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UAW AGREES ON ONE THING: FDR

Stormy Convention Boos Union Head; Hopes to End Strike Clause.

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GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Sept. 12.—The Fractionalists has always marked C. I. O.-United Auto Workers conventions and the ninth annual assembly now underway here is no exception.

Boeing of R. J. Thomas, president, has become standard practice. On only one major point—political action—does Mr. Thomas have the wholehearted support of the delegates.

The self-admitted "bad boys" of organized labor are having a difficult time here. The city, never regarded as a champion of unionism, isn't certain it made a good bargain when its convention bureau extended a greeting.

Hotels Are Jammed

All the hotels are jammed and scores of delegates for whom there are no rooms are sleeping on sofas in hotel lobbies or in private homes.

"A lot of the town is afraid of you," Mayor George W. Welsh acknowledged in his welcoming address. "Perhaps you are too big for us," he added, and the nearly 4,000 delegates and alternates made it clear they agreed.

Mayor Welsh, an independent who has run under both political banners, commended the C. I. O.'s formation of the Political Action Committee, "No state in the country needs P. A. C. more than Michigan does," he said.

Governor Dewey was characterized by Mr. Thomas as "the man with the mustache who is the mouthpiece for that other president who kept saying prosperity was just around the corner."

"During my tour of the war zones I met an army colonel who said he wasn't much impressed with the slogan of changing horses in mid-stream, but who said he'd be damned if he would change a horse for a pony in the middle of a stream."

John Foster Dulles, Mr. Dewey's adviser on foreign relations, was charged by Mr. Thomas as being one who stated a few years ago that Japan and Germany would never attack us. "I don't want a secre-

Factions Clash as Miners Open Parley in Cincinnati

By FRED W. PERKINS
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CINCINNATI, Sept. 12.—The United Mine Workers convention opens today under conditions that make most of the old-timers say that "happy days are here again." They look for a little fighting with fists as well as voices before the convention ends.

There hasn't been much fist-fighting for a long time around mine workers' conventions and the old-timers seem to think this union might degenerate into a "pewter-waist" outfit if something isn't done.

The convention preliminaries included a fracas when Ray Edmundson, former president of the union's Illinois district, tried to hold a meeting of about 250 of the more than 2,500 convention delegates to decide how they were going to conduct a campaign for "autonomy"—the right of rank-and-file miners to elect their own district officers, a right most do not have now under the policies of John L. Lewis.

The Edmundson forces were impeded by a group of Lewis men who indulged in catcalls, hoots and cries for order. This went on for an hour and a half, and finally four burly men shouldered their way into the meeting. They took charge. Blows were traded, with no identification as to the gentlemen who were on the delivering or receiving ends. Mr. Edmundson called off the meeting to prevent—as he said—"bloodshed." He

signs of state that dumb," said Mr. Thomas.

Despite Mr. Thomas' support for reaffirmation of the nonstrike in wartime pledge, the hotels and the convention halls are plastered with stickers: "Smash the no strike pledge." Many Ford motor delegates wear such an embroidered inscription on the back of their shirts.

The factional fight was touched off by Mr. Thomas' support for the creation of a post for a third union vice president. A noisy chorus of boos throughout the auditorium greeted his suggestion that Richard T. Leonard, head of the Ford division of the Detroit union, get the job.

The present lineup of the officers is equally divided in the two opposing camps with Mr. Thomas and Walter P. Reuther, vice president, opposed by George F. Addes, secretary-treasurer and Richard T. Frankenstein, vice president. An additional vice president, particularly Mr. Leonard, would give the Thomas faction control.

charged that the disturbance was caused by "Lewis payrollers and stooges," and that the leaders were "Bill" Blizzard, a district vice president in southern West Virginia, and Joe Yablonski, a board member from the Pittsburgh district.

Mr. Blizzard, when interviewed said he had no comment, but that he would not sue any newspaper that published his name in this connection. Mr. Yablonski could not be reached.

REPORT RUSS AGREE ON DUMBARTON OAKS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (U. P.)—Russian delegates to the Dumbarton Oaks conference were believed virtually ready today to pack up and depart for Moscow to report general agreement with the United States and Britain on a preliminary plan for a world organization to keep the peace.

Signs that the second phase of the conference, between U. S., British and Chinese delegates, was about to start came when Secretary of State Cordell Hull arranged a morning meeting with the special bi-partisan group of foreign relations committee senators to discuss progress of the talks.

GOP STILL SEEKS PEARL HARBOR TRIAL

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (U. P.)—Republican house members kept mounting pressure on the administration today for an early trial of Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel and Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short, navy and army commanders at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Rep. Forrest A. Harness (R. Ind.) in another of a series of Republican protests against further delays in the trial, told the house yesterday that Short as well as Kimmel was eager for an early hearing before a congressional committee or judicial tribunal. Harness is a member of the military affairs committee.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

EVENTS TODAY

Indiana Red Cross Institute, Hotel Lincoln, Indianapolis Water Co., dinner meeting, Lincoln hotel, 6 p. m.

Bridgeport Brass, dinner meeting, Lincoln hotel, 7 p. m.

Police and Fireman's Insurance association, Seven hotel.

Western Section, International Association

EVENTS TOMORROW

Independent Jewelers Workers union, meeting, Hotel Washington, 8 p. m.

Indiana Red Cross Institute, Lincoln hotel.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

These lists are from official records; therefore, is not responsible for errors in names and addresses.

Charles Henry Smith, 210 Concordia; Sadie Elizabeth Minor, 143 E. Washington.

Levi Earl Schweiger, 617 E. Vermont; Amy L. Marshall, 617 E. Vermont.

Charles Caldwell, 340 N. Lynn; Cora Parson, 340 N. Lynn.

Samuel Bergner, army; Vivian Kushner, Spink-Arms hotel.

Robert C. Gilmore, 951 Prospect; Frances M. Martin, 69 E. Broadborn.

Thomas Clere, 2452 Birchwood; Dorothy A. Yates, 349 N. Oriental.

Frank J. Koenig, 110 N. New Jersey; Beatrice Coffey, Nashville, Ind.

George O. Hamm, army; Helen Elaine Baker, 2501 McClure.

George D. Dugan, Evansville, Ind.; Vaden N. Mann, Evansville, Ind.

John Price, 1419 Lexington; Dorothy Mae Bowes, 1236 Central.

Orville Miller, 1244 W. 19th; Lottie Miller, 763 N. Mill.

George E. Leachman, 1828 Peck; Drusilla L. Bennett, 1236 Central.

Robert E. Nickey, Garton, Ind.; Martha Dean Boyle, Garton, Ind.

Harry C. Bishop, 1235 N. Alabama; Lillian D. Johnson, 1235 N. Alabama.

Virgil Mills Dunsmore, 4 N. New Jersey; Honore Marie Wuerst, 1226 Craft.

Allegria G. Johnson, 1236 Central; Carol Eileen Zonkle, 313 N. Second, 1st fl.

Frank Adolph Hudson, 4726 W. Washington; Jean Eileen Pratt, 2850 Winthrop.

Walter E. Johnson, 1236 Central; Maywood; Betty B. Horton, 2246 Conner.

Minna Zelina, army; Joan Clark, R. R. 1, Box 528.

Eve M. Hougherty, R. R. 1, Box 294; Bonnie Marie Linder, 3011 N. Ritter.

Archie Suggs, Marion; Percey Hannah, Richard Norman Dodd, Columbus; Clara May Burton, Columbus.

James E. Thompson, 2018 Houston; Vera May Thompson, R. R. 1, Box 678.

James F. Chisolm, 912 W. Michigan; Beatrice Mae Bonds, 522 Patterson; Wanda Mae Bonds, Marion; Mary M. Long, 1615 Central.

Cyrille J. Catellier Jr., 1408 Marlowe; Dorothy Loraine Whittle, 3119 Nowland.

Willa Spillman, 1246 Paca; Velma Newcomb, 902 W. 10th.

BIRTHS

Girls

William, Alma Lyday, at St. Francis.

Charles, Elsie Pruitt, at St. Francis.

Herbert, Bernice Tucker, at St. Francis.

Walter, Linda Weller, at St. Francis.

Vincent, Cosette Zehns, at St. Vincent's.

Mervin, Margaret Bigelow, at Methodist.

Russell, Dorothy Conaway, at Methodist.

Ruth, Louise Ladd, at Methodist.

Wilbur, Cecilia Sears, at Methodist.

Ralph, Lillian Smith, at Methodist.

Charles, Charles, at Methodist.

Morris, Delpha Culbertson, at Embard.

Leo, Alma Hoyt, at Embard.

Harry, Ophelia Judd, at Embard.

John, Ethelene Ladd, at Embard.

Ralph, Cleta Mayo, at Embard.

William, Ruth Schmidt, at Embard.

Edwin, Hazel, Watson, at Embard.

Robert, Charlotte, Williams, at Embard.

Kenneth, Ruby Dunville, at 2119 Martin

Boys

Eugene, Patty McAtee, at St. Francis.

John, Wilma Milnes, at St. Francis.

LaMyon, Mary Riordan, at St. Francis.

Harold, Margaret Baker, at St. Vincent's.

Hume, Goldie Brothers, at St. Vincent's.

Frank, Dorothy Goodnight, at St. Vincent's.

Goddie, James Hull, at St. Vincent's.

Francis, Simon Kramer, at St. Vincent's.

John, Donald, at 1236 Central.

Russell, Oma Geddes, at Methodist.

Lewis, Winifred Andrews, at Embard.

George, Ada Bacher, at Embard.

Walter, Anna, at 1236 Central.

Walter, Helen Fraze, at 840 Harrison.

John, Arthur Oliver, at 3232 Guernsey.

Raymond, Anna Peterson, at 2159 Bellontaine.

Harold, Erma Spight, at 933 S. Capitol.

Thaddeus, Charles Strange, at 834 N. Elder.

Douglas, Hannelle Tandy, at 1122 E. 22d.

DEATHS

Emily Van Leesten, 88, at 5355 N. Delaware, chronic myocarditis.

Alberta Crutney, 18, at Riley, intracranial lesion.

Ross B. Hummel, 70, at 3210 Central, acute myocarditis.

James M. Holland, 28, at Methodist, tuberculous meningitis.

Stella Lee Hoffmann, 81, at 2017 N. Pennsylvania.

Jasper Willis, 88, at 824 Bradshaw, cerebral hemorrhage.

George F. Frazee, 48, at 2419 Central, chronic myocarditis.

Arthur Shulze, 60, at St. Vincent's.

Arabella McCord, 82, at 3207 Brookside Parkway, acute myocarditis.

Charles G. Gandy, 77, at City, uremia.

Raymond, Anna Peterson, at 2159 Bellontaine.

Harold, Charles Strange, at 834 N. Elder.

Douglas, Hannelle Tandy, at 1122 E. 22d.

Hold Two in 'Mad Man of Mattoon' Probe

MATTOON, Ill., Sept. 12 (U. P.)—Police Commissioner Thomas V. Wright today appealed to the "men and boys" of this jittery Midwestern city to lay down their arms "before someone gets shot," as state police moved in to aid in the search for the "Madman of Mattoon," the ambling anesthetist who paralyzes his victims with "gasoline" gas.

Meanwhile, the "war of nerves" continued as police reported two more cases of what they described as hysteria last night during which dozens of calls were received at the police station.

The latest "victims" were Mrs. Ivy Ketsel, 25, and Mrs. Caroline Overall, 40. Mrs. Ketsel was taken to Mattoon hospital where physicians said she was suffering from nervousness, but could find no other symptoms.

Wright appealed to the citizens

there have been only about six genuine attacks by the mysterious "gasoline" gas.

Police believed it was becoming a popular thing to be "gassed" by the phantom and said women were beginning to feel "left out" if they hadn't had a visit from the ambling anesthetist who has been roaming the streets for 10 days.

The state policemen who came to this city last night, brought eight squad cars and a mobile broadcast set to aid in tracking down the phantom. Mattoon police have no radio equipment.

Lodge 25 to Meet

Golden Rule Lodge No. 25 has planned a luncheon tomorrow in Trainmen's hall followed by a meeting. Lois Stone will preside and Nora Demoret is luncheon chairman.