

2 UNIONS MEET WITHOUT LEWIS

Mine Workers President Barred From AFL-CIO Peace Parley.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1 (U.P.)—A man who will not be there—John L. Lewis—today was the principal barrier to a reunited labor front as peace envoys from the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations meet to discuss organizational unity.

Lewis, United Mine Workers president, who has led two labor "rebellions" in the past seven years, has been specifically excluded.

But officials of both organizations said the fear that Lewis would take advantage of any jurisdictional dispute to "raid" their unions would make both cautious.

The question of establishing jurisdiction for rival C. I. O. and A. F. of L. affiliated unions is one of the major obstacles to unity. Members dissatisfied with the decisions might open a wide field for a Lewis organizational drive.

The meeting, scheduled for 10:30 a.m., was postponed to 2 p.m. when a train carrying A. F. of L. Representatives Daniel Tobin and W. J. Hutcheson from Indianapolis was late in arriving.

Again Serves the Navy



Howard Caldwell . . . yesterday.



Howard Caldwell . . . today.

"The time I spent in the navy gave me an invaluable confidence and taught me that a man in the navy can go as high as he desires, depending entirely on the will of the man himself," he said recently.

Mr. Caldwell is serving as commandant of the Indianapolis ship 42 of the Navy club and as commandant of the Indiana squadron.

Through this association, he has been aiding navy recruiting in Indiana. He first joined the navy in 1918 and served at the Great Lakes naval training station where he was selected for officer training and commissioned as an ensign.

The navy recruiting office here points out that men like Mr. Caldwell are making it possible for the navy recruiting service in Indiana to establish an enviable record in the nation-wide race to build an invincible navy.

DESCRIBE NEW LUNG DISEASE

Doctor Says Malady Could Cause Epidemic Similar To That of 1918.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1 (U.P.)—A newly recognized lung disease, which physicians said could cause an epidemic comparable to the spread of influenza during 1918, was described at the annual meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

Dr. Paul S. Rhoads of the Northwestern University said the disease, which he referred to as "a typical pneumonia," had increased sharply during the past two years and that it often was diagnosed mistakenly as common pneumonia. Army and navy medical officers said the disease had been noted in various camps and bases.

Lt. Col. P. V. McCarthy said the disease was "an acute respiratory infection of unknown origin characterized by fever, chills, cough and varying degrees of disability."

While rarely fatal, the disease incapacitates its victims for 30 to 60 days, according to other speakers.

Rhoads said the disease did not respond to treatment with sulfadiazine as does common pneumonia.

Sherman Montrose, Acting Newspaper correspondent who landed with the marines on Guadalcanal last August, has just returned to San Francisco from his assignment. He has written several informative, exciting stories of life on Guadalcanal. This is his second.

By SHERMAN MONTROSE

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1—Henderson field on Guadalcanal stretched out ahead of us, palm trees sharply outlined against the beach at sunset. It looked much more inviting to me this time, than last.

I had seen that island and beach more than a month before, when I had landed with marines occupying the island. Then, Japs were lurking in palm trees—and now, Japs were still lurking in palm trees. But now we had air superiority and control of the airport this time, and that was important.

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Guadalcanal Transforms Boys Into Fighting Men

from boys to men—and good tough fighting men to boot.

For excitement on the opening day, we decided to get in on the open grounds of clearing up a situation on the Mantanikou river where an estimated 1500 newly landed Japanese troops constituted a menace.

For two days, I saw jungle action of the roughest type and how marines perform when the going is the toughest. We were outnumbered and outgunned by the enemy but their losses were far heavier than ours.

Cleaned Them Out

The next time we went back to clean them out, we really did it, and I never shall forget the sight of Gen. Arthur Vandegrift and Col. Merritt Edson planning attack strategy far out ahead of their own nests spraying the entire area.

The next day, Gen. Vandegrift was the first marine to cross the sandpit at the mouth of the Matanikou. At his heels was Col. Edson, as I trotted along behind.

Tojo threw everything at us that he had—shells, rifle fire and bombs.

Someone brought to the island a remark credited to a Bataan fighter to the effect that "there is no room for atheism in a foxhole." We soon

began to agree to that, although newspapermen usually don't go in heavily for religion.

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I noticed many changes on Guadalcanal since my first landing.

Sturdy Grumman dive bombers, Douglas scout biplanes, Grumman fighters, and mean-looking army F-40 pursuits lined the runways of Henderson field, or were bivouacked off in the stale palms that line its borders.

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