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Auto Union Threatens Shutdown Of Entire General Motors System

WALKOUT PLANNED TO ENFORCE PLEA FOR WAGE BOOST

Will Combine Strikes In All Departments And Every Plant Says UAW Leader

Detroit, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Ford Motor company today sent home 50,000 workers and shut down virtually all its operations in the nation because of strikes which have shut off vital passenger car parts from supplying firms.

Detroit, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—The United Automobile Workers (CIO) today threatened a shutdown strike in the entire General Motors system to enforce demands for a 30 per cent wage increase throughout the motor industry.

Describing action as a "labor blockade," UAW Vice President Walter Reuther said it would combine strikes in "every department and in every plant in every city" in which the industry operates.

CIO Boycott
The UAW strategy approved by the international executive board would call for CIO boycott of all products of the industry singled out for the "blockade."

The wage demand was applied against every company in the automobile industry, Reuther said. He said the strike and boycott weapon would be employed against only a single member to demonstrate the power of organized labor.

Reuther predicted that the blockade would "wreck the business of any industry" affected by it. Competitors would not be affected, he said.

While holding the threat of a single-industry strike as a warning to management, the UAW cracked down on wildcat strikes and called for harsh disciplinary measures to control local actions.

(By United Press)
Engineers and technicians of two of the nation's major networks were back on the job today after a short-lived strike for more money and a new contract, but some 115,000 workers were idle in other disputes.

Another strike was ended last night by 1,800 employees of the Magnavox Co., Fort Wayne, Ind. Ten thousand Bronx and Manhattan painters and decorators remained away from their jobs for the second day in New York's first formal strike since the end of the war.

White Collars Out
The Westinghouse Electric Corp., meanwhile, prepared to make further cuts in its work schedules as a strike of white collar workers continued after failure of a War Labor Board attempt to effect a back-to-work movement.

The company's latest figures showed 10,466 of 15,860 salaried employees in 14 plants on strike. An estimated 19,000 production workers, primarily from the East Pittsburgh, Lima, O., and Sharon, Pa., plants, were sent home as operations were curtailed.

Firemen Battle Fireball Blaze
Albany, Ore., Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Fire Chief Don Hayne was interrupted during his address to the Albany Chamber of Commerce yesterday on "The Prevention of Fires in Your Home."

Returning to the platform half an hour later he explained he had been called away to attend to an acute emergency—the fire in the caught fire and nearly burned to the ground.

Blood Saves Tojo



(Acme Radio-Telephoto)
Sgt. John A. Archinal, Allentown, Pa., who volunteered his blood in transfusion to save Hideki Tojo from successful suicide in Tokyo. "I did this so that he can get what's coming to him and to make him suffer for making me spend 21 months in New Guinea, Morotai and the Philippines," Archinal explained.

JAP NEWSPAPERS REVEAL HYSTERIA AS WAR END NEARS

By Frank H. Bartholomew, United Press Staff Correspondent

Tokyo, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—The files of Japanese newspapers for the first weeks of August paint a graphic picture of a nation rapidly descending from arrogance toward defeat.

Intriguing sidelights show a quick leakage of American military and naval information to Japan and efforts to deprecate the first atomic bombing.

The files were made accessible after some newspapers denied ever keeping them or insisted that they had been impounded.

Anxiety Shown
In the pages of those newspapers is the record of the increasing hysteria and anxiety that preceded surrender.

August began with the newspapers claiming an unbroken series of Pacific successes in Domei news agency dispatches from the fronts. These were bulwarked by bombastic interviews with local army and navy leaders.

After the first week, an uneasy questioning note crept into editorial comments. But Domei continued to win the war in its news dispatches.

Bomb Discounted
August 11 saw the atomic bombing of Hiroshima revealed as a new weapon—one developed by the British and not of much importance.

On Aug. 12 Japan's press revealed Soviet Russia's entry into the war in straight news reports paralleled by editorials of an increasingly hysterical note.

On Aug. 14 the people were told to "calmly face all kinds of possible developments."
On Aug. 15—the day of surrender—there was no mention of Japan's capitulation. The newspaper I checked for that date printed only the front page. The inside was blank.

ARMY WILL FREE 13,000 DOCTORS BY END OF YEAR

25,000 Nurses and 3,500 Dentists Also To Be Loosened Under Announced Plan

Washington, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—The war department today announced details of a plan to return 13,000 physicians, 25,000 nurses, 3,500 dentists and many other army medical department officers to civilian life by the end of this year.

Any army doctor or dentist, with the exception of about 200 scarce specialists, may now be released if he:

1. Was in service before Pearl Harbor.
2. Is 48 or older.
3. Has 80 or more discharge points.

New Qualification
Heretofore doctors and dentists needed 100 points for discharge, or 120 if their particular skills were classified as scarce. The previous discharge age was 50.

The pre-Pearl Harbor qualification is new. Any one of the three qualifications is sufficient for discharge.

Army nurses will be released if they have 35 points, or if they are 35 years old, or if they are married, or if they have a dependent less than 14 years old. Nurses formerly had to have 65 points or had to be 40 years old to be released.

Physical therapists and hospital dieticians will be released if they have 40 points or if they are 40 years old, or if they have dependents under 14. Formerly they needed 41 points or had to be 50 years old to be released.

The war department said that by July, 1946, when the strength of the army will be 2,500,000 men, the surgeon general will have released at least 30,000 doctors, 10,000 dentists and more than 40,000 nurses. This represents a 70 per cent cut of the medical corps' peak strength at V-E day, the war department said.

MEDFORD YOUTH HELD FOR STEALING STAGE
A 17-year-old Medford boy was arrested by city police and confined in the county jail early this morning after he had driven a Greyhound bus, taken from the Central avenue terminal, to Grants Pass and other places, city police reported today.

The youth, who gave the excuse that he "wanted to learn to drive it," was found asleep in the bus, near the station, at 3:44 this morning by local officers and is to be turned over to juvenile authorities.

Batavia Conditions Appalling Say First Visitors Since Japs Took Over
Singapore, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Passengers on the first allied plane to land at Batavia since the Japanese occupation brought back word today that the great city in Java "looked dead" and appalling conditions marked a nearby internment camp.

A small party flew to Batavia yesterday, unofficially spearheading the allied reoccupation of the rich East Indies island still to be surrendered formally after three years of Japanese occupation.

Squadron Leader C. V. Ley of the Royal Australian air force was aboard the plane, and remained in Batavia seven hours before flying back to Singapore.

Readers Urged To Mail or Bring In M-T Subscriptions

For the convenience of customers wishing to renew their subscriptions to the Medford Mail-Tribune during Bargain days, now in effect, the office will remain open until 8 p. m. Saturday, Monday, Sept. 17, is last day of the 1945 Bargain days drive.

Jerry Latham, circulation manager, today pointed out that no extensive advertising of the Bargain days is possible as newspaper restrictions are still in effect, and probably will be until after the first of 1946.

A reduced carrier staff also prevents any extensive canvassing by carriers of the residents on their routes and because of this, it is urged that people bring or mail their subscriptions to the Tribune office.

Bargain day rates are \$7.50 a year by carrier; \$6 for mail addresses in Josephine, Jackson and Siskiyou counties and all other mail subscriptions \$7.50 a year.

TRUMANS FLY TO MISSOURI HOME

Washington, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—President Truman left Washington by plane at 1:31 p. m. (EWT) today to spend the week-end in his home in Independence, Mo.

The president's special four-engine C-54 transport plane, the Sacred Cow took off from National Airport here. It is due at Kansas City Municipal airport at 6:25 p. m. (CWT) after two stops.

The presidential party included the chief executive, Mrs. Truman, Sen. Alben W. Barkley, D., Ky., Miss Rose Conway, the president's personal secretary; Miss Reathel Odum, Mrs. Truman's secretary; Mrs. Alvin J. Aczoff of New York, an old Truman family friend; Rep. Noble J. Gregory, D., Ky., and Col. Howard Rusik.

BASEBALL
American
St. Louis 4 12 2
Boston 1 5 0
Miller and Mancuso; Clark, Hausman, Barrett and Pytlak.

National
Philadelphia 4 9 3
Chicago 3 7 1
Mulcahy, Karl (7) and Semmlick; Derringer, Erickson (7) Vandenberg (9) and Rice, Williams (7).

New York 7 10 0
Cincinnati 5 10 0
Emmerich, Fischer (4) and Kluttz; Wehmeier, Modak (5) Hetki (5) Fox (8) and Lakeman.

Shanghai, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—A curfew was ordered today for American soldiers who have been enjoying Shanghai's night life since their arrival here.

"The food was terrible," Ley said. "The men had been living mostly on rice for three years."

\$17 BILLION CUT IN NAVY SPENDING TRUMAN REQUEST

Cutback Recommendation Based on Plan For Demobilization, Reduction

Washington, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—President Truman today recommended to congress a \$17,000,000,000 cutback in navy appropriations.

He suggested a \$11,518,301,253 cut in current appropriations and authorizations for the navy department and \$5,306,252,674 in unrequired balances of past year's appropriations.

The president sent the recommendations to congress after conferring at the White House with top naval and congressional officials concerned with navy legislation.

The president's recommendations were based on the navy's 250,000-man-a-month demobilization program on cutbacks in its ship construction program, and on various other related cuts in expenses resulting from the end of the war.

CAMP HOSPITAL GETS PATIENTS

Arrival of 51 patients for treatment at the Camp White station hospital, now in charge of the navy was announced today by Capt. H. B. La Favre, medical officer in command of the hospital. The men, all officers, are the first patients registered at the hospital since it was commissioned in the navy.

Capt. La Favre also stated that a navy paymaster had arrived for duty at the hospital.

Man Awakens To Find Huge Bear Staring at Him
When Walter Terry, owner of the Pollyanna bakery in San Francisco, returns home from his vacation in the Rogue River Valley he won't have to make up any stories to tell.

With his wife and the relatives they were visiting, Mr. and Mrs. Dana F. Cushing of Prospect, Terry made a trip to Crater Lake last week. The party enjoyed the beautiful view from the lake rim, ate lunch in one of the park camp grounds and then disposed themselves on a grassy plot to rest. Terry selected a spot somewhat removed from the rest of the group and fell asleep.

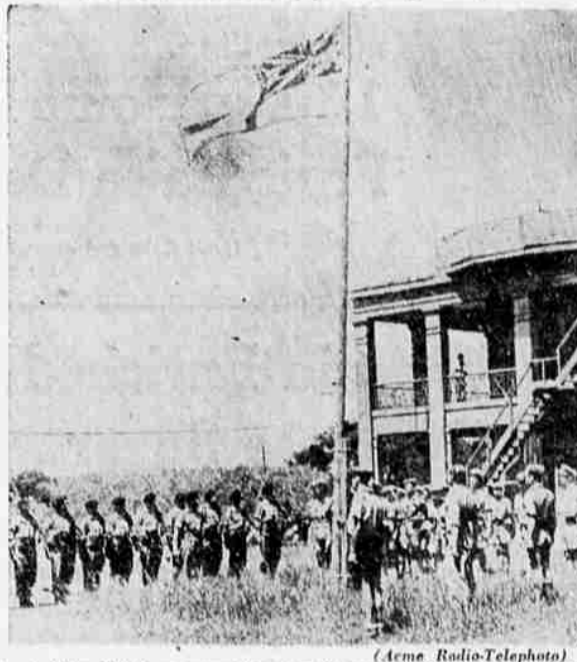
About the time he was pleasantly deep in slumber cries from the occupants of a nearby parked car and from his wife and relatives woke Terry. He opened sleepy eyes to find a large bear peering into his face with disagreeable snuffing noises.

Terry and the bear both departed hurriedly—in different directions.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY PEARL HARBOR NAMED
Washington, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Speaker Sam Rayburn today named the five house members to the joint congressional committee which will investigate the Pearl Harbor disaster.

They are Reps. Jere Cooper, D., Tenn.; J. Bayard Clark, D., N. C.; John W. Murphy, D., Pa.; Frank Keefe, R., Wis., and Bertrand Gearhart, R., Calif.

British Reoccupy Hongkong



(Acme Radio-Telephoto)
Symbolizing British re-occupation after 3½ years of Japanese oppression, the British flag is raised on Kaitak airfield, Hongkong, by Royal Marines and fleet air arm personnel from the HMS Indomitable, flagship of Rear Adm. C. H. J. Harcourt. Royal Navy official photo.

Jap Business Interests Would End Military Domination of Government

Tokyo, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—A strong movement is underway among powerful business and industrial interests in Japan to oust from government positions the men who have dominated the empire's policies during the past generation, several prominent businessmen said today.

The first manifestation of the group's strength may be seen in the January elections and the selection of a new cabinet which is expected to follow shortly thereafter.

The business leaders apparently concur in the opinion expressed by Hideshige Kashiwagi, advisor to the Yokohama Specie Bank,—"Japan is facing a real political reconstruction," and intend to participate in the reorganization.

Ryozo Asano, director of the Asano Cement Company, pointed out that the present cabinet includes men who have been dominant in the Japanese government during the years of the nation's imperialistic policy when the interests of all groups were subordinated to those of the expansionists.

He said the military gained the upper hand and held down other groups by muzzleing any who protested.

Asano asserted that the Japanese government's most important job is meeting the current emergency in food, shelter and fuel.

The country is short a million and a half tons of rice and has only 20,000,000 tons of coal available, compared with normal requirements of 45,000,000. A thousand dwelling units are critically needed, the businessman said.

KLAMATH TERM GAINS APPROVAL
Washington, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—A bill to fix a term of the U. S. district court at Klamath Falls, Ore., was approved today by a house judiciary subcommittee.

The bill was introduced by Rep. Lowell Stockman, R., Ore., as an amendment to a 34-year-old law which established Oregon as a federal court district and provided for terms at Portland, Pendleton and Medford. His amendment would add Klamath Falls.

ABDUCTION IS CHARGED AS K. F. GIRL MISSING
Sacramento, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Sacramento police today investigated abduction and mistreatment charges lodged by Paul G. Melendres, 23, against five soldiers and two civilians.

Melendres told police his sister, Adeline Brown, 24, Klamath Falls, Ore., was missing after five Mexicans and two civilians forced him, his wife and Miss Brown into a car and drove them to Yolo county. Mrs. Melendres was r'ed there and Miss Brown taken a way by the two civilians, Melendres said.

DOMEI SUSPENDED AFTER CONTINUED ATROCITY CANARDS

MacArthur Says No Intention of Administering Soft Peace; More Nips Suicide

Tokyo, Sept. 14—(U.P.)—Gen. Douglas MacArthur today closed Japan's last propaganda outlet, the official Domei news agency, and answered critics of a "soft peace" with an announcement that he has no intention of applying surrender terms in "kid-gloved fashion."

MacArthur said the Japanese government already was "completely controlled" by occupation forces and pledged the "prompt, complete and entire fulfillment of the terms of surrender."

Two More Suicides
Two more Japanese suicides were reported. Gen. Teichi Yoshimoto, former commander of the northeast Japan district, committed harikiri this morning by slashing his abdomen with a sword and firing a bullet into his head.

Last night Lt. Gen. Chikahiko Koizumi, welfare minister in Japan's Pearl Harbor cabinet and No. 11 on the list of Japanese war criminals, committed harikiri at his Tokyo home after learning of his impending arrest.

Roundup Continues
The roundup of non-Japanese war criminals in Japan continued with the arrest of Aung Than, former military attache to the puppet Burmese embassy in Tokyo and organizer of the Burma Independence corps.

Lt. Gen. Robert L. Eichelberger, commander of the Eighth Army, told a press conference that he believed the occupation of Japan could be "washed up in another year if Japan doesn't deal from beneath the table." He estimated the occupation armies would reach a peak strength of 400,000 men.

The suspension of Domei followed by only a few hours its latest in a series of radio news transmissions charging American occupation troops with rape and looting in Tokyo and Soviet troops with varied "atrocities" in Manchuria, Korea and Sakhalin.

The action also deprived all Japanese newspapers—with the single exception of the Tokyo and Osaka Mainichi, which have just subscribed to United Press—of their only source of news outside their home cities.

Permit U. S. Agencies
Immediately after the suspension was announced, however, Brig. Gen. Le Grand Diller, MacArthur's chief of public relations, said he would permit American agencies to set up their own receiving and transmitting facilities and sell news freely in Japan.

MacArthur attributed what he called some impatience in the American press over a "soft policy" in Japan to "an erroneous concept of what is occurring."

"No one need have any doubt about the prompt, complete and entire fulfillment of the terms of surrender," he said. "It is well understandable that in the face of atrocities committed by the enemy that there should be impatience."

MacArthur explained that the first phase of the occupation of necessity was based on military considerations involving the landing of American troops, acmobilization of the enemy, and rescue and evacuation of war prisoners and internees.

He revealed that more than 100,000 American troops already had landed in Japan and that half of the Japanese armed forces there had been demobilized. Some 1,500,000 Japanese troops remain under arms, but they, too, should be demobilized by mid-October.

"During this interval of time, safety and complete security must be assured," he said in explanation of his delay in putting into operation more rigid methods of control.

"When this first phase is completed, other phases provided in the surrender terms will infallibly follow."

Already, he said, Japan's governmental structure is controlled completely by the occupation forces.

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