

# STEEL PEACE TALKS FAIL

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Washington:  
The feeling is growing in top military circles that Russia won't be ready for war in the near future. "Maybe she hasn't enough steel—yet—yet—yet. Maybe she thinks our atom pile is too big to buck—yet—yet—yet. Maybe she thinks she's doing so well with the cold war that she can see no good reason to get all started up in a hot war. And so on.

Do you reckon that could be just wishful thinking?  
Or is it deliberate election year propaganda?  
Or—  
Conceivably—  
Could it be the TRUTH?

I hate to entertain the thought that this statement that maybe Russia isn't PRESENTLY so dangerous, along with its connotation that perhaps after all we haven't so much to worry about right now, could be election year propaganda. Even trying with such an idea leaves one feeling a little smirched and dirty.

But, after all, so much hinges on this election year and its results. So much POWER is at stake. One of the grim lessons of history is that when vast power is at stake those who hold it are apt to stop at nothing in order to make sure of RETAINING it.

And propaganda is so LARGE a part of our modern political picture.

More than mere political power could be at stake in this election year. The ultimate framework of our form of government could be in the balance.

For the past couple of decades we have been drifting notably toward a government of men and away from the hands of a government of LAWS. In a government of laws, a lot of men who have been chosen in one form or another by the people get together and make the laws. In a government of men, ONE MAN CAN ISSUE A DECREE.

The historical pattern of democracy is first a government of laws in which the laws enacted by the people of their representatives are administered by men. Then MEN begin to collect POWER in their hands. The time comes when, in order to RETAIN their power, they elect the representatives of the people who make the laws. If they are victorious in these clashes, the time comes when they begin to INTERPRET the laws.

Then—  
If their power remains unbroken—  
The time comes when MEN begin to issue DECREES. At first, little decrees. Then, if they get away with it, bigger decrees. When men can issue decrees, there is no longer a government of laws, but instead there is a government of men. Democracy in Greece went through that process. Democracy in Rome went through that process. In BOTH, democracy eventually faded out into dictatorship. That process could be at issue in our own country in this election year.

But let's quit indulging in long-winded dissertations on political trends and political philosophies and get down to cases. What I want, above everything else, is leadership that I can believe and trust. I find a lot of people who feel the same way about it. I think that is the explanation of the highly unusual Eisenhower movement.

A lot of us believe we can trust him.

I go further than that. I feel that I can trust Governor Earl Warren, of our close neighbor state of California. If it should happen that there is a deadlock in the Republican convention and Governor Warren emerges as the nominee, I feel that the leadership of the Republican party is in good hands.

Governor Warren is in southern Oregon today for short appearances before he moves on toward other regions of our state. We hope he stops on his way back and talks with us at greater length.

Anyway, let's give him a cordial welcome and a thoughtful and intelligent hearing in the short time that he is here.



Gov. EARL WARREN of California, (NEA Telephone) presidential aspirant, was stumping for May 16 primary election votes in Klamath Falls, making a speech this afternoon from the courthouse steps before going on to Portland.

## North Pole Visit Paid By Airmen

ANCHORAGE (AP) — "Operation Instructions carried out. No sweat." This message from an Air Force crew at the top of the world signaled the end of the first successful landing at the North Pole, the Alaska Air Command announced yesterday.

Major Gen. William D. Old, commanding general of the Air Command, said a C-47 and a B-29 Superfortress were flown by Lt. Col. William P. Benedict of Pasadena, Calif., made the landing Saturday.

Air Force officials and scientists spent more than 10 minutes on the ice pack taking measurements, then flew back to Fletcher's Island, a floating ice island 135 miles away to report the historic landing, Old said.

The Air Command said the landing was made at the geographic North Pole, a point 2,000 miles from the earth's northern extremity of the earth's axis by a magnetic North Pole.

The flight was generally considered to be located on Boothia Peninsula in Northeastern Canada but occasionally shifts by a few degrees, the U. S. Weather Bureau said. It is that region where the magnetic force is Fletcher of Shawnee, Okla., who established the weather station on the ice island carrying his name, was along on the polar flight as co-pilot.

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Workers of the High Sierra Pine Mills, Oroville, Calif., one of the largest local of the Pine Knives Industrial Relations Committee and on strike for the past week, resolved their differences with employers and went back to work this morning.

Chief Irving of PIRC said the Oroville local of the CIO Workers' union accepted the PIRC settlement offer made to the union's Northwest regional negotiating committee with two small changes.

Principal concessions to workers were a 7 1/2 cent hourly wage increase, three more paid holidays, a 2-cent increase in night shift differential pay, and liberalized vacation provisions. The settlement is subject to Wage Stabilization Board approval.

Over 150 workers were involved. Meanwhile, there was no change reported in the strike situation which has idled two mills here in Klamath Falls and dozens of others in the Pacific Northwest.

Irving said the Oroville settlement did not involve the IWA's health and welfare plan as an issue, because the Oroville local did not accept the IWA's recommendation on that subject two years ago.

## Jaycees Name New Officers

Larry Moore of Salem is the new president of the Oregon Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He was elected here Saturday afternoon, succeeding John Luvaas, Eugene. And in the closing session of the Jaycees convention yesterday day Salem was chosen as the 1953 convention city.

## New Klamath Church Formed

Klamath's newest church officially came into being yesterday at Shaasta School with the baptism of 20 adults and 23 children at its first service.

The official organizational meeting held in the afternoon featured Rev. L. H. Steinhoff, D. D., president of the Pacific Synod of the United Lutheran Church who was principal speaker and received the people into full membership.

## Prison Camp Officers Here

Eighteen federal officers are now getting settled at the Newell Prison Camp and a detachment of prisoners is expected about May 15.

The superintendent, Lemuel Fox from McNeil Island prison, guards and other officers have been arriving at the old Jan camp for the past several days. Some have taken apartments or houses in Tulelake and others are "balancing" at the camp.

## Church Meet Topic 'Youth'

"Youth and the Church" will be the topic of the meeting of the Women's Association of Peace Memorial church, Tuesday, 8 p.m. at the church.

Carole Warner, Youth, Presbyterian and Synod Chairman for Faith and Life will give the devotionals. The High School Westminster Fellowship will present a skit on the Flr point annual conference to be held this summer.

## Youth Believed River Victim

EUGENE (AP) — Gary Joe Cox, 14, is feared drowned in the Willamette River, where he went fishing Sunday.

The son of Wilbur Cox of Springfield, he failed to return from the fishing trip. Police are dragging the place where he told his father he would fish.

## Boy, 8, Dies In Swim Pool

Little George Donnie Small, 8, drowned at the KUIHS natatorium Saturday afternoon during a swimming session. His body was pulled from the pool by lifeguard Robert French and Lyle Reed, a swimmer.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Small, and came here but recently from Brentwood, Calif. An informal inquiry held yesterday in the case of the drowning was not determined. The swimming was under the supervision of the City Recreation Department, and Director Bob Bonney reported records showed 70 swimmers in the pool at the time.

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## Federal Reserve Drops Credit Restraint Plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve Board Monday dropped its voluntary credit restraint program—a program designed to curb lending and help fight inflation.

The board said the program is being suspended "in the light of current circumstances" but will be held on a standby basis ready for use again if needed.

Under the program, banks and other lending institutions were encouraged to make loans only for defense or essential civilian purposes. Regional committees were set up to screen loan applications to see if they complied with the program.

The nationwide volunteer drive started in March, 1951. In the nine months from the start of the Korean War until the program started, business loans in major banks had increased by more than five and a half billion dollars, a major factor in the inflationary surge of that period.

In the 13 months since the credit restraint appeal was made, business loans have increased only a little over one and a half billion dollars—and two-thirds of this increase has been due to defense loans.

A spokesman for the board said the agency feels the program can be effective and fair only in a period of "real emergency." An easing of inflationary pressures in recent months has lessened the need for the program, the spokesman added.

He said the board feels such a voluntary restraint can be imposed effectively only when the immediate danger of inflation is "more critical."

Reserve Board officials added that a "complicating factor" was President Truman's recent order releasing city and state governments from the program. This opened the way to bond issues for veterans' bonuses and other spending which had been withheld.

Another "killing frost" hit the Inland Empire early Monday as the mercury dipped to an all-time low for the date in Spokane.

The official reading for Spokane was 32, one degree colder than the previous mark set May 5, 1949, but unofficial lows of 28 were reported in the Spokane valley. Frost conditions ranged from light to heavy.

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## Ballot Issues Forum Topic

A panel five members has been chosen for tonight's "Build the Basin" forum discussion on measures appearing on the city ballot May 16.

They are Mrs. Howard Barnhisel, a local housewife; Mrs. Lena Dennis, Klamath Falls city treasurer in 1929-30; Mrs. Lee Holiday, and a supporter of the community lounge; Dr. Cecil Adams, active in Scout work and interested in the proposed swimming pool; and Bill DePew, Klamath business man.

Audience participation will be urged again tonight when the Herndon News-sponsored program is broadcast over its radio outlet, station KFLW.

The program starts at 8:30, and the phone number is 8111. The Herald and News switchboard will be open and a staff of operators will be ready for the questions as called in by the listening audience.

The strike closed some of the world's greatest oil refineries, including key units for production of aviation gasoline, and was felt in distribution facilities.

The result was an order Sunday by Secretary of Interior Chapman limiting the use of gasoline by airlines and private fliers effective Tuesday.

## Strike Curbs Plane Service

DENVER (AP) — A wage settlement in one segment of the nation's vast oil industry brought conflicting claims from union leaders Monday as to its over-all effectiveness.

The Independent Union of Petroleum Workers announced at Los Angeles Sunday night a wage agreement had been reached with the Standard Oil Co. of California covering 5,000 workers.

This union is not one of a 22 union coalition which called the strike last Wednesday.

The agreement included benefits worth 18 1/2 cents an hour, including a 7.5 per cent wage increase effective May 1 and 4.2 per cent retroactive to Jan. 1.

It also included increases in differentials for night work. The present wage scale averages \$2.02 per hour.

Meanwhile, the grip of the Oil Workers' strike squeezed commercial, private and military aviation but mounted only slowly in effect for the rest of the gasoline-powered nation.

## No N.W. Trip Set for Ike

PORTLAND (AP) — General Eisenhower has no present plans to speak in the Pacific Northwest before the July Republican national convention, his campaign manager said here Monday.

Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., of Massachusetts, the manager, assured a press conference that the general will make his position on issues clear. However, the senator ducked every question on General Eisenhower's position on domestic issues.

"The general couldn't possibly say how he would have voted had he been a senator for the past dozen or so years," Senator Lodge said.

He also refused to estimate the general's present delegate strength or predict the national convention. "We're ahead," is as far as he would go.

Senator Lodge opened a full day with the press conference, open meetings and conferences with political leaders will be capped Monday night with a public rally at Portland's Ice Arena.

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MRS. C. E. DENNIS

MRS. LEE HOLIDAY

MRS. HOWARD BARNHISEL

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## Wage Freeze Said Cause Of Collapse

By ROWLAND EVANS, JR. WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House negotiations started by President Truman over the weekend in another effort to end the steel union and management dispute have collapsed.

The CIO Steelworkers' Union and the industry quit trying to settle their conflict over a new work contract late Sunday because, as Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman put it, they were "so far apart that no agreement" could be reached.

Benjamin Fairless, President of U. S. Steel Corp., and CIO President Philip Murray had been in day and night session with other union and industry officials since Saturday morning at the urgent request of President Truman.

Steelman presided over the futile negotiations after Truman opened the sessions by saying he wanted action.

When the breakoff came, Murray said the industry was on a "strike against collective bargaining." The industry said the union "will refuse to consider a 17-19 cent 'package' offered it."

The steel workers have been seeking what the Wage Stabilization Board recommended — a 17 1/2 cents an hour wage raise plus other fringe benefits and the union shop which would compel all workers to belong to the steel union. The average wage in the industry is slightly under \$2 an hour.

Arthur B. Homer, president of Bethlehem Steel and spokesman for the industry, said in a statement the union still refused to consider an offer made three weeks ago which, he said, would give the workers \$1 a day increase.

Instead, Homer said, the union insisted on the full recommendations of the Wage Stabilization Board, including a union shop. "No proposal" was offered by the union, he said.

Any public mention of the Supreme Court wage stand, which lasts only until the court has decided the case, was conspicuously absent.

But the industry lawyer who has been working closely with the legal aspects of the controversy said the steel companies wanted the Supreme Court to decree "the constitutionality of Truman's seizure of the industry April 8 to avert a strike."

He said, however, that industry fear of a government-imposed wage boost just about balanced off its desire for a high court confirmation of Judge David A. Pine's sweeping decision that the seizure was "wholly illegal and without authority of law."

On Saturday afternoon, the threat of a wage raise was removed.

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