

Fact-Finding Plan Scored By **Steel Executive**

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—(P)—Inland Steel company president. Clarence B. Randall, said Thuraday that President Truman's creation of the steel fact-finding board was an "industrial revolution" which would lead to permanent government wage fixing.

The attack on the President's action was the first made by an industry spokesman as the companies began presentation of their case before the board. Randall is from Chicago.

Last week the CIO Steelworkers union argued before the board for a 30-cents-an-hour package including wage, pension and insurance benefits.

Randall, who spoke for his own company but also was the keynoter for the entire industry, not only rejected all the union's demands, but also denounced the very process of a fact-finding board itself.

"When the President announced the formation of this board he was in fact announcing an industrial revolution in America," Randall asserted.

"By doing so, he has declared himself as favoring a new social order, and one so different from that under which our magnificent production record has been achieved that unless the process is stopped, and stopped at once, there will be no possibility of turning back.

"Through this means, whether he knew it or not, he has proclaimed that wages shall be fixed by the government."

"The fixing of profits comes next, and then when incentive is killed and production falls, the final step of nationalization follows."

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The three-man board, which is headed by Prof. Carroll R. Daugherty of Northwestern university, will make findings of fact and recommendations in its report to the President, which is due Aug. 30, but these are not binding.

Randall hinted that Philip Murray, president, of the Steelworkers union and of the CIO, who is present at the hearing, persuaded Mr. Truman to establish the fact-finding procedure.

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The union maintains that indus-

try profits have been so high, and materials costs have dropped so sharply in recent months that the 30-centsan-hour demand could be paid easily without any price in-

paid easily without any price in-creases.

Also on the board with Daugh-erty are David L. Cole, Paterson,
N. J. attorney, and Samuel I.
Rosenman, former New York state supreme court justice and one-time adviser to President.
Roosevelt.

Taft Protests His Exclusion From Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.— (A)
—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) accused
the democrats Thursday of trying to bypass him in a proposed
new investigation of labor-management relations.

Taft told a reporter he thinks
there is a definite move afoot
among democratic members of
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the labor committee to leave him and other supporters of the Taft-Hartley act out of a proposed new inquiry group.

"If they try it—and they have given every sign they will — I'm going to fight it in the Senate," the Ohioan said.

He said he and Senators Donnell (R.Mo) and Smith (R.M), who leveloped the bill which the Senate passed as a substitute for the administration's Taft-Hartley repealer, weren't invited to join repealer, weren't invited to join in sponsoring an investigation resolution now ready for Senate action.

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The resolution, setting up a \$25,000 fund for an inquiry into labor-management relations—including the operation of the Tatt-Hartley act—won approval Wednesday of the senate rules committee of the labor committee over Tatt's protests.

Senator Murray (D-Mont), a vigorous opponent of the Tatt-Hartley act, is expected to head the labor subcommittee. It would hold hearings and report to congress by next January 15.

Two republicans who didn't go along with Tatt-Senators Alken of Vermont and Morse of Oregon—joined eight democrats in sponsoring the resolution. Alken and Morse voted against the Taft bill when it passed the Senate June 30.

"It looks like they are getting ready for the 1950 campaign," Taft commented.



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