

GEN. JOHNSON GAVE MINE PEACE BASIS

Ill in Hospital, He Told Baruch of Graceful Way Out For Both Roosevelt and Lewis; Latter's Chief Quarrel With Grace.

By THOMAS L. STOKES
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Behind the sudden break in the captive coal mine strike is a story of personal intercession by unofficial peacemakers—one of them now in a hospital here—who had had past experience with similar Government crises.

The settlement providing for arbitration was reached by President Roosevelt and John L. Lewis in a secret conference at the White House Saturday morning, solving a controversy that was getting too hot for all concerned.

The way was paved by Bernard M. Baruch, who called the White House after learning from his old associate, Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, that Mr. Lewis would be amenable to arbitration by a board such as the President named.

Sought Graceful Way Out

Gen. Johnson, who is in Walter Reed Hospital for a check-up, recalled in his newspaper column last week that, in early New Deal days he had many dealings with Mr. Lewis and became familiar with issues in the background of the captive mine dispute over the union shop. He recalled that, as head of NRA, he had settled a similar dispute from that same hospital room.

Next day Mr. Lewis made a lengthy call on Gen. Johnson, and after that discussion the general informed Mr. Baruch of what he had learned.

Steel Production Cut

The leader of the United Mine Workers, fully conscious of the storm of public disapproval beating about his head, realized that the situation was making capital for interests that would like to see organized labor subjected to crippling legislation. He realized, also, that the strike was beginning to cut production of steel for national defense.

Mr. Lewis' chief quarrel—stemming from far back—was with Eugene Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel, who he regards as a bitter enemy of the labor movement.

But he had no such objection to Benjamin F. Fairless, president of U. S. Steel, as the employers' representative on an arbitration board headed by John R. Steelman and with Mr. Lewis, himself, as the union's representative.

U. S. Steel was the first of the big companies to sign a union agreement, in 1937, when Mr. Lewis and Myron Taylor, then chairman of that corporation's directors, came to terms and broke Steel's united front against union recognition.

Many observers believe that arbitration may not give Mr. Lewis the union shop, but it is likely to give him something closely akin to it—perhaps a "maintenance of union membership" proviso like that recommended by the National Defense Mediation Board at Bethlehem's Kearny, N. J., shipyard.

MOTOR FREIGHT TIEUP FEARED

Dock Workers of Teamsters Union Vote Walk-out; Phone Threat Ends.

By UNITED PRESS

Settlement of a dispute in the telephone industry and resumption of work in captive coal mines today offset the threat of a motor freight tieup in the Midwest.

An agreement reached in New York last night ended the threat of a strike of 15,000 long distance telephone workers.

Director John R. Steelman of the U. S. Conciliation Service announced a settlement plan granting wage increases totaling "at least" \$3,000,000 annually was accepted by officials of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and of the Federation of Long Distance Lines Workers (Independent). The agreement also created two boards to fix wage adjustments and differentials.

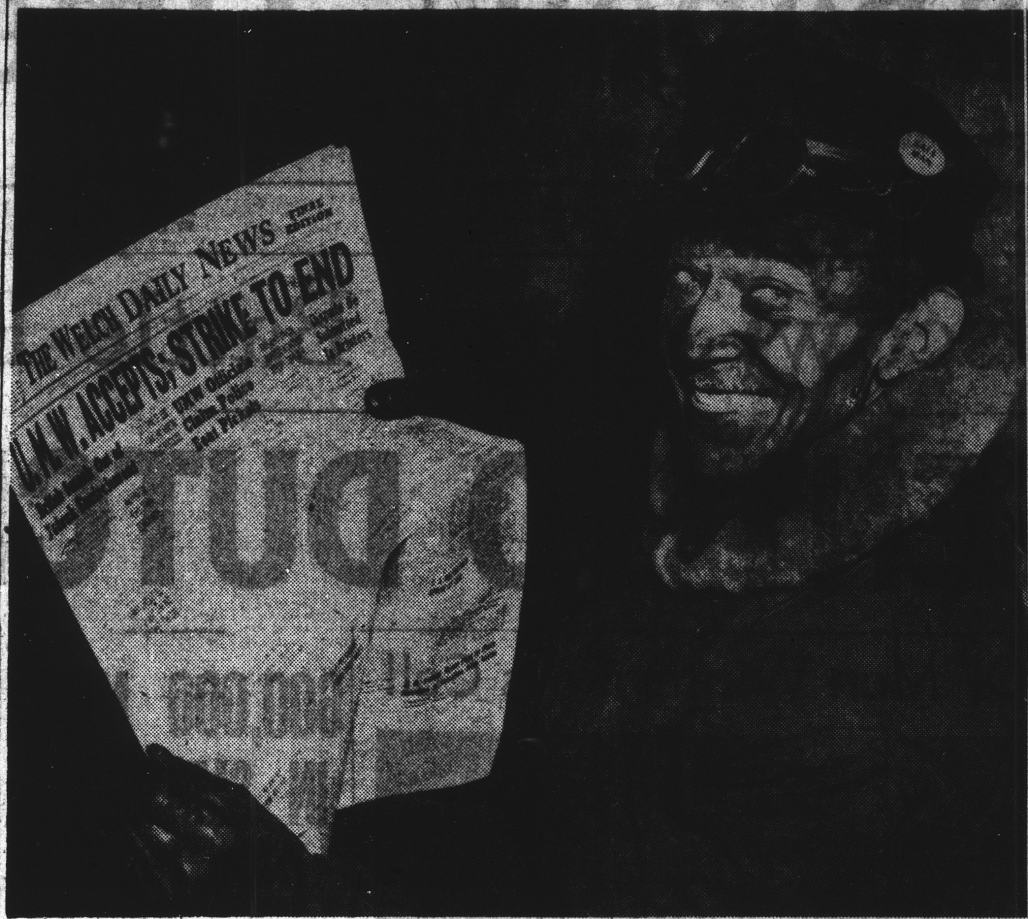
In St. Louis a general strike of the A. F. of L. International Association of Mechanists over a jurisdictional dispute with the A. F. of L. holding engineers seriously curtailed production on defense orders of approximately \$1,000,000 held by some 400 industrial plants.

United Mine Workers (C. I. O.) ended a one-week strike today by returning to steel company-owned mines which were closed by sympathy walkouts. The union policy board's acceptance Saturday of President Roosevelt's arbitration proposal left a decision on the U. M. W. closed shop demand to a three-man board.

At Chicago, dock workers of the A. F. L. Teamsters Union voted to strike today despite a union-management agreement to accept recommendations of the National Defense Mediation Board.

At Washington, representatives of railway management and labor unions said after a two-hour conference they would report to President Roosevelt later today on progress in their negotiations to avert a nationwide railroad strike. Dean V. Alvaney Johnson, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Engineers, said that no definite agreement has been reached.

It's Good News! Mine Strike's Over



Matt Yurkovich, veteran miner, reads the good news of the ending of the captive coal mine strike, as he emerges from Mine No. 6 of the United States Coal and Coke Co. at Gary, W. Va. This mine was the scene of recent violence between pickets and non-striking miners.

C. I. O. DOUBTS NEED FOR NLRB

Tinge of Ingratitude Seen As Murray Outlines Future Policy.

By RICHARD LAMB
Times Staff Writer

DETROIT, Nov. 24.—There is a tinge of ingratitude in the brush-off which the C. I. O. administered last week in the closing stages of its fourth annual convention to the National Labor Relations Board.

President Philip Murray dwelt on the subject in his report to the convention. Criticism revolved about the change in board personnel with its accompanying changes in policies.

"The changes," observed the committee, which weighed the president's report, "have not been made in the interest of the workers."

The report attributed no specific derelictions to Chairman Harry A. Mills, Dr. William M. Leiserson and Gerard D. Reilly, who have replaced J. Warren Madden, Edwin Smith and Donald Wakefield Smith as board members.

Rather, it challenged their concept of the bargaining unit problem, allegedly collusive wage contracts, duration of exclusive certification and kindred questions of basic policy.

Needed 'Less and Less'

"President Murray's report notes," said the committee, "that many C. I. O. unions have so established their place in industry that they need less and less to use the Labor Board, thus indicating the future course for us to follow with the board."

Such talk at any previous C. I. O. convention would have been heresy and would have invited stern verbal reprisals. Not a voice was lifted at this convention in defense of the Labor Board.

Yet, when Edwin S. Smith was introduced as chairman of the C. I. O.'s new organizing drive in the oil industry, the delegates paid him a noisy, rising tribute.

Mr. Murray felt impelled to deny that Mr. Smith had been "the C. I. O.'s member" on the Labor Board. He declared he never had met Mr. Smith except at board hearings until he tendered him the organizing job.

Since the 1940 convention, the C. I. O.'s two blue-chip achievements have been the negotiation of a union shop, check-off contract with Henry Ford and the opening of exclusive bargaining with "little steel."

Acknowledges NLRB Aid

Neither could have been accomplished without the assistance of the Labor Board, which the C. I. O. grudgingly acknowledges.

Mr. Murray viewed as "a very healthy development" the fact that C. I. O. unions in organized industries are using the election facilities of the Labor Board more than "unfair labor practice" charges, seeing in this an appreciation "that their own well-being and that of their members depends primarily upon their own strength rather than upon the NLRB."

"The basic problem for established unions today is one of administration of their existing contracts and improving the working conditions for their members," he said. "There should therefore be a decreasing need of resort to the Labor Act. This policy should compel corresponding recognition by the Labor Board that in turn it should be extremely reluctant to inject itself into established relations between C. I. O. unions and the employers which might in any way disrupt existing industrial relations."

PROMOTIONS IN RED ARMY ARE SPEEDED

KUIBYSHEV, Russia, Nov. 24.—(Delayed).—(U. P.).—Premier Joseph Stalin today shortened the period of front line service necessary for the automatic promotion of army officers.

The period for second lieutenants was shortened to two months; for first lieutenants and captains to three months; for majors to four months; lieutenant colonels five months.

Wounded officers will be entitled to promotion in half the regularly required time.

Use of Tinfoil Is Restricted

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (U. P.).—The Office of Production Management estimated today that its order banning the use of lead and tinfoil in cigarette, chewing gum, candy and other packages after March 15 would save at least 60,000 tons of lead and 3000 tons of tin next year for defense.

Effective immediately, manufacturers of lead and tinfoil used for "decorative" purposes or in packages of tobacco, chewing gum, all beverages, confections, typewriter ribbons, friction tape and photographic film are ordered until Jan. 15 to restrict their production to one-third of the amount consumed during January, February and March of this year.

Manufacture and sale of foil for any of the prohibited products will be halted after Jan. 15. After March 15 foil may not be used at all for these purposes.

WINTRY WEATHER HERE TO REMAIN

Winter struck a cold blow at Indianapolis today. The temperature dropped to 22 at 7 a. m.—the season's coldest. But the sun will be shining today and tomorrow and it will be somewhat warmer tomorrow, according to the Weather Bureau.

Into the early morning's freezing temperatures eight persons were driven when fire broke out in an apartment at Fairfield and Birchwood Aves.

Yesterday's low was 26 and the high was 34. The Weather Bureau seemed to think the wintry weather would be here for a while. But no more snow is in sight.

The lowest temperature in the state was reported at McCool, Ind., where it dropped to 13 degrees. Marion reported 14; Lafayette, 15; Washington, 24; and Louisville, Ky., 30.

BROKEN RAIL CAUSES 'SEMINOLE' WRECK

CORINTH, Miss., Nov. 24 (U. P.).—A broken rail wrecked the express train, "The Seminole," killing one person and injuring 68, authorities said today.

En route from Jacksonville, Fla., to Chicago, the Illinois Central Railroad express, was derailed one mile south of here at 5:02 p. m. (Indianapolis Time) yesterday. Eight cars rolled down a 25-foot embankment. The derailed car caught fire.

Mrs. Dovie Robertson, 69, of Selmer, Tenn., a passenger, was killed. Mrs. J. W. Gorman of Chicago and James M. Spurlock, Eufaula, Ala., were in serious condition. Mr. Spurlock sustained a broken arm, possible skull fracture and internal injuries. Mrs. Gorman had eye and head injuries. Others were less seriously hurt.

The Red Cross sent six nurses from neighboring cities. The locomotive, which was not derailed, picked up more coaches in Memphis and will arrive in Chicago this afternoon, five hours and 50 minutes late.

GIVEN OPM POST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—Ray Sparrow of the P. R. Mallory & Co., Indianapolis, has been named one of 29 members of the OPM Radio Industry Advisory Committee. It was announced today by Sidney J. Weinberg, chief of the OPM Bureau of Industry Advisory Committees.

SANTA'S WONDERLAND

GET IT LOVE SNOW, DON'T YOU BELIEVE IT'S SUCH FUN MAKING A SNOWMAN.



YOU GET IT DO, BETTY. I'VE REMIND ME OF CHRISTMAS!

AS SOON AS WE GET THIS FUNNY HEAD IN PLACE, WE'LL BE ABOUT THROUGH.

ALL EXCEPT PUTTING IN HIS EYES, WHICH HE'LL DO AFTER HE'S GIVING HIM AN OLD MEAT OF DAD'S.

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NO, NO! IT ISN'T WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO WITH HIM. IT'S WHAT IT'S GOING TO DO WITH YOU!

Chapter 1—Introducing Billy and Betty

—By Hal Cochran

U. S.-JAP TALKS MORE HOPEFUL

Emphasis Put on Peace as Parley With Hull Enters Second Week.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24 (U. P.).—United States-Japanese negotiations entered their second week today with a growing hope that peace rather than war will be the outcome.

Conversations between Secretary of State Cordell Hull and two Japanese envoys, Saburo Kurusu and Ambassador Kichisaburo Nomura, were recessed over Sunday. But they discussed the Far Eastern situation until late Saturday night in Mr. Hull's private apartment in the Wardman-Park Hotel.

No formal meeting has been scheduled for today, but at the State Department it was said the discussions would resume early this week.

Following a conference of almost three hours with Mr. Hull Saturday morning, at which they reported full accord, representatives of Australia, Britain, China and the Netherlands governments sent reports to their home offices.

Halifax Discounts Gloom

During that conference British Ambassador Viscount Halifax, Australia's Minister Richard G. Casey, Netherlands Minister Dr. A. Louden and Chinese Ambassador Hu Shih received a full report on what Mr. Hull has discussed with the Japanese envoys and the position he has taken.

All were silent following the meeting but Lord Halifax made clear that there was little ground for the pessimistic assumption in some quarters that there could be no peaceful settlement of the Far Eastern situation.

The cheerful attitude of Dr. Hu Shih, who came to the conference from a sickbed, also gave the general impression that China would not be sacrificed for the sake of peace.

Soviet Interests Guarded

The attitude of the morning conferees was relayed to the Japanese who met with Mr. Hull in the evening, thus serving to emphasize the united front of the powers with interests in the Far East.

While the Soviet Union was not represented no doubt existed here that her interests were protected. The interests of the other powers were at present so closely tied up with Russia that a settlement which would leave Japan free to move against the Soviet Union was said to be out of the question.

PATIENT IN HOSPITAL SEVEN YEARS HAPPY

WALTHAM, Mass. (U. P.).—One day, seven years ago, James F. McCusker, a retired letter carrier, fell in his home and was taken to Waltham Hospital.

He's still at the hospital, has never left it in the interim, and figures he wouldn't be happy anywhere else.

Although the complications which developed from the injuries suffered in that long-ago fall keep him confined to a wheelchair, he is able to roam around the hospital, cheering the less fortunate and making new friends.

ASTRID ALLWYN TO WED

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 24 (U. P.).—Astrid Allwyn, blond film actress, today announced she would marry Charles Fee, Los Angeles insurance broker, within two weeks at Las Vegas, Nev. She formerly was the wife of Robert Kent, film actor.

In the Services— 6 CADETS TO GET HIGHER TRAINING

Local Youths Assigned to Southern Air Bases; 200 More Inducted.

The Navy Department announced today that six Indianapolis men were among the newly appointed aviation cadets to report for advanced flight training at Pensacola and Jacksonville, Fla., and Corpus Christi, Tex.

They are Seth C. Kline Jr., 125 Blue Ridge Drive; Max A. Arner, 4721 Sunset Ave.; Robert E. Blu, 3315 Ruckle St.; Tharrell W. Davis, 1424 Woodlawn; John S. Reno, 1123 Pinley St.; and Robert L. Trett, 4720 Park Ave.

Edward C. Rogers, 1302 E. Vermont St., a new enlistee in the U. S. Marine Corps, has been assigned to duty at Parris Island, S. C.

Sent to Air Bases

The Ft. Harrison recruiting office today announced the names of three Indianapolis men who have been assigned to Army Air Corps bases. They are George E. Bohall, 2906 Stuart St., assigned to Elkhart, Miss., and Jack Belchewender, 63 N. Irvington Ave., and Kenneth E. Keene, assigned to Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

Comm. R. H. G. Mathews, USNR, officer in charge of Navy recruiting in Indiana, today issued an urgent call for radio amateurs and service men with technical experience.

They are needed to operate the radio which spot airplanes, tanks and submarines, Comm. Mathews said.

Upon completion of instructions, men will receive a rating as non-commissioned officers.

200 Hoosiers Inducted

The delivery of 200 Hoosier selectees Saturday to Ft. Harrison brought the State's 17th call near completion. Marion County sent 47 and 42 of these were from Indianapolis.

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Jap M. R. Well, Thanks to F.D.R.

TOKYO, Nov. 24 (U. P.).—Ichiro Kewose, member of Parliament, said in a newspaper article today that he thanks President Roosevelt for his recovery from diabetes.

Kewose wrote that since the U. S. gasoline embargo the number of operating automobiles and taxicabs has been so reduced that he is forced to walk wherever he goes.

This exercise, plus the reduction in sugar served at home and in restaurants, he said, has enabled him to regain his health.

PARIS BOMB WRECKS GERMAN BOOKSHOP

NEW YORK, Nov. 24 (U. P.).—Private advices to the United Press today said that a bomb which exploded in Paris destroyed a German bookshop.

The bombing was the first since a series of similar incidents some time ago caused German occupation authorities to order severe reprisals for anti-German activities.

Early reports did not indicate whether the explosion had caused casualties. There also was no indication as to whether arrests had been made.

2 CHURCHES LOOTED

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Nov. 24 (U. P.).—Churches operating during services yesterday escaped with loot valued at approximately \$600 from the Baptist Temple and St. Luke's Lutheran church here.

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