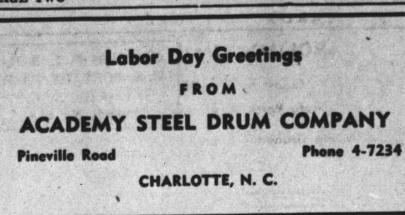
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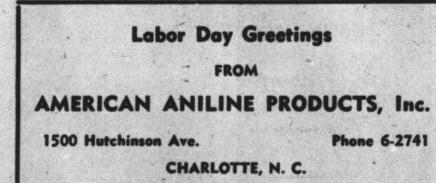
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appointed head of the Mutual Security mission to Yugoslavia, with the rank of minister. He was the third labor man to be so honored. Radio, TV by Truman

CIO Packinghouse Workers won a 14¹/₂-cent package, including a pension plan, for 30,000 Armour employees. IUE, after a 4-month struggle, settled its contract for 70,000 General Electric workers. UAW won a 66-day strike over grievances at the International Harvester plant near Chicago.

Douglas Aircraft, after reporting profits up to 60 percent over the previous year, granted a 5-cent an hour increase to 13,000 IAM members at El Segundo, Cal., who had recessed a two-week strike at the request of President Truman. American Telephone and Telegraph reported profits up 10½ percent over the year, in spite of company claims that costs had increased 100 percent or more. A Federal Trade Commission study revealed that 55 of the 83 biggest manufacturers were making profits at a higher rate (many double, A network. Truman's address

some triple) in 1951 than 1940, in spite of "ruinous taxes." US Steel profits were \$30,405,472 for the Sept. 30 quarter, as minst \$27,926,000 the previous mass in spite of a 2116 percent drop

against \$27,936,000 the previous year, in spite of a 21½ percent drop in sales. US Steel President Benjamin Fairless admitted to the Georgia Chamber of Commerce that higher taxes are passed on to the condecided time.

sumer, rather than coming out of company profits. NOVEMBER: This was a month of deep mourning for the entire labor movement as both the CIO and AFL lost their top officers. CIO President Philip Murray, 66, died suddenly of a heart attack in San Francisco Nov. 9, a week before the CIO convention was to open in Los Angeles. The convention was postponed for two weeks and moved to Atlantic City. On Nov. 13, Murray was buried near Pittsburgh, within sight of the coal fields where he started work at 16 on his arrival from Scotland. The National Broadcasting Co., through WWJ and WWJ-TV, will make available to NBC stations throughout the country "delayed" broadcasts and telecasts of the Truman speech. NBC stations will carry the radio broadcast from 9 to 9:30 p. m., EST. While the time of the delayed telecast is

Eight days later, AFL President William Green, 82, died in his hometown of Coshocton, Ohio, and was buried there, also near the hills where he dug coal as a youth. The deaths of the two leaders left John L. Lewis, 72, president of the United Mine Workers, the lone survivor of labor's Big Three for the last decade. Not yet certain, it has tentatively been set for 3:30 to 4 p. m., EST. Through the facilies of station WXYZ, the American Broadcasting Co., will also do a "delayed"

On Nov. 25, the day after Green's funeral, the AFL executive council met in Washington and named AFL Secretary-Treasurer George Meany as Green's successor. William F. Schnitzler, president of the Bakery Workers, was elected to the post which Meany had held This will be Truman's first na-

of the Bakery Workers, was elected to the post which Meany had held since 1939. Meany immediately made a plea for renewed AFL-CIO unity talks.

David J. McDonald, secretary-treasurer of the CIO Steelworkers, was appointed to fill Murray's post as union president until a referen-

dum Feb. 10. The CIO vice presidents, unable to agree on a successor for Murray's CIO post, left the matter for the CIO convention to decide. Leading candidates were Walter Reuther and Allan Haywood. MINERS' CHIEF

Earlier in the month, labor-backed presidential candidate Adlai (Continued from Page 1)

E. Stevenson lost to General Eisenhower. The AFL and CIO called on Eisenhower to carry out his campaign pledges promising fair Beavers devoted himself to the

treatment for all Americans. Republicans also won control of both houses of Congress and predictions were made that the new Congress would try for more restrictive labor legislation, including the outlawing of industry-wide bargaining.

Tighe Woods resigned as price boss, saying all he had been able to do under the ineffective controls law was hand out price increases. Murray's report to the CIO convention, released after his death, called for an end of wage controls because price and production controls had collapsed. Solidly union firm employed 15 to 20 people at its peak and the cigars soon became the most popular in the area. However, saloons were the

Some 8000 AFL west coast sailors went on strike because WSB had failed to take any action on a wage increase won last summer. The strike was ended five days later after the union and employers agreed any part of the raise not approved by WSB would be paid later. 1915, McBride & Beavers, feeling

Lewis told Economic Stabilizer Putnam the winners intended "sooner or later" to get back the 40 cents chopped from their \$1.90 a day wage boost by WSB, even if they had to wait until the controls program fell through. McBride got himself elected

A Senate Labor subcommittee report showing that Negroes still lag behind whites in every important economic and social aspect led Sen. Humphrey to announce he would introduce an FEPC bill as soon as Congress opened. The Supreme Court ruled jim crow rail cars illeal. DECEMBER: UAW head Walter Reuther was elected new CIO



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President, defeating Allan Haywood, who was returned as Executive Vice President. The vote, at the delayed CIO Convention in Atlantic City, was 3,079,181 for Reuther, 2,613,103 for Haywood. Both men pledged that the campaign preceding the election would have no effect on the working harmony of the CIO. Adlai Stevenson was principal speaker at a convention memorial service for Phillip Murray. The convention also authorized unity talks with the AFL and called for an end of wage controls because price controls were ineffective. Appointed Secretary of Labor by Eisenhower was Martin P.

Durkin, president of the AFL Plumbers, a Democrat and Stevensonsupporter. Senator Taft scored the appointment as "incredible" and an "affront to millions of union members and officers" who, he said, voted for Ike.

Durkin said his aims, which he was sure Eisenhower supported, would be to strengthen the Labor Department, improve labor-management relations and revise existing labor laws to make them fair to both unions and employers. Lloyd Mashburn, California Labor Commissioner and former executive secretary of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council, was named assistant to Durkin.

Looking forward to laor unity talks early in 1933, AFL President Meany said the AFL would do its utmost to make a united labor movement a reality. Reuther said he was willing to step down as CIO kead if it would be a step toward effective AFL-CIO unity.

The four public members of WSB resigned in a huff after Truman restored the 40 cents WSB chopped from the \$1.90 a day hike negotiated by UMW.

When the NAM and C of C refused to make recommendations to fill the vacancies, the four public members were designated as a Wage Stabilization Committee to work on the 15,000 cases pending before the board. WSC's first action was to approve a wage boost for 210,000 General Electric workers represented by CIO, AFL and independent unions.

Peter T. Schoemann moved up from first vice-president of the AFL Plumbers to replace Durkin as acting president. The AFL Bakers secretary-treasurer, James G. Gross, succeeded Schnitzler as head of his union. Karl Feller was re-elected president of the CIO Brewery Workers, defeating John Hoh of Brooklyn. Appointed Indiana labor commissioner was Alton Hess, first vice-president of the state AFL. Robert Oliver, formerly of the Steelworkers, resigned as top MSA labor adviser to become assistant to Reuther.

The American Medical Association let out a blast of rage against the final report of the President's Commission on the Health Needs of the Nation which praised union health plans and recommended an overhauling of the nation's health system because it does not meet the needs of the people.

Meany called for a UN investigation of the assassination of Ferhat Hached, Tunisian nationalist and labor leader. Hached would have been in New York at the time he was murdered but for the fact that French authorities had refused to permit him to leave Tunisia to attend a board meeting of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions. AFL, CIO and ICFTU condemned the trials of Jews in Czechoslovakia.

Steelworkers on strike at the American Locomotive plant in Dunkirk, N. Y., lost the first round of a court battle testing the constitutionality of the Taft-Hartley injunction. Texas Ironworker Grady Ivey spent Christmas in jail because of a fight near a picket line, an offense punishable by a year in jail for a union member, but by only a \$5 to \$25 fine for a non-union man.

The 1952 Hillman award for meritorious public service went to Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas. CIO reported its net worth at year's end as \$2,120,146.44, \$642,182.69 better than '51.

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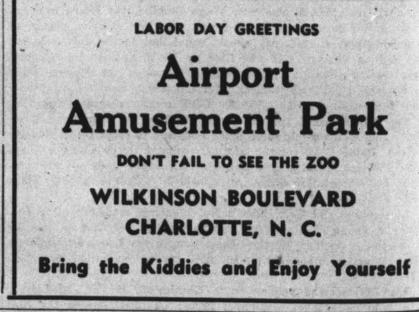
The 1917, with labor unrest sweeping the country as prices skyrocketed with no corrresponding increases in wages, the then U. S. Secretary of Labor, William B Wilson, also a former miner, an appointed McBride to investigate causes of labor discord in Arizona.

McBride, in his late seventles, was serving in that capacity when he met his death in a tragic accident in Globe, Arizona. Along with Arizona's Governor Hunt and others, he had been standing on the sidewalk in front of a store when a runaway horse frightened by a fluttering piece of paper, bolted into the crowd and knocked him through the store's plate glass window.

Several of his arteries were severed and he died a short time later from loss of blood. His body was returned to his home town of Columbus, where his old union, the United Mine Workers, took charge of the funeral. BUDDY'S PAINT & BODY SHOP

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