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OVER ONE MILLION BRITISH MINERS IDLE

DEALERS FIGURED ON GIVING SOMETHING TO BIGGS IN TRUCK DEAL

Declares Roy A. Reynolds In Evidence Before Accounts Committee.

"KNEW THE WHOLE THING WAS CROOKED"

Dundas Garage Man Had Mentioned Gift of $3,000.

TORONTO, April 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch.)—Before a fully attended session of the Ontario Legislature committee on public accounts to-day, Roy A. Reynolds gave his evidence on the story of the sale of motor trucks to the value of $117,899 to the Ontario department of works by L. C. Parkin, of Dundas, Ont. Seven members of the Ontario Cabinet were present at the session this morning either as members of the committee or as auditors.

"SOMETHING COMING"

Mr. Reynolds said that Parkin and himself had been in conference with the minister, Hon. F. C. Biggs, about the deal. They had agreed, he said, that "something was coming to Biggs for putting the deal through." Parkin had asked him "What do you figure we should give Biggs?" He had replied that he thought $3,000 would be about right.

"We three of us," said witness, "were to keep our mouths shut. I did and I think did not."

Being reminded by R. L. Brackin, K.C., Chatham, who was cross-examining the witness, that Parkin had testified that when he drove Biggs from Hamilton to Dundas on December 20 the deal was not discussed, Reynolds denied it, saying that they "were so full of the idea of the contract that they could not go to sleep for thinking of it."

"BOUGHT OF GIVING CAR

"Was that to be a bribe to the minister of public works for giving you the contract?" asked Mr. Brackin. "What did you want to give him this for?"

"We both figured he had something coming to him," replied Reynolds. Witness then went on to say that previous to suggesting the giving of $3,000 to the minister of public works Parkin had suggested to him that a car might be given to Hon. Mr. Biggs. Reynolds then said: "If we give him a car we will be bad. We must be careful."

"Why did you say it would look bad?" asked Brackin. "I thought there would be trouble," replied witness. "I knew the whole thing was crooked."

GRAND TRUNK ASKS $80,000,000 AID

Road Tells Government of Financial Straits.

REWARD DUE ON APRIL 9

Interest Extension of Time Is Sought By Company.

OTTAWA, April 1.—(Special to The Free Press.)—The railway situation is under consideration at a long session of ministerial supporters to-day. It is understood that the Grand Trunk, in financial straits, is asking the Government for extensive assistance, the amount mentioned being upwards of $80,000,000. Under the legislation providing for the arbitration it is stipulated that the award shall be made on April 9 unless the Government extends the time. Such an extension is sought by the company. The point at issue here is as to whether the system should be taken over by the Government on a date or later and the necessary financing be done meanwhile. No conclusion was arrived at, but it is said the consensus of opinion was favorable to immediate taking over of the property on the date specified in the legislation.

FEES DEAD SET ON THE METHODIST CHURCH

TORONTO, March 31—Rev. Dr. S. D. Chown, general superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada, in an interview here to-night said that it was apparent that a dead set was being made upon the Methodist Church by the anti-prohibition forces for the purpose of affecting the vote on the referendum.

In an attempt was being made to prejudice the prohibition case, he said, by making it appear that the prohibition movement was largely a Methodist one and by intimating that if liquor prohibition carried there would likely be a series of blue laws enacted, including prohibition of tobacco smoking.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT.

MISS ELIZABETH S. ROSS, lady superintendent of Victoria Hospital, who arrives in city this evening to assume duties.

MASS MEETINGS ON GAS QUESTION

Hold Two On Market Square To-Morrow.

OPPOSE PRIVATE BILL

Labor Party Takes Action—Will Hold Caucus.

Protest meetings will be held on the Market Square to-morrow in an effort to combat the passing of the City Gas Company's private bill, which was yesterday reported to the House by the private bills committee of the Ontario Legislature.

The first meeting will be held at 1 p. m. and a second will be held at 7 p. m. A list of speakers to address the meeting is being secured.

Members of the Independent Labor party met last night in special session, J. F. Thompson reports, and sent a protest to the Ontario Legislature against the gas corporation's bill. They also advised Dr. H. A. Stevenson to call a caucus of Labor members in order that they might present a united front against the proposed legislation. Mr. Thompson stated his belief that the Hon. Howard Ferguson had also been asked to take similar action with his adherents and to lead the fight in his section of the House, against the proposed measure.

While the protest meeting to be held on the market square has been called at the instance of the Labor party, they hope, Mr. Thompson pointed out, to make it a civic matter, in which citizens of different political leanings might unite in protesting a piece of legislation reported to the Ontario House without first giving the City Council formal notice.

ARREST HUNDREDS OF GERMAN COMMUNISTS

CREFELD, Germany, April 1.—Leading Communists in the Crefeld district to the number of 281 were arrested last night and early to-day by the Belgian military authorities. The latter hold the Communists responsible for ordering a strike of 30,000 workmen and inciting rioting.

The arrests were made after a conference between the Belgian premier and the allied high commissioner. The Belgians have the situation well in hand and do not expect further trouble.

PERMITTED TO LAND.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 31—Osmond Thomas Grattan Esmonde was permitted to land from the Australian liner Makura to-day on condition that he would proceed to England. Esmonde, who was refused permission to land in Australia because he refused to take the oath of allegiance and who has been referred to as the Sinn Fein envoy to Australia, had been on the ship four months. It is understood that Canadian immigration authorities questioned his right to land here only because of the action taken by Australian authorities. The question to be settled so far as Canada was concerned was whether or not he was aiming at the overthrow of constitutional authority.

CLAIM OF DOMINIONS TO INDEPENDENT STATUS IS DECLARED TO BE UNSOUND

Australia's Chief Justice Urges People To Rid Their Minds of "Sentimental Humbug"—Must Help With Navy First, He Says.

LONDON, April 1—(Associated Press Cable)—Chief Justice Irving, of Australia, has been exhorting the people of the commonwealth to clear their minds of what he calls the sentimental humbug, so often voiced in different parts of the empire regarding the new status which the dominions are supposed to have acquired as a result of the war, according to cable advices to the papers here. The principle enunciated in some quarters, that the dominions are independent in their relations with foreign powers, is regarded by the chief justice as mischievous and unsound. The dominions, he thinks, will only acquire a new status when they have made proper sacrifice in helping to maintain the naval powers which alone guarantees their security.

MISSION WORKER HAS DISAPPEARED

Search Fails To Locate Whereabouts of R. Schoen.

STARTED FOR TORONTO

May Be Ill Somewhere Or Met With Foul Play.

Samuel Wilson and others, who have been interested in the establishment of a Christian Jewish mission in the city, are much concerned regarding the mysterious disappearance of R. Schoen, who was expected to be the superintendent of the mission. Mr. Schoen left for Toronto on business in connection with the work two weeks ago last Monday and nothing has been heard of him since. It is feared he may have met with foul play. It is said that his life has been threatened since coming to London from the Moody Bible School some weeks ago.

There are only two explanations to the situation, according to those who know the facts. He has met with foul play or he is criticially ill some place. When he left he had about $40 in his pocket. While he has been devoting his time to the inauguration of the mission he has refused to accept any pay from the interested members in the city. Prior to leaving for Toronto he drew $30 from his private bank account and one business man, who is greatly interested in the work, donated $10 to cover railroad fare.

NO TRACE OF MAN.

Mr. Schoen was ill when he left for Toronto and it was at first thought he had been taken seriously ill on the way. Careful inquiries among the trainmen made it clear that no one was taken off that train ill. Mr. Wilson has communicated with every place in Toronto, Hamilton and other cities where it is known that Mr. Schoen has friends, but no one has seen him apparently.

Everything is in readiness for the opening of the mission as soon as Mr. Schoen returns.

He planned to get some texts printed in Yiddish for the mission hall, which is located over Wray's jewelry store, on Dundas street. When leaving the city he told his landlady to hold his room, for he would return within one week at the latest. His room was paid up to that time. The landlady is still holding the room, as she firmly believes he will return unless he has met with foul play.

No move has been made to have the police try to locate him.

HAPSBURG HOPES DASHED BY ALLIES

Ultimatum From Powers Sent To Hungary To-Day.

CHARLES UNDER GUARD

Hungarian Government Called Upon To Act.

PARIS, April 1.—(Associated Press Cable.)—Warning was given Hungary to-day by the allies that the restoration of the Hapsburg dynasty would entail disastrous consequences for the Hungarian nation.

This warning, issued through the council of ambassadors, constituted a virtual ultimatum from the chief allied powers, including Great Britain, France, Italy and their lesser associates. It was given additional point by the fact that it was communicated officially to the allied states by which Hungary is surrounded — Czech-Slovakia, Jugo-Slavia, Roumania and Poland, at least the first three of which, comprising the "little entente," have declared themselves ready to take military action against the Hapsburg restoration.

Meanwhile advices reaching Paris through official and other reliable channels gave no confirmation of the rumors that ex-Emperor Charles was marching upon Budapest at the head of a large body of troops to replace himself upon the throne.

QUIET AT BUDAPEST

Official advices to the French foreign office emphasized that Charles was still at Steinamanger, near the Austrian frontier, that negotiations were in progress for his removal from Hungary, presumably back to Switzerland, through Austria, and that quiet prevailed at Budapest, the Hungarian capital.

Direct Budapest advices carried official denial of the reports that Charles

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FINE—WARMER.

PROBABILITIES

Light winds; fine. Saturday: Southeast winds; fine and somewhat warmer.

NOTES.

The area of low pressure which was over the Great Lakes yesterday has passed to the Atlantic coast and the barometer is now high from Ontario southwestward. The weather is showery in the Maritime Provinces and fair in other parts of the Dominion.

TEMPERATURES.

The following are the highest and lowest temperatures taken between 8 p. m. and 8 a. m.:

Stations.	Max.	Min.	
LONDON	69	25	Fair
Victoria	54	44	Cloudy
Calgary	58	36	Cloudy
Winnipeg	34	32	Cloudy
Port Arthur	32	18	Cloudy
S. S. Marie	30	18	Clear
Parry Sound	44	14	Clear
Toronto	46	26	Clear
Kingston	44	22	Cloudy
Ottawa	46	18	Clear
Montreal	44	24	Clear
Quebec	44	20	Clear
St. John	40	36	Rain
Halifax	44	40	Rain

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

Steamer.	Arrived at.	From.
E. of Russia	Shanghai	Vancouver
Adriatic	New York	Southampton

Nonagenarian: "An' when you're in town don't forget to buy Oi that watch—not one o' they cheap ones as lasts a year—get one as will last Oi a lifetime."—Passing Show, London.

WHEN PEOPLE'S WILL IS IGNORED IT IS TIME TO CHANGE GOVERNMENT

City Council Not Notified of Gas Bill Coming Up At Toronto Yesterday.

ALDERMEN CRITICIZE ACTION OF MAYOR LITTLE

Did Not Talk Gas Bill To Members of Committee Whom He Met, Says Mayor.

"If the Government at Toronto is determined to override the will of the people in this manner, it is certainly time we had a change." This is the consensus of opinion as expressed by the majority of the aldermen to-day in connection with the passage of the gas bill through the private bills committee without London having a chance to argue the case again.

"Rotten," "iniquitous" and "Prussianistic" are some of the terms applied to the situation by the aldermen in private conversation. It is inconceivable that a body of men such as are in power at Toronto could attempt to pass any legislation that is unanimously opposed by the Council and by the large majority of citizens, say the city fathers.

There is also much indignation with the action, or lack of it, on the part of Mayor Little, who was in Toronto yesterday. According to Dr. Stevenson, M. L. A., the mayor did not even attend the committee meeting. He was standing in the hall at the door when the member for London left the room after the business was finished.

ACTED TOO SOON.

"Certainly the private bills committee had no moral right to pass this bill in the face of the resolution opposing any relief being granted until such time as this is proven necessary, and until the company has shown its wish to do the right thing by handing back the $60,000 which was taken from the citizens illegally," said Ald. Wenige.

"The whole situation looks rather strange to me. We had no representation before the committee. Mayor Little was in duty bound to oppose the measure, since the Council in a body went on record as opposing the increase without an investigation. Despite his personal views, the mayor should have carried out what he knew to be the wishes of the Council.

"Was Mayor Little carrying out the will of the citizens as concentrated in the resolution of the Council or was he representing the gas company at Toronto?" queried Ald. Cameron Wilson. "K. K. Homuth promised me when in Toronto last that the gas question would not go to the private bills committee until we were given a chance to appear again. Now we find that the measure was rushed through yesterday morning, while we were not even notified that it would be taken up.

"In reference to the price of gas it appears strange that the Detroit Gas Company is advertising to sell gas at 90 cents," continued Ald. Wilson. "The mayor of that city refused to grant the company an increase to $1.07, while the Mayor of London is in favor of allowing an increase to $1.25. In view of the falling prices it is hardly believable that the local company needs so much relief, especially when gas is so low in Detroit."

MET MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE.

Ald. Wilson further stated that he had been creditably informed that Mayor Little and Ald. Bridge went to Toronto on Wednesday night, and met K. K. Homuth and R. L. Brackin in one of the Liberal assembly rooms of the Parliament buildings. Then on Thursday morning the gas bill was rushed through without any opposition from the mayor.

Mayor Little denied that he and Ald. Bridge had had a conference with the two men named. He stated that he had met some of the members, but he did not discuss the gas question with any of them.

NOT IN TORONTO THURSDAY.

Ald. Bridge takes exception to the remarks of Ald. Cameron Wilson with reference to the gas situation as coupled with his name

"I was not in Toronto yesterday," said Ald. Bridge. "I did not even know the gas bill was coming up then. Wednesday I spent in Toronto looking after

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LADY SUPERINTENDENT ARRIVES THIS EVENING

Miss Elizabeth S. Ross, newly appointed lady superintendent at Victoria Hospital, arrives in London this evening and will at once take over the duties of her new position, Superintendent Heard stated to-day.

Miss Ross comes from a woman's hospital in New York, where she had a very successful career both as a nurse and as an executive, he stated. She is, however, a native Canadian and received her initial training in Montreal.

During the late war Miss Ross served four years in the war zone and under different flags. She went first with the American Red Cross service. She later transferred to the Canadian nursing corps and was head nurse of a hospital at Brighton and later head nurse of the Canadian Officers Hospital in London, England.

GETS ALIMONY OF $7,500 A MONTH

Award Is Made In Stillman Case At New York.

GRANTED $35,000 FEES

Wife of Bank President Was Seeking $10,000 a Month.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 1.—Temporary alimony of $7,500 a month, counsel fees of $35,000 and $12,500 for expenses were fixed to-day for Mrs. Anne U. Stillman by Supreme Court Justice Morschauser in the suit for divorce instituted against her by James A. Stillman, president of the National City Bank, of New York.

Mrs. Stillman had asked alimony of $10,000 a month and $75,000 counsel fees.

In his decision the justice ruled out of the divorce suit as confidential and privileged the so-called "confession" letter written to Mr. Stillman by his wife. He also ruled out letters alleged to have been written to Mrs. Stillman by Fred. Bauwais, a Canadian Indian guide, who was named in the banker's complaint as co-respondent and accused of being the father of Mrs. Stillman's infant son, Guy.

The decision set forth that Mrs. Stillman had pleaded recriminations in her answer to the banker's complaint and that both husband and wife made charges "founded upon an allegation of adultery."

"A husband or wife is not competent to testify against the other on such allegations," the decision said. The justice decided that the affidavits to which the letters were appended contained matters that Mr. Stillman could not

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AGED TURK GENERALS GOING TO FRONT AS PRIVATES TO FIGHT

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 31—The Turkish newspapers to-day in big headlines address thanks to Allah for the victory of the Turks over the Greeks at Eski Shehr, in Asia Minor. The fate of the city would appear to be in the balance, according to the reports.

Anatolia is being illuminated nightly with oil bonfires and electric lights on the hills. The wildest enthusiasm is said to prevail. Marshal Izzet Pasha and dozens of aged Turkish generals are going to the front as privates.

On the occasion of the Sultan's birthday reception the monarch appeared radiant for the first time in years.

"I yet may see peace with honor," declared Mohammed VI.

GREEK SUCCESS.

ATHENS, March 31—The Greeks have captured Axghin and held it against 22 Turkish counterattacks, says the official communication issued to-day. Kovalitza also has been taken by the Greeks.

19 DROWN WHEN STEAMER SINKS

Pacific Liner Rams Freighter Off Point Wilson.

MIDNIGHT COLLISION

West Hartland Is Bound For Seattle With Survivors.

MAY BE 19 LOST

SEATTLE, April 1. — Nineteen persons, including 16 passengers and three members of the crew of the Admiral Line steamer Governor may have lost their lives when the big liner sank off Point Wilson, Washington, early to-day, after she had been rammed by the shipping board steamer West Hartland.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 1.—(Canadian Press Dispatch.)—The passenger steamer, Governor, of the Admiral Line, en route from San Pedro, California, to Seattle, rammed the freighter, West Hartland, bound from Seattle to Bombay, and sank off Point Wilson, near Port Townsend, Washington, shortly before midnight last night, according to messages received by the Port Warden's wireless operator here. Seven passengers and three members of the crew of the Governor are missing.

The first S. O. S. received at saved. The first S. O. S. received at midnight, said the Governor rammed the West Hartland and was sinking, the West Hartland escaping serious damage. It was reported the Princess Adelaide was en route and would arrive at the scene of the collision within three hours.

At 12.55 a. m. another message from the West Hartland said: "No use sending Adelaide. Boats from West Hartland looking for survivors."

A third message said all passengers succeeded in escaping in lifeboats and had been picked up by the West Hartland.

No details are available as to the cause of the collision. Officials of the Admiral Line here were notified, but were unable to give any further information.

PLAN TO RESTORE AUSTRIA TO LIFE

Efforts of League of Nations Experts May Bring Results.

PARIS, April 1.—The efforts to bring Austria back to life gave better promise of practical results to-day than at any time since the situation in that country became desperate.

The plan elaborated by the financial section of the League of Nations commission has been received with satisfaction by Baron Eichhoff, the Austrian ambassador here, who said to-day he regarded it as likely to produce results.

GREEKS CERTAIN TO RETAKE ESKI-SHEHR

Progress of War In Asia Minor Marked By Successes For Aggressors.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 1.—Recapture of Eski-Shehr by the Greeks, who were driven out of that city by a Turkish counterattack, is believed to be certain, in view of the superiority of the Greeks in artillery. The Turkish Nationalists appear to be creating two army corps, one for the defense of Angora and one operating in the direction of Konia.

FIGHTING SPREADS.

ATHENS, April 1.—Fighting between the Greeks and the Turkish Nationalists has spread along the line in Asia Minor until the northern end of the active zone is within 30 miles of Ismid. An official statement issued here tells of the eleventh division of the Greek army occupying the northern entrance of Geiveh Pass, south of Adabazar, and pushing forward into the defile more than six miles. Severe fighting occurred during this operation.

NEW CUSTOMS ZONE ARRANGED ON RHINE

PARIS, April 1.—Establishment of the new customs zone along the Rhine was on the agenda of the council of ambassadors, which met here to-day. There is reason to believe, says The Echo de Paris, that the British Government will make objections only to details of the plan concerning the recruiting of the customhouse personnel and the proposed tariffs, which was recently submitted by M. Tirard, president of the Rhineland commission.

GOVERNMENT MEMBERS MEET.

OTTAWA, April 1—(Canadian Press Dispatch)—The Government members met in caucus this morning in the railway committee room of the House of Commons. The Canadian National Railway situation was discussed. There was no official statement forthcoming after the caucus.

FOUND NO TRACE OF POISONING

Doctors Who Performed the Hastings Autopsy Testify.

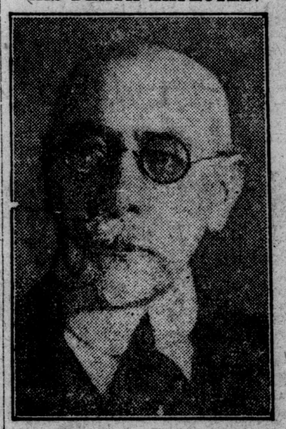
DUBLIN, April 1.—(Special to The Free Press.)—At the adjourned inquest here to-day into the circumstances surrounding the death of Daniel Hastings, whose widow "confessed" she poisoned him with strychnine tablets, the doctors who performed the post-mortem examination stated that they were unable to find any signs of strychnine poisoning effects. The inquiry was adjourned until the report from the provincial analyst on the contents of the deceased's stomach could be obtained.

Drs. Murray and Smith testified that while they discovered no signs of poisoning, they found congestion of the lungs indicated, and said this condition seemed to be chronic with Mr. Hastings. Dr. Murray also said 15 ordinary strychnine tablets would be required to cause death, whereas only two were given, according to Mrs. Hastings. Mrs. Hastings did not appear to-day.

Neighbors said Hastings seemed to die an easy, peaceful death.

ALL WORK CEASED IN BRITISH COAL MINES MIDNIGHT THURSDAY

HIS DEATH EXPECTED.



J. L. ENGLEHART, pioneer Western Ontario oil man, who is critically ill in Toronto.

J. L. ENGLEHART CRITICALLY ILL

Pioneer Oil Man Taken To Toronto Hospital.

SUFFERS HEMORRHAGE

Death Not Unexpected, Says Queen City Dispatch.

TORONTO, April 1.—J. L. Englehart, former chairman of the T. & N. O. Railway board, was removed from his room at the Queen's Hotel this morning and taken to Wellesley Hospital, where he was found to be suffering from hemorrhage of the brain and is in so critical a condition that his death is not unexpected.

Mr. Englehart, who has been in poor health for some time, has long been in public life. Born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1847, Mr. Englehart was in commercial life in the United States for a number of years. Since 1866 he has been at the head of the firm of J. L. Englehart & Co., petroleum refiners, with offices in New York. He was one of the pioneers in the petroleum industry in Western Ontario and became second vice-president of the Imperial Oil Company in 1881, and is also connected with various financial corporations in Ontario.

PAY $10 DAY FOR DELAYING RETURNS

Federal Income Tax Department Takes Action.

AFFECTS CERTAIN FORMS

Individuals Must File By End of April.

Beginning to-day the local federal income tax department is imposing a penalty of $10 a day on those who failed to have their returns of information in the headquarters office by closing time yesterday. This penalty continues every day until the returns are filed, it was announced.

In addition the defaulters are liable to a much more severe penalty. A list of those who failed to file the information returns is being made out. These persons will be notified of their delinquency and then, if the default continues, the responsible persons will be liable to a penalty of $100 each day.

So far as can be determined the information returns have been filed in the majority of cases, but there are still many in the London district who are behind. If the envelopes in which the returns are mailed bear yesterday's postmark they will be accepted by the department.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

Notifying delinquent parties from the district offices is a new departure. In previous years this used to be done from the Ottawa offices. The change, it was thought, would expedite matters to a considerable extent.

The returns which should have been in by yesterday comprise the following: Trustees, executors, administrators, agents and assignees. These use Form T.3.; employers making a return of the names and amounts paid to all directors, officials, agents or other employees. These use Form T.4.; corporation and joint stock companies making a return of all dividends and bonuses paid to shareholders and members during 1920. These use Form T.5.

Individuals comprising partnership must file returns in their individual capacity on Form T.1 or Form T.1a, and must have them in the tax office not later than April 30, 1921.

It was stated to-day that the instruction books on how the individual is to fill in his papers will be issued by Ottawa in the course of a few days. When they are ready announcement will be made.

REV. R. G. PEEVER ILL.

Rev. R. G. Peever, D.D., pastor of First Methodist Church, has been removed to St. Joseph's Hospital, where he will be operated on on Saturday morning. It is expected that the minister will be absent from his pulpit for three or four weeks at least.

Mechanics and Pumpmen Join Walkout and Floods May Ruin Mines.

STRIKE OF RAILMEN IN SYMPATHY FEARED

Government Takes Precautions In View of the Greater Menace.

LONDON, April 1—All work ceased in the coal mines of the United Kingdom at midnight, with the exception of a very few districts, and approximately 1,200,000 miners were idle to-day as a result of the controversy over the wage issue. In only two collieries in Yorkshire, one in Northumberland, one in Scotland one one in North Wales, the men have promised to continue at their posts without prejudice to any terms that may be agreed upon, but all other pit workers, including mechanics, pumpmen, ventilating men and pony men, came out with the miners.

Danger that the mines may be flooded threatens and many may be irretrievably ruined from the inrush of water. Strenuous efforts are being made everywhere to enroll volunteers. Yorkshire pumpmen have decided to remain at work and hope was expressed to-day that others would follow their example.

UNITED STATES BENEFITS.

The first effect of the strike has been the placing of orders with United States coal merchants. Advices from New York state that a good of orders from European countries which normally have formed the British market has been received there and, although the country's stock of coal is estimated at 1,000,000 tons, the price of household fuel already has risen two shillings per ton.

London and other urban centers are believed to have several weeks' supply on hand owing to the fact that export of coal has been completely stopped by the Board of Trade, except in cases where special permits have been issued.

THE GREATER DANGER.

Apprehension is felt that the National Union of Railwaymen and the Transport Workers' Union, partners with the miners in the labor dispute, may be tempted to strike in sympathy with the coal diggers. In such an event the nation would be confronted by a crisis of unprecedented gravity. One of the largest wards in London took precautionary steps yesterday and formed a company of special police to protect property. Orders were issued last night of employees of various Government departments to "stand by" to report for transport duty, if necessary.

WIFE WILL VETO HUBBY'S DRY VOTE

Says Old Man Has Got Religion Lately.

MATES NOT UNANIMOUS

150 Registered For Referendum This Morning.

Just because a man and his wife agree on the high tax rate and kindred subjects it does not follow that they will vote the same way at the referendum on the importation of liquor into the province. Revision officers who to-day added 150 names to the voters' lists, had ample evidence of that fact this morning. One official stated that he had yet to learn of a case in which the male and his mate were voting the identical ticket.

"Has my husband registered yet," said an agitated woman who appeared before E. W. M. Flock to-day. The name was looked up and it was ascertained that her lesser half had sworn in last Monday.

"Well, my vote will cancel his, there's that much comfort," she said when acquainted of the news.

"Going to vote dry are you?" was the natural query that came from the revising officer.

"No chance," came the unexpected reply. "My old man's got religion lately, but I'm not going to do without my 'booze' just because of that. I'm voting 'wet,' I am."

WANTED WIFE OFF.

In the same office a few minutes later an irate husband stalked before the officer's desk and inquired if his one and only "Eleanor Elizabeth" was on the lists. When informed that it was he said, "Strike it off! I know how she's going to vote." He seemed a trifle peeved, too, when his request was not acceded to.

One official who wished to remain anonymous, stated that it would be "a cracking good idea" if they had an inquiry booth specially fitted up for the women electors. He explained that the average feminine applicant occupied about twice as much time as the average man and would not be satisfied until she had learned exactly where she will vote this year in addition to ascertaining that her name is on the lists.

The courts in the annexed district and in Ward three had the busiest days yet, while the other wards also report a larger stream of applicants than hitherto. This morning Mr. John M. Gunn, in Ward three, registered 31 persons, which is as many as he had during the first two days. Mr. Lavender also had a big run up to noon when he brought his previous total of 13 up to 27.

It may be permissible to state that Ward four is getting the biggest "flock" of applicants. Two hundred and ninety-four have taken the oath in the Winter Garden and brought the total for the ward up to 294. Residents of Wards one and two besieged the courthouse in large numbers to-day and Colonel Graham reported this afternoon that his number has now reached 284, while that of Mr. Cluff in Ward two is approximately 135.