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MASS STRIKE BY CIO AUTO UNION MENACES NATION

Economic Peace Periled By Vote Call — Both Sides Firm

Detroit, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—C. E. Wilson, president of General Motors Corp., tonight advocated a 45 or 48 hour work week as a national economic remedy and said it would offset labor's 30 per cent pay boost demand.

He revealed also that General Motors was planning to spend \$600,000,000 on reconversion and expansion to satisfy the great pent-up demand for industrial products.

Wilson made the work-week proposal — which he doubted would be acceptable to labor — at an extraordinary press conference following a dinner attended by special correspondents making a nationwide reconversion survey and members of the Detroit press.

Detroit, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Peril of the greatest mass strike in history hovered over the American economic scene tonight as the powerful CIO moved toward ballot-box authority to call out 500,000 automobile workers in a fight for wage gains.

Government supervised strike elections were scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, respectively. In the General Motors and Chrysler systems — two of the giant automotive industry's big three.

Both labor and management said the ballots would have far-reaching influence on the wage and price policies of peacetime America.

Neither side doubted that the voting members of the United Automobile Workers union (CIO) would do anything but approve the strike call. In kindred statements tonight union and industry spokesmen said a strike of some kind seemed inevitable.

"There appears to be no willingness to negotiate our requested 30 per cent wage increase," said UAW vice president Walter P. Reuther. "We certainly intend to strike if necessary to compel consideration of our fair demands."

But General Motors president C. E. Wilson said "our answer is no and that is final."

And K. T. Keller, president of Chrysler Corp., told reporters that in his view labor relations were worsening and he feared there had been no progress in wage negotiations up to this time.

The national labor relations board drafted more than 200 temporary specialists from ranks of college faculty, lawyers and accountants to aid regular staff members in handling the largest labor election since the provision was written into law.

Hollywood Oct. 20.—Union leaders reported "progress" tonight as film czar Eric Johnston conferred to break stalemated negotiations in the 32-week-old movie industry strike, highlighted today by 1500 pickets, including college students, parading peacefully at Warner Bros. studio.

Johnston, recently elected president of the motion picture producers association, conferred most of today and tonight with union leaders and Donald Nelson, president of the society of independent motion picture producers.

FLOOR FIGHT ON TAX RELIEF DUE

Washington, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Chairman Walter F. George, D. Ga., of the Senate Finance committee tonight predicted a floor fight over the \$5,620,000,000 tax relief bill when it comes up for senate debate Wednesday or Thursday.

George said that while he opposed some sections of the bill as approved by his finance committee, he personally would not offer floor amendments. He said he felt the senate bill was "some better" than the house version because it would repeal all excess profits taxes on Jan. 1.

ASK FEDERAL RULE Sacramento, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The Central Valley project conference tonight unanimously endorsed continued federal control of water development programs on Central Valley watersheds.

Posed as Major



Wounded South Pacific veteran, Pvt. William F. Barrs, who posed successfully as a be-medaled major, went AWOL from Hamilton Field Hospital, Calif., married an Army nurse, was finally trapped by trail of bad checks, in San Francisco, Calif. His bride of six weeks, Lt. Helene E. Perkins, 21, Oakland Regional Army Hospital, also AWOL during her honeymoon, declares she will stick by her husband. He claims memory lapses.

FORMER SOLDIER SURVIVES CRASH, WEEK'S EXPOSURE

Lying unconscious in a canyon for several days, Orval G. Christenson, 31, of Ada, Minn., was found yesterday afternoon on the Buckhorn Mineral Springs road, about five miles from the Klamath Falls junction south of Ashland. A car which Christenson was driving had left the road, landing upside down in a creek 87 feet from the roadbed. Parts of the car and Christenson's personal effects were strewn down the side of the canyon wall.

Deputy Coroner C. M. Litwiler of Ashland, who was called to the scene, took the injured man to the Camp White hospital where it was found he was badly bruised about the head and chest and possibly injured internally. Christenson was discharged from the army about three weeks ago and had been visiting his cousin, George Christenson, at Buckhorn springs.

The injured man had borrowed his cousin's car to go to Klamath Falls where he was to work. He was to have returned a week ago yesterday and late last week Dr. Herman Wexler of Buckhorn Springs went to Klamath Falls to seek information on Christenson's whereabouts.

C. W. McGrew, an employee at the springs, was picking rocks from the roadway yesterday when he saw the car in the canyon and found Christenson lying some distance from the wreck.

Coroner Litwiler said, because of the cold nights and exposure, it was a miracle that Christenson survived.

ALLIES APPROVE AUSTRIA REGIME

London, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The four-power allied control council for Austria tonight announced recognition of the government of Dr. Karl Renner and authorized nationwide elections before the end of the year.

Austria's first post-war election was scheduled for Nov. 23. Recognition was recommended two weeks ago in a report by the control council to the big four powers.

Academy Explosion Takes One, 13 Hurt

Portland, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Charles Auth, 50, baker at the Hill Military Academy, died in a Portland hospital today from burns suffered when a hot-water tank exploded in the academy's mess hall, injuring 13 other persons.

A little later Cadet J. Pat Hayden, 12, of Portland, was added to the list of those critically injured. The other two, lying near death, were Cadet James F. Knight, 14, of Spokane, and Mrs. Benjamin Hill, sister-in-law of the academy's headmaster.

EISENHOWER ASKS WORLD BAN UPON FARBIN CARTELS

Army Recommends End of Huge German War Breeding Plant

Washington, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The U. S. military government in Germany urged tonight that all I.G. Farbenindustrie cartels everywhere in the world be wiped out with a single Allied stroke as a step toward "destroying forever" the huge war-breeding chemical and industrial combine.

The recommendation was contained in a report to the War department—made by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower as head of the military government—of action taken so far in the American zone of occupation against the I.G. Farben Corp. The report said I.G. was of incalculable importance to the German war effort and accused it of plundering the industry of other nations in the wake of the Wehrmacht.

Estimating that there are more than 2,000 I.G. cartels, the report said it was "impracticable to destroy these interests by the interminable process of analyzing each such arrangement and taking special action in each case." Instead, the American officials have decided to seek overall legislative action on the part of the Allied control council outlawing cartels. This legislation is now under study.

Other four-power actions recommended:

1. Making I.G. plants and assets available as reparations to Allied nations.

2. Destruction of plants used exclusively for war purposes.

3. Elimination of the monopoly by dispersion of ownership of remaining plants.

4. Strict control of I.G. research.

All these policies are now being carried out in the American zone, the report said. However, it warned that U. S. action alone could not be effective because only 9.75 per cent of I.G. holdings are in the U. S. occupational area. This amount, consisting of 84 properties, has been seized.

France has taken over the 11.5 per cent of I.G. holdings in French-occupied territory, but Great Britain had not yet followed suit by the end of September. I.G. holdings in the British zone amount to 20.25 per cent of the total.

FRENCH TO VOTE ON CONSTITUTION

Paris, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—An estimated 24,000,000 French men and women will vote in national elections tomorrow for the first time since 1936 to determine whether they want a new constitution to replace the document of 1875 which governed the third republic.

At the same time, the French vote for the men who either come to the country's representatives under the old constitution, or drafters of a new constitution. That vote will be quite apart from the one affecting the future type of government.

For the first time in the history of France women will be allowed to vote.

'DILUTED' DRAFT PRESIDENT'S AIM

Washington, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—President Truman may ask for a "diluted form" of universal military training — on a voluntary basis — as the backbone of the nation's defense program when he addresses a joint session of congress Tuesday.

Congressional sources said tonight they do not expect him to endorse a "compulsory" training program, but agreed that the fate of universal training—listed as a must by the army and navy—hinges on Mr. Truman's special message.

SUSPECTS HELD Portland, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Two suspects were in custody today and a third identified as Portland police investigated the slugging of a Portland drugstore proprietor.

Fulfills Promise

Portland, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—A promise made 12 years ago paid off today for Mrs. Nicholas Lisac of Portland. When the doctor said he would deliver her 13th baby for "free" he meant it. Today Mrs. Lisac had her 13th child and the doctor delivered it gratis.

Coincidentally all 13 children have been brought into the world by the same doctor, or his physician wife, who died this year on Mrs. Lisac's own birthday.

CARACAS BOMBED BY REBEL FORCE, REVOLT SPREADS

National Guards, Communists Seek Return of Venezuela President

Caracas, Venezuela, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Rebel war planes bombed Caracas late today and heavy fighting broke out in the city between revolutionary troops and national guard units loyal to deposed President Isaías Medina. Casualties of the 36-hour-old revolution were estimated at 300 dead and more than 1,000 wounded.

The national guard units, supported by armed communists, were trying to recapture the Caracas military school where Medina and high military officers were reported to be held. Counter-revolutionary forces were reported massing in the Andean areas of western Venezuela.

The Revolutionary troops, using tanks and artillery were resisting the counter-attack. Communists were reported to have obtained arms and uniforms by assaulting a local barracks.

The revolutionary government later announced the attack against the military school had been repelled by their forces, using two airplanes and half a dozen armored cars.

(The pro-Medina radio Tachira—in western Venezuela—broadcast an urgent bulletin late this afternoon claiming Medina, at the head of loyal troops had entered Miraflores, presidential palace in Caracas, after heavy fighting in adjacent streets.)

Earlier, Maj. Mario Vargas, member of the revolutionary Junta, announced that Gen. Lopez Henriquez, commander of the all-important Los Andes military zone, had pledged himself to the revolution, along with Gen. Leon Jurado, governor of Falcon State, also in western Venezuela.

RUMOR JAPAN WON WAR HITS HAWAII

Honolulu, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—American civilian and military authorities are trying to find the source of rumors spread among some 14,000 Hawaiian Japanese on the main island of Oahu that Japan won the war and that news of the allied victory was only propaganda. It was learned today.

According to one source, 200 such Japanese recently gathered in the hills overlooking Pearl Harbor to watch for the arrival of the victorious Japanese.

Bulletin

Seoul, Korea, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Dr. Syngman Rhee, long-exiled head of the Korean independent movement, made his first open bid for leadership at home today with a fiery speech denouncing the partition of Korea by American and Russian occupation armies.

Saginaw, Mich., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The three-day strike of CIO utility workers which had threatened to cut off gas and electric service to 2,000,000 Michigan consumers ended tonight.

Hamburg, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—A German U-boat skipper and two of his crew were condemned to death by a British military court today for murdering helpless survivors of a torpedoed Greek steamer early in the war.

Another crewman was doomed to life imprisonment and the fifth defendant was sentenced to 15 years in prison for his part in the machine-gun massacre.

TRUMAN TO GIVE VIEWS MONDAY ON WAGE-PRICE CUT

Administration Fears Deflation Most — Expects To Urge Higher Wages

Washington, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The administration appeared tonight to believe that deflation caused by loss of worker buying power would damage the economy more than a moderate inflation caused by substantial wage increases.

The depressing effect of wage cuts resulting from peacetime loss of overtime pay, observers suggested, would produce immediate political as well as economic repercussions.

Of the two dangers, the administration was said to fear deflation more than inflation.

President Truman was reported to have given considerable weight to the advice of cabinet members who feel that the most urgent step now is to restore worker purchasing power.

The president is preparing a wage-price policy announcement for next week, probably Monday.

He conferred for more than an hour today with Price Administrator Chester Bowles and Reconstruction Director John W. Snyder.

Mr. Truman's statement may outline a method or designate an agency to decide when and how much price relief is necessary to cover a wage boost. He is expected to appeal to labor and industry to resolve disputes over this issue by orderly processes rather than by strike or lockout.

His statement also is expected to lay stress on the necessity for higher wages for all workers in order to maintain purchasing power.

COLUMBIA VALLEY AUTHORITY HELD DEMOCRACY BRAKE

Seattle, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Representatives from five states voiced continued opposition to the proposed Columbia River Authority at a meeting of the Pacific Northwest Development association today and were told the development of the northwest would be retarded from three to five years under the program.

"Until our people right here at home realize that the development of the Pacific northwest would be retarded by three to five years under a CVA and, or even greater importance, that the very fundamental basis on which our government has been established by the authority idea, true democracy, as we believe in it, is endangered," said State Senator Don Miller, Wenatchee publisher.

Miller charged the non-democratic elements "intend to use the river authority idea" to develop a program of "totalitarian control over our people" and were "hiding under the banner of liberalism while doing it."

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REBELS IN JAVA THREATEN MARCH

Batavia, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Rebels Indonesian nationalists challenged British military intervention in Java today and threatened to march on Batavia unless the Dutch grant their independence demands.

Batavia itself was quiet, with British regulars patrolling the streets, but the interior was reported alive with bands of native insurgents looting and terrorizing the countryside.

The nationalist radio at Soerabaya—now apparently entirely in rebel hands—broadcast a defiant proclamation to the native population of Batavia calling for an armed uprising within the island capital.

MURDER CHARGED Vale, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—District Attorney E. Otis Smith today said he had filed a murder charge against 18-year-old Floyd Pousson, of Lake Charles, La., for the death of N. Kurau, 61-year-old La Grande, Ore., Japanese American.

Sharp Sitting, Soldier!



Pfc. Vincent Smith, Dady, Fla., perches atop pile of 347 samurai swords and cautiously tests razor sharpness of one blade, at northern Honshu where demobilization of Jap military machine is maintained on schedule by special units from 3443 Ordnance Company, U. S. Eighth Army.

HIROHITO'S TRIAL AS WAR CRIMINAL NOW CONSIDERED

Tokyo, Sunday, Oct. 21.—(U.P.)—Emperor Hirohito and members of the Japanese imperial household are not immune to war criminal prosecution and will be tried before the war crimes commission if evidence warrants, Col. Alva C. Carpenter, chief of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's war crimes branch said today.

The trials of Japanese war criminals—numbering possibly in the thousands—will begin within the next month, he said, predicting the prosecution may extend over two years.

He told a press conference that there was "no reason why Japan should be immune to war criminal prosecutions." Not even the emperor himself or members of the imperial household such as advisors could evade trial, he said, if the evidence against them is sufficient.

He cautiously, but definitely, stated the emperor was not being investigated as an individual. He said Hirohito was involved only as he enters the picture through the study of Japanese state papers.

However, he emphasized, the Japanese surrender terms contained no clause to prevent trying the emperor if the evidence indicates he is a war criminal.

BRITAIN'S FUTURE FRETS CHURCHILL

London, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Former Prime Minister Winston S. Churchill, in his first clear statement of regret for having lost last summer's parliamentary election, expressed anxiety for Britain's future today because of partisan political differences which he said were greater than at any time since before World War I.

"I share with many people the deep anxiety about the future and it seems to me that these next few years may well decide our own place in the world," he said. "It is a place which if once lost might never be regained. The break up of the famous coalition has led inevitably to a division of our people into opposing parties such as we have not seen since the days before the first great world war."

Plenty of Low Wage Jobs in State, Word

Salem, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—The Oregon Postwar Development and Readjustment commission reported today there are still thousands of job openings in Oregon, but mostly in the lower wage brackets.

In a report to Gov. Earl Swoel, the commission said in many cases industries were restricting their new employees to a 45-year-age limit and women were not even being considered. The color line was also being drawn in many cases.

LEIGHT, REYNOLDS WIN FOR OREGON; BEAVERS BEATEN

Cougars Conquered 26-13. Washington Wins 13-0 From Injured State

Eugene, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—An undersize University of Oregon eleven sparked by the brown and white combination of Negro Bobby Reynolds and fleet Jake Leicht, humbled the favored Washington State Cougars 26-13 in a Pacific Coast conference football game before 6,500 fans here today.

The heavier Cougars, beaten only by Washington this year, were held scoreless through the first three periods while Oregon romped to four touchdowns, two of them through the air.

Washington State scored its pair of last-period tallies with Reynolds and Leicht on the bench.

Oregon stabbed to the goal within three minutes of the opening kickoff with right half Walt Donovan breaking through his right tackle for 25 yards.

A recovered fumble by Reynolds on the Washington State 24 after eight minutes of the second period set up a drive climaxed by Leicht's end run from the one.

A 25-yard run by Leicht advanced Oregon to the Washington State 17 and from there, Reynolds pitched a high pass to the waiting arms of right end Anderson in the end zone.

Midway in the third period, Reynolds shot another end zone pass to Abbey for the Webfoots fourth touchdown.

The lineups:

Oregon pos Wash. State
Hathaway le Bacoka
Gillis lt Giske
Kaufmann lg Nieme
Bill Anderson c Lazor
Reiton rg Buller
DeKins rt Claymore
Bob Anderson re Brown
Reynolds q Perrault
Leicht rb Lippincott
Donovan rh Rupp
Bond f Walter

Score by halves:
Oregon 6-13-7-26
Wash. State 0-0-13-13

Portland, Ore., Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Washington Huskies battered down a stubborn Oregon State College football team today 13 to 0 in thrill-packed game right up to the final gun.

Washington packed too much power for the Beavers whose offense was stymied by injuries and the line outcharged by the relentless Huskies. Even so, the younger and lighter States gamely stopped the victors short of two additional scores in the closing minutes.

Norm Samsregret poled off the first Washington scoring drive with a seven-yard plunge in the second period and Washington was knocking on the door again as the period closed. A blocked place kick gave Karavinos a recovery on the 10 and he rambed more than 60 yards as the gun sounded only to be tackled from behind.

Washington smacked final scoring punch on to Gallin in the fourth period but Rordon Hungar, unsung before the game but a hero today slambanged over from the 12 with only 20 seconds left in the ball game.

Washington's 15 first downs to seven for the Beavers represented the difference in the two squads. Fullback Stevens was too sick to leave Corvallis and halfback Reiman was hurt on the first play to impair the Beavers' attack.

Washington defeated only by California this year, gained 270 yards from rushing to 108 for Oregon State.

The lineups:
Washington pos Oregon State
Hein le Lorenz
Rice lt Puddy
Osterhout lg Rinearson
McGovern c Krell
Hemstad rg Anderson
Vlekrey rt Austin
Bruce re Gibbs
Stone q Hamblin
Given rh Gray
Tracy rb Reiman
Stack fb Rouse

Score by periods:
Washington 0-6-7-13
Oregon State 0-0-0-0

HOTEL STRIKE ENDS

Chicago, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—Elevator and bellhop service was resumed late today in the fashionable Palmer House, Chicago Loop hotel, after a daylong strike of service employes which forced the patrons of the big hotel to handle their own luggage.

FORM PERON CABINET

Buenos Aires, Oct. 20.—(U.P.)—A cabinet acceptable to strong man Col. Juan D. Peron was completed today with appointment of Gen. Juan Pestarini as vice president and the naming of three other cabinet ministers.