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McVAY AND HIS COUNSEL AT TRIAL



COMMANDER OF THE ILL-FATED CRUISER *Indianapolis*, which was torpedoed in the Philippine Sea, Capt. Charles B. McVay, III, is pictured with two members of his defense counsel at his courtmartial trial in Washington. The Navy accused Capt. McVay of being responsible through "negligence" and "indifference" for the loss of men in the sinking of the cruiser. Shown are (l. to r.) Lt. E. M. Volterra, Riverdale, Md.; Capt. McVay; and Capt. John P. Cady. (International Soundphoto)

CHRYSLER CONTRACT ENDED

Labor Solid Against Truman

Capitol Hill Goes Ahead On Program

Strikers Are To Pass On Proposal Of The President

(By The Associated Press) President Truman's proposal aimed at bringing peace to the nation's troubled labor front met a solid wall of opposition from the country's top ranking labor leaders today.

Besides Philip Murray's critical attack last night, John L. Lewis and William Green have also criticized his policy.

Despite the rising union opposition to Mr. Truman's proposal, congressional leaders in Washington went ahead with plans to draft a bill to carry out the President's program by fact-finding as a means to end industrial strikes.

The President's program will be put to a vote by congressmen of two major CIO unions within a few days. To-United Auto Workers leaders have said the final decision of Mr. Truman's proposal for an end of the General Motors walk-out would be decided by the strikers.

Approximately 243,000 employees in 70 G. M. plants, throughout the country constitute about one-half of the nation's total labor force because of labor disputes. The return to work this week of 40,000 Ford Motor Company employees who had been laid off temporarily because of strikes at 3 auto parts plants, and the 30,000 AFL lumber workers in the Pacific northwest, resulted in a sharp drop in the total out of jobs as a result of strikes.

Only one new strike developed in the last 24 hours. About 1,500 AFL garment cutters in New York City struck, closing fifty downtown manufacturing shops. UAW officials said the walkout followed a breakdown in wage negotiations with the United Diamond Manufacturers Association.

The principal demand, they said, was for an equalization of piece work pay rates.

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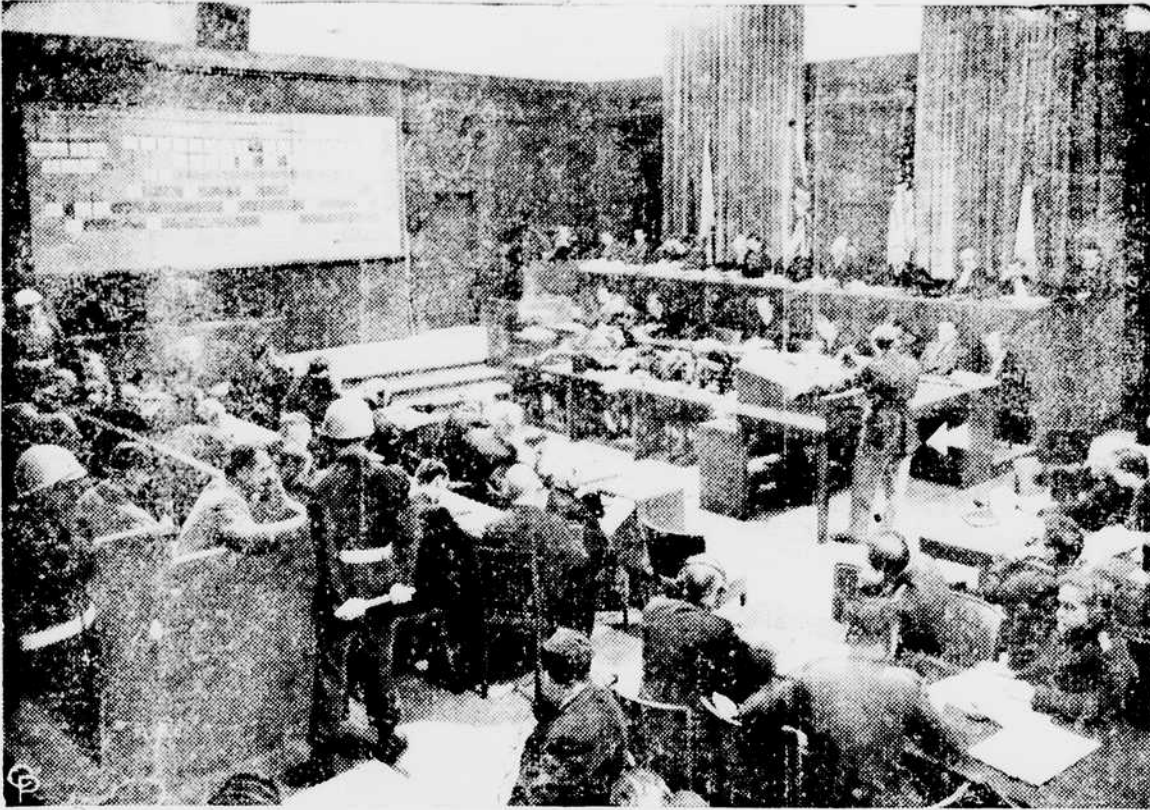
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WELDING WAR CRIMES 'CHAIN' AT NUREMBERG



IN ONE OF THE MOST DRAMATIC and comprehensive photographs to come from the Nuremberg courtroom, a large chart on the wall is shown establishing the "chain of command", while Maj. Frank B. Willis (indicated by arrow) presents details to the court—here shown in its entirety. Note American guard with "billy" handy, keeping an eye on the key defendants, while Hermann Goering leans on a hand and Rudolf Hess goes into one of the "dazes" that preceded his admission of forging annexes. Signal Corps photo. (International)

Deadlock In GM Strikes Unchanged

Chrysler Plants Face No Shutdown Due To New Turn

Detroit, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Resumption of negotiations between striking CIO auto workers and General Motors on the company's complaint of illegal picketing activities were postponed today at the request of the union. Walter P. Reuther, United Automobile Workers vice president, announced the postponement of the conference, which had been scheduled for this afternoon, saying he had been called out of the city and would be unable to participate. Reuther would not disclose his destination or the reason for his departure.

The picketing negotiations have been regarded by General Motors as a prelude to resumption of collective bargaining on the union's demand for a 30 per cent increase within the corporation's present price structure.

Detroit, Dec. 5.—(AP)—While a deadlock persisted today in the strike of General Motors employees, negotiations between the CIO-UAW union and Chrysler Corporation on wage demands were broken off and the working contract was terminated.

Robert W. Conder, Chrysler director of labor relations, said the UAW-CIO had rejected a company offer to extend the contract for a year, and that the company declined a union request that it be extended for six weeks.

No interruption of Chrysler operations was expected to result from the contract termination. On previous occasions during contract negotiations, UAW-CIO members have continued to work pending a new agreement.

Conder said the union had made an offer on wages other than its stand for a 30 per cent increase, and had rejected a company proposal that wage rates reflect the same percentage increase over the period prior to the little steel formula as the Bureau of Labor Statistics shows living costs increased since then.

Limited negotiations between the UAW-CIO and General Motors Corporation on some issues in the strike, idling more than 200,000 General Motors workers, were resumed today.

The conference was called in light of President Truman's proposed appointment of a fact-finding board whose services both parties hoped will not be necessary to settle the dispute. It was confined to a discussion of "illegal picketing," which the corporation maintains must be discontinued before the union's 30 per cent wage increase demand can be considered.

Senate Planning For Greater Aid For War Victims

CHANGE CHARLESTON NAVY YARD'S NAME

Washington, Dec. 5.—(AP)—The Senate turned today to further relief for victims of war, after voting, 65 to 7, for active participation in the peace seeking United Nations organization.

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Chinese Government To Move To Nanking

Beiping, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A counter-revolutionary movement, said today, Chinese executive Yuan, will move to Nanking after December 15 and that army present plans to capture T. V. Soong also would move to the former capital.

The spokesman, P. H. Chang, announced that personnel from various bureaus would be established at Nanking within ten days and the government would remain at Chungking possibly until next March. Fifteen hundred government workers will be moved to Nanking before December 15, he said.

Meanwhile, Vice Premier for Foreign Affairs, Liu, Chang announced that Chinese negotiations for the unification of Nationalist troops in Mukden and Changchun, Manchuria, would be completed within two weeks. He said the troops would take over provincial and municipal administrations in the rich northern provinces.

Washington, Dec. 5.—(AP)—France's rehabilitation program was bolstered today by a \$50,000,000 loan from the United States, and Anglo-American negotiators sought early agreement on a credit of about seven times that large for Great Britain.

French negotiations with the Export-Import Bank ended successfully when Ambassador Henri Boncompagni signed a contract, enabling the bank to use the fund to purchase goods in replacement when lend-lease was in effect.

Meanwhile, British and American officials entered the 15th week of their conversations, agreeing that they were close together on the terms of a loan of \$1,500,000,000 to \$1,800,000,000.

Cotton Is Mixed In Quotations At The Noon Period

New York, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened 10 to 20 cents a bale higher. Noon prices were 10 cents a bale higher to 15 cents lower. December 24.65, March 24.95, May 24.30.
IN CLOSE OPEN
December 24.65 24.67
March 24.95 24.60-61
May 24.30 24.44
July 24.00 24.12
October 23.92 23.84-85

BOUND FOR TOKYO TO TRY JAP WAR CRIMINALS



RECENTLY-APPOINTED CHIEF COUNSEL of major Japanese war crimes prosecution, Joseph B. Keenan of Cleveland, O., is pictured with members of his staff at the Washington National Airport shortly before their plane left for Japan. They are (l. to r.) Col. Thomas H. Morrow, John Darsey, executive assistant; Mr. Keenan; Henry A. Haushurst, Carlisle W. Higgins, John W. Finelly and Otto Low. (International Soundphoto)

Gen. Hurley Bares Plot Upon Chiang

Advises Committee Atcheson Asked For Aid To Communists

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Rain and continued cold, changing to snow tonight; Thursday, mostly cloudy and continued cold; becoming partly cloudy in afternoon; some light rain or snow in extreme eastern section Thursday morning.

16 Shopping days till Christmas

Goering Forced Czechs To "Invite" Germans In Last Days Of Hitler Recounted

Made Threats To Destroy Prague If Nation Resisted

Nuremberg, Germany, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Hermann Goering shattered Czechoslovakia's last will to resist Hitler's war machine with the ultimatum that "that of Prague would lie in ruins, that aerial bombardment within two hours" the international military tribunal was told today.

German prosecutors at the trial of Goering and 19 other Nazi leaders accused of war crimes had before the court officials German records and French and British diplomatic reports disclosing the Hitler pattern of threats, bribery and broken promises that crumpled the Czechs' last resistance after the Munich pact led British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain to propose "peace in our time."

In cold detail the prosecutors discussed the refusal of Czechoslovakia President Benes when he was repeatedly summoned to Berlin by the key before German troops marched across the border on March 14, 1939, and was told that Prague would be occupied if the Czechs tried on the Nazi invaders.

Goering, thrilled Benes with the coming threat if he did not immediately "invite" German troops "to its country, according to the report of French Ambassador Robert Combarieu read into the evidence.

Guarantees To Farmers To Be Less

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GOP Plans Statement For Election Support

Washington, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Congressional Republicans met today in an attempt to frame a statement of principles they hope will pick up some House and Senate seats next year.

What, if anything, they agree on behind closed doors at separate Senate and House sessions, may not be made public until the meeting of the GOP's national committee in Chicago late this week.

It contents are a carefully guarded secret and have been since the steering committee whipped the 1,500-word statement in shape Monday. But members who helped write it have cautioned reporters against expecting a detailed mid-term platform. Rather, they said, it will be a general statement of principles supplementing and enlarging on the platform adopted by the national committee at Chicago in 1944. "There are too many things and too many different opinions among our members to permit agreement on a detailed statement," one House leader said. "We have almost as many ideas as we have members."