other window messages read: "Please wash me" and "When?"

INSIDE MANUAL—In this Manual High School classroom, maps of strange places appear on the ceiling as the paint and plaster peel. This is one reason South Side youngsters are deserting the famed school.

South Side Residents and Graduates Demand More Than a Monument

Second of a Series of Articles

By RICHARD LEWIS

Emmerich Manual Training High School has produced men and women of distinction—a famous newspaper publisher, an ambassador, a mayor and a School Board president among them.

Its tradition of graduating useful citizens is its great intangible asset.

On the tangible side, are a 19th century red brick building which looks something like the factories and warehouses around it, dingy classrooms, dirty windows with torn shades, dark corridors and peeling paint and plaster.

Against this backdrop of antiquity and neglect, the old spirit lives on in the memories of gray-haired alumni and in sentimental poetry composed now and then by students and teachers.

From this school came Roy W. Howard, president of The Indianapolis Times; Walter Bedell Smith, U. S. ambassador to Russia; Mayor Al Feeney and School Board President Clarence L. Farthington... among thousands of other leading citizens.

Manual's graduates form a phenomenal and indivisible fraternity. The Old School Tie seems to last forever.

Through the years, alumni have watched the school deteriorate. They have heard the sur-like "We can beat Bill, Greenlee says."

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY

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Heavy rains sent Indiana rivers and streams on a rampage again today.

More rain forecast for today is expected to send many streams out of their banks by the end of the week with the most serious conditions due along the Ohio River.

The Weather Bureau at Cincinnati issued warnings that the Ohio will reach flood stage of 52 feet there late today with "continued rapid rise." The bureau warned of "major flooding."

Warn of Flood Peril
The Red Cross at Washington issued warnings of threatened flood conditions all along the Ohio River from Pittsburgh to Evansville.

The Weather Bureau here predicted, however, that rain will end tonight in most parts of Indiana, thus preventing any serious flood dangers in the northern and central state streams.

Waters of White River's west fork crept back into Ravenswood and other low areas here and the river is expected to rise to near the flood mark of 12 feet. No excessive flooding is expected unless much more rain falls.

White River Out
Rains in the southern part of the state sent the east fork of White River out of its banks at Spencer, Elliston, Seymour and Newberry.

Low flood stages are reported on the Wabash at Lafayette and Covington and moderate flooding is present below Terre Haute. A level of 18.7 feet was recorded at Vincennes this morning and the bureau predicted a high of more than 20 feet by tomorrow.

At Corydon, Big Indian and Little Indian Creeks spilled over their banks and flooded parts of the town. Officials said the rain-swollen streams reached first-floor levels in the center of the town. Five families were evacuated.

Temperatures today will reach a high of between 46 and 50 degrees, the bureau says, and will drop to a low of 38 to 40 degrees tonight. Clearer weather is expected tomorrow with slightly warmer temperatures.

List Routes Closed
The Indiana State Highway Department today reported the following routes closed because of high water:

No. 31 at Memphis; 34 at New Ross; 35 east of Henryville; 39 north of Little York; 56 in French Lick; 56 south of Rising Sun; 56 west of Petersburg; 58 southwest of Columbus; 62 northwest of Mount Vernon, ferry closed; 66 south of Derby; 69 south of Mount Vernon; 111 at Bridgeport in Harrison County; 145 south of French Lick; 156 south of Rising Sun; 157 north and south of Bloomfield; 157 southeast of Clay City; 165 southwest of Jasper; 203 at Lexington; 133 east of Medora; 245 south of Lamar; 256 west of Austin; 267 southeast of Washington; 258 west of Seymour; 358 west of Plainville; 450 east of Williams; 762 west of Mt. Vernon, ferry closed; 252 at Flat Rock.

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\$2,376,100,000 Cost Fixed as Symington Warns of Russ Power

Cabinet Member Says USSR Builds Planes Twelve Times as Fast as U. S.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 13 (UP)—The House today received a bill to bolster U. S. air power with \$2,376,100,000 for new planes, guided missiles, and pilotless aircraft.

The bill was laid before the House by the Appropriations Committee as Air Secretary W. Stuart Symington told the House Armed Services Committee that Russia is building the "world's greatest air force" to "reach a decision with this country."

Mr. Symington also told the committee that the USSR is building 12 times as many war planes as we are.

The House Appropriations Committee, moving rapidly, formally approved the bill and urged congressional passage. Republican leaders routed the request to the House floor for debate tomorrow. The air power bill may be amended during debate to boost the total figure.

Vote Top Draft Age
On the draft front, the Senate Armed Services Committee voted unanimously to require registration only of men through 25.

Chairman Chan Gurney (R. S. D.) said a minimum age for registration had not yet been set.

The administration had asked registration of 17-year-olds for universal military training and of 18-year-olds for the draft. It also wanted to register men through 24 although no one would have been liable for service after becoming 26.

But Army Secretary Kenneth C. Royall said yesterday, according to Mr. Gurney, that he saw no need for registering anyone not liable for induction.

The House Armed Services Committee is working on a bill making 30 top registration age. Only men 19 through 25 would be liable for induction, however.

Not a Cent Out
The Appropriations committee did not knock so much as a penny off Defense Secretary James V. Forrestal's plea for an immediate advance against anticipated 1949 allowances for aircraft purchases.

It okayed without quibbling his request that the purchase fund—originally budgeted at \$1,651,000,000—be increased by \$725 million.

And it recommended that Congress turn the whole sum over to Mr. Forrestal now, so he can start placing orders at once, with the chance to spend the full sum within 25 days.

The total would increase from 2005 to 3200 the number of planes the Air Force had planned to build in the year starting July 1.

It also includes \$10.3 million for procurement of guided missiles for the Air Force and \$9.3 million for purchase of pilotless planes for the Navy. The guided missiles and aircraft carriers were included in President Truman's original budget for fiscal 1949.

The total sum, however, was \$725 million bigger than first asked. It will be made available at once in cash or contract authorizations. The Navy will get \$903 million and the Air Force \$1,473,100,000.

With funds now on hand, the Appropriations Committee said the Air Force and Navy, if Congress okayes the request, will have about \$4 billion to spend in the aircraft industry.

Mr. Symington urged quick enactment of a draft law to provide manpower with which to provide the Army and Navy in balance with the Air Force. The Air Force, he said, wants to boost its strength to 502,000 by the end of 1950 to give it 70 air groups. It has been asking for this boost for three years, he said.

Mr. Symington said it looks as though the United States can never have a land army as big as the Russian army. He said he understood the Russians have 100 divisions under arms. Counting satellite armies, they have perhaps 175 divisions.

And although the United States has the greatest Navy in the world, "the Russians are building the greatest air force in the world."

Dr. Rupert Blue Dies; Ex-Surgeon General
CHARLESTON, S. C., Apr. 13 (UP)—Dr. Rupert Blue, surgeon general of the United States from 1912 to 1920, died here last night. He was 80.

Dr. Blue aided in discovery that bubonic plague was carried by fleas on rats and not transmitted by humans, as was believed. He made the nation conscious of danger of public drinking cups. His most sweeping regulation was establishing controls for drinking water on trains and ships.

He was a former president of the American Medical Association and was made a Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor in 1922.

Beneficent Bachelor Prefers Place in Friends' Hearts
Shuns Name Carved in Stone as He Gives Last of a Million Dollars' Worth of Farms

LE MARS, Ia., Apr. 13 (UP)—Herman Schultz, who prefers to be remembered by a few grateful friends and relatives rather than to have his name carved in stone on a college campus, today began giving away the last of a million dollars' worth of farms.

Mr. Schultz, a 75-year-old Le Mars bachelor, said he already has parceled out 12 of his 42 farms and plans to give away the rest.

"I worked hard on farms until I was 30 years old to get my first \$1000," he said. "I managed to raise my estate to a million by avoiding waste."