

FORWARD STRIKE OF RAILROADS MAY 18

Murray Raps AFL Southern Drive Plan As 'Parrot-Like'

Union Head Cites Action Taken After CIO Moved Bitter Union Rivalry Flares

By MAX HALL
Associated Press Labor Reporter
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — (AP)—CIO President Philip Murray today declared that the AFL does "parrot-like" in announcing a Southern organizing drive this week after the CIO had already done the same.

Murray, in a speech to the workers of the CIO Textile Workers Union, said:

"I read in the papers where our rusty-bottomed friends are going down South, too. You know what I mean. They are parrot-like. They didn't even think of wage increases until after the CIO had demanded them at the Labor-Management Conference last fall.

"Well, God help America if it has to contend with this rusty, corroded-like type of leadership such as is found in the AFL. We are going to fight for the enactment of the 'Economic Bill of Rights' proposed by the late President Roosevelt.

Murray called upon all workers to join the fight for the enactment of the 'Economic Bill of Rights' proposed by the late President Roosevelt.

By TOM GREEN, LEWIS
Murray attacked William Green, AFL President, and John L. Lewis, President of the United Mine Workers (AFL), for their actions in the Labor-Management Conference at Washington last fall.

He said the CIO fought for consideration of the wage question at that meeting, but the National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce resisted. And this, said Murray, was to be expected. But:

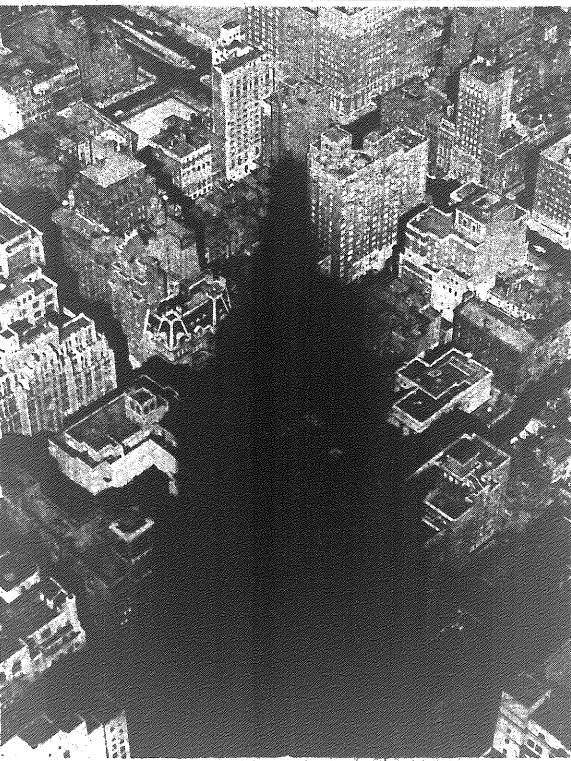
"Can you imagine the committee in the House when old Willie Green and Busby-Brows joined with the National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce in denying the right of this resolution being considered?"

"That was tragic. It had all of the vicious aspects of a collusion attempt to defeat the aims of American wage earners."

Bitter rivalry between the CIO and AFL unions in the textile industry has been a constant theme since the CIO declared the smaller AFL unit no longer was "even a minor threat" and it formed a new union that changed a "hydraulic" one based on fear. Each broke into the open in plant elections to support its claims.

While the inter-union struggle has been going on for years, it has become a bitter feud because it illustrates how the CIO and AFL in their Southern organizing efforts, may expend

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SHADOW OVER MANHATTAN—Shadow of the Empire State Building over midtown Manhattan made this unusual picture taken from the mooring mast of the world's tallest structure, as workmen began erecting a new television antenna. The building, which will reach 1,311 feet when work is finished on the 61-foot antenna. (Acme Photo.)

Communists In Harbin

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
A Chinese Government spokesman concerned the rich North Manchurian city of Harbin to the Communists today but insisted that the Russians get out of the southern part of Dairen, which was not part of the Red Army's schedule of withdrawals.

The spokesman, Minister of Information K. C. Wu, declared that Chinese Communists were already in Harbin. From which the Russians are scheduled to withdraw by the end of the day.

He said he had no information on the situation at Dairen "but Dairen is a part of China and we expect the Russians to withdraw from all Manchuria before the end of the month, as they agreed."

FREE PORT
Dairen became a free port under the Chinese-Russian treaty of last August.

Several sources reported that Chinese Government plans, trying to land at Harbin to evacuate fleeing Government officials. They said the airport already taken over by the Communists. The planes prepared to fly to Dairen, one of the few Government-controlled Manchurian cities, without the officials. Earlier this week, 31 administrators went into Harbin weeks ago, had flown to Mukden.

To Prepare Treaties Foreign Ministers Open Paris Talks

By LOUIS NEVIN
PARIS — (AP)— Foreign Ministers of the United States, Russian, Great Britain and France met today in Luxembourg Palace for the purpose of preparing European treaties to end the greatest war in history.

Secretary of State James F. Byrnes was the first of the visiting ministers to enter the palace where the four leading powers will attempt to iron out differences which have blocked efforts to draft peace treaties for Italy, Romania, Hungary, Bulgaria and Finland.

It was Byrnes who suggested the conference, which he convened to confer with the European Ministers in London for months and caused a postponement of the scheduled May 1 European peace conference.

BIDAUŁ HOST
Georges Bidauł, French Foreign Minister and host, was there to meet his American colleague. Bidauł had driven through streets lined with crowds to the palace where gaily-uniformed republican guardsmen snapped to attention, presenting arms.

Foreign Commissioner V. M. Molotov of the Soviet Union.

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Local Men Re-Named To High Church Jobs

Three Charlottens were re-elected officials of the board of trustees of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States and the Presbyterian Foundation, Inc. at the annual meeting of the board held here at the Hotel Charlotte. They are T. S. McPheeters, president; G. M. Gilchrist, vice-president; and George M. Rose, secretary-treasurer.

The three were reappointed to their important positions at a session held this morning, which was attended by trustees from all over the South.

Mr. McPheeters is president of the Southern Real Estate & Insur-

Spain's Case Considered By Council Policy Shaped By World Body

By CHARLES A. GRUMICH
NEW YORK — (AP)— The World Security Council on this first anniversary of the United Nations' San Francisco organizational meeting today was shaping a policy on how far afield it may go to detect and suppress any alleged plot to breach the peace.

A far-reaching plan of inquiry has been urged by Australia in her generally well-received proposal that the Council investigate Franco Spain fully before voting on Poland's motion for a collective U. N. diplomatic break with that excluded, non-member nation.

Polish has charged that the regime of General Francisco Franco shelters fugitive Nazi war-plotters and scientists who may be conducting research in atomic energy, menaces the French frontier with a massing of troops and is a potential hazard for a new war.

Although prolonged discussion on the methods of investigation was anticipated when the council meets, there were indications that the Australian plan would be acceptable in some form.

Adoption of Australian delegate W. B. Hodgson's proposal would broaden the Council's scope and open the way for detailed inquiry into the affairs of Spain or any suspect nation.

It has been discussed widely among the delegations in private with indications of gathering support and it now for the first time finds the Big Three apparently in agreement in principle.

Faced with Hodgson's including the United States, Britain and Russia was reported lined up in agreement that it was not a question of whether the Council should investigate but rather how it should be done tactically.

The build-up toward Australian has resulted in the Council's taking the "watchdog for the whole of the United Nations" and has told his Council-mates that Australia considers no case closed until all the facts are in.

Battle Lines Drawn Whiting Expected To Wage Hot Fight For Solicitorship

By TOM WATKINS
Charlotte News Staff Writer
Mecklenburg County was being geared today for one of the greatest campaigns in its political history to elect Ben S. Whiting of Charlotte solicitor of the Fourteenth District in opposition to Solicitor Basil Whitener of Gastonia.

Having sought to prevent a bitter election contest with its neighboring county, but unable to do so on the basis of a compromise agreement offered by Gaston County Democratic leaders, members of the Mecklenburg Bar and others, today rallied to the support of an Whiting campaign, expected to announce soon, perhaps tomorrow, that he is in the fight and will see it through.

PLAN CAMPAIGN
There was a bee hive of activity around the Courthouse and Law Building today as plans were formulated for organizing each ward in the City and County, elaborate radio programs and newspaper advertisements, fully appraised Mecklenburg's voting public that this election is not primarily one of generalities but a election fight with Gaston County, were

The County Commissioners, who recently balked at the idea of appointing an assistant solicitor for Mecklenburg and thereby avert an election fight with Gaston County, were

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Decision On Walkout Is Reached At Cleveland

Fact-Finding Board Fails
(Earlier story on page 6-A)
CLEVELAND — (AP)— A nationwide railroad strike to start May 18 was ordered today by officials of two large rail brotherhoods, the Trainmen and Locomotive Engineers.

General chairman of the two brotherhoods reached the strike decision after a two-day conference in which they rejected recommendations made by a fact-finding board in the brotherhoods' dispute with carriers over wages and working rule changes.

SEIZURE POSSIBLE
In view of today's action, Government seizure of railroads was the only way to prevent suspension of rail operations after the May 18 deadline.

Chairmen approved the walkout by acclamation after President A. F. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen told the conference:

"Now is the psychological time to press down on those railroads and get our rule changes through.

"If the Government calls us to Washington, we'll go, but the strike order won't be called off until we have satisfactory settlement reached."

Alvaney Johnston, Grand Chief Engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, likewise said the conference the strike would continue "until satisfactory settlements are reached."

Representatives of the two brotherhoods met with the carriers Monday at Chicago to attempt to negotiate differences.

Urge Price Controls CIO Leader Raps Trimming Of OPA

WASHINGTON — (AP)— CIO Secretary James B. Casey told Senators today that if the House version of a bill to trim OPA stands, recent wage increases will have to be "thrown out the window and a new hand dealt."

He told the Senate Banking Committee the increases were negotiated on one and two year contracts, with his thought price controls would continue.

"WORST 10 PER CENT"
Casey criticized the National Association of Manufacturers for its opposition to price controls, declaring the "NAM has the worst 10 per cent of the employers of the country."

H. I. McCarthy, executive director of the new Council of American Business, also took issue with the NAM in a statement, which said:

"The activities of the National Association of Manufacturers and its satellites in throttling OPA is a national scandal."

He made the statement in releasing a telegram from the Council to President Truman urging him to veto OPA Extension legislation if the Senate accepts House-imposed amendments.

The Council was formed a few months ago, McCarthy said, to unite the independent businessmen and farmers behind a progressive program which will restore the people's confidence in business leadership. George C. Hahn, general manager of the Intercontinental Network, Ogden, Utah, is listed as president.

OPENING MEETING
The group is meeting a two-day meeting here tomorrow with OPA Extension Panel Forum which will act as a principal speaker.

McCarthy's statement said: "Independent businessmen are fearful of the constant agitation of their views by such bodies as the National Association of Manufacturers."

Asked how many businessmen his

Policy Relaxed D.A.R. Allows Negro Choir Use Of Hall

WASHINGTON — (AP)— The Daughters of the American Revolution relaxed a long-standing policy to permit the use of the National Constitution Hall by a Negro choir for a benefit June 3.

D. A. R. officials did not indicate whether the choir would be permitted to use the hall on the appearance of Negro artists in the hall on past occasions produced by the widely publicized concert.

Mrs. Julius Y. Talmadge, president general, said the use of the hall was granted without charge for the Tuskegee group's concert, which will be for the benefit of the United Negro College Fund.

"This is a most worthy undertaking," she said, "and we will help in every way to make it a splendid financial success."

The hall, which the D. A. R. owns, is the only large auditorium in the city suitable for concerts.

Former Bund Chief Out Fritz Kuhn Freed While German Diplomats Rail At U. S. Justice

By DANIEL DE LUCE
watched him leave the billtop internment camp he had shared with 135 German diplomats and American detainees since late October.

Kuhn, former Fuehrer of the German Bund, broke out of his freedom this afternoon in an Army truck from the grim walls of the Hochmayer Fortress while carrying German diplomats inside grumbled at American justice.

At the end of six and a half years as a prisoner of the United States, Kuhn uttered no regrets or apologies to the court.

"Maybe I can get some privacy now," he granted to reporters and six Army officers who curiously

calories of food a day from his American captors, but now must get along on 1,700.

Lt. Howard C. Hammer of Philadelphia, the camp commandant, said Kuhn's departure by the first Army airplane plane, Dr. Lam, and other German diplomats, were representatives in Spain, Italy and Portugal, who were his jail mates.

"They asked why we are letting deported criminals and traitors like Kuhn free while we keep honorable German prisoners in the camp," Hammer remarked. "As a matter of fact, we let one of two graduates of Bund, the lowest."

Roxas Adds To His Lead

MANILA — (AP)— Colorful Manuella Roxas, who campaigned strenuously for the Philippines Presidency while incumbent Sergio Osmeña sat idly in the palace, found into an 82,292 vote lead tonight.

Returns from 3,160 of 14,238 precincts gave:

Roxas 335,529.
Osmeña 233,247.

There still was no confirmation of Osmeña headquarters' earlier claims that the rural vote would swing him the Presidency for the Philippines' first four years of independence. Roxas had added 2,658 votes to his lead in the last 381 precincts reporting.

The challenger led in such provinces as Bohol, just east of Osmeña's home island of Cebu, and Bulacan, in central Luzon. Osmeña managed had counted such provinces in the bag.

The Roxas majority of more than 50,000 in 529 of Manila's 571 city precincts also topped all forecasts.

CORSE SLOW
There were increasing indications that a complete count from remote provinces might require days to reach Manila. It is on such isolated rural areas that Osmeña's managers pin their hopes.

Osmeña had run into his greatest unexpected trouble in two southern districts. Early returns from Zamboanga province of southern Luzon and Capiz province on the island of Panay gave Roxas handsome majorities virtually cancelling Osmeña's Cebu and central-Luzon advantage. This left Osmeña unable to overcome immediately Roxas' long head start in the city of Manila.

Dies During Operation Plane Trip Fails To Save Infant's Life

DETROIT — (AP)— An emergency plane trip and efforts of a Detroit physician failed to save the life of a baby today after her mother died yesterday during an operation.

Dr. Conrad Lam said the baby, born Tuesday in Rockford, Ill., with an incomplete stomach agnathia, had been taken to the hospital for taking nourishment, died as he attempted to perform the operation necessary to start her life.

She was flown here with a nurse yesterday on a Pennsylvania Central airplane to a farm in Michigan, where eight doctors in the country able to perform the complicated operation had gathered. Both Ochs and the child's agnathia and stomach and that she had a very low chance of survival.

Sheryl Beth's father, Robert Cannon, is farmer in Rockford. Attendants at Henry Ford Hospital, where she was taken, said the baby probably would be returned to Rockford.

General Truscott III Held Back From Overseas

General Truscott III, former Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott has been taken ill with a heart condition and is confined to quarters.

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Sunshine today: 7:00
Sunrise tomorrow: 6:58

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