

Coal Contract

(Continued from Page One) with the 3:00 P. M. shift, a union official said, provided the formal signing takes place on schedule at United Mine Workers headquarters at 10:00 A. M.

Reluctantly but surely, the operators of the South, Midwest and Far West were expected to follow. But their mines probably will stay closed a day or so longer while owners examined the 21-page contract, calling for a boost in the miner's basic hourly pay from \$1.18 1/2 to \$1.63. The actual document was not made public immediately.

Coal prices are due to go up between 67 cents and \$1 a ton. Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the U. S. Steel Corporation, who helped break the contract deadlock a week ago by capitulating to Lewis' full wage demands, hailed the new pact as likely to result in "industrial peace in the bituminous industry for a long time to come."

It was Fairless' company which earlier this year negotiated a two-year agreement with CIO President Philip Murray for the steel industry calling for a 15-cent hourly pay increase.

"This (coal settlement) should prove to be highly beneficial to the whole economy of the nation," Fairless said in a statement. "In my judgment, a coal strike at this time would have paralyzed the industry of the entire country, and might also have had an adverse effect upon the international situation."

Under the contract ratified last night by the union's 200-man policy committee, the miner now will get \$1.65 for an eight-hour day. He has been receiving \$1.18 1/2 for nine hours underground. By absorbing former overtime rates for two of those nine hours the new terms hike the basic hourly pay 44 1/2 cents—from \$1.18 1/2 to \$1.63.

Lewis also won a 10-cent royalty for the union welfare and retirement fund, capable of yielding more than \$50,000,000 annually if all the operators accept the contract. The collection has been five cents a ton, or half that amount.

The contract provides for operator acceptance of the federal mine safety code—superceding the varied regulations of the bituminous coal states.

The contract, effective until July 1, 1948, provides: 1. A 44 1/2 cent basic hourly wage increase, raising miners' pay to \$1.65 a day, far above 1947's second-round "pattern" of wage increases in other industries.

2. An eight-hour day, including portal-to-portal time, instead of a nine-hour day; also, a half-hour instead of 15 minutes for lunch.

3. A 10-cent-a-ton royalty, instead of 5 cents, to support the miners' welfare fund. The fund will be governed by a three-man board of trustees made up of Ezra Van Horn, Cleveland coal operator; UMW President Lewis; and a neutral member to be chosen jointly.

4. Agreement that the contract covers the soft coal miners "during such time as such persons are willing and able to work." This immunizes the union from Taft-Hartley Act penalties for work stoppages in violation of contract.

5. Withdrawal of no-strike clauses and penalties for illegal stoppages from all local and district contracts.

6. The union abandons—for the year—its old demand for recognition of foremen and supervisory employes.

7. Federal mine safety standards will apply in all affected mines, replacing a variety of state safety codes.

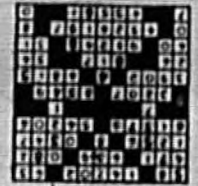
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LET'S GO FISHING

ALL you need is a pencil to catch fish in this game. Each of the following sentences conceals the name of a fish. In each case the name is found by joining two or more consecutive words or parts of words.

- The boy's terror was so great that he became speechless.
- After washing his car, Percy decided to postpone his trip.
- A committee of seven men had entire charge of the appropriations for atomic energy development.
- When the child broke out in a rash a doctor was called.
- The ice was melted quickly when the sun came out.
- After the paymaster had docked the workmen for being late, he refused to listen to their excuses.
- He hoped to induce the United Nations to adopt a universal money.

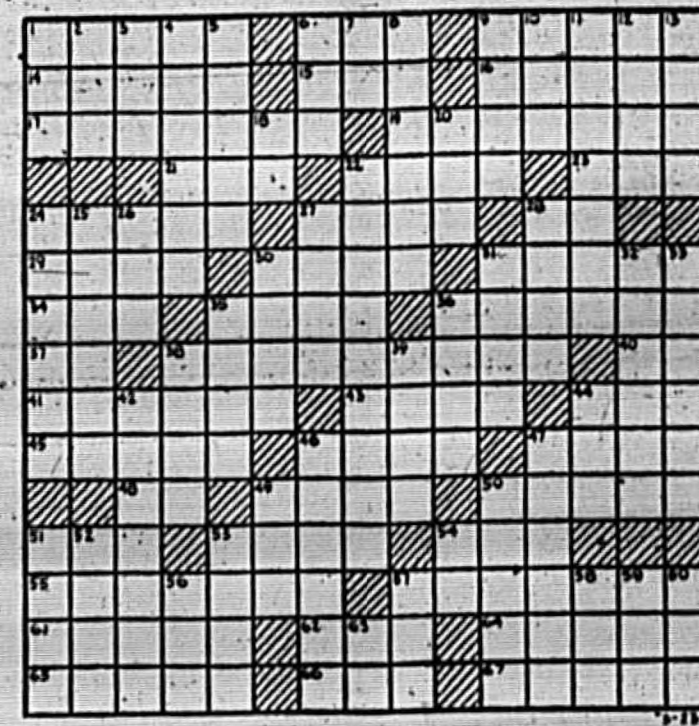
Solution of the Crossword puzzle presented elsewhere in the page.



\* QUIZ-CROSSWORD WITH CLUES FROM THE BIBLE \*

By Eugene Sheffer

- HORIZONTAL
- Who was hanged on the gallows that he himself had prepared for Mordecai? (Esterh 7:10)
  - Third son of Jether (1 Chr. 7:38)
  - "Can one go upon hot —, and his feet not be burned?" (Pr. 6:28)
  - Musical drama
  - "Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and — the reward of the wicked" (Ps. 91:8)
  - Superior of an abbey
  - "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the — of thine heart" (Ps. 37:4)
  - Shakespearean character
  - Gender
  - "Oh that thou wouldst — the heavens!" (Isa. 64:1)
  - Abbr. form
  - What brother of John did Herod kill with the sword? (Acts 12:2)
  - "O, send out by light and thy truth: let them — me" (Ps. 43:3)
  - Street railway (abbr.)
  - Risona
  - Diba
  - Sulites
  - " — is a reproach to any people" (Pr. 14:24)
  - "I looked for — to take pity, but there was none" (Ps. 69:20)
  - Who was the father of Boaz? (Ruth 4:1)
  - " —, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters" (Isa. 55:1)
  - "What word used by St. Paul means 'our Lord cometh'?" (1 Cor. 16:22)
  - Religious denomination (abbr.)
  - Umbrella-like flower clusters
  - Definite article
  - Stage whisper
  - " —, what are the descendants of Shaba called?" (Job 1:16)
  - Another name for a prophet
  - Symbol for neon
  - Coteries
  - Pentennial seasons
  - "Children's children are the crown of — men" (Pr. 17:6)
- VERTICAL
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DOUBLE-CROSSES IN SMALL NUMBERS

A CROSS-number puzzle to test your wits. You are to fill each vacant square with numerals between 0 and 9, inclusive, to make the horizontal and vertical totals indicated in the "definitions" at bottom. Note that all vertical rows of three or more squares total 18. Include the digits already in place.

No numbers are to be repeated in any vertical or horizontal row.

(The solution appears elsewhere in the page)

and initiation fees, with employers helping the union get signatures from individual workers authorizing the payroll withholding.

REPRESENTATIVES ARRIVE WARSZAWA. (AP)—Two representatives of the Polish National Catholic Church of America of Scranton, Pa., have arrived in Poland for a three-month study of missionary and relief work. They are Reverends John P. Swierczewski of Chicago and Adam Walichewicz of Reading, Pa.

Truman Signs Bill Financing 5 Agencies WASHINGTON, July 8, (AP)—President Truman today signed a \$1,074,168,631 appropriation bill financing the Labor Department, the Federal Security Agency, the National Labor Relations Board, the National Mediation Board and the Railroad Retirement Board for the fiscal year 1948.

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**Desi Arnaz Orchestra Hurt In Bus Crash**

LAPORTE, Ind., July 8, (AP)—Ten members of the Desi Arnaz orchestra were injured today as their chartered bus sideswiped a truck eight miles northeast of here. A young woman traveling with the orchestra also was injured. None was hurt seriously.

Six of the injured were brought to a hospital here and five were taken to a Michigan City hospital. Arnaz, Cuban band leader, was not traveling with the orchestra. The orchestra had appeared last night in Madison, Wis., and was enroute to Akron, O., for an engagement tonight.

**SEEKS NEW GOAL**

BERKELEY, Calif., (AP)—A loaf of bread which would be more nourishing but less fattening; that ordinary bread, is the goal of a University of California nutritionist.

With 300 pounds of whole wheat flour and samples of dried milk made by several methods at the university's dairy, Miss Barbara Kennedy, the diet expert, aims to turn out bread with a protein content of 15 to 20 percent.

The protein content of baker's bread is 4 to 6 percent, she said. This high protein bread would give growing children additional bodybuilding substances without increasing the bulk of their diet, and would give dairymen a new outlet for surplus milk.

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Tax Cut Bill

(Continued from Page One) make no statement of his attitude prior to action on the legislation.

Republican leaders claimed certain Senate approval for the plan to unify the Army, Navy and Air Forces despite protests that it would "create a vast new military empire."

Senator Gurney (R-S.D.), floor manager for the legislation, told a reporter: "I'm certain we will pass it. Maybe on Wednesday but certainly by Thursday."

Patronage — Senator McGrath (D-R.I.) lashed out in the Senate at delays in action on presidential nominations for important federal jobs. Specifically McGrath referred to a six-month-old nomination of Joe B. Dooley of Amarillo to be a federal judge in Texas and of the nomination of Philip B. Perlman of Baltimore to be solicitor general. The Senate is considering the Dooley nomination and scheduled a vote at 3 P. M. (EST). Dooley is supported by Senator Connally and opposed by Senator O'Daniel, Texas Democrat. McGrath urged Dooley's confirmation.

National Grange

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Well said the AFL believes "that moderate increases in wages in 1947, accompanied by a price reduction policy industry by industry according to their ability to lower prices, will assure continuing prosperity" with high levels of production and employment.

Declaring food prices "must come down," Wall added that if they continue upward, "rank and file worker pressure for wage increases will be inevitable."

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