

# COUNTY AID EFFORTS TO STOP Strike Leaders Discuss Tieup With Schwellenbach

**Phone Men 'Stand By' After Talk**  
**Strikers Claim Ranks Larger**  
By HAROLD W. WARD  
WASHINGTON (AP)—(AP)—Telephone strike leaders today held a "thorough discussion" of the nationwide tieup with Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach and were "standing by" for consultation.  
President Joseph A. Beirne of the National Federation of Telephone Workers conferred for an hour at mid-day with the Cabinet officer after the White House said in answer to inquiry that the week-old strike is "in the hands of the Labor Department for negotiation."  
Beirne said he and his chief lieutenants, John J. Beltrami and John L. Crull, had with Schwellenbach "a thorough discussion of where we stand right now, which is no different than where we stood before."  
The 36-year-old leader of 340,000 workers made idle by the strike said he had no intention of appealing today to President Truman for intervention, although the Union Policy Committee of 48 members went into session at 11 A. M.  
Attorney General Tom Clark told reporters that the strike situation "is going to work out all right."  
Clark, emerging from a conference with President Truman, said he did not discuss the strike. He did not elaborate.  
The NPTW claimed strikers' ranks were swollen to 340,000 in the face of asserted company attempts to start a back-to-work sweep.  
Carlton W. Werka, NPTW strike director, said fewer than 100 workers on strike returned to their jobs over the week-end.  
Werka said a survey made this morning shows that there is no movement of the strikers to break the line of solid opposition to the company.  
The back to work movement started by the companies is a sham, he said. It is part of the Bell System strike-breaking strategy used in other strikes in the industry. Basically it consists of a program whereby each foreman or supervisor controls each of the workers under his supervision offering them their jobs if they will return and offering them protection from the union during and after the strike if they come back to work. But as a result of an anonymous threat against their lives by a mysterious "secret ballot" of election workers, the strikers refused to return to work. Robert Graham, general secretary of the NPTW, said that many union members had called the company to find out how they could get back to work but asserted there was "absolutely no basis" for such a request.  
At the nationwide tieup entered its second week, the CIO promised workers co-operation with the striking NPTW union.

**SEEK NEW ROUND-THE-WORLD FLIGHT RECORD**—Milton Reynolds, Chicago business man and sponsor of the round-the-world flight of the "Reynolds Bombshell," a converted twin-engine bomber, and his two pilots, Capt. Bill Odom (right), and Tex Salles (center), wave from the cockpit of the plane just before they took off from La Guardia Field, New York, on their globe-circling trip. Today the "Bombshell" had reached Shanghai and was set to make the next hop of the trip to Tokyo. (INP)

## 'Bombshell' At Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Tuesday (AP)—The Reynolds round-the-world plane landed at Kiangnan airfield north of the city at 1:30 A. M. Chinese Daylight Time (11:58 A. M. Monday, Eastern Standard Time). The converted A-36 attack bomber carrying Chicago Manufacturer Milton Reynolds and a crew of five men, took off from Calcutta six hours and 55 minutes previously. Refueling was begun immediately for the next leg of the trip to Tokyo.  
The plane landed at Calcutta, approximately halfway point on the 30,000 mile route, 33 hours and five minutes after leaving New York.  
The unofficial world flight record of 31 hours and fourteen minutes was set by Howard Hughes in 1931. Miller Reynolds, a manufacturer and owner of the sleek craft, declared:  
"Sharing accidents, we should break the record by at least 26 hours. Everything has been going along all right so far."  
His pilot, William P. Odom, of Roslyn, N. Y., said he expected to complete the flight in 65 hours. If the weather continued favorable, he completed that the plane had lost more time than anticipated on stops in Gander, Nfld., Paris, France, and Calcutta.  
The twin engine Bombshell took off for Shanghai with 1974 gallons of gasoline at 4:30 P. M. (5:38 A. M. Eastern Standard Time) which was 35 hours and 45 minutes after leaving New York. The plane had been at the Dumfries airport for six hours and minutes. It had taken the ground crew 40 minutes to load the great tanks.

## 30,000 Get CIO Raises

DETROIT (AP)—General Motors Corp., which has offered an "incentive" wage increase of 10 cents an hour to its 260,000 car plant production workers, announced an agreement today for a 15-cent an hour hike for some 30,000 electrical workers employed by four of its necessary divisions.  
The agreement with the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America (UEA) will be paid in the form of direct wages by the local unions involved. It provides that 11 1/2 cents an hour shall be paid in the form of direct wages advances while 3 1/2 cents hourly shall be paid in the form of cost of six paid holidays and other economic items.  
The proposed 15 cents an hour increase to members of the United Automobile Workers (UAW) would be effective until August of this year when, the corporation said, it would again discuss wages with the UAW-CIO.

## MAJOR LOVE NOW BLASTS FOR PEACE

During the war Major James Love learned the use of explosives for destructive effect against the Japs. When he returned to his York County (S. C.) farm, he turned his knowledge of dynamite to a use in blasting ditches on his place. Read of his success in converting his wartime skill to peace-time pursuits in today's CAROLINA FARMER pages of THE CHARLOTTE NEWS.

## Pastors Disagree On Issue Minister Backs ABC Plan To Solve Liquor Problem

By NANCY BRAME  
Charlotte News Staff Writer  
The Rev. George Henry, pastor of Christ Episcopal Church, told his fellow ministers today, "I lived in an area where ABC stores were in operation and the situation is worse in Charlotte where we do not have liquor stores than in the eastern county where I served."  
Mr. Henry's remarks led to the first public disagreement in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Ministerial Association on the question of ABC stores.  
A motion to urge congregations of local churches to vote against the ABC stores proposal in the June 7 election was carried this morning at an association meeting, but three ministers, voted against the motion.  
Mr. Henry was joined by the Rev. C. Alfred

## Will Continue Talks

Wallace Defies Criticism Of His Speaking Campaign

By ED L. CAMPBELL  
LONDON (AP)—(AP)—Henry A. Wallace declared in a statement today that "I shall go on speaking out for peace wherever men will listen to me until the end of my days."

## Action Against Wallace Urged

WASHINGTON (AP)—(AP)—Chairman Thomas, Republican, New Jersey, of the House Committee on Un-American Activities said today the Justice Department has "no alternative" to taking legal action against Henry A. Wallace for the statements the former Vice-President has made in Britain.

## Stock Market Prices Skid

NEW YORK (AP)—Heaviest selling of the year knocked over leading stocks 1 1/2 to 7 points today with the average hitting a new low since last November.

## Pleads Guilty In Giant Swindle

NEW YORK (AP)—William Arthur Nickel, former cashier for the Merchants' Loan and Co., pleaded guilty today to a charge of grand larceny in the \$780,000 swindle of the company.

## Dr. J. B. Craven Dies In Monroe

MONROE (AP)—The Rev. James Bratton Craven, 67, a member of the General Assembly of the Methodist Church in 1940, died in a hotel here last night. He had been in the city for several days.

## At U. N. Meeting Greek Aid Program Scored By Gromyko

By MAX HARBESON  
WASHINGTON, N. Y.—(AP)—Russia charged today that the Truman administration was trying to conceal the "militarist character" of the Greek-Turkish aid program through a belated effort to stamp it with the trademark of the "United Nations."

## Burglars Take Gems

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—A film director J. Mitchell Lelien reported to the sheriff's office last night that burglars stole miscellaneous jewelry, valued at more than \$5,000, from his home. He said, however, that the burglars did not touch the priceless antiques were undisturbed.

## Black Markets Smashed

TOKYO (AP)—American criminal investigation agents and Japanese police have broken up two black market rings dealing in precious metals and jewels, valued at more than \$100,000, the Eighth Army announced today. Thirty-three persons, including Chinese, were arrested in Kobe and Kyoto.

## Saturday Is Chosen As Day For Referendum County Board Selects Date

The Board of County Commissioners by unanimous vote today set Saturday, June 7, as the date for the referendum on establishment of ABC stores in Mecklenburg County.

The formal resolution instructing Charles Brenner, chairman of the Board of Elections, to set up the machinery for this special County-wide election, was adopted after brief discussion.

Commissioners Caldwell McDonald and Sandy Porter jointly moved the adoption of the resolution, and it was seconded by Carl Melvyn. It was called the vote was unanimous. Chairman S. W. McLean presided; only one member of the board was absent, Arthur Cashin.

The Board members expressed the conviction that the referendum vote would come out if the election were held on Saturday, June would be an appropriate time since June 7 as the election date.

No delegations were present during the referendum discussion, although Melvyn advised the Board that O. G. McCreary, representing the Seventh Day Adventists, requested that the election be held on Saturday, since that day was observed as the Sabbath by the followers of this religious group.

It was noted that the referendum vote would come out if the election were held on Saturday, June would be an appropriate time since June 7 as the election date.

When the resolution came up for adoption it was first proposed that it be advanced by three Board members, McDonald, Melvyn and Porter. Later this arrangement was changed to allow for the joint move by McDonald and Porter and Melvyn.

The formal resolution follows: "Resolved, That the Board of the State of North Carolina in 1947 session adopted HB-677 which provided for a referendum on the referendum by Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, to provide for a Division of Profits From Lumber Sales in Mecklenburg County."

## British Liner Runs Aground

SOUTHAMPTON, Eng.—(AP)—A dock official reported tonight that the Cunard White Star ship "Raglan" had run aground on the entrance to Southampton Harbor.

A Southampton docks officer reported the Elizabeth, was upright and was given a boost to enable her to be towed to the pier.

The 85,000-ton ship, world's largest passenger liner, was heading for the North Sea when she ran aground on a sandbar. Her husband is John L. Loder.

## Hedy Has Pneumonia

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Actress Hedy Lamarr, who was hospitalized today for pneumonia, was reported to be getting a boost to enable her to be towed to the pier.

## Pastor Pleads Guilty To Disorderly Charge

Police Judge Edward G. Burison told the Minister during his hearing, "It is unfortunate that you happened to be there when the trouble was going on."