

Government Erred In Labor Peace Push, Johnston Declares

Engineers' Chief, Here For Meeting, Urges U. S. to Stand Aside.

The Federal Government's leadership in the A. F. of L. and C. I. O. peace negotiations was a "mistake," Alvaney Johnston, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, stated in an interview here today.

Mr. Johnston, whose home is Cleveland, is in Indianapolis for the sessions of the Eastern Association of the B. of L. E. which opened yesterday at the Hotel Lincoln.

"The peace efforts of the A. F. of L. and the C. I. O. will not turn out so well if the two organizations were conducting them voluntarily," Mr. Johnston said.

Believes in Green, Lewis

He said the present breach is a "house divided against itself," and as such the Government should "leave them alone."

"The two organizations would work it out much more quickly by themselves than they will with the help of outsiders, and they would do a better job, too," Mr. Johnston said. "I know William Green and John Lewis personally and I have a great faith in both of them."

He said the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers is not a member of either the A. F. of L. or the C. I. O., but the organization is built along craft lines comparable to A. F. of L. unions.

Speaking of the future of railroads, Mr. Johnston described general business improvement as the "only salvation for the railroad companies."

"There should be enough business for all of us—the railroads, busses, water transportation companies and the airlines," he stated. "In some cases, Government subsidy may be necessary, but the Government can't do it all."

Mr. Johnston, leader of 60,000 railroad engineers, responded to Mayor Sullivan's address of welcome at this morning's session. Business meetings were to precede a banquet at the Hotel Lincoln tonight at which Lieut. Gov. Henry F. Schricker is to be the principal speaker.

A special table will be set aside for the 40 Indianapolis members who have been active in the association more than 40 years. They are wearers of the 40-year honor badge.

Johnston Will Attend

The Eastern Association includes members from all states north of the Mason-Dixon line and east of the Mississippi River.

This is the first time since 1931 the association has met in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Ella Turner, St. Louis president of the Grand International Auxiliary, arrived here Saturday night and will speak at the banquet tonight.

A dance will be held at the Travertine Room of the Hotel Lincoln tomorrow night.

C. C. Livingston, Indianapolis, is in charge of arrangements, is assisted by H. W. Pfeifer, also of Indianapolis. Mrs. J. A. Fulmer, Indianapolis, is director of the auxiliary meeting held in conjunction with the convention.

JOB EXAMS BLANKS ACCEPTED TO APRIL 1

Application blanks for examinations to fill vacancies in the State Welfare Department field staff will be accepted by the State Personnel Bureau until April 1. The examination date has not been fixed.

The number of vacancies was not announced and the primary purpose of the examination is to establish a list from which to make selections when needed.

Any Indiana resident for one year before the date of applying may file.

REPORT FINDING TOMB OF KING SOLOMON KIN

CAIRO, March 20 (U. P.)—The Egyptian Government announced today that excavators had uncovered a tomb believed to be of King Psusennes, father-in-law of King Solomon.

The announcement said the tomb, apparently belonging to the 22nd dynasty, contained a silver and gold double sarcophagus representing the ancient King with a hawk's head. Further excavation was held up pending arrival of a strong police guard from Cairo.

TENNESSEE RECTOR WILL SPEAK HERE

The Rev. Prentice Pugh, rector of the Church of the Advent of Nashville, Tenn., will speak at noonday Lenten services tomorrow through Friday at the Christ Church on the Monument Circle.

A nationally-known Episcopalian churchman, the Rev. Mr. Pugh has held the pastorate in Nashville 23 years. He will speak Wednesday evening at the Church of the Advent, 3261 N. Meridian St.

A. W. BRUNER DIES AT FRENCH LICK HOME

FRENCH LICK, March 20 (U. P.)—Funeral services will be held tomorrow for A. W. Bruner, a State Food and Drug inspector from 1907 to 1933, who died here yesterday. He was 82.

Mr. Bruner served as superintendent of schools at Paoli in 1896-97 and the following 12 years edited the Paoli Republican, a weekly newspaper.

BOX LEADS HONOR ROLL George Mellinger led the high honor roll for the first grading period of the second semester at Washington High School, with 15½ points, it was announced today. Ninety-seven pupils were listed on the roll.

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A. F. L. AND C. I. O. INCRIMINATIONS DO LITTLE HARM

Perkins Relies on Public Pressure to Force Rivals Into Agreement.

By LUDWELL DENNY
Times Special Writer

WASHINGTON, March 20.—President Roosevelt will not let the recurring labor squalls wreck his fragile peace canoe if he can help it. Synthetic lightning of the "you're a Red" variety was let loose by the A. F. L. yesterday against the C. I. O. The C. I. O. shouted above the din something about the A. F. L. "breaking faith" and "rocking the peace boat." But, despite the excitement, there did not seem to be any actual wreckage piled up today.

All hands, apparently, continued to prepare for Friday's session here on the aristicene negotiations. Mean-

while on Wednesday the A. F. L. council will hear the report of its negotiators and have a chance to clear away the rocks which stopped the conference last week.

Hopes for Public Pressure

Secretary of Labor Perkins is operating on the theory that if the warring negotiators can only be kept together long enough, public pressure will produce a compromise agreement.

This is the second time recently the A. F. L. has used the Red attack.

Immediately after the Roosevelt ap-

peal launching his latest peace effort, Mr. Green, as head of the A. F. L., tried to smear the C. I. O. with

the conference.

Now, on the eve of the second phase of the negotiations, his aid, John P. Frey, president of the A. F. L. Metal Trades Department, charges that the Lewis C. I. O. peace terms were originated by the Communist Party Central Committee in June, 1937.

The thing that has damned the Lewis proposal for a three-way union of A. F. L. and the Independent Rail-

way Brotherhoods, is not that Com-

munist, as well as many others, have discussed it theoretically for a long while, but the practical fact that most of the brotherhoods are not interested now.

Control Issue in Two Parts

The issue of control, or power, takes the form at the moment of the two questions which will be put to the A. F. L. Council Wednesday and which will be before the next session of the peace conference on

the eve of the negotiations.

Strapped to the bodies of Julius A. Barr, Boeing test pilot, and former pilot for Maclean, Obisman & Karp in China, and A. C. von Baumhauer of Amsterdam, Holland, aerodynamics engineer for the Netherland Government. The eight others had been standing in the cabin.

Foreigners Aboard

Boeing Wrenched Loose

The left wing was found 150 feet from the main body. The outer port side motor, one of four powering the craft, was wrenches loose 1500 feet in the air.

The left tail section was 50 yards from the fuselage.

R. J. Minshall, Boeing vice pres-

ident and general manager, said he was convinced neither the plane nor the crew was responsible.

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