

Truman Optimistic Over Strike-Prevention Law

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (AP)—President Truman today expressed confidence that congress will meet his request for a strike-prevention law before the Christmas holidays.

Although some congressional leaders have said privately they have little hope of reaching that goal, Mr. Truman said in his news conference that he was informed the legislation would be passed by them.

The president has asked for a law staying strikes while fact-finding boards are probing labor disputes. Labor has opposed it.

Mr. Truman paid little attention to questions with reference to criticism by John L. Lewis, United Mine Workers chief, and Philip Murray, president of the CIO.

Fair Way
He said he thought the fact-finding program was a fair way to find out the situation in each case and that he thought it certainly was no device to obstruct labor.

Asked whether the fact-finding boards would have authority to examine management books, he said that in his opinion there would be cooperation from both sides.

A reporter said there had been an understanding that the period of fact-finding could be extended if the board thought it justified. The president had proposed 20 days for the fact-finding, with strikes banned five days prior to and after the inquiry.

The president said the fact-finding could be extended only if absolutely necessary and he did not believe that the authority would be used as a device for prolonging the inquiry.

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Progress Made In Typo Tieup

SEATTLE, Dec. 12 (AP)—No issues were settled, but a union strike committee said "satisfactory" progress was made at a conference yesterday of the publishers of three strikebound Seattle newspapers and membership of the striking Typo union (AFL).

The strike committee reported the conference adjourned until a later meeting in the friendly hope of a reasonably prompt settlement of the work stoppage.

The strike, leaving all Seattle newspaperless, is now in its fourth week. The union has demanded a daily wage increase of \$2.95 and turned down a counter offer of \$1.65.

Two KNAS Officers On Inactive Duty

Two officers from the Klamath naval air station left Tuesday for Seattle where they will report to the 13th naval district to go on inactive duty.

Lt. W. P. Jenkins, assistant grounds training officer, will return to his home at Orleans, Ind., and Lt. John S. Gosselin, commissary officer, will join his family in Pasadena, Calif., before returning home to Aurora, Ill.

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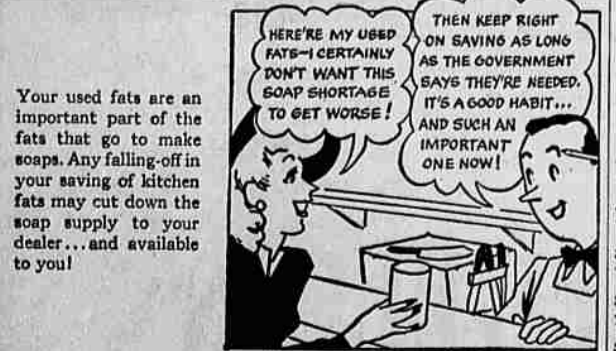
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