

Truman Submits Compromise To Steel Disputants

By the Associated Press

President Truman submitted an undisclosed proposal yesterday for settlement of the threatened steel strike and CIO President Philip Murray, in a surprise move, summoned the CIO United Auto Workers' six man strategy committee to Washington.

Mr. Truman offered his proposed solution of the steel dispute to Murray and Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the U. S. Steel corp., after collapse of direct negotiations between the disputants at the White House.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sraque

In an effort to enable those interested in agriculture to plan ahead, Dean Schoenfeld of the school of agriculture of OSC has arranged a conference on marketing and distribution which is now in progress on the college campus at Corvallis. The final sessions will be held today.

I was able to attend the conference Wednesday afternoon. Of the five highly informative addresses I shall report only on the two which it seemed to me went most directly into the subject of agriculture in the postwar period, and so would be of most immediate interest to farmers and others interested in the producing and marketing of crops. One was by A. Rex Johnson, assistant director, office of foreign agricultural relations of the U.S. department of agriculture, who spoke on "International Trade in Agricultural Products." He said, in brief, that there would be no general overproduction of foodstuffs in the next few years. World production and carryover of the major crops is less than before the war, and of course the need is tremendous. For the semi-luxury crops like fruits and nuts there will probably be little export demand because foreign nations will use their dollar exchange for what they regard as more essential products. An exception would be dried prunes, for which Johnson predicted a good export demand for the next five years. Filberts face competition from imports as foreign producers seek to sell in this market.

The long-range outlook for agriculture should not be regarded as very favorable, according to Johnson. "The picture doesn't add up to a pretty one for our farmers," was his comment. For wheat, which is an important Oregon (Continued on Editorial Page)

Geologist Eyes Smoke Mystery At Crater Lake

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—F. W. Cater of the U. S. geological survey settled down today for a long winter's hibernation to discover whether Crater lake is making like a volcano again.

A party of men who surmounted deep mountain snow by "Sno-cat"—a tank-like affair which is a cross between a sled and a caterpillar tractor—radioed that they had established Cater and his supplies in the Crater Lake park lodge.

Escorted behind snowbanks—they cover the lodge to the third story in deepest winter—Cater will watch the famed blue waters for signs of recurring volcanic activity.

The lake, situated in the crater of an extinct volcano, has—according to credible witnesses—"burned up" huge clouds of inexplicable smoke.

An instrument to measure sounds from the lake floor will be installed in the water later if Cater finds it possible. But deep snow covers the hazardous mile and a half path leading from the rim to the lake's surface 1000 feet below.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Relax—it's not duck season, you're a mud hen and besides that guy's after elephants!"

White House press secretary Charles G. Ross said both Fairless and Murray had taken the president's plan under advisement and would report their answers to him by noon (Friday) "after discussing it with their respective organizations."

Murray's summons to the strategy committee arrived at Detroit shortly after announcement from Washington that negotiations had failed to produce a wage settlement.

It was not known, however, whether the summons to those directing the General Motors strike—now in its ninth week—was connected with whatever decision the CIO makes regarding the president's proposal of a steel strike, scheduled to begin Monday.

Ross said Murray and Fairless came to the White House at 2 p. m. to resume negotiations and were summoned to the president's office two hours later.

They reported they still were in disagreement, he added, whereupon Mr. Truman offered his proposal, which he previously said he would do in event of a deadlock.

Missing Man's Body Found in Mary's River

CORVALLIS, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—The body of Ernest Bowman, missing Kelso man, was taken from the Mary's river by state police this afternoon.

The 45-year-old logger, missing since Dec. 18, had been sought since Linn County Sheriff H. A. Southard reported a man held for burglary told of taking Bowman for a "ride." Bowman's body was recovered a short distance below the bridge on the Wren-Kings valley highway 15 miles northwest of here.

An autopsy performed by Dr. Joseph Beeman, state criminologist, showed Bowman had been shot through the back of the neck, severing his spinal cord. His abdomen had been slit open to allow the body to sink after being thrown in the river.

S. McClain, Portland, held at Albany on a burglary charge, signed a confession saying Bowman had been killed and thrown in a river in this vicinity. Anderson's possessions were found in a suitcase at the home of Jack Mann, also held on the burglary charge.

New Clue in Degnan Case

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A handkerchief found near a wire nose believed by police to have been used in strangling Suzanne Degnan furnished detectives with a possible new clue tonight in their search for the kidnap-slayer.

Letters and numbers, presumably laundry marks, on the handkerchief, led to questioning of several persons. The handkerchief was found with a wire nose under a stairway leading to a laundry room of a basement on Winthrop avenue, in the north side neighborhood where the six-year-old child lived.

On the stairs at the rear of the same apartment building, a block and a half from the Degnan home, detectives found several wisps of blond hair matching the locks of the child, parts of whose dismembered body were found Jan. 7.

Post-Mortem Exam Proves Robert Ley Had Diseased Mind

By Frank Carey
Associated Press Science Writer
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Post-mortem examination of the brain of the Nazi suicide Dr. Robert Ley—the Hitler-appointed dictator over all the German working people—has disclosed a long-standing brain disease "sufficient to have impaired (his) mental and emotional facilities."

This was learned today from scientists of the army institute of pathology, a division of the army surgeon general's office.

They have just completed "whole" and microscopic studies of the brain of the Hitler henchman and "labor front" leader who directed seizure of trade unions in the reich, helped conscript

New Zealand War Brides



SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—Brides of American servicemen, who traveled 45 days aboard a converted freighter from New Zealand, spruce up as they prepare to leave their cramped quarters on the SS Permanente upon the ship's arrival here. Left to right, clockwise: Mrs. Joan E. Martin (wearing hat); Mrs. Dorothy Miller; Mrs. Constance P. Hill; Mrs. Veda O'Day, and Mrs. Grace M. McGrady. (AP Wirephoto)

Pete Rabbitt Turns Out to be Wild Hare

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 17.—(AP)—Adventures of Peter Rabbitt bounded back into the news today.

A 21-year-old marine, Rabbitt slipped into the limelight last night when he was arrested on a drunk charge. His registration was viewed with skepticism by jailers.

However, all doubt of the genuineness of the name was removed today when Peter's 20-year-old wife, Mary E., a woman marine, filed a complaint for divorce in superior court against Peter J. J. Rabbitt.

Board Checks Stock Market Marginal Deals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The federal reserve board today raised the margin requirements for stock exchange trading to 100 per cent, effective Monday.

The drastic step, designed to check speculation and curb inflation, will have the effect of halting any more dealings by the public "on margin" on the stock exchanges.

Persons who want to buy or sell listed securities will now have to post 100 per cent of their market value with the brokers. The requirement has been 75 per cent since last July 5, when it was raised from 50 per cent.

The order also means that where dealers heretofore could lend customers 25 per cent of the value of the securities in their accounts for further trading, after Monday there can be no more such loans.

100 NIP ARRESTS ORDERED
TOKYO, Friday, Jan. 18.—(AP)—General MacArthur's headquarters today ordered the arrest of 100 more suspected war criminals, including seven generals, as well as prison camp officers and attendants from camps throughout Asia.

Flames Encompass South Salem Home

More than a landmark went up in flame when the residence of Mrs. Alice Edmundson, 2509 S. Commercial st., burned to the ground Wednesday night, city firemen learned Thursday. Not responsible for the order which kept their trucks in the station because the big white frame house was two blocks outside the city limits, firemen were, nevertheless, besieged with calls from critics all day Thursday. City council members, who ordered the boys in blue to fight no fires outside Salem, declare the charter makes it illegal to provide out-city service. (Photo by Bill Scott, Statesman staff photographer)

PROBERS ARGUE PLAN TO SUMMON 'WINNIE'

Highway Contracts Awarded

New Truck Route Approved to Avoid Salem

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—(AP)—Highway contracts totaling \$344,000 were awarded today by the state highway commission, and one Marion county project with a low bid of \$367,929 was referred to the engineer with power to award.

Bids on one Polk county project were rejected and another project, in Lincoln county, was ruled out by lack of bids.

The commission renamed the Wolf creek highway from Portland to the coast the "Sunset highway," honoring men of the 41st (Sunset) division.

In order to reduce accidents, a 20-mile-an-hour speed was established for logging trucks along an 18-mile stretch of road near Siletz. A 30-mile speed was set from Siletz to the junction of the Corvallis-Newport highway.

Logging trucks also got a new route around Salem instead of through the city. The route runs from Four Corners along Turner road, Lana avenue, Pacific highway and Cherry street.

A five-year concession on commission buildings at Silver Creek falls will be granted to the highest bidder at the next meeting.

The commission decided to spend \$250,000 for a planning and traffic survey this year, authorized \$179,000 for improvements at Ocean Lake, and set aside \$130,000 to obtain options on right-of-way to widen Canyon road from Portland to Barnes road.

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UNO Council Opens Sessions

LONDON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The United Nations security council—proposed as the custodian of atom bomb factories and all the other arms plants in the world—was formally organized today for its task of preserving the peace, using force if necessary.

The 11-nation council was constituted at 10:10 a. m., EST, around a "good luck" horseshoe table in Church House, Westminster, and members declared at the historic opening session that upon the council primarily rested the world's hope of lasting peace.

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Handless Vet Marries



PASADENA, Calif., Jan. 17.—Pvt. Robert Langstaff, who lost his hands in France, shows how he slipped a wedding band on the finger of his bride, WAC Corp. Ruth Spaulding, at their marriage here last night. The couple met at an Army hospital where the bride was a medical technician. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman)

Break Ground For New Bank On February 1

Evacuation is scheduled to start February 1 for the new First National bank building in Salem, locations of which was announced early this month exclusively by The Statesman.

At the site now occupied by a Shell Oil service station on the southeast corner of the Chemeketa-Liberty street intersection, the new reinforced concrete, granite and marble structure will rise as rapidly as possible. E. B. MacNaughton, president of the bank, announced Thursday through Guy N. Hickok, Salem branch manager.

The building, designed by Pietro Belluschi, Portland architect, will have an 83-foot front on Liberty street and will be 109 feet deep. White marble, similar to that in state capitol, state library and federal postoffice buildings will be the facing above an eight-foot base of deep-colored granite.

The entire area will be excavated and the basement used for banking purposes, with the main banking room rising 28 feet above ground level. It has been designed so that extra stories can be added later. L. H. Hoffman is contractor in charge of construction.

GUILTY OF RAPE ATTEMPT

A Marion county circuit court jury early Thursday night found Fred Peppie guilty as charged of assault with attempt to rape. Judge George Duncan, who presided at the trial, is expected to sentence Peppie on Saturday.

FDR DIME READY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—The treasury announced today that the mint will begin making the Franklin D. Roosevelt dime tomorrow with the new coin to be put into circulation Feb. 5.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Rain
Salem	51	29	.00
Eugene	56	31	.00
Portland	54	36	.00
Seattle	60	42	Trace
San Francisco	56	36	.00
Willamette river 4 ft.			

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy this morning, becoming cloudy with light rain this afternoon. Light winds. Maximum temperature 46 degrees.

May Ask Churchill To Testify

Senators Would Query Dignitary On Charter Meet

By William T. Peacock
WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A proposal that former Prime Minister Churchill be asked to testify about his conversations with the late President Roosevelt threw the Pearl Harbor into a stormy row today.

It came from Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) after the committee had heard Admiral Husband E. Kimmel say that five admirals of his former Pacific fleet staff backed his view that Washington was largely to blame for the Dec. 7, 1941, disaster.

Kimmel said these five had seen and approved his statement that Washington withheld from him information, obtained from decoded Japanese messages, pointing to the time and place of Japan's attack.

After Kimmel was excused from the witness chair for the day, the committee held a brief session to receive certain exhibits prepared by its counsel. It was then that Ferguson proposed that Churchill be asked to testify about the Atlantic Charter conference. It was this meeting of President Roosevelt and the then British prime minister at sea in August, 1941, which produced their "Atlantic Charter."

No Comment
At Miami, where he is vacationing, Churchill said he had no comment.

Reaction to the proposal among the democratic members was immediate and violent.

Rep. Murphy (D-Pa.) shouted that it was "not fair to a great citizen of the world" who had come to this country seeking rest.

"It's just a play for the press," snorted Senator Lucas (D-Ill.), adding that it is "just another fishing expedition."

In reply to Murphy, Ferguson said, "No one is above coming in here and telling what he knows about Pearl Harbor."

Senators Start Filibuster to Halt FEPC Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—A full-fledged filibuster of unforeseeable duration broke out in the senate today following the adoption of a surprise motion to take up the controversy-packed FEPC bill.

These were some of the results: 1. All other legislation was hobbled.

2. Senator Walter George of Georgia asserted that "free men" on the democratic side of the aisle would refuse to follow the administration in the matter.

3. Senator Eastland (D-Miss)—starting to talk for "two years if necessary"—questioned whether President Truman is "competent" to handle his job if he "has the idea this is the most important bill to take up at this time."

The measure, which has been endorsed repeatedly by Mr. Truman, would establish a permanent fair employment practice commission to police industry, labor unions and the government against discriminations on account of race, color or creed.

Eisenhower Bans Protests

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—(AP)—General Dwight D. Eisenhower disclosed today he has banned any further GI demonstrations but ordered inspectors to "every camp and post" to see that his latest demobilization order is followed.

The chief of staff, appearing before a senate military subcommittee investigating demobilization, said there was no use in further demonstrations by soldiers demanding immediate release.

"I have advised all commanders that the time for that is past," he declared.

Crowds Harangue Butter Dealers

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 17.—(AP)—One thousand half-pound packages of butter at a dairy in the Farmers' market building drew a two-block long crowd today.

At another store, Manager A. J. Tachella passed out cards for the number of butter packages on hand. "It's a headache," he said. "People boo and catcall and blame me for the butter shortage. I'm going to quit."

German 'Sound Gun' Brings Death Within 30 to 40 Seconds

ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND, Md., Jan. 17.—(AP)—A "sound gun," using sound waves to kill a man in 30 to 40 seconds, was under experimental development by the nazis in a last-minute effort to stave off defeat, an army ballistics expert told the nation's leading superphysics scientists today.

Col. Leslie E. Simon, director of the ballistics research laboratory at the Aberdeen proving ground, disclosed the existence of the device, development of which was cut short by allied victory. (Some 300 superphysics experts at-

tended the conference, sponsored by the navy but held at Aberdeen because of the many testing devices here.)

Research of the project, Col. Simon said, was ordered by Professor Albert Speer, Nazi munitions minister. German scientists later told Americans, Col. Simon added, that they felt chances for its success were slim.

Simon told the American scientists today, however, that "the latent possibilities of this instrument should warrant further investigation."