

## ATTEMPT TO SOLVE FUEL SHORTAGE

May Put Ban on Using Coal  
Cars For Automobiles.

LANSING, April 26.—Michigan railroad heads were in Lansing today for conferences with gas and electric companies' representatives in a final effort to solve the problem of increasing the fuel supply.

Immediate shutdown of gas and electric plants in many parts of the state appeared imminent today, according to representatives of the companies here.

### SOCK COAL CAR BAN.

The Michigan Gas association and the Michigan Electric Light association will ask the railroads to place a ban on the present practice of using coal cars for shipment of high-way material and automobiles, it was said. The practice is not only endangering industrial production throughout the state during the present strike but threatens to interfere seriously with the accumulation of a reserve supply of fuel for next winter, members of the association point out.

"Of course, it is a fine thing to have good roads through the sand dunes of Michigan," said Earl Stewart of the state public utility commission, said today. "But it is much more important to have coal brought in now to keep us warm next winter."

Coal cars are being used to ship automobiles to distant states including Idaho, Alabama and Texas by Detroit motor car manufacturers, Stewart said.

## THEATERS

### OPHEUM.

"Every Saylor" is the title of a salty musical revue now headlining the Opheum bill which is currently at that theater. Presented in 16 scenes, it is the same act which entertained Fred Wilson on his return from overseas. Stuart and Woods call their comedy skit "Going to the Dogs," while Flo and Ollie Walters, two very attractive girls who had done pleasant work in Mr. and Mrs. Fisher's theater, offer the playlet of small town life entitled "The Half-Way House." Angelo Armento and company round out the program with an acrobatic novelty.

### LASALLE.

The great Nazimova, comes to the Lasalle screen today and tomorrow in her latest and best production, "Stronger Than Death." The power and appeal of this unique emotional actress will be immeasurably enhanced by her work as the little dancer, Sigrid, facing a woman's heart and arriving at last over the world and its pitfalls. The star's husband, Charles Bryant, has an important lending role.

### CASTLE.

Seldom has a motion picture touched the chords of the human heart so completely and so dolefully as "Young Mrs. Winthrop," telling of a young married couple who allowed their love for one another to die. The picture features beautiful Ethel Clayton and handsome Harrison Ford, and is the Castle's picture offering for today.

Tomorrow the attraction is Ruth Clifford in "The Amazing Woman."

### AUDITORIUM.

Mack Sennett's five reel comedy, "Yankee Doodle in Berlin," is being shown at the Auditorium again today with Topics of the Day and the world championship boxing match between Joe Stecher and Earl Caddock. The famous cowboy star, Tom Mix, comes tomorrow in his latest and greatest western thriller, "The Daredevil." As in all of Mr. Mix's productions, many thrilling and hazardous deeds of daring are performed. It is said, Mix rides through waterfalls in the jaws of the hand-to-jaw jumps from his horse to a fast moving train, rescues his sweetheart by swinging her from the train to the back of his faithful horse, and introduces some novel rope throwing features. A Snub Pollard comedy, Mutt and Jeff and the Fox news of important events, will also be on the bill.

### RIVER'S END.

There is a strange tale of Oriental mysticism in "The River's End."



A smashing story of wild adventure in the frozen north of a tender and most unusual love and of oriental mysticism—Oliver theater today and all this week.

### Messenger Boys Have Their Private Autos to Deliver Messages

By United Press.

CHICAGO, April 26.—Messenger boys have a new alibi for slow deliveries—"De bus got stalled."

Seven messenger boys here use automobiles in delivering telegrams—and they own the cars themselves—it was learned today.

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