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Great Steel Strike Ends For 380,000

Furnaces, Plants
Must Be Readied
For Output Again

Pittsburgh, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Steel mills employing more than half of the 750,000 CIO United Steel Workers reopened today with the official ending of their strike at 12:01 a. m., but the return to work of many of the men will be gradual.

Industry officials said maintenance men would first have to get furnaces and plants prepared for a resumption of operations which were shut down four weeks ago by the biggest strike in American history.

A spokesman for the United States Steel Corp. said full production would not be attained for three or four weeks.

The strike was ended for more than 380,000 workers, most of them employed by the large basic steel producers. United States Steel, with 130,000 workers; Bethlehem, with 75,000; Republic with 35,000; and Youngstown Sheet and Tube, with 20,000 were among the companies resuming under new agreements with the union provisions for an 13.5 cents an hour wage increase.

Union officials expected many other companies to quickly sign contracts. Meanwhile, one of the few basic steel plants in the nation unaffected by the walkout, the Weirton Steel Co. with 10,000 workers at Weirton, W. Va., and Steubenville, Ohio, announced a 22-cent an hour increase for hourly, piece work and tonnage employees.

12 Killed As Fire Sweeps Mental Home

Kingston, Jamaica, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Fifteen male inmates of the Kingston mental hospital, where attendants struck Friday, were burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed the infirmary ward of the institution.

The fire was one of several in the hospital, all believed set by the mental patients. Three other persons were killed over the week-end.

Clark Seeks To Get Davenport To Contradict Self

Greenville, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Senator D. M. Clark today attempted to show Roderick Davenport, head of the erstwhile big apple loan business, has given testimony contradicting statements he made at a bankruptcy hearing last May.

Still on cross examination, Davenport said under Solicitor Clark's questioning he did not begin his small loan business until 1933. Davenport admitted borrowing various sums of money since 1920 from banks and individuals, some of whom he paid as high as ten per cent a week interest, but he denied that he lent any money at that rate prior to 1943.

Clark continued efforts to prove that Davenport's loan business received much more in deposits by investors than the \$160,000 admitted by the defendant, whose trial on fraud charges today entered its third week.

Fights for Life



ONE OF eighteen Japs on trial in Shanghai, China, for the burning alive of three American fliers who were with Lt. Gen. Jimmy Doolittle on the raid on Tokyo, Lt. Gen. Shigaro Sawada peers out from behind his cell bars in a Shanghai jail. He commanded the Jap 13th Army in Shanghai when the Yanks were killed. (International Soundphoto)

32 Prelates Elevated To Cardinals

Four Americans Are Included In Group Receiving Honors

Vatican City, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Thirty-two prominent prelates, among them four Americans, were elevated to the college of cardinals today with church pomp and ceremony.

Formerly, Pope Pius XII announced at a secret consistory of the college, attended by 28 of the 37 existing members, the creation of the 32 new prelates of the Roman Catholic Church. All but three of the 32 were in Rome and papal emissaries delivered to them their formal notifications. With this notification the designees formally became cardinals.

The new American cardinals, making with Dennis Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, the five Americans in the 69-cardinal college are:

John Cardinal Glennon of St. Louis, dean of the group; Edward Cardinal Mooney of Detroit; Samuel Cardinal Stritch of Chicago; Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York.

Pope Pius told the consistory: "The Church does not belong only to one race, to one people, to one nation, but to all peoples of the human family which are redeemed by the divine blood of Christ."

10,706 PERSONNEL IN SOUTHEAST RELEASED

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 18.—During January, civilian and military operating personnel in the seven southern states was reduced by 10,706, according to the February 1 report released today by Headquarters, Fourth Service Command.

The civilian personnel reduction showed a total of 1,566 with the military personnel slice reaching 9,140, the report shows. The military included officers and enlisted men assigned to Headquarters, Fourth Service Command here, and posts, camps or stations in the command, exclusive of the men returned from overseas under the general point discharge program at the separation centers.

Witnesses Subpoenaed By Senators

Two To Be Heard On Nomination Of Edwin W. Pauley

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Senator Brewster (R-Me.) touched off a sharp argument at hearings on the Edwin W. Pauley nomination today when he asked a witness if he did not wish to testify further "because you might incriminate yourself."

The witness, Harold Judson, assistant solicitor general, replied angrily that he resented the statement. Senator Ellender (D-La.) broke in to shout "whose on trial here, Pauley or Judson?"

Into Every Phase. When Senator Tobey (R-NH) should back that he intended to go into every phase of the activities of Pauley, President Truman's nominee for undersecretary of the navy, Chairman Walsh (D-Mass.) demanded and got order.

The uproar began after Judson had testified that he did not contribute any money to a 1939 California campaign in which he was attorney for a group seeking to prevent the killing of an oil conservation measure.

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—The Senate Naval Committee subpoenaed a ranking justice department official and a Chicago radio station executive for questioning today on Edwin W. Pauley's nomination to be undersecretary of the navy.

In another off-shoot of the same set of disputed presidential appointments, a Banking subcommittee arranged to hear witnesses opposing the selection of Commodore James Vardaman, Jr., President Truman's naval aid, for a 14-year term on the Federal Reserve Board.

Alien Confirmation Seen

The Senate itself appeared set to confirm a third appointment—that of George Allen, former Democratic national secretary to a two-year term as a Reconstruction Finance Corp. director despite Republican opposition.

There remained the possibility Mr. Truman might decide on a successor to Harold Ickes as Secretary of Interior and send his name to the Senate. Speculation still listed Senator Joseph O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) among the top possibilities.

Market Is Hit By Selling Spree

New York, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Selling hit the stock market for losses of one to five points today without any specific news to account for the downturn.

Prominent casualties included U. S. Steel, Bethlehem, Chrysler, General Motors, Montgomery Ward and DuPont.

BARUCH WILL SPEAK AT CHARLOTTE MEET

Charlotte, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Bernard Baruch will make the main address here Thursday night when Josephus Daniels will be presented a gold medal award for "distinguished service for furthering human rights and inter-faith unity."

Rules Governing Use Of Fire Equipment Codified

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Raleigh, Feb. 18.—The department of justice is this week distributing a 12-page compilation of laws governing the use of municipal fire fighting equipment beyond the corporate limits of cities and towns. The memorandum was prepared by James E. Tucker, assistant attorney general but was checked and approved by the entire staff before being mimeographed and distributed.

Conclusions reached from careful study of statutes and supreme court opinions are that municipalities have full authority to provide fire protection within two miles of corporate limits and may contract to furnish such protection within a twelve mile limit. After service has been established, either under statute or by agreement, the same general laws apply outside and inside corporate lines.

Fire fighting equipment is exempt from usual speed limits, but such exemption does not relieve drivers from responsibility for public safety. Firemen have the same rights outside as within cities to enter upon property, either to destroy property, when necessary to combat fires.

It is concluded also that municipal authorities have the same right to require firemen to go outside corporate limits on same basis as they are required to protect inside property and in such cases there is the same

Bowles Lauds Price Program

EVERY MAN TO HIS OWN HOBBY



WHEN IT COMES TO HOBBIES, we're strictly the stamp or match-cover collecting type. Of more courageous stuff is Ted Kaufman of Astoria, L. I., N. Y., a trouble-shooter in a radio factory. When he wants to relax from his daily chores he cuts up as a fire-eater and flame thrower. Here Ted is shown blowing a huge ball of flame. (International)

Nip Emperor Appeals For U.S. Support

Says MacArthur Very Great Man; Lauds U. S. Troops

Tokyo, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Emperor Hirohito told three American newspapermen in a rare interview today that speed of his defeated nation's recovery depends on the co-operation of the United States.

In an atmosphere of unusual informality, the emperor received Robert McLean, president of the Philadelphia Bulletin; Norman Chandler, president of the Los Angeles Times and Benjamin McKelway, editor of the Washington Star.

Over tea cups, they discussed a wide range of subjects, non-political, with the emperor observing at one point:

"MacArthur is a very great man."

American troops are conducting themselves "co-operatively," he said.

The 30-minute interview, longest audience ever granted foreign newspapermen, was given at a rare invitation to tea.

Japs also "very anxious to co-operate," said the emperor. He gravely requested his interviewers to report fully their impressions of Japan as a contribution to understanding.

Hart Wasn't Given Navy Instructions

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Senator Hart (R-Conn.) testified today that Washington never sent him, as commander of the Asiatic fleet, any pre-war order on what to do if Japan attacked Britain and not the United States.

He told the Senate-House committee investigating Pearl Harbor he did inquire on December 6, 1941 whether there was any agreement and got no reply.

Hart also:

1. Denied he had ever told Naval Admiral Mooney of Detroit, Samuel a winds code message which Stafford said had mysteriously vanished from navy files.

2. Refused to place himself in a position of saying whether Adm. Husband Kimmel took proper precautions in Hawaii.

3. Disclosed that he started scouting Japanese forces by air even before getting instruction from Washington.

Porter Nominated

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—President Truman today formally nominated Paul Porter to be price administrator. His name will go to the Senate for confirmation.

Boston Mayor Given Term For Mail Fraud

James M. Curley, Also Congressman, Gets Short Term

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Rep. James M. Curley, 71, who is also mayor of Boston, was sentenced in Federal court today to serve from six months to a year and six months and pay a \$1,000 fine for mail fraud.

Sentenced with him for activities in Engineers Group, Inc., an organization that the Government contended collected \$60,000 by representing its ability to get war contracts for clients, were Donald W. Smith, former member of the National Labor Relations Board, and James G. Fuller, now serving a five-year sentence at Atlanta for fraudulent use of the mails.

Smith Also Fined. Federal Judge James Proctor sentenced Smith to serve from four months to one year and one day and pay a \$1,000 fine and Fuller to serve 16 months to four years.

The three men have announced their intentions to appeal to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. Curley said he will carry his appeal to the Supreme Court if necessary.

Curley, a Democrat, who started his political career 46 years ago as a Boston city councilman, has been governor of Massachusetts four times mayor of Boston and four times a member of Congress.

He was elected mayor for the fourth time last year and took office on January 1, holding both positions of mayor and congressman. Curley, whose political career has been a spectacular series of victories and defeats, started working while obtaining his education in Boston.

Situation In China Again Is Confused

Chungking, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Communist party sources disagreed today on what is happening in Manchuria and the significance of events there.

A Communist spokesman said that no major fighting was taking place in Manchuria and isolated clashes reported by no means indicated the resumption of civil war.

Communist press dispatches, however, reported that the Nationalist new 6th army had seized Liaochung, 40 miles southwest of Mukden, from Communists after having taken Tapan and Panshan in the same area.

The Communist dispatch, dated Sunday, asserted that the Nationalist forces were "exploiting their gains" and that in eastern Jehol province, of Inner Mongolia troops of the Nationalist 89th division of the 13th army captured two townships.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Increasing cloudiness and mild tonight and Tuesday, with light to moderate rain Tuesday beginning in west tonight.

Says Inflationary Pressures Are Up To Bursting Point

Washington, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Chester Bowles told Congress today the nation faces an inflationary explosion with pressure "up to the bursting point."

But he declared that President Truman's new wage price policy is "a program that will work" with "little or no effect" on food, rents or clothing prices if the bulge in the stabilization line is not permitted to become a breakthrough.

"I think it is a good program, and I mean to put everything I've got into making it succeed," the newly named stabilization boss said in testimony before the House Banking Committee.

Extension Urged. Bowles appeared to urge extension of the price control and other stabilization acts now set to expire June 30. He called too for action by Congress to "stop the inflation in the real estate market" if the administration's new homes for veterans program is to succeed. And he said the food subsidy program must be continued.

The price chief acknowledged that the new wage price policy is "no, a perfect program" adding that "under the circumstances which we face there can be no perfect program."

It would be difficult, he told the committee, to exaggerate the gravity of the inflationary prices crisis face. Everywhere men are betting on inflation.

Pressure Is Mounting. "A speculative fever has taken hold of the country. The pressure in the boiler is up to the bursting point. The lobbyists and profiteers are licking their chops. It is going to take firm and decisive action if we are to hold the country on an even keel."

Reviewing Government action since V-J day, Bowles said that "looking back it is perfectly clear that we moved too fast and too soon in stopping off war-time controls."

While he said the relaxed post-war wage price policy worked well "on the whole" and that 6,000,000 workers received wage increases through orderly collective bargaining since V-J day, Bowles added that none-the-less the policy "broke down in a number of vitally important areas."

Turning to the new program, which removes the six month waiting period before industry can ask for price increases to offset wage boosts and provide that such boosts conform to industry or area patterns, Bowles asked himself:

"Does this mean general price increases throughout the entire economy?"

"Emphatically it does not," he declared, "and it is vitally important that we understand why this is so."

"First of all let's remember that the number of industries which have been, or are likely to be, forced below their pre-war earnings for any reason is relatively small. The present pattern of wage increases can be and in many instances has already been, established in scores of industries with no price increases what-so-ever."

POULTRY PRICES IN N. C. DECLINE

Raleigh, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Prices paid to poultry producers for fryers and broilers have dropped from 29 cents a pound to as low as 20 cents in the past two weeks, it was reported today by Martin Dilday, poultry marketing specialist with the department of agriculture.

Market conditions and the scarcity of feed have brought uncertainty to producers, Dilday said. He estimated there now are 200,000 fryers and broilers ready for market in Chat-ham county alone, "but farmers are in a quandary over whether to sell or wait."

Lint Futures Show Big Drop at Noon

New York, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened today five cents a bale lower to 30 cents higher.

Noon prices were 45 to 65 cents a bale lower. March 26-32, May 26-33, July 24-31.

Pv. Close Open

March 26-32 26.41 26.45

May 26-33 26.47 26.46

July 24-31 26.43 26.47

October 26-33 26.23 26.27

December 26-34 26.20 26.25

HAIL END OF STEEL STRIKE



THIS HAPPY TRIO clasped hands in Washington after it had been announced that the CIO United Steelworkers and the U. S. Steel Corporation had settled the 26-day-old strike. Shown (l. to r.) are: John A. Stephens, vice-president of U. S. Steel in charge of industrial relations; Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schellenbach; and Philip Murray, president of the Steelworkers Union. (International Soundphoto)

TELLS OF FDR WAR EXCLAMATION



WHITE HOUSE NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS AIDE in 1941, Comdr. Lester R. Schulz, is shown with Sen. Homer Ferguson (right) after he had testified before the Pearl Harbor Investigating Committee in Washington. He said that when he delivered a note to President Roosevelt on Dec. 6, 1941, the latter exclaimed, "This Means War". (International)