

GOP HEADS CLASH OVER LABOR

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS (Travel Correspondence)
AS the winter, representatives of 12 nations are gathering in Los Angeles for an international conference. The conference is being held under the auspices of the industrial committee on petroleum production and refining of the International Labor Organization, a former League of Nations agency that has been taken over by United Nations. It is led off by Jef Rens, a Belgian labor leader, with this statement:
"Peace can not exist without social progress and material well being."

TRUE enough. But let us not permit ourselves to forget this fundamental fact: Social progress and material well being rest upon PRODUCTION. Without production, in this modern world, we can be neither socially progressive nor materially well off.
Material well being, as we understand it, is an abundance of things. In practice, social progress comes down to a FAIR DIVISION of things. In this post-war world, is teaching us that we can't divide what isn't produced.

IN London, on the same day, Hugh Dalton, chancellor of the exchequer (secretary of the treasury) in Britain's labor government, says in a public address that unless the British people WORK HARDER the British experiment in socialism will wind up in still greater distress, rather than in social progress.
He adds bluntly:
"Britain is living on borrowed money and must produce more goods for export or face a lower standard of life and more unemployment."

DALTON spoke at Newcastle, center of Britain's now nationalized (government owned and operated) coal industry. As he was speaking, the great Austin Motor Works at Birmingham, employing 17,000 people, had just shut down for an indefinite period because of lack of coal.
Other industrial plants in Britain were going on short time. Steel production is down 15 per cent. All because of LACK OF COAL.
Coal is scarce in England NOT because there isn't coal enough in the ground but because not enough of it is being dug and brought to the surface for use as fuel.
That is the rub.

SOCIALISM, you see, is no magic wand that when waved effortlessly will bring forth abundance. If socialism is to work, it must be by better organization for MORE PRODUCTION.
Socialism, in theory, concerns itself with even distribution of what is produced. Britain is learning by hard experience that when ENOUGH ISN'T PRODUCED even distribution doesn't satisfy people's wants.
No matter how evenly the food supply may be divided, you will GO HUNGRY if there isn't enough food to go around.

IN Washington, Representative Taber, of New York, wants to cut a million persons off the government's total of 2,300,000 civilian employees. He asserts that in 1939 we had less than a million civilian employees on the federal payroll and thinks we can get along now with 1,300,000.
Senator George, of Georgia, agrees that we must have reduction of federal payrolls, but thinks that a cut of half a million would do the trick.
The argument against reduction is that if we cut too deeply we will reduce the services the federal government can render to the people.

KEEP this fact clear in your mind:
The cost of federal government rests squarely upon the back of your neck. The heavier the burden of government, the heavier is the handicap you must carry in the race to make a living for yourself and your family.
As it stands now, some 50-odd millions of employed workers must carry on their backs as they go about their daily jobs the weight of some 2,300,000 federal employees. It certainly stands to reason that if the number of federal civilian employees could be cut to 1,300,000 the weight on your neck would be considerably reduced.

If you didn't have to carry around so much dead weight, you could DO MORE.
Hamburg Police Say "So Sorry"
HAMBURG, Germany, Feb. 7 (AP)—Hamburg residents were all agog yesterday when local newspapers announced that German police—whose chief task these days seems to be hunting down black market cigarette dealers—had offered 100,000 cigarettes reward for information about a suspected murderer.
Today, however, an embarrassed British official declared that the offer—which aroused more general interest than the 5000 mark (\$50) reward that went with it—had been withdrawn.
"It was a mistake," he said.

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PRICE FIVE CENTS KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, FEBRUARY 7, 1947 (Telephone 8111) Number 10852

WEATHER
Max. (Feb. 6) 52 Min. —38
Precipitation last 24 hours —.00
Stream year to date —4.73
Normal —6.90 Last year —9.54
Forecast: Clouds and fog.

State Withholding Tax Proposed

Agreement Nears On US Budget

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Republican congressional leaders were said today to be near agreement on a \$32,000,000,000 top limit for next year's budget—a figure they contend would leave \$7,000,000,000 for tax cutting and debt payments.
The 20 per cent "across the board" tax reduction plan would cost \$3,500,000,000.
Persons in a position to know said that GOP members of the senate-house budgetary committee, meeting in secret sessions, arrived at the \$32,000,000,000 figure by listing a possible cut of \$2,000,000,000 in President Truman's \$11,200,000,000 item for national defense.
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Taps Sounded For Admiral Mitscher



Admiral Marc A. Mitscher's four-star flag which flew over the navy's famous task force 58, waves at left as bugler sounds taps (second from right) at Arlington National cemetery, Washington. Commodore Arleigh Burke (left) holds arm of Mrs. Mitscher, (wearing veil). Beside Mrs. Mitscher stands Mrs. Elizabeth Dusch, a family friend. Capt. Ernest Ackiss, navy chaplain (right), conducts services.

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Coal Shortage Stops Power

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Fuel Minister Emanuel Shinwell said today Britain's overstrained electric power system would break down early next week because of an acute fuel shortage aggravated by bitter winter weather.
He told the house of commons the result would be that, beginning Monday, no electricity would be supplied to any industrial consumer in London and southeastern area, or in the industrial midlands and the northwestern districts. The electricity supply to domestic consumers will be cut off from 9 a. m. to noon and from 2 p. m. to 4 p. m. daily, he announced.
Shinwell said the labor government hoped the curtailment—certain to cause far-reaching disarrangements in the nation's exports program—would not last longer than three or four days.
Hundreds of ocean-going ships were tied up in British ports by a government conservation order earmarking the dangerously low coal supplies for domestic consumption only. Domestic electricity and gas rations already have been slashed.

British Cabinet Considers New Palestine Compromise

LONDON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Informal sources said today the British cabinet was considering a compromise Palestine formula which would allow 100,000 Jews from European displaced persons camps to enter immediately a semi-autonomous Jewish province in the Holy Land.
This plan was attributed to Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones.
There was no immediate indication from 10 Downing street whether the cabinet had accepted it.
President Truman told Jewish leaders in Washington last July the U. S. government was willing to assume technical and financial responsibility for the transportation of 100,000 immigrants from Europe to Palestine. A foreign office spokesman said today no British approaches had been made to the state department on a Palestine settlement.
Government sources said after the cabinet meeting it was almost certain the new British proposals for Palestine would be conveyed to Arab and Jewish leaders in London over the week-end. They added it was likely that Arab delegates to the official Palestine conference would meet Bevin and Creech Jones once again Monday, and because of their "uncompromising opposition" to further Jewish immigration, the talks probably would dissolve immediately.

Amvets Fight Rent Boost

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Two veterans organizations urged today that congress reject proposals for a general rent increase.
At a news conference, Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., national housing chairman of the American veterans committee, declared "the claim of landlords for higher rents is completely unnecessary."
He suggested that congress give the office of temporary controls \$5,000,000 to employ the staff and handle on an individual basis cases where landlords contend they are suffering hardship due to low rents.
The Veterans of Foreign Wars urged continuation of rent controls unchanged until June 30, 1948.

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3 Youths Die In Blazing Wreck

PLAINVIEW, TEX., Feb. 7 (AP)—Three Floydada teen-agers died in the flames which followed an automobile-truck collision five miles south of Tullia, Tex., about 8 p. m. last night.
They were identified this morning as Nita Merle Patterson, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Patterson; Glenn Carmack, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carmack; and Kenneth Finley, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Finley, all Floydada, Tex., residents.
Both boys were well known football players for Floydada high school. Miss Patterson and Carmack were students and Finley had graduated.

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Red Generators Got Test Run

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Feb. 7 (AP)—The first of three giant American-made generators installed in the Dnieper dam in Russia has been run successfully at full speed, International General Electric officials announced today.
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Americans Quit China Stations

PIEPING, Feb. 7 (AP)—A seven-car special train took 303 American executive headquarters personnel to the port of Tangu today, starting the withdrawal from China without incident except for an hour's breakdown of the locomotive.
The group began loading aboard the army transport General Weigel immediately upon completion of the 115-mile eight-hour trip. It was reported the ship might sail within 24 hours.
Communists who had been attacking the railway left it alone for the second consecutive day, having promised not to interfere with the American evacuation.
Lt. Gen. Alvan C. Gillem Jr., U. S. commissioner at Truce headquarters, turned out to see the contingent off, but neither national government nor the communists sent representatives to wish goodspeed to the first of the 2000 Americans to depart.
Precautions were taken even though the route was reported quiet. The train carried water and provisions for two days and a marine guard took positions at strategic places in the cars. Two marine planes flew escort, keeping in constant contact with the fighter squadron at the airbase here.
Chinese press reports said that fighting flared in other sectors, particularly between Paoting and Shihchiachung on the Peiping-Hankow railroad.

Taft Calls Stassen Plan "Trivial"

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—Two leading republican presidential possibilities for 1948 collided sharply today on labor legislation.
Harold E. Stassen, an announced candidate for the top GOP nomination, went before the senate labor committee and proposed a secret majority vote of workers as the last step before a strike.
Committee Chairman Taft (R-Ohio), whose name has been linked with presidential talk, called Stassen's suggestion "trivial," and a lively exchange followed.
Secret Ballot
Stassen told Taft that "if you believe in the democracy of workers, you must have confidence" in a secret ballot.
Taft argued that in such a vote the workers "do not go against their leaders."
Senator Ball (R-Minn.), who was appointed to the senate by Stassen when the latter was governor of Minnesota in 1940, criticized Stassen's proposal on the ground that a majority vote requirement would be too drastic.
"Too Drastic"
Stassen countered that "it would be too drastic" if Ball's legislation to outlaw the closed shop were enacted. By this he apparently meant that in an open shop, a smaller vote for a strike would suffice.
Stassen opposed Ball's bill to outlaw the closed shop and its modifications saying it would restrict the freedom of contract.
Stassen and Ball also differed over another proposal by Ball—to prohibit industry-wide bargaining.
Stassen said that breaking up industry-wide bargaining would permit employers to compete in lowering wage rates, perhaps leading to a lag in purchasing power which he said was one factor in the 1929 economic crash.
Ball said: "It seems to me your statement is the classic argument for monopoly wherever it occurs. I don't see how we can maintain a free competitive economy while we permit monopolies to go unchecked."

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Barnes Asks Death Probe

Deputy Sheriff Marion Barnes has asked that the Klamath county grand jury investigate the circumstances of the death of Donald Gordon Roberts, Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg may call in the jury next month.
Roberts was killed by a pistol shot fired by Barnes last Monday morning in front of the courthouse as Roberts, ready to come into court for a felony trial, broke away and tried to escape from the deputy.
A coroner's jury Wednesday cleared Barnes of blame in the 28-year-old man's death, holding that the deputy was acting in proper performance of his duty and that the killing was justifiable.
However, Barnes has requested a further probe. Since the grand jury may investigate all crimes and allegations of crimes in the county, it has authority to delve into Roberts' death notwithstanding the action of the coroner's jury.
In his letter to Judge Vandenberg, Barnes said that he believed every grand jury probe was "only fair to myself and the people of this community."
Judge Vandenberg said that since one of the grand jurors is now out of the state, it may be early in March before he is able to get the jury together. Judge Vandenberg will be on the bench in Portland for two weeks starting Saturday.

Truman Asks Rubber Clamp

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7 (AP)—President Truman today renewed his plea to congress for authority to continue rubber production in order to assure synthetic production sufficient to meet any emergency.
The president declared in a message to congress that natural rubber production will increase by late 1947 or early 1948 to the point "where it will be possible to satisfy world needs largely from natural rubber."
Meanwhile, he said, "it is imperative that the congress extend authority to continue controls over rubber under the second war powers act, as I requested in my previous message."
He asked congress to adopt a resolution also making it a national policy "to maintain a synthetic rubber industry in the United States adequate to the minimum needs of national security."

Alturas Enters Robin Contest

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Here at the present time, honey bees are making honey, as evinced by the swarms that invade the cemetery after each funeral to get the nectar from the flowers left there.
Wild geese are mating also, and while it may be a little early for such happenings in Klamath, Alturas, the city on top of a mountain, enjoys the California sun.

Gardener Digs Up Can Of Coins

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 7 (AP)—A can filled with old coins was dug up by Arthur Heiderman while planting a tree on his property and today he was spending the rest of his lot, looking for more.
The group of coins dated back to 1834. Their value was set at \$200, most of it made up of an appraisal of \$10 each for 16 half-dollars minted in 1856. The can was about a foot under ground.
Heiderman bought the property as a brush-covered lot in 1940 and subsequently built a house on it.

Elementary Schools Would Benefit By Portland Plan

Klamath Falls elementary school district and the county unit would gain under the Portland school board plan for distribution of the basic school support fund, according to an analysis made by Dr. Carl Huffaker of the University of Oregon and the Eugene Register-Guard. According to this analysis, Klamath union high school district would gain an advantage under house bill 9, the plan for the basic fund distribution which is opposed in Portland.
The Eugene report says that Klamath Falls elementary would have an advantage of \$30,413 under the Portland plan. The Klamath county unit advantage would be \$84,478 under the Portland plan. The report said KUHS would gain under HSB, but did not give a figure.
According to the analysis based on Huffaker's figures, 60 of Oregon's 92 school districts would have an advantage under house