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New Tactics To Gain Demands Due — President Studies Serious Situation

By United Press

Unions and management sparred for position Saturday night as workers, dissatisfied with re-conversion, prepared to use revolutionary tactics to gain their demands.

Labor disputes threw almost 200,000 employees into idleness in plants from coast to coast and more than a million others were ready to walk out if necessary to press their cause.

The seriousness of the nation's labor-management disputes was accentuated by an announcement that President Truman would begin study of causes when he returned to the White House from a short visit to his Independence, Mo., home.

Government officials were fearful that a serious nationwide labor crisis might develop. In Washington, Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach went into a lengthy conference to discuss the Detroit situation. It was explained that the labor department feared the crisis would develop in late autumn from grievances accumulated during wartime.

Management heard ultimatum from one of the nation's biggest unions, the United Automobile Workers. The executive board of the powerful CIO affiliate—which claims 1,250,000 members—revealed it would call a system-wide strike of a single company to force a 30 per cent wage boost.

DETROIT STORM CENTER It was certain that Detroit, already the testing ground of many reconversion plans, would be the center of the new tactics. A UAW official said that either General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., or Chrysler Corp. would be picked up as victim of the experiment. It was suggested that all three might be subjected to the squeeze at the same time.

The United Steel Workers of America, another powerful CIO union, served notice that it would ask for similar wage increases.

Immediately the United States Steel Corp. retorted that the request of a \$2 a day hike in pay was impossible without higher steel prices.

Already Detroit was reeling from spreading labor disputes. The rest of the nation was watching the arsenal city as a key to the future in the country's industrial system.

GEN. ARNOLD SAYS PRESS VITAL KEY TO ASSURE PEACE

Eugene, Ore., Sept. 15—(U.P.) Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the U. S. Army air forces, said today that this nation commands all the resources to hold the peace but "we need to know the truth about the world in which we are living" to assure a permanent peace.

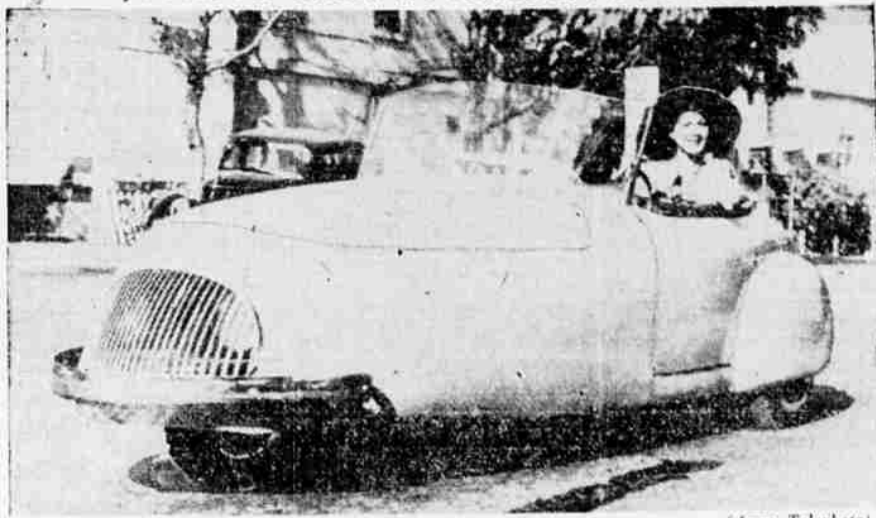
"If it's up to the press now to carry on the job of giving the people of the United States and the rest of the world a realistic understanding of what the problems of peace involve—we of the armed forces have done our job," Gen. Arnold said.

"It is not possible for me now to discuss details of the situation, but I will say that we must not waste or squander or barter away cheaply the prestige and the power which we have attained at such great cost."

Gum Machine Fails, Boys Stab Grocer

San Francisco, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Two boys aged 12 and 14 irked because a penny gum machine in a store wouldn't work, late today stabbed Grocer Theodore Velles, 60, in the abdomen with a shiny new pocket knife. Velles was rushed to an emergency hospital where his condition was described as "not too serious." The boys were turned over to juvenile authorities.

Forty Miles Per Gallon Is Feature of New Plastic Car



Maria Montez, Hollywood, Calif., tries out new post-war car featuring three wheels, aircraft engine, plastic body and pushbutton to jack up car if tire blows. The 55-horsepower engine, capable of running the car 100 miles per hour, will run 40 miles on one gallon of gas; brakes and acceleration are on one foot pedal. Makers promise the unusual car will be on the market in 90 days.

LANSING WANTED JAPAN SHOWDOWN AT WAR I PARLEY

State Papers Show Now High New Dealers Feared German Terms Too Hard

Washington, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Japan's attitude toward China at the Paris peace conference in 1919 was so uncompromising and disquieting that at least one very high American official believed it was time then "to have it out once and for all" with Japan.

That official was Secretary of State Robert Lansing. Two years earlier he had negotiated the Lansing-Ishii agreement—later repudiated by the U. S.—under which the United States recognized Japan's special interest in China, especially those parts contiguous to Japan.

The Lansing statement was revealed tonight in publication of another volume in the series of state department papers relating to the Paris peace conference. This volume contains documents pertaining to the American delegation.

The documents reveal how the U. S. delegation's attitude changed during the months of negotiation—from optimism at the beginning of 1919 to the frustration and uncertainty that prevailed after Woodrow Wilson's illness and the senate's rejection of the treaty before Germany had signed.

Throughout the volume also runs a theme of fear among the delegates that at the last minute the Germans would not sign the treaty. Gen. Tasker Bliss, one of the peace commissioners, feared that if "we pressed Germany too hard, there would be grave danger of having hostilities resumed . . . and that if hostilities were renewed the entire burden would fall on us."

In the spring of 1919, after the German treaty was drafted, six of the younger experts on the American delegation were so disgusted with it that they resigned. In contrast to some later beliefs, their concern was that the terms were too harsh for Germany.

Big 5 Airs Italy Peace Pact Monday

London, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—The Big Five Foreign Ministers' Council announced tonight that Poland and two of the Soviet Union's federated republics, White Russia and the Ukraine, had been invited to express their view on the Italian peace treaty which will be considered at Monday's council session.

The council, disclosing it had spent the past two sessions mainly on discussing Italian colonies, said the three newcomers had been added to the list of countries "invited to submit their views in writing, if they wish to do so, on the Italian peace settlement."

BULLETIN

NIGHT GAMES Pacific Coast League

Table with 3 columns: Team, Score, and Status. Includes San Diego, Portland, Los Angeles, Oakland, San Francisco, and Hollywood.

(By United Press)

The St. Louis Cardinals stayed within three games of Chicago by defeating Philadelphia, 3 to 1, in a night game. Ray Sanders made four hits to pace the Cardinals in a game against the Cardinals.

TRUMAN RELAXES, LABOR PROBLEMS, APPOINTEES EYED

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—With a presidential study of the Detroit labor situation promised and major changes in government in prospect for next week, President Truman tonight relaxed with his family in the old home place in Independence.

He gave those pressing matters little thought tonight. He was home and relaxing in the rambling summer White House for a few hours was good.

The chief executive met with reporters at an impromptu press conference during the morning in his federal building office here.

He said he would go into the troubled automotive industry labor situation localized around Detroit when he gets back to the White House but thus far has given the matter no thought.

Asked about possible changes in the supreme court, the post secretary of war and the federal security agency, the president replied merely that he would hold a news conference at 4 p. m. (EWT) Tuesday in Washington.

BUREAU DALYING DELAYS BUILDING

Washington, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Government delay in releasing building materials is hampering home-building, Chairman James E. Murray, D., Mont., of the senate small business committee said tonight in releasing a preliminary committee report on problems of the construction industry.

Murray said that an inter-agency committee for construction was established almost two months ago in the office of war mobilization and reconversion, but had not recommended any changes in the war production board order limiting civilian construction.

MIKADO NOT TOLD OF PEARL HARBOR EX-PREMIER SAYS

Suzuki, Palace Confidante, Now Fugitive Hiding From Militarists

San Francisco, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Emperor Hirohito did not know Japan had attacked Pearl Harbor until Japanese militarists told him, Baron Adm. Kantaro Suzuki, last Japanese war premier, said tonight in an interview with Mutual Correspondent Jack Mahon.

Mahon, broadcasting from Tokyo, reported that the 70-year-old Suzuki, one of the emperor's closest confidants, was now a fugitive, hiding out from the vengeful militarists who blame him for bringing about Japan's surrender. Suzuki resigned as premier on Aug. 15, the day the war ended.

Suzuki is "virtually a modern man without a country . . . he has few clothes . . . no official position and he moves about from place to place by day," Mahon reported. He said Suzuki twice had escaped assassination by a matter of minutes and both his official residence, near the Japanese diet, and his private residence in another part of Tokyo, were burned to the ground by vengeance-seeking soldiers the morning of Aug. 15.

"Suzuki fled in a kimono up a back alley," Mahon said. The correspondent met Suzuki at a secret rendezvous and talked with him for two and one-half hours.

Mahon also said that from another source "so close to the imperial household that I feel it is virtually unimpeachable, I learned that militarists who feared peace was coming even had a plot to kidnap Suzuki and his associates and carry on the war."

Mahon said that was to be a last-ditch measure, with the militarists putting a puppet emperor on the throne, but that the plan failed when the imperial household heard of it, and Suzuki resigned.

Suzuki said that after he became premier in April, 1943, he had many discussions with the emperor on the possibility of negotiating a peace.

"He made his opinions on ending the war public at a secret session of the Japanese imperial diet in June," Mahon reported.

"There was a great difference of opinion at that time. A small patriotic group . . . was the most demonstrative exponent of the war to the death, and it contained about 30 members of the diet."

Dr. Robertson, Head State Health, Dead

The Dalles Ore., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Dr. Thomas D. Robertson, 42, president of the state board of health, died today after suffering an acute heart attack at his home Thursday.

DEMobilIZATION TO BE BIG ISSUE IN '46 ELECTION

House GOPs Move For End Of Draft, And Speedier Discharges

Washington, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—House republicans were reported to be nearly unanimous tonight behind a move to force the administration to end the draft and speed demobilization.

Dissatisfied with the army program and the administration's policy, republicans have agreed to force the issue into the open.

Some democrats admitted that the demobilization policy was so hot that the republican move probably would result in a majority of that party in both houses of congress next year unless the democrats take action—and quickly.

If the administration fails to act soon, democrats in the house may fall in line with the republican drive. Most members say they are being swamped with mail demanding elimination of the draft and speedup of discharges.

To force a showdown, house republicans are prepared to back a petition to force legislation offered by Rep. A. L. Miller, R., Neb., out of the Military Affairs committee.

Miller introduced two measures this week—one to stop the draft and the other to discharge within 30 days, upon application, any man who has been in the service two years or who has been a prisoner of war.

Chairman Andrew J. May, D., Ky., of the Military Affairs committee, said he had scheduled no hearings on demobilization legislation, but indicated that he might have a change of mind.

Miller predicted that demobilization would be one of the major issues of the 1946 elections. He added that with republicans pressing for action, it would not surprise him "if the administration takes the ball and gets behind legislation or if President Truman doesn't come out soon and stop the draft by proclamation."

Some members of the House Military Affairs committee said it would make no difference what congress did to expedite demobilization.

LOS ANGELES HAS SMOKE IN CIVIC EYES, DIRTY AIR

Los Angeles, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Los Angeles, once so proud of their sunshine and air, were invited to spend this week-end sending postcards to their air pollution control director, detailing "smog" conditions outside their windows.

The request, from APC Director I. A. Deutch, was regarded by most residents as the latest in a series of mice brought forth by mountainous labor as the city's industrial plans play nob with the "vacation-land" of the travel folders.

Deutch asked for the time, location and elevation of smoke and fumes, steadily on the upgrade since 1939 and blamed by everybody but the Chamber of Commerce on the city's war-born industry.

Residents, who had hoped for abatement with the end of the war were thrown another mouse last week when Deutch asked them not to shake out their dust mops, beat their rugs, or drive automobiles that used too much oil.

During the period of the critical rubber shortage, when women complained of holes suddenly appearing in their stockings and motorists parked near a butadiene plant had to have their cars repainted, they were told by Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes that rubber came first.

SEEK NAZI PRISONER

San Francisco, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Federal Bureau of Investigation agents in cooperation with military and civilian police tonight hunted for Paul Gora, a German prisoner of war who escaped from the Silverado labor camp at Napa, Cal., last night.

FLORIDA HIT GREAT HURRICANE, NAVY BASE AFIRE

Wind Attains 150 MPH. As Blimps Burn — Bars Do Big Business

Richmond Naval Air Station, Fla.—(Via Navy Radio) Sept. 16—(U.P.)—Three huge wooden hangars, 366 airplanes and 25 navy blimps went up in hurricane swept flames here early today, and the casualty total among the personnel still is unknown.

Miami, Fla., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—A great 150-mile-an-hour tropical hurricane roared over the southern tip of Florida tonight, 50 miles southwest of Miami, and at the height of the storm a raging fire broke out at the Richmond naval air base enveloping three giant blimp hangars.

As the "big blow"—perhaps the greatest in Florida's hurricane history—led to posting of warnings of an "extreme emergency," on both Florida coasts, the navy announced that the naval air station, 25 miles south of Miami, was afire and that emergency calls had been sent out for every available fireman.

The hurricane winds, raging at 100 miles per hour in Miami—and undoubtedly faster to the south—gave impetus to the blaze and sent the flames soaring hundreds of feet into the air.

Based at the station are a number of blimps which had patrolled the Caribbean and the Gulf of Mexico during the war. The exact number there presently was not known. There also were a number of private planes hangared there to get away from the storm.

Miami radio stations were asked to transmit a request for all firemen who could be spared by their municipalities.

The "extreme emergency" warnings were posted from Fernandina, on the Atlantic, to St. Marks, on the Gulf.

Miami, Fla., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Inside the boarded up bars and night spots of Miami, some of them lighted by candles, there was a party-like atmosphere tonight, with Yankees and natives bending elbows together.

At the Five o'clock club, drinks were on the house as usual at 5 o'clock and a bigger crowd than usual jammed the bar.

Club owners said business was better today than in a long time. Vacationers driven from the beaches were spending their time at the bars.

OPA PLANS HIKE IN SILVER PRICE

Washington, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Although there are 2,000,000,000 ounces of silver in the U. S. treasury, the Office of Price Administration must raise the price of imported silver to encourage heavier shipments of the metal into the country, it was learned tonight.

The OPA is working on an amendment to its silver price regulation to raise the price of the imported metal above the present fixed level of 45 cents a fine ounce. This amendment may be issued some time next week.

Just how much of an increase will be granted has not finally been decided but it may be five or 10 cents an ounce.

Mustangs Fail To Break Speed Mark

Newark, N. J., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—One of two Mustang fighter planes which took off from Burbank, Calif., today in an effort to set a new transcontinental speed record landed at Akron, O., while the other plane has not yet been heard from, the operations officer at the Newark flying field reported tonight.

The planes, piloted by Lieut. Price E. Henry, of Eagle Rock, Calif., and Lieut. William J. Reilly, of San Francisco, took off from Burbank at 8:52 a. m. PWT (11:52 a. m. EWT). The airman had planned to fly non-stop to Newark in about six hours to break the transcontinental record.

\$1.50 Saving For Readers Who Pay Year in Advance

Tomorrow, Monday, is final day of the annual Mail Tribune "Bargain Days" subscription drive, and all new orders or renewals must be received in the Tribune office or bear postmarks of Sept. 17 in order to get the reduced rate offered during the period.

The Tribune office will be open until 10 p. m. Monday for convenience of persons who work during the daytime office hours. No orders can be taken by telephone. Prices on the paper are \$7.50 for a year's subscription where delivered by carrier, and \$6 for mail deliveries in Jackson, Josephine and Siskiyou counties. Regular prices which go back into effect after Monday are \$9 and \$7.50.

Circulation Manager Gerald T. Latham stated Saturday that more subscribers than usual are taking advantage of the bargain offer, saving themselves \$1.50 on either carrier or mail orders and also eliminating the trouble to themselves and carriers of 11 extra monthly collection calls.

20 VETS PERISH IN FIERY CRASH ARMY TRANSPORT

Flight From Europe To West Coast Ends Near Kansas City

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 15—(U.P.)—The bodies of 20 battle-scarred veterans of action against the Germans and those of three crewmen were recovered today from the splintered and smoking wreckage of a C-47 ATC plane which crashed as it carried them on the last lap of their long flight home from Europe to the west coast.

The plane took off from the Fairfax airport in Kansas City, Kan., at 12:15 a. m. (CWT) today and within minutes was a furiously blazing funeral pyre for all but three of the 24 men aboard it. Two of them died at the General Hospital and the sole remaining survivor was in critical condition.

First Lt. Warren E. Derrickson, Broken Bow, Neb., was the pilot. First Lt. James E. Wuest, Hamilton, O., was the co-pilot and Pfc. Elbert P. Keziah, Yorktown, Va., was flight clerk. All were killed instantly.

It was reported one of the veterans killed was a major. Two others were lieutenants, the other 18 enlisted men.

Doctors at the General Hospital held little hope for Sgt. Ora D. Delong, whose papers indicated relatives at Fort Scott and Winfield, in Kansas, and at San Bernardino, Calif. Delong was unconscious and in critical condition.

Derrickson, Wuest and Keziah took over the plane at the Fairfax base from the crew which had brought it in from Newark, N. J., on one of about 40 regularly scheduled flights returning servicemen to their homes.

After taking on 600 gallons of gasoline, Derrickson gunned the new transport northward from the field. It cleared the Missouri river levee but one of the engines began to sputter, witnesses reported.

The plane limped over the river but it lost altitude and one wing dipped against the Burlington railroad embankment.

There was a flash of flame, visible for 20 miles. The plane broke into pieces and slivered across the track and into a field beyond, scattering personal effects and the bodies of the men.

Wake Hero Wants Bases in Pacific

Aboard USS Panamint off Ominato Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Maj. James P. S. Devereau, 44, whose small Wake Island marine force wrote an epic chapter in American history, today urged that the U. S. maintain strong Pacific bases in the future as he told of the heroic but hopeless fight to hold the little island.

"I hope America retains strong Pacific bases," he said as he prepared to leave for Tokyo. "I wouldn't call this imperialism, merely non-isolationism."

TOGO NO. 2 JAP CRIMINAL, THREE PUPPETS GIVE UP

Filipino 'Quislings' Taken Also—Panay Attack Chief Arrested

Tokyo, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Shigenori Togo, foreign minister at the time of Pearl Harbor and No. 2 on Gen. Douglas MacArthur's list of Japanese war criminals, surrendered today to the U. S. Eighth army.

Eleven other war criminals also surrendered or had been taken into custody in the past 24 hours, bringing to 25 the number accounted for of MacArthur's two lists totaling 47.

The haul included the two top-Filipino Quislings arrested by Eighth army men—Jose P. Laurel, president of the Japanese-sponsored Philippines republic, and Benigo S. Aquino, president of the Japanese-sponsored Philippines national assembly.

Surrendering with Togo were Vice Admiral Yoshitake Ueda, former chief of naval aviation and No. 24 on the list, and Col. Kingoro Hashimoto, nationalist leader of the pre-war "Young Officers" clique which had demanded war with the U. S. for a decade before they got it.

Hashimoto, who ordered the attack on the gunboat U. S. S. Panay in China, in 1937, was not on the original list of 40. He was among seven leaders of the terroristic Black Dragon society who were ordered arrested later.

Togo notified U. S. Eighth army headquarters he wanted to surrender and Japanese police, under an agreement with the Americans, placed him under house arrest at his home.

Arrested with Laurel was his son, Jose P. Laurel III, commander of the Presidential guard and aide de camp to his father.

The three Quislings were taken into custody in a summer resort hotel at Nara, 300 miles southwest of Tokyo, by an Eighth army arrest team.

The party was brought to Yokohama by air and placed in jail. All three were airmail.

Laurel declined to talk on his arrival in Yokohama, although earlier he had told newsmen: "I am prepared to answer charges against me."

Seven other war criminals were taken into custody by the Eleventh corps provost marshal Saturday.

WALLGREN TESTY, UPHOLDS BAN ON REPUBLICAN GI'S

Seattle, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—A luncheon meeting of 800 King county democrats today heard Gov. Mon. C. Wallgren defend his veto of the teacher's retirement bill, call for a single agency to control the sale of state-owned timber and ask for a Washington game commission responsible only to the governor.

In upholding his veto of an earlier bill, Wallgren told the gathering that the Olympia administration would pass a satisfactory teacher's retirement bill at the next session.

The governor also defended an earlier statement in which he said the state administration would not appoint veterans to state jobs who were active in the republican administration. "We need men we can trust," he said.

Acknowledging receipt of scores of protests from eastern Washington about the unified dates set by the game commission last July for deer-hunting, Wallgren said "until I control the commission I am accepting no protests about the deer hunting dates this fall." At present a four man commission, contains two officials appointed by the previous administration.

ARTIST ON TOUR

Los Angeles, Sept. 15—(U.P.)—Mary Burger, young Los Angeles artist, will leave here Monday to paint oil portraits of the presidents of the 20 Latin-American countries.