

BRITAIN'S MINE STRIKE MAY BRING OUT THREE MILLION UNION WORKERS

Transport Workers Call Meeting to Consider Assistance to the Miners—Railways May Join in the Battle—Britain Proclaims a State of Emergency and Will Use All Nation's Powers to Deal With Dangerous Situation Developing Fast.

London, March 31.—Success or failure for the national coal miners' strike which has been ordered to begin at midnight tonight is expected to depend upon the results of the meeting of the railway and transport workers called for early next week. Those who had been hopeful that the railwaymen and transport workers would find a way out of the difficulty...

The Government's plan, it is understood, even contemplates measures for the carrying on of the vital services even in the event of a walkout by the entire Triple Alliance. Efforts to avert such a contingency are continuing and in some quarters the belief is expressed that the railwaymen and the transport workers may confine their participation in the miners' strike to a refusal to handle coal. The Government has proclaimed a state of emergency. The Government in 1917 employed naval men for the pumping of mines during the strike at that time, but it is said that should the regular mine pumps now be called out, scores of mines inevitably must be flooded...

GIRL OFFICER OF SIN FEIN

On Trial in Edinburgh for Having Explosives in Her Possession. Edinburgh, March 31.—Sixteen Austrian Sin Fein prisoners were put on trial at the High Court of Justice here on charges of conspiracy to endanger life and property in the United Kingdom, and of contravening the Explosives Substance Act and the Firearms Act.

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Nearly \$17,000,000 For St. John Port

Enormous Figures for 22 Years Announced in the Commons. Ottawa, March 31.—It was announced in the House this afternoon that the public works department has expended \$14,232,857 at St. John harbor, N. B., between 1900 and 1920, inclusive. The expenditure in 1920-1921 was \$1,253,941, and the item in estimates for 1921-1922 was \$1,500,000.

FLAMES DROVE GUESTS OUT IN NIGHT ATTIRE

Exciting Scenes at Bathurst When White Hotel is Destroyed. Bathurst, N. B., March 31.—The bankruptcy sale of the assets of McIntosh Brothers which was held at the hall today attracted a large attendance of creditors, lawyers and spectators. Some spirited bidding was witnessed for the majority of the individual pieces auctioned off and the general verdict was that the prices obtained were of a satisfactorily high order. Mr. W. G. Fenwick was the auctioneer.

LEFT MONEY IN RACE FOR LIFE

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WORLD NEWS TODAY

CANADA

Motion to hold referendum on question of importation of liquor into New Brunswick will be made next Tuesday. New Brunswick legislators honor James K. Pinder, oldest member of the House, on his 30th birthday. Hotel guests at Bathurst, N. B., had to make quick exit when White House burned.

THE BRITISH ISLES

British declare State of Emergency to deal with the local strike situation. Fears growing that transportation and railway men may strike in sympathy with miners. Central Europe greatly excited over attempt of Ex-Emperor Charles to regain throne of Austria-Hungary.

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Tax Conference Makes Suggestions

Recommendations Agreed Upon at Toronto Will be Submitted to Ottawa. Toronto, March 31.—An adjournment of the present sales tax is suggested by Sir Henry Drayton, minister of finance, by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association; the Wholesale Grocers' Association; the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada and the Canadian Creditors' Association, as the best way to raise federal revenue from the business of the country.

Germans Released Bergdoll Captors

Sentences Remitted Pending Good Behaviour is Message to the Americans. Washington, March 31.—The war department today announced that Carl Reut and Franz Zimmer, the two United States citizens imprisoned in Germany for an attempt to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, wealthy draft deserter, were released at noon today.

Veal Prices Drop

Montreal, March 31.—A substantial drop in the price of certain grades of veal which is selling at what is practically pre-war prices, was reported by the Montreal market here today. Poorer grades were ten cents a pound cheaper, and first-class veal was down about eight cents a pound.

RECORD WEEK POSSIBLE FOR CONTESTANTS

Get Your Share of the Quadruple Votes on This Week's Vote Schedule. OFFER ENDS SATURDAY NIGHT Saturday at Eight O'clock is the Closing Hour of the Standard's Biggest Offer.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock the biggest vote offer of the Standard's Automobile and Movie Star Contest will come to a close. The Quadruple Vote Offer. Postmaster: Member of votes for this week's vote schedule will be given on all subscriptions secured by tonight. The regular vote schedule for the week is as follows:

6 months 5,500 1 year 22,000 2 years 35,000 3 years 49,000 4 years 148,000 5 years 198,000

AT THE IMPERIAL TODAY — Eugene O'Brien in "Broadway and Home". AT THE QUEEN SQUARE TODAY — Dorothy Phillips in "Once to Every Woman".

AT THE UNIQUE TODAY — "The Hope" with an all-star cast. OPERA HOUSE TODAY — Vaudeville and feature picture.

Two of the prizes to be given away in the Standard's big contest are opportunities to become Movie Stars with the largest Film Company, Paramount's Universal and most important Moving Picture Company.

Moncton Customs Up During Last Year

Increase Over Previous Twelve Months is \$137,388 But Duty Collections Decline. Special to The Standard. Moncton, March 31.—The customs collectors at Moncton during the past year were marked by an increase of \$137,388.70 over previous year. The collections in 1920-21, \$428,270.85, and in 1921-22, \$428,270.85. The sales tax on imports for the year amounted to \$28,774.04, while the excise tax totalled \$61,481.85.

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MASS TROOPS TO END PLOT FOR KINGDOM

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