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Backtracks Slightly On Sensational Council Walk

SEEKS COAL PEACE Army Urges Draft Law Extension

Government Would Head Off Holiday

No Results Yet In Negotiations

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Government moved into the soft coal dispute today in an effort to head off a nationwide shutdown in the mines Sunday night.

Assistant Secretary of Labor John W. Gibson arranged to talk things over with mine operators after they had spent another day in fruitless negotiations with John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers.

Charles O'Neil, spokesman for the operators, said the Producers Negotiating Committee would confer with Gibson later today.

Lewis was not scheduled to attend. The contract negotiations, however, will resume tomorrow.

Gibson told reporters the Government is not "mapping out any tentative contract to be submitted to the operators and the union."

However, a Labor Department official said that it could be anticipated that "Government activities in the coal dispute would be intensified."

Lewis has given notice to the operators that he will not soot coal until next week if a new contract is not agreed upon by midnight Sunday. He has said the 400,000 unemployed miners will "stay home with their families."

MAY MAKE STAB

Those close to the negotiations expect the Government, through its fight for a \$600,000,000 subsidy program.

Must Hold Men Unless Law Is Kept

Year's Extension Recommended

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Maj. Gen. Willard S. Paul told Congress today that unless the draft law is extended to retain indefinitely some of the men who already have been inducted.

Paul, Army personnel chief, appears before every year's extension of the Selective Service Act.

HERSHEY HEARD

Earlier, the Committee heard from Selective Service Director Lewis B. Hershey that the act must be extended if the Army is to get the 500,000 men he said it needs in the next twelve months.

Paul said the Army wanted to limit to eighteen months the service of men already inducted but the only way it could be done through a continuation of the draft. Both Hershey and Paul contended the voluntary recruiting would not fill the Army's needs.

The Army is willing, Paul said, to accept restrictions on its size, length of service of men, and the release and non-induction of fathers.

"The Army asks you to insure having every man it needs and not one man more," Paul said. "Keep it (Selective Service) on the books and you may be assured that we will never call one man whom we do not need or who can obtain as a volunteer. That is our position before you and the country."

White House Court

Bi-Partisan Support For Horseshoes

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With one exception which will be explained as due time, there was agreement today that the art of tossing horseshoes is worthy of a Presidential boot.

The whole thing came up after Mr. Truman told Representative George Bender, Republican, Ohio, he bankered for a little exercise and so planned a horseshoe court.

Sample Congressional opinion collected by a reporter. Rep. Clarence Brown, Republican, Ohio, who measures six feet, two inches tall and declared:

"It's a move in the right direction. I might even play myself. Of course the President will have to agree to pick up the shoes for me. With my middle, I'll need a caddy."

Rep. Gen. C. Democrat, Georgia, allowed as how it was a smart move "because every one likes to play horseshoes."

Speak For Iran And Russia

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Transatlantic airplane service, all overseas communications. Weather Bureau reports, Mariners' compasses, short wave radios, and some domestic wire services all were adversely affected.

ENVY AFFABLE

The Soviet Ambassador himself was affable in the moment on his plans when he emerged from his hotel to visit the Russian Consulate.

He refused to say whether he had been in communication with the Russian Consulate. The decision to go into executive session, announced by Chairman J. P. McCarver, was taken before the Council adjourned at 6:45 P. M. yesterday, apparently precluded any further further open discussion of Iran's protests against prolonged occupation by Soviet troops, alleged Russian interference in her internal affairs and designs on her rich oil reserves near the Caspian Sea.

CASE PRESENTED

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Professor Maxwell's Advance Predictions

CHARLOTTE, N.C., (AP) — (AP) — A forecast by Professor Maxwell's Advance Predictions indicates that a severe storm will hit the area on Sunday.

Klan Active Again? Fiery Crosses Seen In Birmingham Area

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — (AP) — Fiery crosses, one of them at least twelve feet high, were reported to the Birmingham Age-Herald last night in five neighborhoods in and near this city.

The one reported by the Tarrant officers in nearby Tarrant gave a full description of one of the crosses, but none of the others apparently was reported to police. Birmingham police said they had no calls on the crosses.

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MINE STOPPAGE—Bushy-browed John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, is pictured during a Washington press conference in which he said coal mine work would stop at midnight, March 31. The contract expires at that time and Lewis asserted that miners do not work without a contract. Lewis has summarily rejected proposal by mine operators as unsatisfactory. (Acme Photo.)

Truman Signs Bill Housing Subsidy Fight Pressed

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman signed a bill authorizing \$250,000,000 in temporary housing today as the Administration pressed...

Army Social Line Scored

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The trouble with the Army, a former G. I. told the board, is that it makes too many distinctions in its social life.

Joe McCarthy, a former master sergeant who was editor of Yank Magazine, said there was no complaint with the way the Army ran its business during working hours.

"It's when the men turn to their social life that all the trouble starts in," he said. McCarthy, who was the only witness to appear this morning, said that when an outfit was in combat there was no difficulty between officers and enlisted men.

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Privy Council Meets

TOKYO — (AP) — Japan's Privy Council met with Emperor Hirohito yesterday and approved abolition of the ordinance under which Pacific war campaign decorations had been awarded the nation's military heroes.

Hal Boyle Allied Observers Of Greek Elections Warmly Welcomed

By HAL BOYLE SALONIKA — (AP) — The office chief of Dr. Herman Wells in the American consulate building here is peering into the crowd of people that entered in a symbolic sort of way from his desk in the portly academician can look across most-filled Salonika harbor to Mt. Olympus a few miles away.

The white peak by some trick of distance or water Mr. Boyle's reflection, appears to float in luminous splendor, as if detached from the earth. It was perhaps this odd illusion that

Appropriations Bills Signed

WASHINGTON — (AP) — President Truman today signed separate bills appropriating \$5,459,091,484 for Government agencies, with the Veterans Administration getting \$150,000,000 more than \$4,000,000,000 of the money.

The total includes \$5,094,976,677 to finance the VA and other independent offices for the fiscal year starting July 1, and \$394,114,807 for deficiencies in current year funds of the VA and other agencies.

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Secretary of State Byrnes and Edward R. Stettinius conferred with the Council's secret session of the Council. Indications were that Byrnes would insist that no single member, however powerful, had the right to tampering with the Council's work and that hearing of the Iranian case should proceed with or without Soviet Ambassador Andrei Gromyko in attendance.

On the other hand some press speculation revolved around the point that units of opinion among the United States, Russia, Britain, France and China is the heart of the new world peace organization and the physical absence of Russia from any meeting was seen by some as perhaps a paralyzing break in this unity.

NO PROVISION Experts said the situation is one for which the United Nations Charter makes no provision whatever.

Russia's backtracking came in two developments today following the tense moment at yesterday's Council meeting when Gromyko made an impassioned plea in the chamber under his instructions from Moscow not to stick around at a time when the Iranian Ambassador Hussein Ala started speaking.

Today Soviet Professor Boris Slein attended a meeting of a committee of experts charged with working out the order and procedure for the Council, signalling specifically for the first time the limited nature of the Russian withdrawal.

Subsequently a Soviet official said there would be an announcement from the Russian Embassy personally would attend. Earlier a Soviet spokesman had indicated that Gromyko would attend the Council meeting, but it was understood that the Council would not go into the merits of the Iranian dispute until after continuing discussions to problems of procedure on the question.

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