

U. S. Industry Faces Record Shutdown

Coal, Steel Strikes Threatened as Auto Talks Near Crisis

By United Press
The nation was threatened to-day by one of the largest industrial shutdowns in history.

John L. Lewis' coal miners gave signs of a general coal walkout Monday.

The CIO Steelworkers were ready to strike at midnight next Saturday.

A key railroad walkout was in progress. A big rubber firm was shut down. Negotiations in the Ford Motor Co.-United Auto Workers dispute were in a critical stage.

The big coal and steel strikes would affect 14 million workers. An estimated 87,000 employees already were idle in labor disputes.

Pension and welfare demands pushed aside wages in most of the controversies.

Stony Silence

Soft coal operators expected the coal miners to go on strike Monday. John L. Lewis kept a stony silence, but reports from mines across the country indicated a general strike was coming.

Observers at the steel center of Pittsburgh held little hope the steel companies and Philip Murray, CIO president, would reach an agreement. The government called both sides to a conference in Washington and deplored the embittered debate between them.

At Dayton, O., the Goodrich Rubber Co. offered improved pension and insurance plans in an attempt to settle a 19-day walkout by the CIO United Rubber Workers.

A strike against the Missouri Pacific Railroad, that has deadened the commerce in an 11-state Midwest area, entered its second week. Wages were not in dispute. The issue was the union demand for settlement of 282 grievances at a cost of \$3 million.

"No Benefits, No Work"

The coal miners were raising the cry of "no welfare benefits, no work." Miners left the pits in Wyoming and Utah. A spokesman in Indiana hinted a "little work stoppage coming." In Western Pennsylvania, a union official said he would not be surprised if the men did not work Monday.

The steel crisis brewed over recommendations by a Presidential Fact-Finding Board for company-financed pension and social security benefits. The steel firms and the union were embittered and a government official called their "debate by telegraph messages deplorable."

The CIO Auto Workers and the Ford Motor Co. held week-end meetings toward getting a new contract for 115,000 workers. The company was reported as having offered a new pension system, but the position of the UAW on the Presidential board veto of fourth round wage increases was not known.

The setting of week-end talks was interpreted to mean that a crisis might be near in the Ford dispute. UAW President Walter Reuther and Ford negotiator John S. Bugas refused to comment.

Mrs. William T. Jones Dies at Her Home

Services for Mrs. Mary Alice Jones, 2146 Station St., who died Friday in her home, will be held at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow in Shirley Brothers Central Chapel. Burial will be in Anderson. She was 76.

Born in Gallatin, Tenn., she lived in Indianapolis 33 years. She was a member of the Hopkinsville, Ky., Methodist Church. Survivors include her husband, William T. Jones; two sons, Art and Paul Jones; three daughters, Mrs. Ray Baldwin, Mrs. Helen Jefferson and Mrs. John R. Costello; a brother, John Sudduth; a sister, Mrs. Blanch Boyant, all of Indianapolis; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Five Held in Stabbing, Victim Called Critical

McKinley Northington, 42, of 1634 Ogden St., stabbed above the heart during an argument, was in critical condition in General Hospital last night.

Two women and three men were held by police in connection with the stabbing. Police found Mr. Northington lying on his porch with a wound in his chest yesterday afternoon.

Police said the wounded man identified one of the women as his attacker. Witnesses said the stabbing occurred during an argument.

Shows Visual Aids

Henry M. Stoepelwerth, of the Indiana Visual Aids Co., Inc., will demonstrate training programs aids to members of the Industrial Training Association of Indiana in a dinner meeting at 6:30 p. m. tomorrow in the Marott Hotel.

Premier Cuts Vacation

ROME, Sept. 17 (UPI)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi cut short his vacation today and returned to Rome to intervene personally if necessary in the eight-day-old Italian maritime strike.

Article by Dr. Potzger

Dr. John E. Potzger of the Butler University botany department faculty, is the author of an article, "Reading Tree History in Pollen Dust," in the September issue of American Forests.

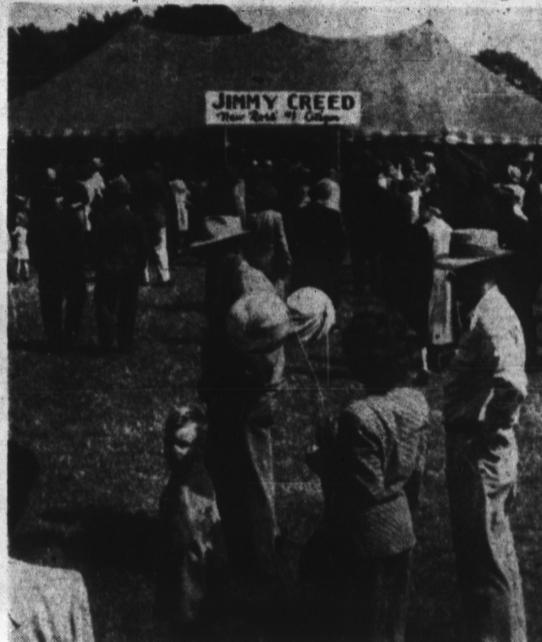
Probation for Death Try

BATH, England, Sept. 17 (UPI)—Ronald Boak, 19, was placed on probation today after being found guilty of attempting to commit suicide by swallowing 200 phenobarbitone tablets.

New Ross Puts Out Warm Welcome For Pacer Jimmy



New Ross, Ind., put out a warm welcome for Jimmy Creed, top pacer, when he returned to the place of his birth. Shown with him are (left to right) owners Mr. and Mrs. Silas C. Thompson, Groom Hanson Caster and Jimmy Creed Rhoads for whom the horse was named.



"Jimmy Creed Day" drew a big crowd and the people milled about the homemade midway taking in the sights. But always they drifted to the tent of the famous horse.

John H. Lederer, Ex-Times Executive, Dies in Chicago

Business Manager Here for 10 Years

John H. (Jack) Lederer, business manager of The Indianapolis Times from 1912 to 1922 and a veteran newspaperman for more than 35 years, died yesterday in Chicago. He was 66.

He left The Times in 1922 and went with the Hearst newspaper chain in an executive capacity. He later took a position as business manager of the Milwaukee Sentinel.

Mr. Lederer was retired for the last two years after suffering a stroke. At the time he was an advertising executive for the Paul Block national advertising firm.

Services will be held Tuesday at the John E. Maloney Co. funeral home, 1359 Devon Ave., Chicago.

He is survived by a son, Jack, and a sister, Mrs. Walk Callahan, Mt. Carmel, Ill.

He was a member of the Murat Temple, Order of the Mystic Shrine.



John H. Lederer

Fate of Air Races Hangs in Balance

Washington Meeting To Make Decision

By MAX B. COOK
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CLEVELAND, Sept. 17 (UPI)—The future of the National Air Races will be determined in Washington late this month at a meeting called by the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

Attending will be representatives of the air race management, National Aeronautics Association, race judges and timers, and racing pilots.

The situation arising from the tragic death of Bill Odom, world-famed flier, a mother and child during the Thompson Trophy Race on Labor Day will be discussed.

CAA investigators will report their findings on the cause of the disaster. Air race officials will outline precautionary measures taken before the race—such as realigning the pylon course

with seven instead of four pylons—to prevent just such a tragedy.

Fred C. Crawford, president of the air races, already has anounced that "safety must come first" even though "it should halt future races."

It is probable that the races may be moved from Cleveland next year to one of five other cities which have asked for them. It is also possible that the site will depend upon a location in which a closed-pylon course may be constructed some distance from populated areas.

Can Be Staged Elsewhere

The Cleveland National Air Races which has the race sanction has the power to stage it anywhere in the United States.

Immediately after the race a cry went up to kill the races for the future. But now the armed services, pilots and aviation industry representatives insist that the races perform an important service to future aviation progress and also give the public an insight as to where its billions spent on military aviation are going.

Compared to other events, such as the annual Indianapolis auto races, the national air races over the years have not had a bad record in point of lives lost and property damaged.

Cripps Back Home, Mum on Devaluation

LONDON, Sept. 17 (UPI)—Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps returned home from the Washington financial talks today, confident Britain is on the way toward solving its economic ills but silent on the question of devaluing the pound sterling.

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