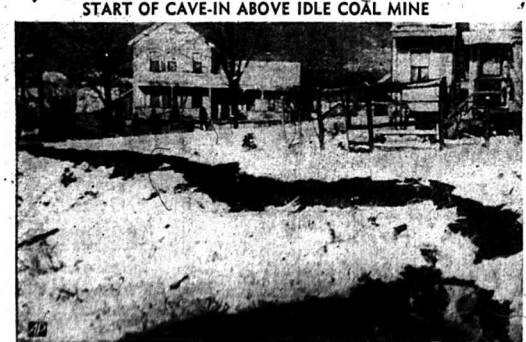


U. S., Britain Ban U.S. Freight To Soviet Zone

700,000 Increase In Monthly Unemployment Takes Big Jump



START OF CAVE-IN ABOVE IDLE COAL MINE

Here is the beginning of the 1,200-foot-long crater which snafus through streets and property over an idle coal mine at Carbondale, Pa. The land suddenly sank. Fourteen houses were damaged and 60 people were left homeless. (AP Wirephoto.)

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Unemployment in the United States dropped to 87,500,000 in January, the Census Bureau reported today.

It was a fall of 2,000,000 from the December level, but the total was still 28,000 higher than a year ago.

Next Move Left Up To Kremlin

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER. WASHINGTON—(AP)—The next move in the Moscow-Washington debate over how to end the cold war is now clearly up to the Kremlin, diplomatic authorities agreed today.

Photographer's Board Ruled Unconstitutional

RALEIGH—(AP)—The State Supreme Court today ruled unconstitutional the statute creating the State Board of Photographic Examiners. The court reversed a lower court decision which upheld the board.

Group Approves Export Curbs

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Senate Banking Committee today approved a 28-month extension of export controls, now due to expire Feb. 28.

Apartment Is Barricaded To Keep Husband Outside

NEW YORK—(AP)—A blonde former Philadelphia society woman today barred the door of her luxurious Manhattan apartment from her husband and reinforced the barricade with armed guards and multiple locks.

Once Over Lightly

Mrs. Ruth Agria Reuse Lord, 41, has lived for eleven weeks in the atmosphere of an armed fortress in Philadelphia. She is a separation suit she has filed against Robert H. Lord, 45, wealthy attorney and manufacturer.

Blockade Tightened In Germany Embargo Takes Effect Sunday

BERLIN—(AP)—The United States and Britain tightened their counter blockade on the Soviet zone tonight by banning all motor freight traffic into Eastern Germany from neighboring European countries.

Repudiates Letter In Court Cardinals Backs

By ENDRE MARTON. BUDAPEST, Hungary—(AP)—The Catholic hierarchy here repudiated today a letter he had received from the cardinal.

Local Vote, Dry State Is Choice Election Would Be Held Nov. 1

RALEIGH—(AP)—A bill calling for a statewide referendum on the liquor issue was introduced in the House today by Rep. L. A. Martin of Davidson.

Indiscretions Alleged Against Judge J. J. Burney

RALEIGH—(AP)—In response to inquiries made by newsmen, Charles Parker, Governor Scott's legislative secretary, said today that Judge J. J. Burney with certain indiscretions.

Bill To Extend ERP Is Offered

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The Administration today offered a bill to continue the European Recovery Program for another year.

Two Undertakers Stage Fierce Battle In Hearse

TABOR CITY—(AP)—One man was critically wounded as a result of a battle in a hearse between two undertakers.

President's Powers In Strikes Disputed

By MARVIN L. SHROPSWORTH. WASHINGTON—(AP)—President Truman and Senator Taft (R-Ohio) openly disputed today whether the President has inherent authority to deal with strikes threatening a national emergency.

Schools, Roads Equality Urged

RALEIGH—(AP)—A drive to persuade Governor Scott to place public schools on a par with roads in his legislative program was underway in the General Assembly today.

Pay Increase Urged For Government Executives

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Administration spokesmen asked Congress today to boost salaries of government executives.

Soap Prices Cut

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—(AP)—A price cut of about six per cent in soap prices was announced today by Lever Brothers Co.

Woman Is Mother At 59; Child Bride 12, Expectant

(From Associated Press Dispatches) Young woman and her motherhood phenomena occupied medical attention today as a 59-year-old woman in Philadelphia gave birth to a child.

Pay-As-You-Go For New Roads

The proposed road improvement program for North Carolina can be carried out better, the state highway department is willing to support a pay-as-you-go method of financing the new roads.

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WEATHER Mostly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Light to moderate rain, with much change in temperature. Temperature at 7:00 today: 81-33. High and low last 24 hours: 81-31. Sunrise tomorrow: 6:47. 6:19. More Weather Data on Page 4-A.