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The former Vice-President does not speak for labor, says Victor Rosen, labor commissioner, in a special story on page 7-A.

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The Little Spartan Of Sparta



There is the kind of courage that wins battles and there is the kind that five-year-old Charlene Flak of Sparta, Mich., has. Hers is the greater. Last September Charlene lost both her arms when a frightened horse tossed her beneath a mowing machine on her father's farm at Sparta. For one of hours, it might have been the end. But in the few weeks that she has been fitted with artificial arms, Charlene has set out to prove that she can do just about anything that other children can do. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Flak, say that the child is constantly "yearning to be permitted to help with the farm chores. They are finally bowing to her wishes, and Charlene is proving her point. She is shown here (top) using the artificial arms that serve as hands to thread a needle. Below, she hasn't yet started to school, but she takes chalk in "hands" and copies her name on the blackboard, following the pattern set by her sister, Sidney, who is acting as teacher. The "hands" are rubber-covered steel clamps. (Photos by Jim Galloway of INP).

U. S. Steel Hikes Pay

PITTSBURGH — (AP) — Agreement on wage increases of \$1 a day for 140,000 U. S. Steel Corp. workers today cheered the entire industry with the prospect of a year of strike-free production.

Whole Steel Industry Cheered As Wage Agreement Announced

The union said signature of the pact could be expected tomorrow. "A GREAT VICTORY" Accord on a new contract was hailed by some Executive Board members as "a great victory." President Benjamin F. Fairless of the Steel Corp. issued a statement in which he said he hoped the cost of the increases could be taken care of in the present price structure. He asked employees' cooperation in absorbing the costs by improving efficiency.

His statement said of the union's demand for port-to-portal pay that: "The union has agreed that the companies shall not be obligated to pay for travel or waiting time or time spent in preparatory and closing activities during the term of the new agreement."

"We must count heavily on the acceptance by our employees of their obligation to help absorb these new costs by increased effort and improved efficiency," Murray said.

The agreement comes before the union's 175-man Wage and Policy Committee today for final approval.

WAGE INCREASES TO \$75,000,000

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and cooler this afternoon and tonight. Tuesday fair and slightly warmer.
Temperature at 3:30 today — 68
High and low last 24 hours — 68-58
Sunset today — 7:09
Sunrise tomorrow — 6:15
More Weather Data on page 8-A

Last Week's Action Is Revoked By County Body

Registration Dates Changed

By TOM WATKINS
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Acting upon the advice of Chase Brenizer, chairman of the County Board of Elections, the County Commissioners today changed the date for the ABC referendum from June 7 to Saturday, June 14, in order to avoid possible legal complications.

The new registration dates are May 17, 24 and 31. Challenge day will be June 7. The Commissioners rescinded the formal resolution that was adopted last Monday when the June 7 date was voted, and then adopted a new resolution that moved the referendum on June 14.

Mr. Brenizer explained that when he originally sanctioned the referendum for Saturday, June 7, he did so under the impression that a special election was held in conformance with the general statutes that necessitated the opening of the books 30 days before the election. A review of the ABC Act, however, showed that twenty days' notice must be given for the opening of the registration books and therefore, the referendum date should be moved to Saturday, June 14.

Scratch, Not Bite
Dog Freed From Threat Of Execution
NEW YORK — (AP) — Scout who fled for biting three persons, was free today to lead a dog's life. The four-year-old, female, didn't bite her but just scratched her.

Mr. and Mrs. August Marone learned they had won their fight for the four-year-old, female, Patricia Campagnone, one of the alleged victims, said she was scratched, not bitten.

Giggling Slayer Of Girl Sought

NEW YORK — (AP) — A cruel killer who giggled as he beat to death a 15-year-old Selma Graff with an eighteen-inch iron pipe in her bedroom was the object of a manhunt by the girl's 50 Brooklyn detectives.

Gesture Made As Laws Threatened

AFL Extends Bid To CIO For Parley On Merger

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The AFL Executive Council today invited the CIO Peace Committee to confer here Thursday on merger of the two big labor organizations. AFL President William Green announced the invitation after a meeting of the council to discuss general problems, including the prospect that Congress will enact sharp restrictions on labor.

Meat Axe Drive Sweeping Interior Cut Advocated

WASHINGTON — (AP) — An unprecedented 47 per cent budget cut was recommended today by the House Appropriations Committee.

Phone Strike Claim Made

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Telephone strike leaders today surveyed 40,000,000 Federal Budget, estimated at \$37,500,000,000. The House floor, a \$154,338,513 bill to operate the Interior Department for the next fiscal year.

Woman Is Victim Of Trunk Murder

KEYPORT, N. J. (AP) — Police sought assistance today from metropolitan Chicago Real-Estate to identify the nude body of a woman found in a trunk.

Snow Falls In New England

BOSTON — (AP) — Up to nine inches of snow fell in some sections of southern New England today as a freak Spring storm cut a narrow path through the region, and predictions were that temperatures would drop below freezing tonight.

New Alarm About High Costs Given By President

By ERNEST B. VACCARO
NEW YORK — (AP) — President Truman sounded a new alarm today against rising living costs and called for a united effort by government, industry, agriculture and labor to prevent a disastrous depression.

Senate Tax Fight Ahead

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Senate raises the curtain tomorrow on the first act of its tax-cutting performance.

2 Dozen Eggs Started Success

Back in 1938 Mrs. Carl Stevenson took 2 dozen eggs to the Stovenville Curb Market to see how they would go.

Semi-Secret Session Held

MOSCOW — (AP) — After nearly a year in semi-secret session, the Council of Foreign Ministers adjourned tonight with only the first day of the session.

Denfel Calls On Chiang

NANKING — (AP) — Adm. Louis Denfel, commander of the U. S. Pacific Fleet, called on Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and lunched with U. S. Ambassador G. Leighton Rusk today.

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