

COAL OPERATORS OPENLY DEFY UNITED STATES

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Coal operators, chief factors in anthracite and bituminous coal, profiteering, continue to ply their trade in defiance of Atty. Gen. Palmer and all federal prosecutors who attempt to check abuses.

The impotence of the department of justice to remedy conditions, made the basis for Senator Calder's attack upon the attorney-general for failing to stop coal profiteering, was freely admitted today by the attorney-general and his advisers. The attorney-general will not reply directly to Senator Calder. The senators charge that coal profiteering goes on despite the attorney-general's efforts, is admitted by the department of justice to be true, but officials are quick to explain that vigorous criminal procedure by the department has been virtually blocked by court procedures holding the Lever law invalid.

Dressed for an explanation for continued abuses in the coal trade, the department of justice revealed that in some large producing districts, coal operators have openly defied the attorney-general and his agents by refusal to produce their books and records.

A report on coal profiteering, prepared for congress under the attorney-general's direction, states that in five of ten principal coal producing states, comprising Indiana, Colorado, Western Kentucky, Pennsylvania and Missouri, prosecutions under the Lever law have been prevented by decisions of the U. S. district courts, declaring the law is not constitutional.

In Tennessee Palmer reports fifteen bituminous operators were arrested and held for the grand jury, but gained freedom from further prosecution by virtue of an order by the federal district court, enjoining enforcement of the Lever act. The Lever act, it was said, was the only enactment under which it has been possible to proceed in coal cases. No attempts have been possible to proceed in coal cases. No attempts have been made to haul the operators before courts under anti-trust laws on charges of combinations in restraint of trade.

HARBOR GIRL UNFOLDS A PLEASANT ROMANCE

Cupid in Drug Shipment Will Celebrate Outcome Next Spring

A romance that began two years ago, by the mailing of a small card which was placed in a shipment of drugs consigned to the Central Drug Store, Indiana Harbor, will cause the ringing of wedding bells in the early spring for Miss Mary Gordon, who has been officiating in the capacity of cashier at the Central Store for the past few years.

Two years ago, Miss Gordon with several other clerks were unpacking and checking a shipment of drugs which had arrived from a point in California. Miss Gordon, while unpacking one of the cases, came across a little card bearing the name of Wendell F. Holmes, Santa Barbara, California.

One of the clerks suggested to Miss Gordon that she write to the gentleman, but being a little modest, Miss Gordon at first declined.

She was finally persuaded to answer the card and a few days later received a letter from Mr. Holmes, who, however, denied placing the little card in the drug box.

Mr. Holmes, whose legal residence is in New York State, has extensive interests in California, and having much leisure time on his shoulders, kept up the correspondence with Miss Gordon, who readily responded.

Then came the inevitable, their letters became more frequent, their little

ALL YOUR PRESENTS READY? THEN MAIL 'EM NOW!



Scenes in the postoffice. Clerks sorting Christmas mail and placing it in bags, and truckmen carrying the bags to trucks to be hauled to the trains.

The Christmas mail rush is on now in full blast and will increase every day from now until Santa arrives. Postoffice officials are doing their utmost to handle the rush and are pleading with the public to aid them by mailing their packages at the earliest possible moment to avoid a tidal wave of packages at the last minute that will swamp the clerks and cause a general tie-up. The pictures above show conditions in any postoffice today.

adventure was fast ripening into love, then came the exchange of photographs and the last but not least, the personal meeting, which comes this evening, and then for the wedding bells, which promise to make this romance one to go down in history.

From a photograph of Mr. Holmes, he would be considered very good looking and the lucky winner of this man is to be congratulated.

Mr. Holmes besides being a large grower of oranges, and other citrus fruit, is a large stockholder in one of the motion picture companies near Los Angeles.

The many friends of Miss Gordon beseeched the drug store last evening to congratulate the coming bride.

Miss Gordon, when interviewed last evening by THE TIMES as to when the marriage would take place, suggested that her friends watch the columns of THE TIMES. When asked if she was happy, she replied: "Yes, I am happy. Why shouldn't I be?"

MARKETS

American Can	23 1/2
American Can Foundry	121 1/2
American Locomotive	82 1/2
American Smelting	40 1/2
American Steel Foundry	29 1/2
American T & T	87 1/2
Anaconda	37 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	87 1/2
Bethlehem Steel B	62 1/2
Canadian Pacific	112 1/2
Central Leather	36 1/2

Chesapeake and Ohio	54 1/2
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	27 1/2
Colorado Fuel	27 1/2
Consolidated Gas	78 1/2
Corn Products	65 1/2
Cruible Steel	82 1/2
Eric	107 1/2
General Electric	117 1/2
General Motors	13 1/2
Lackawanna Steel	50 1/2
Lehigh Valley	14 1/2
Mexican Pete	164 1/2
Midvale Steel	30 1/2
Norfolk and Western	96 1/2
Northern Pacific	27 1/2
Pure Oil	32 1/2
Pressed Steel Car	38 1/2
Railway Steel Springs	83 1/2
Reading	82 1/2
Republic Iron and Steel	61 1/2
Southern Pacific	97 1/2
Southern Railway	25 1/2
Studebaker	45 1/2
Texas Co.	13 1/2
Union Pacific	115 1/2
U. S. Steel	79 1/2
Westinghouse	30 1/2
Sinclair Oil	24 1/2

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK
HOGS—Receipts, 30,000; market, 100 higher; bulk, \$9.95; top, \$9.25; heavy weight, \$8.90; medium weight, \$8.95; light weight, \$8.90; packing, smooth, \$8.75; rough, \$8.50; pigs, \$8.50; \$9.25.

CATTLE—Receipts, 9,000; market, steady.
Beef Steers—Medium and heavy weight, \$12.50; choice and prime, \$12.50; medium and good, \$12.25; light weight, \$12.00; heavy packing, smooth, \$11.75; rough, \$11.50; Western Range Cattle—Beef steers, \$7.25; cows and heifers, \$4.50; \$5.25.

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN
WHEAT—No. 2 red, 200; 1 hard winter, 170 1/2; 2 hard winter, 170; 1 northern spring, 166.
CORN—No. 2 white, (old) 73; 4 white, 66 1/2; 2 yellow, old, 68; 3 yellow, 72 1/2.
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WRIGHT CASE TO JURY TODAY

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE
LA PORTE, Ind., Dec. 15.—The case of Jack Wright, charged with the murder of Henry Muesel, millionaire South Bend brewer, which has been on trial in the circuit court here three weeks will go to the jury late this afternoon or tonight, it was expected.

An alibi witness, testifying that Wright was in Holland, Mich., Dec. 30, 1916, the night of the murder when three men entered the brewery office at South Bend and shot down Muesel and Frank Chrobot, an office assistant, escaping with about \$30,000, was the chief defense.

Trial of August Schultz, second member of the alleged murder trio, will be held in South Bend. The state declared today Schultz will confess following the jury's finding in the Wright case.

Charles Danruther, sought as the third member of the trio, is said to be in South America.

ARSON RING WORKS ANEW

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 15.—Fayette county's "Arson ring" resumed operations early today after a lull of ten days. The major portion of the Fair Chance Lumber company's plant at Fair Chance was burned. Loss \$50,000. This is the thirty-first fire in seven weeks and the third lumber property fired.

BIG REWARD IS OFFERED

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—A reward of \$1,500 and "no questions asked," has been offered for the return of \$12,000 worth of jewels stolen from the purse of Mrs. A. Carpenter, in a local department store. Mrs. Carpenter believes the gems were stolen by a pickpocket who jostled her among the crowd of holiday shoppers.

BIG CHICAGO JEWELRY ROBBERY

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—After binding and gagging Sam Rubenstein, West Side jeweler, four armed bandits today looted the vault of his store and escaped with jewelry valued at between \$20,000 and \$25,000. Many pieces left on deposit by holiday shoppers were among the loot.

PASTIME

TODAY
Tom Mix in
"THREE GOLD COINS"
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LONDON, Dec. 14.—Four persons were killed near Crickle Wood today when a huge Handley-Page aeroplane, carrying mails between London and Paris, crashed in a thick haze.

The aeroplane, which was carrying eight passengers, as well as mail, struck a tree and then crashed into a house, which was demolished. The wreckage caught fire. The aeroplane had just started for Paris.

The catastrophe occurred at Golders Green, near the Crickle Wood aerodrome.

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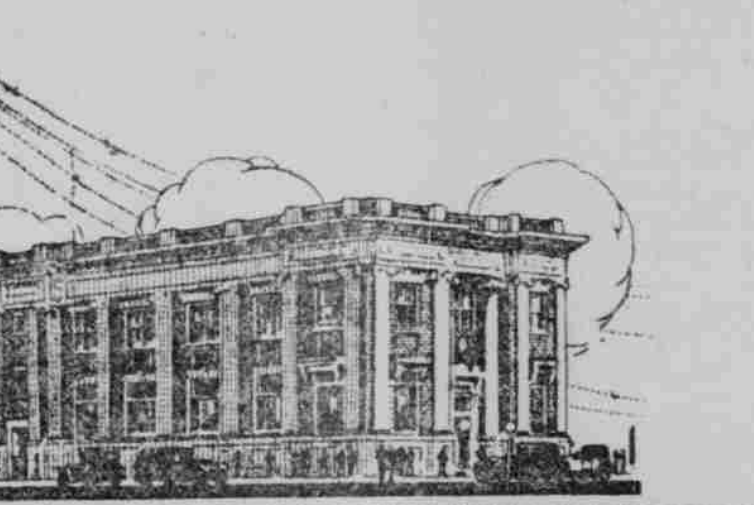
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