

Little Benny's Note Book

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AN IMPORTANT DECISION. The decision of the United States District Court at Indianapolis, order-ing the officials of the United Mine-Workers' Union to withdraw strike or-der under which 400,000 men quit work on November 1st, is a remark-nble development in the struggle be-tween capital and labor in the Re-public. It is probably the first time-

tween capital and labor in the ite allow the Government' policy to be public. It is probably the first time in history such a decision has been rendered, and it should strengthen the hands of Washington in its fight with the miners. The Government's with the miners. The Government's with the miners. The Government's is the the more have out the Government and the state out of the Government's is the the more have out the Government decision the contention is the the more have out the Government decision to the Government decision the Government decision to the Government decision to the Government decision to the Government decision the decision the Government decision the Government decision to the Government decision the decision the Government decision the Government decision the decision the

the hands of Washington in its fight with the miners. The Government's contention is that the men have broken a contract, and that no vote mas taken on the strike question. On the other hand, the miners' leaders a convention of the miners' delega-tion some time ago, and they claim the order of the convention was equivalent to a referendum of the whole body of miners. The Govern ment has already prohibited the miners' unloss issuing strike pay, and this prohibition may be extended to any subscriptions offered by other trade unions. Whether the strike contend to the convention ment has already prohibited the miners' unloss issuing strike pay, and this prohibition may be extended to canada. The wrong is in pidlic of the anter and mother in the corterent profile ownership — the fear of any policy or bad policy did not enter into the Government's decision to take over the Grand Trunk and its amifications. The Government had to the denter the strike again. The strike whole body of miners. The Government's decision to the subscriptions offered by other trade unions. Whether the strike court remains to be seen. They may appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court and the strike government's decision to take one entergrading strike pay. And it is doubtion.

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appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. face an extraordinary situation not of And it is doubtful in any case its creating—a situation which was whether the men would obey an order the direct result of the Laurier rail-the direct result of the Laurier rail-"harping." whether the men would obey an order the direct result of the Laufler rail "harping." to return to work, for the great way policy. The Government had to trouble with the labor movement in decide whether it would continue in the States just now is that the union definitely the policy of loans, subsi-

the States just now is that the union definitely the policy of loans, subsi-officials are not able to exercise much authority. Cut off from strike pay however, they are not likely to hold out very long. The question of importance now is what attitude Mr. Gompers and the American Federation of Labor will take. If Gompers decides that the Court order is an assault on the worker's right to strike—and he has Parliament, and this decision is evit

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in history may ensue. But in the come to analyze the votes cast in the miners, and a conflict unpareneese in history may ense. But in the present state of public opinion in America, where the arbitrary attitude of some trade unions and the gen erai knowledge that Boishevist pro-paganda has made great headway among the foreign-born population has provoked a reaction against the whole labor movement, Mr. Gompers and his advisors will think twice be fore entering on a course that might precipitate civil war. "What's the problem?" "A perplexing one, Mrs. Skid claims she got six bad eggs in last lot." "Well?"

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The Boss, Not the System. (N. Y. Herald.) Mr. Charles F. Murphy's atti fill the, bench with hand-pi dges has been cited as an exa t the vice of the system of an y judiclary." Maybe so, But

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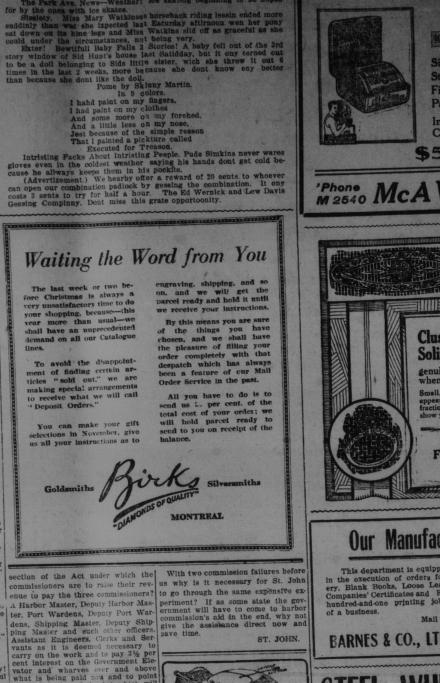


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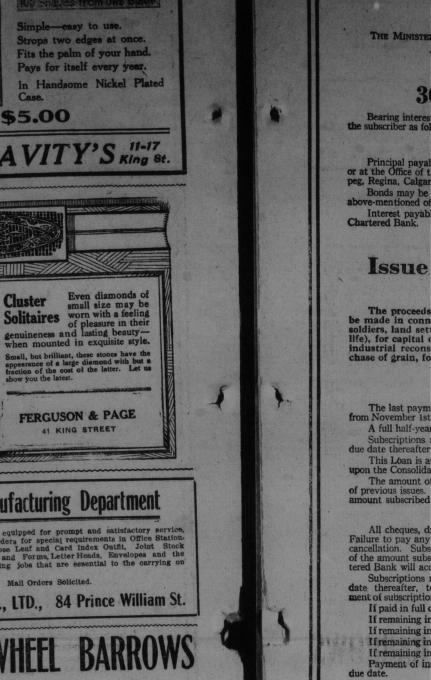
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