

INTERNATIONAL NEWS
FULL LEASED WIRE
SERVICE

VOL. XIV, NO. 118.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1919.

HAMMOND, INDIANA.

On streets and newsstands 5c
per copy. Delivered by carrier in
Hammond and West Hammond, 50c
per month.

Success of Tuesday Celebration Assured

HAMMOND GETS A DESIRABLE NEW INDUSTRY PROMOTERS ARE WORKING FEVERISHLY

SPLENDID PLANT FOR HAMMOND

Pratt Food Co. of Philadelphia Buys Acres on Which It Will Put Up a \$300,000 Building.

The real estate firm of Gestlin, Meyn & Hastings, Inc., today announced that Hammond had secured another industry that will round out her already large and diversified line of manufacturing installations.

The concern is The Pratt Food Company of Philadelphia, who are known throughout the entire world. Their manufacture poultry and animal remedies. This company has been established for more than fifty years, and their products, known as "Pratt's Remedies" are advertised extensively. Hammond will profit from an advertising standpoint for wherever these products are sold, the words "Made in Hammond, Indiana," will be on the packages.

BUY PART OF PACKER SITE.

They have purchased five acres in the Calumet industrial district, which was the former site of the old George H. Hammond Company. This is the first sale made by the new owners. The consideration was \$25,000. The Indiana Harbor Belt R. R. has already started laying tracks into the site, and construction will start at once. A beautiful three-story brick building of fireproof construction will be erected on the site. It will contain over 300,000 square feet. The architecture will be of the most modern design, and it will be a credit to the city of Hammond. The cost of the building is estimated at \$300,000.

OFFICES ALSO TO COME.

At present The Pratt Food Company have their plant in Philadelphia. Their new plant will be larger than their Eastern unit. They have a Chicago branch, but when the Hammond plant is completed, their general office will be in Hammond. One can get an idea of the intensive work that will be done in the new plant when it is known that they intend shipping thirty-five cars of material a day when the plant is in full operation. The Western manager is Mr. Louis Rendell, and he will be manager of the Hammond plant.

HAMMOND SHOWED ITS KEELS.

Hammond again won out in its claims as having more to offer the manufacturer seeking a new location, than any other city in the Calumet district, for there was much competition to get this concern. Mr. Rendell stated that to a very great extent the wonderful facilities that the Indiana Harbor Belt R. R. offered here was what brought their decision. They are large shippers and the fact that Hammond has the great L. C. L. loading platforms so easily reached at Gibson was a determining factor.

Mr. J. S. Keller is president of the company. In closing the deal Major J. W. Keller represented the purchasers, while Peter W. Meyn represented the owners. The title being conveyed by Walter E. Meyn. Newton Wyoth attended to the legal details for the purchasers, and Bomberger & Peters for the sellers.

The general contract for the new home has been let to Stephens & Grossman of Chicago.

WANTS HER CASH, NOT HUSBAND

"All is not gold that glitters," according to Mrs. Adela Martinez, a Gary woman, who today is not only shy her husband but a sum of \$2,000 in cold cash. She has pleaded Judge Laube to aid her, not that she cares so much about finding her husband, but she would like to recover her \$2,000.

It all happened this way. Before coming to Gary, Adela was a resident of South Chicago. She was happily married. Then her husband died following an illness, and she collected \$2,000 insurance.

She worked and saved for her children and put the \$2,000 away for a rainy day. Many times they were in want and she was tempted to take some of the insurance money, but future years stared her in the face and she decided it would be best not to touch the money.

Then another man came into her life. He wooed her most ardently. She sought to have some one to care for her and her children and he was her soul mate. As a result they were married and they came to Gary to live. Martinez got her to buy a pool room with her savings at 340 Adams st. Business was good and she dreamed of riches. The other day he sold it for \$3,000 unknown to his wife. Martinez and the \$3,000 has disappeared.

Better call up The Times and have it sent to your house every night. Then you'll be sure it will be there.

SEASON'S FIRST SNOW FALL

Sharp eyed observers reported this morning that they saw snow flakes, the first of the season. They were few, however, and left no trace on the ground.

The temperature dropped to 35 degrees, hailed on its downward course by the heavy blanket of clouds that hung over the city. Clearing skies are forecast for tonight with the mercury down to 30 degrees, the coldest of the autumn.

HAMMOND BANDITS IN PORTER CO.?

Auto Murderers and Thieves Said to be Operating Across County Line.

VALPARAISO, Ind., Nov. 4.—A number of holdups of occupants of automobiles have occurred in the past month in the vicinity of Hammond and it looks now as if the hold highwaymen are enlarging their territory, for reports come from Chester that a resident was held up just outside of town Saturday night and relieved of his money and a diamond ring. Two citizens of Michigan City think that they saw the same band of robbers the same night in the neighborhood of the Carver school but they did not stop to investigate, so were not located.

The Lake county gang uses an auto and their plan of operation is simple. They station their car alongside a lonely part of the main highway and when an unsuspecting victim comes along one of the robbers pretends to be fixing a tire while another swings up the stranger who is naturally anxious to help out another autoist in distress. When he stops several other fellows step out from behind the Cadillac (2) car with guns drawn and make the passengers in the other car get out and line up. These men go through their victims and after robbing them send them on, firing a few shots in the air.

Thus far the bandits have eluded capture, but with the officers of all northern Indiana looking for them they ought to be caught.

In the meantime if someone tries to stop you on the road at night, "step on her" and forget to stop. Then you will be safe.

CHICAGO IS PLACED ON COAL RATIONS

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—Chicago was placed on coal rations today on orders from the regional committee of the fuel administration, who at a meeting with local coal dealers decided on the "rationing plan" to protect the supply of coal on hand and conserve the supply until the terminals by the railroads.

One week's coal supply was fixed as the maximum any person, school, hospital or industrial concern can secure. The rationing plan, officials predict, will keep Chicago from a coal famine for some time, probably for the duration of the strike.

WILL MEET IN HAMMOND

On Thursday evening the Past Grand Association of Lake county will hold their regular monthly meeting at Hammond at the I. O. O. F. hall on State Street.

The meeting will be open to all members of the subordinate lodges and employees of the county as well as sojourning members of the I. O. O. F.

The initiatory degree will be conferred upon a class of 4 candidates and will be in charge of Chas. Lushman, degree master of Calumet lodge.

He will be assisted by Past Grand of the Association.

The Past Grand Association of which Vens Anderson of Calumet lodge is president, was inaugurated last July by C. H. Reed of East Chicago District deputy grand master I. O. O. F. of Lake county.

It has for its object the promotion of Old Fellowship in the county and has already achieved an enviable place in fraternal circles and the membership is increasing monthly.

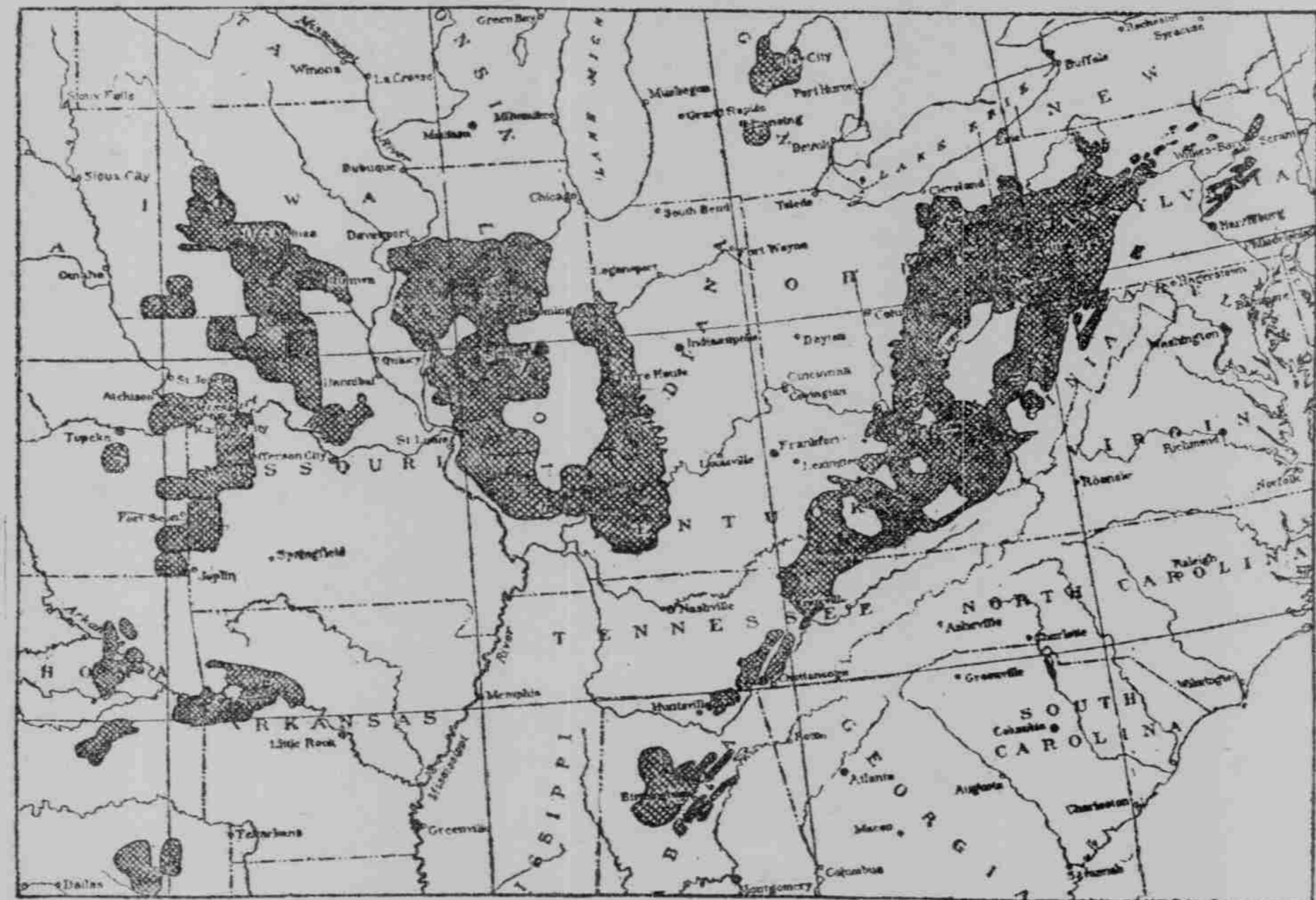
President Anderson expects to have enrolled all past grands within the county by January 1, 1920.

George E. Herzhorn of Crown Point will be the principle speaker at the meeting Thursday night.

TWO INQUESTS FOR CORONER

Inquests were conducted this morning by Coroner J. A. Graham into the deaths of Tony Mielewicz of East Chicago and Lawrence Curtain of Whiting. Mielewicz was killed November 1 while working at the Metal & Thermit plant in East Chicago, the evidence showing it to have been accidental. Curtain was electrocuted while working on a wire at the Standard Oil plant Sunday evening.

MAP SHOWS PRINCIPAL REGIONS AFFECTED BY THE COAL STRIKE



While there are coal deposits in many of the states of the union, those shown in this accompanying map are the great sources of supply

and the ones which are affected chiefly by the strike of bituminous miners. Because the Illinois and Ohio miners are better organized

than those the miners elsewhere, those states are less hit by the strike. Many thousands of non-union miners are still at work, particularly in the fields of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Utah.

The anthracite miners are not affected by the strike.

In an' Around —GARY—

A racing Ford automobile, owned by R. R. Clemens, 722 Carolina st., Gary, took fire from the looking carburetor in the garage yesterday afternoon, ceiling out the fire department. Damage was done to the extent of \$600.

The members of the Gary Banker's Institute will meet tonight at the general office of the "X" secretary. There will be a round table discussion on "Thrift," E. C. Selby, of the International Trust & Savings Bank, will preside at the meeting.

Within the last few days a number of the soldiers with the federal troops in Gary have received their discharges from the service. A number of the discharged have re-enlisted while a few have decided to remain in Gary and work in the mills. Among these are Capt. Gray and Sergeant Major Sereck, who have both secured good positions at the mill, but for a few days will not go to work as Capt. Gray was heard to remark, "I just want to stick around for a few days in the fine new 'civvie' clothes that look so good to me."

Miss Mary Cloud, for a number of years connected with the Hall & Sumner Construction Company at Gary, left yesterday for Springfield, Mass., where she will be united in marriage to Otto King, of Buhl, Idaho.

After the wedding ceremony the couple will travel through the East, and then they will return to Salt Lake City to make their future home.

On a warrant charging him with violating a court order, B. H. Duncan, 310 Jefferson st., Gary, and a fugitive from justice, was arrested by Officers Helein and Marguard of the Gary police force yesterday and is being held today awaiting the arrival of authorities from Tippecanoe, Ind., where it is said that he deserted his family.

WHITING VOTES TO RAISE FARE

WHITING, Ind., Nov. 4.—The question of whether Whiting shall pay a seven-cent street car fare on the Hammond, Whiting & East Chicago lines was settled last night at a meeting of the city council when the matter was put to a vote. Three voted for the raise, Aldermen Miller, Violet and Burton, while three voted against the proposition, Blanchak, Long and Stoll. Mayor W. H. Schrage cast the deciding vote for the raise, voting aye.

MASONIC NOTICE

Tomorrow night, Nov. 4, 1919, McKinley Lodge 712, F. & A. M., will be visited by Hon. Chas. J. O'Connell, Grand Master. Judge Orblin is a noted speaker and a full attendance is desired. All Masons are invited. 11:45-1 MERRITT D. METZ, W. M.

Are you reading The Times?

PREPARE PROLONGED STRUGGLE

Lightless Nights are Again In Prospect for Many Indiana Cities.

SITUATION ON FOURTH DAY OF STRIKE

About 400,000 coal miners reported today. They demand regular work, a thirty hour week and sixty per cent increase over present pay.

Latest official estimate of the purchasing power of the dollar as compared to July, 1914, is about 87 cents.

Latest official estimate of the purchasing power of the dollar as compared to Nov. 1917, when the new wage scale went into effect, about eighty cents.

Operators willing to arbitrate if strike called off.

Federal government willing to appoint arbitrator if men return to the mines, thus putting themselves within the law.

BULLETIN.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 4.—Indications are for a prolonged coal strike. Frank Farrington, president of the Illinois Coal Miners Union declared today, emphasizing that not one of the 90,000 coal miners in Illinois are at work, except those authorized by the union.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 4.—Despite the professed optimism in Washington official circles are the coal strike situation. Indiana officials today are making plans for prolonged stoppage of the coal mines of the country. Lightless nights are in prospect in Indiana cities. The public service commission will meet this afternoon to consider drastic steps providing for discontinuance of street lighting on moonlight nights, curtailing of electric current, the stoppage of windows and electric signs and cutting off electricity from non-essential industries. Curtailment of use of artificial gas except where it is essential to another step outlined for saving coal.

MINE OFFICIALS SILENT.

Meansville, Pa., is no indication in Indiana of softening on the part of the miners. While in some circles it is held that the coal strike will be short lived, such indications do not emanate from the miners camps.

Miners officials were silent today and no information was forthcoming from their headquarters regarding progress of the strike.

At his hotel this morning John L. Lewis, acting president of the mine workers, declared to add to statements

(Continued on page seven)

SHERMAN WANTS WHISKERS TRIMMED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—The sole accomplishment of labor conference now meeting in Washington under a treaty the senate has not yet ratified has been to demonstrate "what an infinite number of varieties of human beard may be trimmed," said Senator Sherman of Illinois, in the senate this afternoon.

"The first step toward sanitary conditions in industry would be to clip out of the conference several tons of whiskers."

POLICE INVESTIGATE YOUNG MEN'S CHARGES

The Hammond police are rigidly investigating one of the most shocking cases of depravity which has come to their attention for some time. For some time complaints have been made to them that three young women employed in a restaurant near the city had been affected with a dreadful disease and Ethel Lopez, aged 20, was picked up at 175 Michigan avenue, last night on the charge of a young man who alleges that he was a victim. Two other arrests will be made tomorrow in the case, he Indiana statutes are especially severe in venereal disease communication and the State Board of Health which has been waging a crusade in association of this character will be called upon to act in these cases. The police expect to make public a string of names when other arrests are made.

GREEN WAS A RESTLESS ROVER

Fifteen times in the last three years has Ethel Clark been forced to pack up her things and move just because of the fact that her husband, Green Clark, never remained more than two or three weeks at one job. Her petitions were of no avail so she has decided to get a divorce. Her complaint was filed today in the Hammond superior court by Attorney Cleveland and Cleveland.

Added to the incessant moving was the disagreeable disposition of the husband. He says that for five years he continuously complained and found fault and during the last year they lived together he never came into the house without quarreling. Often, just to annoy her, he would threaten to go away and take her child with him and then he would accuse her of plotting against him with other men which she says was untrue. They were married May 2, 1910, and separated October 20, 1919. Clark is now in Warren county, Indiana.

Times news service is the best that money can buy and honest effort can furnish.

LEWIS IS IRONICAL

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 4.—"Nothing can stop him from saying it," was the ironical reply of John L. Lewis today to the announcement of Gov. Carey of Wyoming that he would reopen the mines of that state under military protection if a reconciliation of miners and operators were not effected today.

Laughing over the statement that the governor of Oklahoma would call for 8,000 skilled and unskilled men to work in the mines, the miners' executive told the International News Service today that he had "nothing to say as to that."

Asked if it could be done, he insisted that he had "nothing to say."

Lewis said that no reports of defections in the ranks of striking miners had reached headquarters here and termed himself "non-committal" on the department of justice reports that miners are returning to work in some sections of the country.

CALL FOR MINERS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 4.—Governor Robertson of Oklahoma has announced, following a meeting of the Oklahoma state council of defense, it was learned today, that a call for 8,000 skilled and unskilled workmen to dig coal in Oklahoma mines will be made within the next few days. The call has the indorsement of the state council of defense. Leading Oklahoma mine operators, present at the meeting, assured the governor it is said that workmen unskilled in mining, can be used advantageously in the coal crisis.

BRYAN IS SUED IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

Alleging that the lots described in the deed are not the ones which he was shown when the sale was made, Samuel M. Dennis has brought suit against Louis A. Bryan and the City & Harbor Land Co. of Gary, in the Hammond superior court. Dennis says that he was shown two lots in Tolleston and contracted to purchase them. He paid for them in full and finally received the deed. In looking up the lots from the description he says he found they were not the ones he had selected. He therefore asks for \$2,000 judgment against the company. His attorneys are Crumacker & Friedrich.

LEGION WILL MEET TOMORROW

The Hammond Ministerial Association will hold its first meeting since its reorganization at the M. E. church on Russell street this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. All ministers and laymen are urged to be present. An interesting feature was an address by Rev. Moses of the First Salvation Army and spent considerable time doing the work in France. He spoke on the work of the Salvation Army. Rev. J. C. Parrett is now president and Capt. S. Hedgcock, secretary of the association.

PROMOTERS ARE WORKING FEVERISHLY

Solicitors Find Some Who Refuse to Contribute to Success of Day.

That no soldier or sailor of Hammond or West Hammond is to be solicited in the campaign of the Finance committee to raise funds for the big Home Coming celebration in Hammond next Tuesday was the emphatic statement issued at the meeting of the general committee at the Chamber of Commerce last night.

Reports had been received that several ex-service men had been approached for contributions since the drive started, but this will not occur again and in case any money has been contributed by ex-service men the money will be refunded with an apology.

INSTRUCTIONS EXPLICIT.

Chairman Hannauer's instructions had been explicit on this point, but it was found that the orders had not reached several members of the committee. Instructions are to inquire first of all whether the contributor has been in the service.

The financial end of the program is progressing nicely. Industries are responding liberally and business and professional men are eagerly stepping to the front. However, as was the case in the war drives, there are some citizens who cannot see the patriotic side of the affair and are holding back. In several instances women solicitors reported that they had been either refused outright or had been offered paltry sums by merchants. A list has been kept of these and it was decided that the old "wrecking crew" should be called into service.

MURRAY'S BIG HAND.

Capt. F. H. Murray has been assigned the task of getting the bands together for the day. As practically all cities of any size are to hold similar celebrations, bands are hard to locate. This morning he arranged for one hundred musicians who will be recruited from Hammond talent. The Shrine drum corps and the Boy Scouts drum corps will be out and it is hoped to have at least two other musical organizations.

Many of the ex-service men are objecting to wearing their uniform during the celebration. However, the committee urges that the boys lay aside their prejudice for this one day and appear in uniform whether they were overseas or not. "We have never had an opportunity to appreciate the full man power which Hammond and West Hammond gave to the war and I think the best way to bring it home to our people and tell the world about it, is to have every soldier and sailor possible in that parade," said one member of the committee. "Some of their uniforms may be a little worn, but what does that matter?"

DETAILS TO BE ARRANGED.

Another meeting of the general committee will be held Friday evening, but there will be meetings each day of the various sub-committees. Many details are yet to be arranged, but from reports returned in last evening every item for the big welcome will have been attended to before the end of the week.

All arrangements have been completed for the big parade and the following motion was issued today by the committee:

The American Legion and all others who were in any branch of the military

(Continued on page seven.)

MRS. GARY ANSWERED

Mrs. Ella Lagura Says She Could Learn a Lot By Coming to Gary.

Mrs. Elbert H. Gary's declining to associate herself with the strikers' wives at Gary doesn't make her very popular there. Mrs. Ella Lagura, secretary of the women's strike auxiliary committee at Gary, was reached by telephone and Mrs. Gary's statement read to her. She said:

"The views Mrs. Gary expresses are those of her husband. If she really had the interest of the steel workers at heart, and would come here and live the life of a steel worker's wife, she would learn a great many things."

"She would see for herself how her husband's interest in the welfare of his employees' works out—how men slave away in the great steel mills year after year, working twelve, twenty-four, and even thirty-six hours at a stretch."

MINISTERS TO MEET

The Hammond Ministerial Association will hold its first meeting since its reorganization at the M. E. church on Russell street this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. All ministers and laymen are urged to be present. An interesting feature was an address by Rev. Moses of the First Salvation Army and spent considerable time doing the work in France. He spoke on the work of the Salvation Army. Rev. J. C. Parrett is now president and Capt. S. Hedgcock, secretary of the association.