

TRUMAN WINS WEEK DELAY IN STEEL STRIKE

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

On a corner of the grounds of the state capitol at Nashville is the tomb of James K. Polk, president of the United States from 1845 to 1849, and his wife. It bears this epitaph:

"By his public policy he defined, established and extended the boundaries of his country. He planted the laws of the American union on the shores of the Pacific. His influence and his counsels tended to organize the national treasury on the principles of the Constitution, and to apply the rule of freedom to navigation, trade and industry."

I visited Nashville during my own term as governor, and stood in silent salute before the tomb of James K. Polk, in respect for the memory of one who finally settled the great Oregon question, just a century ago. Any review of the events of that momentous year of 1846 must take first into account the positive leadership supplied by that almost forgotten president, James K. Polk.

In my opinion Polk has suffered greatly in the shortening of his fame. There are several reasons for that. First, is the bias of the Whig historians. When Polk, the first dark horse to be nominated for the presidency, was named at Baltimore to run against the popular Henry Clay, the Whigs asked contemptuously, "Who is James K. Polk?" And historians, chiefly biased northerners, failed to give fair appraisal of his work as president. Bancroft is an

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Eisenhower Appeals for End of Clamor

TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 12-(AP)—The wave of "bring them home" public opinion in the United States is blinding American occupation troops to the importance of the allies' "unfinished task" in Germany and Japan, General Dwight D. Eisenhower told a news conference today.

Army Plans to Fill UNO Quota

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12-(AP)—Existing plans for the postwar military organizations will take care of the United States' quota of armed forces for the UNO security force.

New Atomic Uses Forecast

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12-(AP)—A preview of industrial applications of atomic energy was given at a meeting of the American Physical Society on the Los Angeles campus of the University of California.

Chennault in Chungking

CHUNGKING, Jan. 12-(AP)—Quietly and unobtrusively, Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault slipped into Chungking last night to become, it is rumored, adviser to Chiang Kai-Shek.

Weekly Jobless Compensation Checks Shatter All Records

Weekly payments to unemployed broke all records during the past week when 28,302 checks were sent out by the unemployment compensation commission.

Under the new schedule of benefits adopted by the 1945 legislature, those with wage credits in covered employment during the base year that ended September 30, 1945, are entitled to weekly payments of \$10 to \$18 for periods of five to 20 weeks.

New Command



SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12—General Joseph W. Stilwell has been named commanding general of the western defense command, the army announced today.

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Norblad Maintains 2-1 Lead

Late Count Puts Astorian Ahead 20,333 to 9827

By the Associated Press Oregon's first congressional district continued its unbroken GOP affiliation today, giving Walter A. Norblad, 37, Astoria republican, a 2-to-1 endorsement for the unexpired term of the late Rep. James W. Mott.

Norblad, recently discharged air corps intelligence officer, led his independent-democratic opponent, Bruce M. Spaulding, Salem attorney, in each of the 10 con-

Table with 4 columns: Precinct, Total Pts., Norblad Spand., Pct. Rptd., (R) (D)

UNO Elects Vital Security Council

Australia, Brazil, Poland, Mexico, Netherlands, Egypt Named to Board

LONDON, Jan. 12-(AP)—The vital security council of the United Nations organization, invested with the power to invoke armed force for preservation of the peace, was formed today by the general assembly, which overrode soviet proposals to postpone election of six non-permanent members.

Returning Congressmen Face Political Quandary

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Jap Vote Ordered By Mac

Army Discharge Points Cut in Japan Command

TOKYO, Sunday, Jan. 13-(AP)—General MacArthur today authorized the Japanese government to hold a nationwide election — first since the surrender — any time after March 15.

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PUD for Clatsop County Sought in New Petitions

Petitions for creation of the Clatsop county peoples utility district were filed in the offices of the state reclamation commission Saturday.

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U. S. Near Seizure of Phones

Electric, Meat Workers Disputes Nearing Crisis

By the Associated Press The nationwide strike of 800,000 CIO steelworkers, set to begin Monday, was postponed for one week last night by CIO President Philip Murray after a White House conference.



CHICAGO, Jan. 12—Henry Ford II, 28 year old president of the Ford Motor company, today was named the "nation's outstanding young man of the year" in the annual competition held by the U. S. junior chamber of commerce and its publication "Future" magazine.

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