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## STATE OFFICIALS START ANTI-PROFITEERING CAMPAIGN

### REPORT THAT MANY ARE LAD OFF IN GARY MILLS

#### SITUATION FOR SHOPMEN UNCHANGED

Stories That Kirk Men Had  
Returned to Work Denied  
By Ry. Men.

(BULLETIN.)  
CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—More than 40,000 members of the Allied Iron and Steel Workers of America were today considering the proposition of striking to back up their demands for wage increases, shorter hours, better working conditions, according to officials of the South Chicago and Calumet districts.

Notices of a strike vote to be taken next Thursday are in the hands of the 40,000 men in this district.

Union leaders say the strike, if started, will hit every steel and iron corporation in the United States, involving machine tools, electricians, rail straighteners and even clerical help.

The Allied Iron and Steel Workers claim a membership of 200,000 workers.

(BULLETIN.)  
It was said by steel workers on the Gary streets this morning that a big clean-up was made in the mills last night and thousands of men were laid off for an indefinite period. No estimate could be secured on the number of men laid off. Those now employed will only work about three days a week. The layoff occurred in all departments it is said.

False rumors that the E. J. & E. shopmen at the Kirk yards were going back to work went glimmering yesterday when an order reached the labor headquarters in Gary for the 500 strikers to remain out until ordered back to work by the committee.

"There is nothing to all these reports that the men are going back," said C. J. (Continued on page two.)

#### PACKERS ASSAILED

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The packers have destroyed the law of supply and demand through their immense cold storage facilities and control of food products and feeds. Senator McKellar of Tennessee stated this afternoon before the house agriculture committee, while advocating favorable action on his bill to regulate storage. "Packers' interests will move heaven and earth to prevent passage of this bill," he declared. "The packers have been wonderfully successful in the past in preventing legislation of which they did not approve."

#### NOTE TELLS THEM A FEW THINGS

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The note to be the opinion of people of Indiana that pressure from electric roads in a few eastern states that had chafed at the creation of the Federal Electric Railways Commission, Carl H. McCreary, secretary of the Public Service Commission of Indiana, told the commission today that his state was perfectly capable of handling its own electric railway problem and so far as Indiana was concerned the work of the federal railway commission was unnecessary.

MINERS TO GO  
OUT ON STRIKE.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 12.—General strike in all mines under jurisdiction of the Southwestern Interstate Coal Operators Association in Missouri and Kansas on Monday, August 18, was authorized today by John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America. All efforts to adjust differences between the miners and the Central Coal & Coke Co., which operates a number of mines in the two states, having failed, authority was given the district executive boards to call the strike unless agreement is reached before that date. About 15,000 workers are affected. Engineers are ordered to remain at work for the protection of the mine properties.

#### THE LIEUTS. PAY VISIT TO ROBERTSDALE

Lieut. Ballard, the army aviator who is recruiting men for the U. S. air service in Hammond this week and who will be in Gary next week, paid Robertsdale a visit last night and made so sensational a landing that many people thought his plane had collapsed. He alighted on the old Forsyth race track and hundreds gathered to see him take the air again. The story was circulated in Chicago that one of the army mail flyers had fallen and Chicago newspapers rushed camera men and reporters to the spot.

#### SITUATION VERY SERIOUS SAYS LETTER

Republican Publicity Association Declares Conditions are Very Ominous.

NOTE.  
The Republican Publicity Association, which is conducted by former Senator Jonathan Bourne, Jr., of Massachusetts, is not recognized as an official party but its statements are not accepted as reflecting the views of the Republican organization. It is financed by an independent group of senators and representatives.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—"If we must have revolution let it come now and determine at once whether government by the majority is to survive."

This is the closing paragraph of a statement issued today by the Republican Publicity Association in which it is asserted that the threat of a general tie-up of the entire railway systems of the country looms ominously unless the demands of railway unions for higher wages and enactment of the Plumb plan are promptly complied with.

"The country," the statement, "has never experienced a general strike on its railroads, hence it has little comprehension of the catastrophe that would follow such an action on the part of the railroad operators. The stoppage of rail transportation means almost instant collapse of practically every activity, immediate suffering from lack of food followed by actual starvation, and universal riot by desperate individuals fighting for the very existence of themselves and their loved ones."

"Such a catastrophe would be infinitely worse than anything the Huns could have inflicted upon us. But we used force without stint against them. Shall it be said that the people are not as ready to fight for the perpetuation of the nation and the rights of individuals against this monster that is gnawing at our vitals?"

"The railroad employees are only a part of organized labor but organized labor itself have only 15 per cent of the people. Are the 85 per cent to permit themselves to be held up at the point of a pistol and told that the organization of the whole country must accommodate the few?"

#### HOW STOCKS OPENED

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The stock market was generally unsettled at the opening today, and many stocks showed losses of from one to two points.

Steel common fell one point to 102 1/2, and a number of specialties including Industrial Alcohol dropped over two points.

Baldwin Locomotive was exceptionally strong, although it dropped 1/4 at the opening to 135. The stock, however, quickly rallied to 135 1/2. Bethlehem Steel fell 1 1/2 to 122 1/2, but quickly recovered this loss. Mexican Petroleum sold off 1/4 to 17 3/4 and Panama Petroleum 1/4 to 164. Sinclair Oil held strong in the first few minutes, but later declined from 54 1/2 to 53 1/2.

The rails were heavy. Southern Pacific falling 1/4 to 29 and Union Pacific one point to 124.

The Marine issues were steady for a time, but later weakened, the common falling from 36 1/2 to 35 1/2, and the preferred from 114 1/2 to 113 1/2. Bethlehem Steel B also dropped 1/4 to 85 1/2.

The Times' want ads bring astonishing results if their users are to be believed.

#### ELEVEN SIGN UP FOR AVIATION

NEW AIR RECRUITS.  
Joe Francis, 21, Whiting.  
Louis Koldrich, 21, Whiting.  
Joe Davis, 18, East Chicago.  
Floyd J. Vardaman, 18, Hammond.  
John Radinski, 18, Hammond.  
Owen Young, 27, Hammond.  
Alex Ginty, 27, Hammond.  
John Smolinski, 25, Gary.  
John Tryka, 18, Hammond.  
Frank Enick, 18, Hammond.  
Peter Vojak, 18, West Hammond.

Eleven men all signed up and on their way to Indianapolis to enter the United States air service with nine more registered for examination is the net result of the first day's work of Lieut. G. E. Ballard and his flying circus in Hammond. Sergeant Lieut. Ballard is signing men faster than he ever did before. He is sure that his coveted mark of one hundred recruits is going to be reached easily.

Yesterday the exhibit on the Central school grounds was visited by hundreds and the interest was spurred still higher in the afternoon and evening by a series of daring air stunts which Ballard pulled off. He started a stampede toward the Schrum field after supper when he took Sergeant Cramer up for a bunch of loops and spins, after which he shot off the engine and glided from far up town to the field. People who witnessed the exhibition believed his engine had died and that he had been forced to land within the city and it was common to hear them inquiring where the airplane had fallen.

Yesterday the ship made a wide circuit of the territory surrounding Hammond and landed at Robertsdale to spread a little propaganda. The machine had scarcely come to a stop before people seemed to spring out of the grass and a large crowd assembled. Joe Francis and Louis Koldrich, two "buddies" from Whiting, were the first men signed.

This morning the ship was taken apart and brought to the Central school ground where it was quickly set up again by the skillful mechanics. This time an action on the part of the machine was arranged for the afternoon. People have been arranged on which people can stand and study the inside arrangement of the ship.

After the public curiosity has been satisfied in a measure by seeing the machine close-up, it will be taken to the landing field again and flights resumed.

#### ARE STILL HELD IN BASTILE

Bill Senell and Rosa Conforti, who fled from West Hammond to Toledo to elude about a month ago and were brought back last week at the earnest request of Rosa's husband, Eugene, are still in jail. At the hearing yesterday afternoon Judge Kowalski took the matter under advisement.

Attorney E. G. Sprent appeared for Senell and urged that all three charges against him be dropped as two of the offenses charged, if committed, occurred in Ohio, while the kidnapping charge, he said, was groundless because the woman could take the child with her if she so desired.

In order to make sure that Senell will get something out of it three more charges were lodged against him—understanding, disorderly conduct and contributing to the delinquency of a minor child. These will be pushed when the court takes up the matter again Thursday afternoon. In the meantime the woman remains in jail. The husband went to Toledo and is expected to be back the suit case and clothes which the runaway took along. Rosa suddenly took a great liking to her husband and wanted to go along. As it would be necessary for Eugene to fix up about \$2,000 bond and pay her carfare he decided it would be cheaper for her to board at the police station.

#### FRANCE RECONSIDERS HER REFUSAL

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, August 11.—France has reconsidered the proposed refusal to permit the return of the bodies of American soldiers to this country, prior to Jan. 1922, and is preparing modified legislation on the subject. Secretaries of State Lansing today notified Chairman Butler of the house foreign affairs committee.

Vigorous protests came to congress from every section of the country against the proposed action by France and it is indicated the new French law will permit the return of the bodies at a much earlier date.

#### FAIL TO AGREE ON PALMER.

WASHINGTON, August 11.—The senate subcommittee considering the nomination of A. Mitchell Palmer to be attorney-general failed to reach an agreement after nearly three hours of conference Saturday.

#### MILLIONS INCREASE IS SHOWN

Exclusive of Corporations  
Lake County Valuations  
is Nearly Four Hundred  
Million.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
CROWN POINT, Ind., Aug. 12.—County Auditor George M. Poland has completed a report of the assessed valuation of Lake county exclusive of the corporation assessments which have not been charged on account of appeals to the state board. The list includes the lands and improvements, lots and improvements, personal properties, banks, building and loans, railroads, pipe lines, telephone and telegraph companies listed as railroad duplicates.

The total valuation of Lake county is \$356,281,710 with mortgage deductions made. The list made by townships and cities are as follows:

North township	162,139
Calumet township	1,571,655
East Chicago	7,015,490
St. John township	2,981,025
Center township	4,539,350
Crown Point	4,003,160
West Creek township	6,326,020
Cedar Creek township	5,667,470
Lowell	1,538,675
East Chicago	2,397,575
Winfield township	2,394,120
Hobart township	154,650
Hobart corporation	5,037,330
Hammer township	3,132,660
Hammond	57,081,030
Hessville	2,718,715
East Chicago	218,650
Whiting	1,301,545
Griffith	3,340,335
Gary	117,707,175
Dyer	1,556,255
Miller	4,000,040
Munster	2,187,595
East Chicago	2,256,550
East Gary	1,326,455
West Chicago	1,238,445
Highland	2,026,760
St. John, corporation	745,405
Schererville	2,654,125
Schneider	587,250

#### BURNHAM MAN SWEARS OUT WARRANT

West Hammond Policemen  
Served With Warrants  
On His Charge.

Because he was forced to stop and give explanations as he was driving his machine around the streets of West Hammond one night at 1:40 o'clock Charles Smith, a character well known in police circles of the Calumet region swore out warrants for the arrest of two members of the West Hammond force. The warrants were served this morning on Officers John Kosmala and John Spencer.

Smith, better known as "Smitty," had gone before Justice McKee at Oak Park, Ill., about as far as he could get from West Hammond to start the action. The constable who served the papers took the men before City Judge Kowalski who fixed their bonds after which they were released. The matter will come up for trial August 20.

In the old days Smith was accused a member of the West Hammond police. Kosmala, Okray and Kulczyk have pulled him but Kosmala registered the most counts against him which the police say accounts for his particular grudge against him.

Spencer and Kosmala work together at night and after midnight they pay particular attention to automobiles which loiter about the streets. Several night ago word was received to look out for a stolen car. They saw a fellow acting strangely at the side of a machine but as they approached he tried to make a hasty getaway. They gave chase and overhauled the car to find their old friend Smith aboard. He was released but promised trouble. He has made good. The warrants only charge disorderly conduct but the officers will be put to a lot of trouble in traveling and frisking the Oak Park court soon though the charges fall flat.

#### MANY NEW PERMITS

The following building permits have been taken out with Building Commission: Vio \$1,000 add. at 528 Merrill Ave. by A. Tourek; \$1,200 dwelling at 620 Sherman street, by C. Zimmer; \$5,000 dwelling at 35 Waltham Street, by G. P. Pearson; \$5,000 add. at 545 Twile street, by P. Whittles; \$3,000 dwelling at 430 Eaton Street, by Thomas Pape; \$2,000 add. at 581 Morton Ave. by the Vulcan Coal Co.; \$4,000 dwelling at 1302 Roberts Ave. by Stachne and Gregorovich; \$4,700 dwelling at 318 116th street, by Kaplin & Kaplan; \$3,000 dwelling at 225 Lyons street by Smith & Co.; \$4,000 dwelling at 1195 Garfield by Charles Scott; \$4,300 dwelling at 266 Highland street, by Charles Scott; \$2,000 add. at 96 Douglas street, by A. M. Hutton.

#### IRONMASTER SUGGESTS HIS OWN EPITAPH

CARNEGIE'S  
OWN EPITAPH.

"Here lies a man who knew how to enlist in his service better men than himself."—Carnegie's suggestion for an epitaph for his own tomb.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
LYNN, Mass., Aug. 12.—Up a long dusty road leading to the private avenue, at the end of which stands Shadow Brook, the mansion where Andrew Carnegie spent his last days, a bronzed and aged man wended his way today. It was Mark Bourne, pensioner and friend of the dead iron master. Bourne was bound to the great mansion to add his tribute to those that have come from the very ends of the earth, following the announcement that the "Laird of Skibo" has passed on.

Bourne was the great man's last companion on an excursion into the outer world. It was Bourne who had led him to Lake Mahkewane and to the pool where lurked the choicest bass.

Thronged of curious today walked up the road leading to the private avenue with the hope of seeing something about the house and grounds. Their wishes were destined to be disappointed. Birds were drawn and state for messengers with telegrams expressing grief all was quiet within the broad confines of Shadow Brook. Those within were sorrowing and they asked to be alone. It is Mrs. Carnegie's wish that as much privacy be allowed the family now as is possible.

Funeral services will be held at Shadow Brook on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be simple and attended only by members of the family and household. There will be no church service. Rev. Benson J. Wyman, pastor of the Lenox Congregational church, and Rev. William Pierson Merrill, pastor of the Brick Presbyterian church in New York will officiate. The body will be taken by special train to Sleepy Hollow, Tarrytown, N. Y., where the Laird of Skibo was laid to rest. The body will be buried in the family vault.

Mr. Carnegie's son-in-law, Roswell Miller and the iron master's private secretary, A. C. Barrows, were in New York today completing arrangements for the burial.

#### SEN. LODGE RENEWS HIS ATTACK

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Renewing his attack upon the league of nations in the senate this afternoon, Senator Lodge, chairman of the foreign relations committee, declared that no blacker case ever sat behind any rider than we shall find in this covenant of doubtful and disputed interpretation as it now perches in the lobby of peace.

#### CALUMET REGION IS STILL OUT

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 12.—Complete collapse of the railway shopmen's strike in Indiana was in prospect today. With the return to work today of hundreds of craftsmen at points throughout the state the Indianapolis, Gary, Hammond and East Chicago shopmen stood almost alone in defiance of the president's ultimatum. All of the 1800 shopmen of the Pennsylvania railroad at Terre Haute returned to work today after a vote of 731 to 136 clearly indicated the attitude of the men.

Two thousand shopmen of the Monon railroad resumed work today at round houses at various points along that system.

At Evansville 900 Louisville & Nashville railroad employees returned to their benches today. Chicago & Eastern Illinois shopmen were still striking today at Evansville and Terre Haute, but indications are they will return to their jobs before tomorrow night. Evansville & Indianapolis employees also are expected to end their strike soon. Twenty-three hundred shopmen of the Vandalia and Panhandle lines at Logansport, however, apparently are determined to remain out until the last.

#### SOME PRICES DROPPED IN CHICAGO

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
CHICAGO, Aug. 12.—First effects of the nation's fight against the high cost of living have been felt here. The first blow against profiteers was struck when an order was issued setting 12 cents as a fair price for a pound of sugar and the second blow was the sale of sixty thousand cans of vegetables, the first Chicago sale of government foods at two department stores. Those who purchased the goods saved eight cents on each can, or about eighty per cent.

Prices asked for fruits and produce along "Commission Row" went tumbling, potatoes leading the downward trend. They fell from 50 cents to a dollar per hundred pounds. Arrival of many peaches from southern and western states caused a drop in prices. While prices are dropping federal government agencies are continuing gathering evidence for prosecution of food hoarders and profiteers. Evidence which has been gathered against sugar hoarders will be presented to a grand jury soon.

#### HAMMOND ALIVE WITH FLYERS NOW

Two More Machines Arrive  
From Gary Today and  
Will Take Up One and All

With the arrival of the U. S. army air service flyers at Schrum's farm Sunday afternoon and two more planes from Gary this afternoon, Hammond will be alive with aeroplanes this week.

In their two "Cessna" biplanes, Pilots Parmley and Milner of the Inter-state Air Line company of Chicago stunted over Hammond and arrived at their landing field at Burnham avenue and 14th street in West Hammond shortly after three o'clock, where they will spend the balance of the week taking up passengers.

During the past ten days the popular young pilots have been skyarking over Gary and during their stay they gave over 200 Garyites a bird's-eye of the steel city. Gary people took to the air like a duck does to water and already a number are contemplating purchasing planes as soon as the city secures a landing site.

Pilots Parmley and Milner experienced considerable difficulty in getting a landing site in Hammond. They thought it would be possible to use the same field as the army recruiting planes are using, but Mr. Schrum flatly refused the offer. "They are a nuisance and I don't want any more of them," he said hotly.

Accompanied by a Times reporter Mr. Parmley was taken to the limits of West Hammond on Burnham avenue where a fine site was secured. The field can be reached by taking West State street to the Burnham Road and thence south to 14th street.

#### CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

Loyal Swizzle of 447 Elm street, Hammond, and Arthur W. Schuyler, of 455 Elm street, Hammond, who were arrested Saturday by Officer Newland of the Hammond police, charged with larceny, were tried this morning in the Hammond city court.

#### BAD FIRE IN WEST HAMMOND.

Two horses were burned to death and property damage amounting to about \$500 resulted yesterday from a fire which started in a shed at the rear of the August Macke house at 417 State street in West Hammond. The origin of the fire is a mystery and when discovered had made considerable headway. The West Hammond fire department by using two hose lines managed to keep the flames confined to the old sheds and save the surrounding property. It was impossible to enter the old barn to get the horses out.

CHICAGO, AUG. 12.—Eighty thousand dollars in cash and \$2,000 in check was obtained by two bandits who waylaid the cashier and messenger of the Community Bank here today, shot the messenger when he resisted, and escaped in an automobile. The hold-up occurred as the bank employees left at elevated station on their way to the bank from downtown.

#### H.E. BARNARD CALLS COUNTY FOOD DIRECTOR

Lake County Food Administrator Asked to Co-Operate With State in Profiteering War.

#### SEEK RELIEF FOR GARY

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 12.—"Red tape which is holding up sugar shipments to hungry cities in Indiana will be broken if I have to go to St. Louis and supervise the loading myself," according to Stanley Wyckoff, federal sugar distributor for the state, who declared an officer at St. Louis had held up ten carloads of sugar, available last week. Mr. Wyckoff today kept telephone and telegraph wires hot in an effort to bring relief to Gary, Laporte and other cities where the shortage is serious.

#### MERCHANTS SUPPORT THE BIG CARNIVAL

(BULLETIN.)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 12.—Prosecutors in every county in Indiana today received instructions from Attorney General Stanley to begin prosecution in cases of violation of the Indiana anti-trust law. Even though prosecution should fall for want of evidence, the county attorneys are instructed to submit information obtained to the state attorney. Coupled with mobilization of war-time county food administrators, under direction of Harry E. Barnard, former state food administrator and the activities of agents, department organization of the county attorneys marks the actual opening in Indiana of a vigorous fight against profiteering and hoarding in the states to reduce the high cost of living.

Roy G. Barry of Gary, food administrator during the war for Lake county, has been asked by H. E. Barnard, federal food administrator for Indiana, acting under instructions from A. Mitchell Palmer, attorney general of the United States, to begin working out details to put into operation all of the machinery of the war-time food administration.

#### BETTER CALL UP THE TIMES AND HAVE IT SENT TO YOUR HOUSE EVERY NIGHT. THEN YOU'LL BE SURE IT WILL BE THERE.