

TRUMAN ASKS CONGRESS TO CURB STRIKES

Truman To Ask Congress To Curb Strikes

WASHINGTON (AP)—House Rules Committee members said today President Truman will ask Congress this afternoon for legislation making it a Federal offense to strike against the Government and permitting the drafting of men to work in Government-operated plants or industries.

Appeal Unheeded Great New York Stations Empty

NEW YORK (AP)—The transportation crisis still gripped New York City today and there was no indication that striking railroad engineers and trainmen were heeding President Truman's back-to-work appeal.

Strike's End Is Demanded

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman counted today upon aroused public opinion to support his decision to end the railroad strike, with troops if necessary.

Cooling Off Strike Curb Plan Voted

WASHINGTON (AP)—By top-heavy majorities, the Senate voted today to impose a 60-day cooling off period to prevent "quickie" strikes and then swiftly accepted President Truman's long-standing suggestion for creation of fact-finding boards in labor disputes.

May Recruit Rail Workers

BOSTON (AP)—Boston & Maine Railroad spokesmen said today that C. H. Buford, Federal manager of the railroad, had wired instructions to institute an intensive recruiting campaign if striking employees had not returned to work by the 4 P. M. deadline.

Navy Finds Experienced Railway Men

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Navy official today said the Navy had found a large number of experienced railway men in the United States.

Congress Group Would Eliminate Ceiling On Meat

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate Banking Committee voted today to eliminate price controls on meat, poultry and milk by next June 30.

Text Of Railroad Union Letter To President Offering To Work

WASHINGTON (AP)—The text of the letter which A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Alvanley Johnston, Grand Chief Engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, made their conditional offer to President Truman.

Announcement Made Public By Steelman

WASHINGTON (AP)—John R. Steelman, labor consultant to President Truman announced today the railroad strike has been settled.

Lewis Gets Government Coal Terms

WASHINGTON (AP)—A. J. Lewis, Secretary of the Interior, J. A. Krug today handed John L. Lewis the Government's tentative contract proposals for settling the soft coal dispute.

Truce Expires At Midnight

WASHINGTON (AP)—The truce between the United Mine Workers' chief and the Government expired at midnight today.

Respond To Appeal

WASHINGTON (AP)—The striking railroad workers and their ultimatum that he was ready to use the Army to run the trains failed to start a general back to work movement today and the Chief Executive broke off further Government efforts to mediate the dispute.

Only A Few Rail Workers Return

WASHINGTON (AP)—Only a few of the 250,000 striking locomotive engineers and railroad trainmen had returned to their posts in response to the Chief Executive's appeal.