

GENERAL NEWS

Final

Five-Day Week Would Be Restored

NLRB Counsel Denham Asks

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Robert N. Denham, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, said today he is applying for a court order to put coal miners back on a normal five-day work week.

Denham said a complaint charging John L. Lewis and his miners union with unfair labor practices is the basis for the court action.

Denham said his aides are going into court this afternoon to apply for a temporary injunction.

This type of application calls for a hearing to be set by the court before any order is issued.

Denham said that he is not asking for a temporary restraining order of the kind of order which calls for immediate action by the court.

Conceivably, it might be weeks before the court would act.

Denham's complaint charges that Lewis has been failing to bargain in good faith, with the coal operators.

Vote On House Rules Scheduled For Friday

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Warring groups in the House agreed today to a showdown vote Friday on a rules change that could battle up civil rights legislation and other parts of the Truman program.

Speaker Rayburn announced the decision after a huddle with administration leaders. He said there will be no caucus of Democrats.

Many Democrats feel that a caucus last year on the same subject of still binding. That meeting bound most Democrats—but not all of them stayed up to support a change in rules stripping the rules committee of its stranglehold over legislation.

The rule was changed after that caucus.

Republican-Southern Democratic coalition now is backing request of the 1950 rule and return to the old procedure. The rules committee is former proponent of the change, but is dominated by the coalition forces.

President Truman predicted

Hoey Critical Of Vaughan

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, President Truman's military aide, was reprimanded sharply today by the Senate committee which conducted last Summer's spectacular five percent inquiry.

In a unanimous report on the investigation, the committee took Vaughan to task for accepting seven homes in the past year, and criticized him on other counts.

Vaughan gave one of the houses to a friend who had the unit sent to another Washington postbox. The President's aide has said there was nothing wrong about his taking the houses, or in presenting them to his friends.

The committee said it's all right for the President's aide to accept gifts because throughout the history of the nation gifts have been accepted by the President.

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MARSHALL DENOUNCED

The committee's report sharply denounced Vaughan's activities in Washington and his activities in the Federal grand jury which accused him of trying to force the resignation of the Senate group. Vaughan, who once had the White House, or to pose for pictures.

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HUNGARY WAS NEVER LIKE THIS



Back home in Chicago after being released from jail in Hungary, where he was accused of spying, Israel Jacobson, an official of a relief organization, gets a big kiss from daughter Helen, 6. Mrs. Jacobson and Margot, 8, are awaiting their turn. (Acme Photo.)

City, County Agree On Sharing Cost

Present Valuation Will Be Doubled

The City and County agreed this afternoon to order a survey which is expected to double Mecklenburg's present property valuation of \$240,000,000.

The revaluation study, including aerial mapping of the county, will cost about \$60,000.

Sharing of this cost by the City and County Governments has held up the survey during the years of intermittent discussion, but the final written was ironed out today's joint conference.

Meeting at City Hall, the Board of County Commissioners and the City Council agreed to share the cost of the survey.

The City will pay 70 percent. The County will pay the remainder.

There was general agreement among the governing boards that a reappraisal of property by the latest scientific means is entirely called for.

I. M. M. revaluation on various properties.

The revaluation property valuations in the State with other major cities.

Revised revenue tax to meet the two steadily-expanding costs.

A complete report is expected to be made by the State-County revaluation commission in three to four months.

The State-County revaluation commission was organized in 1948. Officials of both the City and County have been working on this project for several months. The revaluation is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Consolidation Of Personnel Talked

City-County consolidation might result in a great improvement in personnel practices in the local government, according to a report of the City-County Personnel Commission.

The report, which was prepared by the Personnel Commission, is the result of a study of personnel practices in the City and County.

The report says that the present personnel practices are inefficient and costly. It suggests that the City and County should consolidate their personnel practices.

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has been estimated that frequently the best employee in the office does three and a half times the amount of work done by the poorest employee.

Since many public administration experience greater difficulty in the management of their employees from the payroll than from the personnel file, the report suggests that the personnel file be consolidated with the payroll.

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Boston Robbery Manhunt On

BOSTON—(AP)—Crack FBI agents today set a manhunt for a bandit gang that got away with \$120,000—a million dollars of it in cash—in one of the biggest robberies in the nation's history.

A spokesman for Britain's, the FBI, said today that a \$100,000 reward was offered for information leading to the capture of the bandits.

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The robbery was reported to the FBI at 11:30 p.m. on Jan. 17. The robbers were seen leaving the bank in a 1948 Buick Wildcat. The robbers were seen leaving the bank in a 1948 Buick Wildcat.

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Once Over Lightly

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Thousands Flee Danger Areas

Army Equipment Sent Up Against Floods

A linking dike on the north side of the flood-fighting unit for the area around Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, said that no order had been issued to blast out or dig down the levee banks and residents the floodway.

The major of historic Vineland, Ind., issued a special second call for volunteer flood fighters in his endangered city on the banks of the Wabash.

The Army sent the bulldozers and earth moving equipment to the site of the Birds Point-New Madrid floodway. There the crews will await orders to blast out sections of the levee, or set their machines charging into the massive earthen floodway.

The idea is that if a "plug" is suddenly pulled out of the levee, the water will surge into the Mississippi's current floodway. This will lower the pressure on other walls, up and down stream, such as that at Cairo, Ill.

ACHESON HOPES FOR NEW MOVEMENT AMONG CHINESE

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said today he hopes a third force—neither Communist nor Communist—will develop among the Chinese people.

Acheson said that he had had this to say on the China situation:

1. From the way in which the Chinese Communists are treating Americans in their territory, it is obvious to me that they do not want American recognition.

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On other matters, Acheson made clear that even if the United States develops a major bomb it will stick with its policy of seeking international control of atomic energy.

Acheson discussed the subject in circumlocutory language in response to questions.

As he phrased it, he said he does not know of any prospective atomic power plant in the United States which would cause the United States to change its policy on international control.

Acheson knows, of course—as does most everyone in Washington—that the Government is body debating under the surface the question of whether to try to develop a hydrogen atom atomic bomb that might be 1,000 times more powerful than the atomic bomb now in use.

He also said he knew of no atomic developments in Russia that would make the United States change its policy.

Acheson also said the United States supports France's view that the Bear should be headed from Germany.

He said this country has backed up the French position under three successive administrations and will continue to do so.

The United States believes, he said, that the rich coal-bearing area should have a certain degree of autonomy.

Chrysler Gets Strike Notice

DETROIT—(AP)—The CIO United Auto Workers, rejecting Chrysler's offer to return to work, handed the corporation a seven-day strike notice today.

The union said it would begin the strike at 5 p.m. today. The company said the start of regularly scheduled work on Jan. 20.

There was no immediate comment from the company.

Chrysler's UAW Chrysler director said the union offer was "unreasonable" and "unworkable." He said the company would not accept the offer.

Total benefits in the offer amount to only about five cents per hour, he said. The offer would also require the company to pay for the cost of the strike.

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