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Steel Union Is Certain To Win

Suppose that in the last 14 years your wages or salary had increased by 255 per cent. You had the protection of an insurance program and a pension to look forward to upon retirement. You are getting \$3.10 an hour which, on the basis of a 40 hour week, gives you a yearly income of \$6,448.

Would you be reasonably well satisfied?

One large group of American workers who are in this situation are not satisfied—the union of steelworkers. At least they are not satisfied now and would be on strike tomorrow but for an 11th hour appeal from the White House to extend the strike deadline for another two weeks.

Last September, when the unions' convention was held in Atlantic City, the membership were reminded of how well off they were, not how badly in need they were. One official, Al Whitehouse, made a speech in which he proclaimed with pride that:

"We have the highest industrial wages in America—25 to 35 cents per hour above even those of the automobile industry." Then he went on to say he was amazed, when he stopped to figure it out, how much the gains had been just since 1953 under David J. McDonald's "fearless and dynamic leadership." The total came to a package of 97.8 cents.

"Today it costs the steel companies an additional \$2,000 per year for each steelworker because of that 97.8 cents an hour package," Whitehouse told the convention of steelworkers. "The total annual cost to the steel industry is more than one billion dollars."

In raising the question: "Would you be satisfied?" We don't mean to state the

obvious and say that the Steelworkers had jolly well ought to be satisfied.

Who among us, who has the opportunity to increase his economic status, is satisfied?

The Steelworker has that opportunity. He belongs to a strong union. That union in less than a decade and a half has more than doubled his wages. Each of the 11 times during that period when a wage increase has been won at the bargaining table or after a strike, the steel industry has protested and resisted as strongly as it could, but after it had capitulated, was able to get the money by raising the price of steel.

When a union has such a consistent record of success, why should its members not expect it to continue to succeed?

Obviously the steel union members see no reason to ask their officers to use restraint. Of course they don't want to strike. Strikes are costly and unpleasant. But they have to authorize a strike or else the demands in negotiations will not be taken seriously.

What is true of the steel workers is true of any number of other unions. The union is powerful enough to demand and to get, year after year, continually higher wages. The consequences for good, in terms of higher consumer purchasing power, are obvious. The consequences for bad, in terms of loss of foreign markets to nations with lower wage costs and in terms of higher prices of consumer goods, are not quite so obvious.

Will the Steel union win another round this year? Of course it will.

The only reason it is having trouble is the determination of the management of steel that the blame for the bad consequences of this round will fall not on the industry but on the union.

DREW PEARSON SAYS:

Admiral Jumps From Navy Into Cushy Shipping Job

WASHINGTON — Adm. John "Dutch" Will, a commander of the Military Sea Transport Service, resigns this week to become president of American Export Lines, a company which has handled a considerable amount of government freight assigned to it by the MSTs.

His retirement to head an important steamship company highlights the steady trek of admirals and generals into big business where they have close liaison with the military services they once commanded. Following exposes by Sen. Paul Douglas (Ill.) and Congressman Alfred Santangelo (N.Y.), both Democrats, Congressman Eddie Hebert of Louisiana will begin an investigation of this close link between the big brass and big business.

Admiral Will, an efficient officer, has been quite close to American Export Lines in the past, went to New York to attend the dinner for John Geshan when he retired as president, has gone to various social functions with Mrs. Josephine Bey, chairman of the steamship company.

American export lines carries about 65 per cent of the U.S. government's military freight to the middle east, all of it allocated through Admiral Will's MSTs.

When Admiral Will was asked about this, he admitted that this figure was probably correct, but explained that this was because American export lines was the chief U.S. company serving the Middle East. He added that MSTs freight allocations are recommended by the American Flag East Coast and Gulf Shipping Operations and MSTs merely accepts its recommendations.

What congressmen are interested in is the fact that an American admiral doing business, even indirectly, with an important shipping line, should now become president of that line. Admiral Will's position, they point out, is considerably different from that of Adm. Roscoe Hillenkoetter who is president of the American Banner Line. It does no business with MSTs.

Admiral Will will be drawing a retired admiral's full pension from the U.S. taxpayers and at the same time will be paid handsomely by the private shipping line which benefits from U.S. government shipping, again paid for by the taxpayers.

Exit Justice Frankfurter?
Felix Frankfurter, delightful, diminutive justice of the Supreme Court, seems to have it all figured out as to who his successor will be. Frankfurter, oldest member of the court, reached the retirement age seven years ago but is still

QUOTES FROM THE NEWS

ROME—Dr. Alexander Schiff, physician to Louis Armstrong, discussing the trumpet king's health: "The man has a remarkable recuperative power. I would like him to take a good, long rest, but he's a hard man to keep down."

NEW YORK — Federal Judge Gregory F. Noonan, ordering issuance of a bench warrant for the arrest of former Teamsters boss Dave Beck for failing to appear in court to answer charges of illegally accepting money from trucking officials:

"He is not going to play footsie with us. I think if he doesn't have the sense to come in when notified, he should be brought in by an army."

COVINGTON, La.—Gov. Earl K. Long, on his wife Blanche, against whom he has filed a separation suit: "Miss Blanche is jealous of all women who work for me. How can an old man like me take care of three or four women, let alone one? I'm doing a bum job at that."

WASHINGTON — President Eisenhower, speaking about marriage on the occasion of his 43rd wedding anniversary: "A successful marriage, I think, gets happier as the years go by."

REALLY GOOD!
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clinging tenaciously to the highest bench in the land, despite a coronary attack which made him inactive part of last winter. Supreme Court Justices can now retire at full pay at the age of 70, and Frankfurter is now 77.

As a Harvard law professor, Frankfurter placed more young lawyers in the new deal than any other man in the U.S.A. More recently Frankfurter is being called the "second chief justice" as a result of the long succession of cases in which he has led the court majority in 54 decisions. Justice Frankfurter has accomplished this by wooing other members of the court, particularly Justice Tom Clark of Texas, a Truman appointee, over to his point of view.

Now, according to supreme court intimates, Justice Frankfurter will resign after Henry Friendly, general counsel for Pan American Airways, is confirmed and firmly ensconced on the U.S. Court of Appeals in New York.

Members of the Wall Street legal fraternity wondered why Friendly accepted appointment to the Court of Appeals in view of his position in the hierarchy of Pan American Airways. With Sam Pryor, Pan Am executive vice president, due for retirement soon and Juan Trippe ready to step down as president in the not too distant future, Friendly would be in a position to take over direction of "the world's most experienced airline."

However, it is now learned that he received assurance from Justice Frankfurter that after a brief service on the court of appeals Friendly could probably be appointed to the Supreme Court.

Frankfurter reasons that Eisenhower is making all his supreme Court appointments from judges on the Courts of Appeals. Furthermore Friendly is Jewish, and Frankfurter's resignation would call for the appointment of a Jewish judge to replace him. Therefore, with proper backing, the Pan American counsel would succeed Justice Frankfurter in about a year.

Washington Pipeline
The Eisenhower administration claims that business has never been better. But to its embarrassment, Western Union has just complained to the Federal Communications Commission that business is so bad in Republican City, Neb., that their agency office was losing too much money there. The FCC agreed. Now telegraph service to Republican City, Neb., has been ordered discontinued.

Mrs. Charles Bey, chairman of the American Export Lines, is widow of the U.S. ambassador to Norway under Truman, Charley Bey. She is now married to Col. C. M. Paul, a colonel in the Texas State police, born in Siberia, originally named "Tagolrich," entered this country in 1917. President Eisenhower has assigned his plush new jet plane to fly his brother Milton and Vice President Nixon to Moscow. But they will make one stop for refueling—in Iceland—whereas Deputy Premier Kozlov made it here nonstop.

BAG KILLS WOMAN
NEW YORK (UPI)—A 63-year-old Bronx woman was found dead in bed Wednesday with a plastic bag over her head. Police identified the woman as Mrs. Dorothy Krauser and listed the death as an apparent suicide.

Jetliner Sets New Transpacific Record
SYDNEY, Australia (UPI)—A Boeing 707 jetliner set a new transpacific record today on its maiden flight from San Francisco to Sydney.

The City of Sydney jetliner, first of seven Boeing jets to be delivered to Australia's Qantas Airlines, touched down at Sydney's Mascot Airport after flying the 7,616-mile distance in 17 hours and 53 minutes.

Total elapsed time, including stopover at Honolulu and Fiji, was 21 hours, 37 minutes.

Generalissimo Franco Is Having Hard Time Controlling Spanish

By PHIL NEWSOM
UPI Staff Writer

Generalissimo Francisco Franco is finding it increasingly difficult to control the restless Spanish people.

His government has disclosed that the Spanish parliament soon will be asked to pass a drastic new law dealing with crimes "against the state or public order" which on government command can abolish all liberties, either in business or private life.

The sweeping law establishes penalties for crimes on a front ranging from an illegal rise in prices to possession of arms at public meetings and grants police powers ranging from the right to enter private homes without a search warrant to seizure of factories.

There is no hint at the moment of any organized attempt to oust Franco from the firm control he has exercised over Spain since the end of the bloody Spanish Civil War 20 years ago.

Spanish Future Uncertain

The restlessness which now grips the Spanish people arises from circumstances which find their present unsatisfactory and their future uncertain. Internationally, Spain no longer is in the diplomatic deep freeze into which she was plunged after World War II as result of her connections with the German-Italian-Japanese axis. She is a member of the United Nations, and U. S. Strategic Air Command

bombers take off from bases on her soil.

She has received in the neighborhood of one billion dollars from the United States in dollar loans, food, raw materials, tractors and agricultural and power development.

But Spain is in the midst of a severe economic crisis.

She has overreached herself in an attempt to speed industrialization. Her national budget is run-

ning into the red at the rate of \$300 million a year. An accompanying condition has been severe inflation which is the immediate source of the growing restlessness throughout the country.

That is the unsatisfactory present.

Heir Not Named

The uncertain future arises from Franco's refusal to designate an heir.

Francisco formally has acknowledged that Spain is a monarchy. But who the incoming monarch will be and when he will assume the throne remain unanswered questions.

Aside from the Communists, most Spaniards seem agreed that a monarchy is the best solution to the problem of national stability after Franco goes. Receiving chief support is young Prince Juan Carlos, son of Don Juan of Borbon and grandson of Spain's last king, Alfonso XIII, who died in Roman exile.

A council of the realm has been set up by Franco to determine his successor after he dies. But the fear is that the longer the decision is delayed, the greater the risk of a leftist-inspired eruption. The Communists, although small in number, are the country's only well-organized opposition force.

While Franco seems in no hurry to speed a decision on the monarchy, the need for speedy measures on the economic front is admitted and plans aimed at stabilization of the economy are under close study.

But, if they are to succeed, the country will have to cut back on some overly-ambitious industrialization plans and it will have to receive hundreds of millions additional dollars in foreign aid. Devaluation of the Peseta also is expected.

Parents Talk With Hermit

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Dennis Farrell, the hermit of Griffith Park, spoke with his parents Wednesday for the first time in six years.

"Do you know us, Dennis?" the 32-year-old veteran's mother asked.

Farrell nodded and then whispered "Yes."

He was being held in the psychiatric ward of General Hospital after leaving the hilly 4,200-acre park Monday where he had lived for the past six years. He had existed by eating wild berries and the leftovers from picnickers.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Farrell flew here from North Platte, Neb., when they learned their son had finally left the vast park on his own accord to seek help.

"He's very sick," said an examining psychiatrist. Farrell seemed to relax toward the end of the meeting with his parents, finally saying, "I'll be out before long. Then we'll be back together again."

He fled civilization six years ago because he said he could see "no point in living."

Entomologist Is Lions Club Speaker Here

Bob Avery, extension entomologist from Oregon State College, was the speaker at the regular luncheon meeting of the La Grande Lions Club at the Sacajawea hotel this week.

Avery told and illustrated with colored slides the numerous kinds of insects, insect damage and control, effecting the agricultural industry of the state of Oregon; and announced that he and others from the college would hold a field day with Union County farmers this week to study control methods in this area.

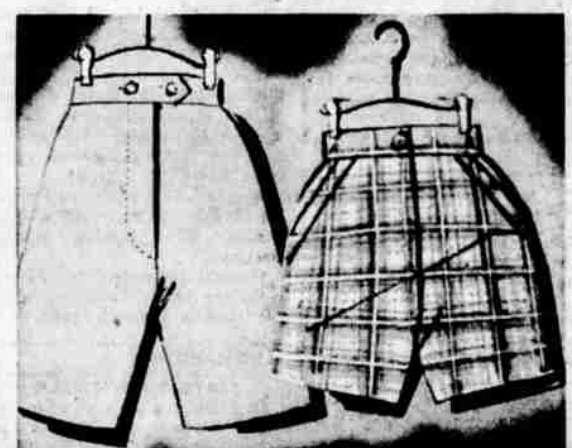
Bob Wilkins, out-going president, acting as installing officer, inducted the following new officers: Harvey Carter, president; Augy Sperling, 1st vice-president; Averitt Hickox, 2nd vice-president; Cliff Perkins, Marcus Roesch and Walter Bean as 2-year directors; L. Rhodes Lewis, treasurer; Stuart Wyld, secretary; Wendell Vaughn, taitwister, and Roesch Fitzgerald, lion tamer.

Frank Oliver, visiting lion from Oroville, Wash., was club guest for the day, and Chuck Gavin was program chairman.

It was announced that Monday's meeting would be the last of the current fiscal year, as the club would observe its annual two-month summer holiday during July and August. The next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 14.

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Not On The Government Payroll

A pretty girl sits behind a desk in the office of a California congressman. In front of her is this sign: "Miss Judy Teague, daughter of the congressman. NOT on government payroll!!!"

This is acknowledgment of current public interest in an old subject—the hiring of relatives by Congressmen. Each senator and representative is allowed a certain amount of money per year to hire his staff. As long as anyone can remember it has been common practice to give some of these jobs to relatives. "Nepotism" is the word for it.

What brought the matter up again was the concern showed by journalistic agencies over the Senate practice of refusing to disclose details of office payrolls. No one could tell how many relatives senators were hiring.

Last week the Senate was forced by adverse public reaction to amend its rule and now its payroll records, like those

of the House, are open to inspection.

Nepotism is defended on the ground that if a relative is capable there is no reason why he should not be hired. But a taxpayer still has a right to wonder whether a Congressman's wife, or his sister or brother, will be as inclined to put in a full day's work as someone who is not related to the boss.

Barbs

Even if you are naturally a bit clumsy, you can grow old gracefully.

Our hope for all vacationists — that there are plenty of swell times to go around.

A wife knows the difference between good sound reasons and reasons her husband thinks sound good.

A lot of telephone lines are kept pretty busy these days with kid's kites.