

# TRUMAN ASSAILS 'GREEDY' INTERESTS Railroad Strike Deadline Set For 6 A. M. Monday

### Brotherhood Leaders Fix Transport Tie-Up Time

Delay In Walkout Likely, However

CLEVELAND — (AP) — Heads of two big railroad brotherhoods, the Trainmen and Engineers, today set a 6 A. M. (EST) Monday, March 19, as deadline for a proposed strike which would tie up the nation's rail system.

The expected announcement was made at a press conference called jointly by President A. F. Whitney of the Trainmen's Brotherhood, which has 115,000 members, and Alvanley Johnston, Grand Chief Engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' 75,000 members.

LONG DELAY POSSIBLE

The actual walkout could be delayed 30 to 60 days by the President's appointment of a fact-finding committee as provided by the Railway Labor Act.

Such a committee would have 30 days in which to study the strike call and report recommendations for a settlement. The panel's recommendations are not binding on either party to the dispute.

Johnston said at Washington last month when he and Whitney called on President Truman, that the brotherhoods probably would exhaust machinery set up by the Railway Labor Act and on another occasion declared that "whatever provisions the law calls for he will abide by."

In instructions which Whitney said were mailed to all members of the two brotherhoods, the Trainmen's President pointed out that employees on all rail trains have the same "right to refuse to perform service" as those on other trains.

"So far as your legal right to strike is concerned," the instructions said, "there is no difference between a mail train and any other train. You have identically the same right to refuse to perform service."

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### Anglo-American Alliance Urged Churchill Voices Warning Against Russian Expansion

FULTON, Mo. — (AP) — Winston Churchill, with a stern warning against "indefinite expansion" of Russian "power and doctrines," is pinning his hopes for the next century of mankind on a "fraternal association" of the United States and Great Britain.

In one of the major addresses of his long career, and his most pertinent utterance on world peace since he stepped down as Britain's Prime Minister last June, Churchill voiced his warning and his hopes here yesterday in an academic setting, where he was introduced by President Truman.

Churchill expressed faith in a British-American "fraternal association"—eventually there may come the principle of common citizenship—"recalled the dark day of June, 1940, when we offered to share British citizenship with the stricken people of France."

DEGREES RECEIVED

He and the President received honorary degrees of doctor of laws from Westminster College here after traveling from Washington by special train, as Churchill put it, "the very heart of the United States."

The President presented Churchill to the immediate audience of some 1,000 in the college's gymnasium as "one of the great men of the age" and said he knew the former Prime Minister would have "something constructive to say to the world."

Truman, recalling his first meeting with Churchill and Stalin at Potsdam last summer, said he "became very fond of both of them."

When Churchill had finished, and the President received their degrees, Truman's acceptance remarks included nothing specific about Russia; nothing specific about a British-American alliance.

Instead, the President said the time had come to make the United Nations' Charter "the law of the land and the law of the world." He was applauded loudly.

SPEAKS FOR SELF

Churchill made it clear he spoke only for himself, saying with a smile, "there is nothing here but what you see."

Fresh from a Florida vacation, his language sparkled with his own particular brand of phrase-making. There was, however, a tinge of uneasiness as he followed his prepared text. Once he looked up, his eyes had fallen on the sentence ahead. Through his long years

### Ickes Gave FR Warning Of 'Scandal'

Disliked Mixing Oil And Politics

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Harold L. Ickes testified today he told President Roosevelt in 1944 that "sooner or later you are going to have a scandal on your hands" if an oil man remained as Democratic National Committee treasurer.

The statement by the former Secretary came as he and Sen. Tydings, Democrat, Maryland, clashed over procedure in the Senate Naval Committee's hearings of the nomination of Edwin W. Pauley for Undersecretary of the Navy. Pauley, a California oil man, formerly was Democratic National Treasurer.

Ickes told the committee, under questioning by Tydings, that he did not remember making a statement in an interview with Sam Shellenbarger, printed in the St. Louis Post Dispatch July 8, 1945, that "Pauley was within his rights" and "did not resort to improper methods" in opposing court settlement of Federal claims to oillands oil areas.

If he said that, Ickes testified it was a mistake because "improper methods had been used by Mr. Pauley and used constantly by him."

INTERRUPTS TYDINGS

When Tydings said that the former Secretary of Interior was contradicting himself, the witness interrupted him to assert:

"Now you don't have to shake an atom's weight of oil. I hope your record is as clear as mine."

Tydings referred to Ickes' previous testimony that Pauley in 1945 made a "raw" proposition ever made to me. This, Ickes said then, was a suggestion that \$300,000 in Democratic campaign funds could be obtained from oil men if the Government did not press the tydings demand.

"Why didn't you tell President Roosevelt and the American people that he had a Democratic National Treasurer who was going around soliciting campaign funds from oil men who might benefit?" Tydings demanded.

"I said to President Roosevelt on one occasion," Ickes replied, "the oil man should be treasurer of the Democratic National Committee and sooner or later you will have a scandal on your hands."

Why hadn't Ickes told President Roosevelt about Pauley, Tydings demanded.

"I did lead up to it two or three times," Ickes replied. "He asked me no questions. I supposed that he didn't want to know."

Earlier, Ickes asserted that his memoranda on conversations with Pauley are locked up in a bank vault and could not be produced immediately for examination.

The former Secretary said he did not receive notification until 6:45 P. M. yesterday to appear again today as a witness on Pauley's nomination, and therefore came without the notes.

"I'm used to being given more or less of a bum's rush," said Ickes, resignedly, "but I don't like to be taken into the Cabinet in a huff. But to expect me to produce memoranda that I didn't have at the time, therefore came without the notes."

"Gentlemen," he added, "I'm here to state facts."



THIEF—Perry Elder of the Wichita, Kan., Humane Society holds this little mouse named after his pet. The peculiar penchant for fleecing canines at least was discovered when clothing, bed spreads and sheets disappeared from beds in the Deer-Wallick Hotel, the President called for a "rising standard" of house life.

### Blamed For Opposition To Program In Congress

President Asks Church Support

By ERNEST B. VACCARO

COLUMBUS, Ohio — (AP) — President Truman today laid at the door of "certain interests," which he described as "greedy for gold," the responsibility for much of the opposition to his domestic legislative program.

Appealing directly for church support of measures which have bogged down in Congress, the President told a group of leaders of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America:

"I truly religious fervor among our people would go a long way toward obtaining a national health program, a national housing program, a national education program, and an extended and improved social security program."

Speaking after a parade through flag-draped, crowd-lined High St. from his special train to the Deer-Wallick Hotel, the President called for a "rising standard" of house life.

ATOMIC ENERGY NOTE

He urged religious support also for the development of atomic energy under a "high moral code" to rescue a "sick world" in the doorway to "destruction."

The President said that if the people "truly believed" in the brotherhood of man, it would not be necessary to pass a fair employment act "to prevent racial discrimination in job-giving, and added:

"If certain interests were not so greedy for gold there would be less pressure and lobbying to induce Congress to pass the Price Control Act to expire, or to keep down minimum wages, or to permit further concentration of economic power."

The development of atomic energy, the President told the church leaders, has high moral content in the doorway of destruction — or upon the threshold of the greatest age in history.

"Only a high moral code can master this new power of the universe, and development of atomic energy must be accompanied by a high moral code."

He called upon the forces of "decency and righteousness" to make full use of their war-won freedom to save a world beset by "threats of new conflicts, new terror and destruction."

Saying forces of "selfishness and greed and intolerance" are again at work, Mr. Truman declared that they create situations demanding "moral and spiritual awakening in the life of the individual and in the life of the world."

"There is no problem on the earth tough enough to withstand the flame of a genuine renewal of religious faith," the President said. "And some of the problems of today will yield to nothing less than the creative situations demanding 'moral and spiritual awakening in the life of the individual and in the life of the world.'"

"If the world is to survive, the gigantic power which man has acquired through scientific discovery must be matched by spiritual strength of greater magnitude. All mankind now stands in the doorway to destruction — or upon the threshold of the greatest age in history. Only a high moral code can master this new power of the universe."

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### Union Hits Labor Board

DETROIT — (AP) — The CIO United Auto Workers today charged that the National Labor Relations Board has joined strike-bound General Motors Corp. in a "decision" to break the union.

The union alteration contained in a telegram to the NLRB came shortly after special Federal Mediator James F. Dewey was ordered back to Washington to report on the 106-day-old "impasse."

The Detroit City Council added its voice to the drawn-out deadlock with a request that President Truman intervene in the strike, which said "most seriously affects the whole economic life of the city."

CAPITAL TRIP ASKED

Dewey was asked to fly to Washington late today to confer with Labor Secretary Schweitzerbach.

President R. J. Thomas of the UAW-CIO, addressing a telegram to Chairman Paul M. Herzog of the NLRB, said:

"Recent action of General Motors in refusing arbitration of any kind on any issue ought to make it clear even to your board that the corporation is determined to keep workers out of plants for the purpose of destroying the union."

"Action of the board in adjudging General Motors hearings can mean only that the board has aligned itself with the corporation in this design. We vigorously protest this disgraceful performance and demand that the board proceed at once to discharge its duties."

### By Churchill Plea Strain Added To Big 3 Relations

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A disturbing new element beset suspicion-ridden Big Three relations today—Winston Churchill's plea for quick creation of an Anglo-American military alliance.

There appeared little sentiment to discount the weight of Churchill's words on American public opinion, coming as they did only five days after Secretary of State Byrnes told the world this country must stand ready to fight, if necessary, to protect the principles of the United Nations charter.

NEW MEETING URGED

On top of Byrnes' solemn words came news of developments in recent weeks to strengthen arguments in some American diplomatic quarters that another face-to-face meeting among the chiefs of state has become essential to renew wartime bonds of cooperation.

1. A United States protest sent to Moscow only yesterday against the failure of Russia to withdraw Red Army forces from Iran by the March 2 treaty deadline.

2. A second note of protest based on a Chinese report to this government that the Soviet Union had claimed Japanese industries in Manchuria as "war booty" and had proposed joint operation of much of the territory's basic industry. Neither note was made public.

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### French Ship Fired Upon

ABOARD THE FRENCH CRUISER EMILE BERTIN OFF HAIPHONG, INDO-CHINA—Coastal batteries opened fire upon this cruiser today as this flagship and other French warships cruised off the entrance to Haiphong harbor awaiting permission to land a force of more than 20,000 French troops.

The troops intended to relieve the Chinese garrison in Northern Indo-China, Haiphong is the port of Hanoi, capital of Indo-China and was seriously wounded by Viet Nam Republic.

Shells from an unidentified shore battery missed the flagship by more than a mile, reports reaching the Emile Bertin said one landing craft also was fired on and a French sailor was seriously wounded.

Maj. Gen. Jacques Lecter was aboard the flagship.

### Efforts Renewed Telephone Strike Conference Fails

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A two-hour Government conference today produced "no progress" toward averting tomorrow's threatened nationwide telephone strike but conciliators arranged to renew their efforts promptly.

Conciliator Edgar L. Tamm gave newsmen that report as negotiations recessed until afternoon. Earlier, it had been announced that "some progress" had been made at a session lasting late into the night.

Seventeen unions affiliated with the National Federation of Telephone Workers have set the strike for 6 A. M. Thursday in each time zone. The union has arranged for a nationwide broadcast over the Columbia Network at 11:15 P. M. Eastern Standard Time tonight.

Wage negotiations between the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and the Federation of Long Lines Telephone Workers, an NFTW affiliate, began yesterday morning at the Labor Department and continued until 2 A. M. today.

As the meeting broke up Warren told newsmen that settlement had been reached, various formulas for settlement had been discussed, and "I think we've made some progress."

At the same time, Joseph A. Berne, NPTW president, issued a statement declaring that "on the basis of developments during the night, I can see no eleventh-hour

### Weather Prediction Forecaster Hits Nail On The Head

Prof. Selby Maxwell, our long-range weather forecaster, told us the other day that it would be partly cloudy and a little cooler in Charlotte on Wednesday, March 6. Being slightly unimpressed, we decided we'd walk around until the 6th and see for ourselves.

Today was the 6th, and we went out in the sun, and you know what the weather was? Cloudy and a little cooler.

### Deluge Of Queries Here's What Isn't True About Army

WASHINGTON — (AP) — After a busy night answering the deluge of queries, War Department spokesmen today the following just isn't so:

1. That demobilization has been "frozen."
2. That Army reserves are being "alerted" by telegram.
3. That leaves have been "canceled."

The War Department statement read:

"In response to numerous inquiries from the press and public asking for comment on widespread rumors that all discharges from the Army had been halted; that all leaves of military personnel had been canceled; the War Department states that all such rumors are completely unfounded."

The Navy also said it had been receiving the same kind of queries and the answer was the same as the Army's.

The War Department had no explanation as to why such rumors were going around.

Unofficially one spokesman said it might be the natural result of a change of American attitude in foreign affairs.

Newspaper offices have been getting the same queries.

### Hal Boyle Indians Fail To See Problems That Will Come With Freedom

BOMBAY — (AP) — India, standing on the threshold of political independence, shows little evidence of realizing what weighty in eternal problems will come with freedom.

Indian politicians now are openly divided only on the question of the religious issue of whether India should remain united or divided into two states. Pakistan is a threat for Muslims and Hindus for the Hindu majority.

MR. BOYLE

Hal Boyle, a British journalist, said that the British let go their reins.

"The only surprising about them then will become a political battlefield of opposing economic and social theories."

UNHAPPY DISTINCTION

India is a great land with few "shaves" and many "have nots," and with China the unhappy distinction of being one of the most illiterate major countries on the globe. Its wealth is concentrated in a small upper class, and huge masses of people live in lifelong financial bondage. They are born into debt and die in debt.

But they are content to remain feudal peons? If their "non-violent" political revolution succeeds, will economic and social reforms be far behind intellectual ones?

Young Indian intellectuals

### Professor Maxwell's Advance Predictions

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Swarthmore College v. Presidential Amnesty

Students of Swarthmore College line up to picket the White House with a sign requesting complete amnesty for conscientious objectors. At left is Annette Richards of West Chester, Pa., wearing a miniature jail cell over her head, and at right is Marion Newlin of Indianapolis, Ind. (Acme Photo).

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