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# STRIKE BILL VETO OVERRIDDEN

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE bulk of the war news today is coming from the home front, where the situation created by the coal strike is nearing a showdown.

THE War Labor Board goes to War Mobilization Director Byrnes today with a "stern request" that the government COMPEL the United Mine Workers to COMPLY FULLY with the board's order or IMPOSE PUNISHMENT.

Full compliance would mean signing a two-year contract (with the operators) containing a pledge not to strike during the war. The punishment (of the union; not the individual miners) suggested by the board includes suspension of the dues check-off or freezing the United Mine Workers treasury.

The board even goes so far as to point out that the operators, who have co-operated with the government, have received the only punishment so far handed out (seizure of their mines).

(THE point to remember is that the War Labor Board was created by Presidential order—not by law. It can be abolished as quickly as it was created.)

SIMULTANEOUSLY CIO President Murray serves an ULTIMATUM on congress.

Either approve the President's price-roll-back and subsidy plan to force down prices by paying the deficit out of the treasury, he tells the nation's legislators, or organized labor will be "compelled to demand that the hold-the-line inflation order and the Little Steel wage formula be scrapped." He says labor can't meet increased living costs unless congress acts immediately.

(The best figures obtainable indicate that industrial wages have risen MORE than the cost of living.)

IMMEDIATELY after the War Labor Board's demand that it be backed up, Ickes tells reporters he can see no way to make any "private individual or group" sign an agreement. Asked if he favors a law to COMPEL such action, he says it is doubtful if any legislative body would pass one or if it would be constitutional if passed.

Far be it from this writer to try to get at what a politician means when he talks, but Ickes' statement LOOKS like a broad hint that the WLB is headed for the scrap heap.

TODAY'S dispatches report that sentiment in the senate AGAINST the roll-back and subsidy idea is growing. Senator Clark's proposal to STRIP federal agencies of their subsidy-paying powers is said to be gaining strength today.

IT'S a nasty mess. But what can we expect after decades of politics based on the principle of "I'm going to get MINE and to hell with the country?"

It looks as if the chickens hatched from this cynical concept of government are beginning to come home to roost.

ON the shooting side of the war, Wuppertal, in the Ruhr valley, is attacked again "in great strength" last night. Thirty-three bombers fail to return. Extremely heavy defense—anti-aircraft guns, searchlight batteries and fighter planes—is reported.

Wuppertal proves two things: 1. In our campaign against Germany from the air, we have reserve strength enough to absorb our losses and GO ON.

2. German military forces are being strongly concentrated WITHIN GERMANY for the defense of Germany itself. That means taking them from somewhere else.

THE idea is growing among "informed observers" that a screw is loose in the German (Continued on Page Two)

## WLB Demands Miners Comply

### LIBERATORS FIRE HANGARS AT SALONIKA

Direct Hits Scored on Airdrome of Greek Port

By NOLAN NORGAARD  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, June 25 (AP)—U. S. ninth air force Liberators struck for the first time yesterday at the historic Greek port of Salonika from middle east bases while about 300 American bombers and fighters of the northwest African command battered communications of Sardinia, 700 miles to the west, it was announced today. Cairo communiques said more than 50 Liberators, attacking in two waves with more than 250,000 pounds of high explosives, scored direct hits on three hangars at the axis-occupied Segas airdrome of Salonika, leaving all of them in flames. Pilots saw explosives burst among administration buildings and on the field and dispersal areas.

Aircraft Destroyed  
"At least three enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground and oil fires were started," one middle east bulletin said. "None of our aircraft is missing from these and other operations." (The attack upon Salonika, a possible objective of any Balkan invasion, involved a round trip of more than 1000 miles across the Mediterranean.)  
Enemy air fields, docks, ship-

King George Returns From African Tour

By HENRY B. JAMESON  
AN RAF BASE IN BRITAIN, June 25 (AP)—King George VI returned to his homeland today from an extraordinary tour of the North American battlefields, his big four-engine bomber landing at this base just after 6 a. m.  
The king, deeply tanned and smiling, was the first to step from the plane. An RAF guard of honor presented arms and Air Marshal Sir Charles Portal, chief of the British air staff, stepped forward to greet them.  
The big bomber, escorted by 10 Spitfires, landed an hour ahead of schedule because of an unexpectedly strong tail wind. A short time later Winston (Continued on Page Two)

## Knox Explains Elk Hills Contract to Naval Committee; Oil Probe Ordered

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP)—With Navy Secretary Knox signifying complete agreement with the procedure, the house naval committee decided today to order a full investigation into the navy's oil policy in general and that department's now abrogated Elk Hills contract in particular.  
The house public lands committee already is investigating the Elk Hills matter.  
The naval committee acted after Knox appeared before it to explain the contract which he concluded with Standard Oil of California for joint development of the rich Elk Hills reserve, and which he subsequently cancelled when the justice department ruled it "illegal and invalid."  
Shortage Seen  
The secretary told the committee that this nation faced a shortage of vital crude oil, with the "likelihood" that it would become serious late this year and "most certainly early next year."  
His statement came as he opened an explanation of his part in the non-cancelled contract

### School Board Candidates



Willard Constans, left, and Kenneth G. Klahn, are candidates for the office of school board director, Klamath Union high school district. Election is slated for Monday, June 28, in the high school building.

## Labor, LaGuardia Demand Action on Subsidy, Food

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP)—The house voted today to outlaw all use of government funds for subsidy payments to hold down retail prices, other than those payments for which the government is already committed.

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP) CIO President Philip Murray served notice on a congressional committee today that unless an effective roll-back and subsidy program are operating by July 15, organized labor would be compelled to demand that the hold-the-line order against inflation and the "Little Steel" wage formula be scrapped.

Murray delivered the ultimatum before a special congressional committee studying consumer problems.  
Asks Support  
Insisting that congress support the president's price roll-back program, supported by subsidies, he said that labor could not meet increased living costs under present wage ceilings unless congress acted immediately.

He was followed by Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia of New York who testified that "hell will break loose in this country" unless "congress gives immediate attention" to the food and price situation.  
"What other course is there for labor to follow?" Murray asked after stating labor's position. He said he spoke for all organized labor in demanding that something be done to hold down living costs.

Murray accused congress of having failed to "live up to its commitments" to stabilize prices and hold down living costs. Meantime growing senate opposition to using government funds to subsidize lower retail food prices threatened the administration's plan to roll back the cost of living.  
Originally given out an outside chance, a proposal by Sen. (Continued on Page Two)

## "Bob" Hamilton Given Medal Posthumously

The Purple Heart, awarded posthumously to Private Charles W. "Bob" Hamilton who was killed in the North Africa area on April 29, is being forwarded to the young man's mother, Mrs. Emma Lamb of the Spring Lake district, according to word received by Mrs. Lamb from Henry L. Stimson, secretary of war.  
The Purple Heart, given for meritorious action, is "sent as a tangible expression of the country's gratitude for his gallantry and devotion."  
Secretary Stimson wrote Mrs. Lamb:  
"It is sent to you, as well, with my deepest personal sympathy for your bereavement. The loss of a loved one is beyond man's repairing, and the medal is of slight value; not so, however, the message it carries. We are all comrades in arms in this battle for our country, and those of us who have gone are not, and never will be, forgotten by those of us who remain. I hope you will accept the medal in evidence of such remembrance."

between the navy department and the Standard Oil company of California for joint development of the rich Elk Hills petroleum reserve, second largest in the world.  
Reserve Important  
Knox asserted it was of "the first importance that we have an adequate reserve," and added that national policy dictates that we expand our reserve outside the continental United States, "in every way possible."  
"Some immediate attention must be given to the immediate conservation of this invaluable material—we must maintain storage of oil in the ground," he said as he swung into an explanation of the Elk Hills contract.  
Three Choices  
He said that the situation at Elk Hills offered three choices: Purchase of Standard's property, condemnation through court proceedings, or an arrangement for its joint development.  
He said that the navy department had "tired" the first of the three, purchase, but said that the company wanted \$210,000,

## Roosevelt Refuses To Accept UMW October Deadline

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP)—President Roosevelt said today he would not recognize or accept an October 31 deadline set by the United Mine Workers for continued production in government-operated mines.

The chief executive told a press conference he was merely trying to see that coal was mined and that this had to be done some way. He added that many of us get away from the fact we are at war and the life of a nation is very much at stake.

The war labor board (WLB) went to war mobilization director James F. Byrnes with a stern request that the government compel the United Mine Workers to comply fully with the board's order or that punishment be imposed.

Operators Penalized  
Board members told Byrnes that the country's largest corporations, U. S. Steel (in the federal shipbuilding case) and General Motors, complied with the WLB orders, however reluctantly, but that in the coal case only the operators have been penalized. Their mines have been seized although they are ready to obey the WLB.  
Full compliance would mean the signing of a two-year contract containing a pledge not to strike for the duration of the war. The contract handed down by the board would permit reopening of the wage clauses in the interim but otherwise it is the 1941-43 Appalachian agreement plus some concessions such as higher vacation payments, and free tools and equipment.  
Penalties Not Intended  
WLB members said penalties against the miners were not intended but that the union, as such, should be brought to book for defiance. The penalties might take the form of a suspension of the dues checkoff or freezing of the UMW treasury.

Ickes told reporters he could see no way to make any "private individual or group" sign an agreement and, when asked if he favored a law that would compel them to do so, expressed doubt that any legislative body would pass one or that it would be constitutional.

This demand for signing of a formal contract apparently was intended to demonstrate full recognition of the WLB's authority.  
Without that recognition, the (Continued on Page Two)

## Stevens Praises Alaskan Forces Before Rotary

Highest praise for men who are serving in the armed forces in the Alaska territory was voiced by Jay Stevens, chief of the fire section, office of civilian defense, when he spoke before Rotarians at the Friday noon luncheon in the Willard.

Stevens, who is in charge of the eight Pacific coast states, gave a graphic picture of the situation in the north as seen through his eyes following a survey of fire protection in the Aleutian islands. He described the Dutch Harbor bombing, heroism of the men on land and sea, and gave special mention to the fliers in that territory.

The speaker was formerly attached to the state fire marshal's office in Oregon, and the famous \$30,000 disaster wagon given to the city of Portland by Aaron Frank is named for Jay Stevens. The disaster wagon is the only one of its kind in existence although others are being copied, Stevens said.

Stevens flew from Alturas with DeLos Mills, president of Rotary, who completed his year at this meeting. C. A. Dunn introduced the new president, Walter Beane.  
Introduced  
The guest speaker was introduced by Fire Chief Keith K. Ambrose. Music for the luncheon was provided by Ann Henderson and Dewey Lambert who played a group of duets of their own composition.  
Patty Croup, Rotary candidate (Continued on Page Two)

## Inflation Seen Main Issue in Food Question

WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP) President Roosevelt spoke out again today against the setting up of a so-called food czar and said that the question at issue is whether we are for inflation or against it.  
He told a press conference that congress could take the path toward inflation if it wanted to, but that if it did the responsibility would rest 100 percent with the legislators.

Suggestions that someone be given complete authority over all phases of the food program he characterized as close to a red herring. The real question, he said, is whether prices are to be kept down and whether (Continued on Page Two)

## Bar Association Elects Officers

New officers were elected by the Klamath County Bar association Friday at its regular monthly business meeting and luncheon at the Willard hotel.  
Harold Merryman was elected president of the association; J. C. O'Neill, vice president; A. C. Yaden, secretary; Arthur Schupp, treasurer. Outgoing president was Clarence Humble.  
David R. Vandenberg was voted as nominee from Klamath county for membership on the board of governors of the Oregon state bar from the second congressional district.

## Oregon Needs More Liquor

ST. LOUIS, June 25 (AP)—Explaining that Oregon derives its old-age pension funds from liquor receipts, Gov. Snell of Oregon said yesterday he wanted to buy a large quantity of liquor for his state "so the old folks... can eat." He is en route home

### District Governor



Clarence Humble was elected district governor of the Lions club for southern Oregon Tuesday, June 22, at the state-wide war problems conference held at Roseburg this week. This is the first time in over 10 years that this post has been filled by a Klamath man. Humble served as deputy district governor previously.

## OFFICIALS PROMISE END OF COAL REVOLT

Normal Operations to Be Resumed 'About Next Monday'

PITTSBURGH, June 25 (AP) The revolt of thousands of hard and soft coal miners against the back-to-work order of their union's policy committee headed by John L. Lewis continued today with district officials of the United Mine Workers promising normal operations "about next Monday."

Estimates by operator and miner sources of the number of men working in the biggest mining state, Pennsylvania, were variable but on the basis of latest estimates in this state, it appeared that around half of the nation's 521,000 miners still were out of the pits.  
Little could be learned in (Continued on Page Two)

## Fires Started On Jap Bases By U.S. Bombers

AN ADVANCED SOUTH PACIFIC BASE, June 25 (AP)—United States bombers raided three Japanese bases in the Solomons by daylight today, starting fires around airport runways and bivouac areas.  
South Pacific headquarters announced a medium force of Liberators bombed Buka at the northern tip of Bougainville island and Kahili at the southern end, starting fires near the runways of airdromes at both places as well as in encampment areas.  
A "fairly heavy" force of Dauntless and Avenger bombers, covered by Wildcat fighters, hit the Munda bay area and set off a number of fires in a bivouac area.  
All the planes returned safely.

## Big Hat Day Opens Annual "Buckaroo" Celebration

This Saturday will see the beginning of the annual Klamath Buckaroo Days celebration, beginning with the Big Hat day. A kangaroo court will be held to try all men without the required big hats, and violators will be fined either a ticket to the queen's ball or \$1 worth of war stamps.  
Beginning at 9 o'clock in the evening, the queen's ball will be held at the armory, where one of the six queen candidates will be chosen to rule over the celebration. Baldy Evans will furnish music, and Lynn Roycroft will be master of ceremonies. Tickets will be sold for \$1.10, and can be bought from Commandos, or at the ticket window. Queen selection will be made about 11 p. m. by a committee of three judges.  
The next event in the celebration will be the rodeo dance on

## FOR ARGUMENT REJECTED BY HOUSE, SENATE

Roll Call Votes Push Through Anti-Strike Legislation

By The Associated Press  
WASHINGTON, June 25 (AP) The house and senate swiftly enacted the anti-strike bill into law today over President Roosevelt's veto, rejecting overwhelmingly his argument that the act would "stimulate labor unrest."  
With a speed in sharp contrast to the long months of debate which congress has had on such legislation, first the senate and then the house pushed through roll call votes which overrode the veto.  
The vote in the senate was 55 to 25; in the house it was 244 to 108.

### Becomes Law

This became law a measure which the president described this afternoon as failing of its purpose to insure continuous production and which leaders of organized labor have denounced as intended to "crucify labor."  
Outlawing strikes in government-controlled war industry and regulating those in privately-operated plants, its supporters called it the best solution to such work stoppages as those led by (Continued on Page Two)

## Court Grants Use of Roads For Maneuvers

In compliance with a request by the commanding general of the ninth service command for the use of county-owned roads and property in the northern and eastern sections of Klamath county for use in huge combat maneuvers in Oregon planned by the U. S. army for the period of from July 1 to October 31, the county court Wednesday passed a resolution granting the army requirements.  
In part the resolution states that the right of way to pass over, bivouac and maneuver on all county-owned property will be granted to the army at any (Continued on Page Two)

## Fighter Plane Bond Contest Standings

These figures are the actual bond sales to Thursday, June 24, and do not include pledges.  
Mallin ..... \$36,653.00  
Keno ..... 35,410.00  
Merrill ..... 32,110.00  
Henley ..... 28,978.75  
Sprague River ..... 21,127.50  
Gilchrist ..... 11,662.50  
Chil-Ft. Klamath ..... 7,808.75  
Bonanza ..... 5,403.75  
Bly-Beatty ..... 4,840.00