

Truman Bids For Votes Of Pennsylvania Coal Miners

President Takes Up Challenge Of Lewis

Says GOP Would Crush Unions

ABOARD TRUMAN CAMPAIGN TRAIN — (AP) — President Truman met John L. Lewis' opposition head-on today with a personal plea to Pennsylvania coal miners to help block GOP plans "to crush organized labor to the ground."

The Chief Executive made no reference to Lewis in an address prepared for delivery in Scranton, Pa., but he denigrated the Republicans as "the party of the money trust" and the President of the United Mine Workers has long been an advocate.

After he paid tribute to a predecessor of Lewis as head of the mine in a frank bid for votes in this anthracite stronghold of the coal fields, Lewis himself termed Mr. Truman a "malignant, scheming individual" who was unfit for the Presidency.

The President came to the Pennsylvania coal country by special train, and he will end his major address at Pittsburgh tonight. He will return to Washington for a final vote Sunday night for a final vote on Nov. 3.

Mr. Truman attributed to the mine workers before World War II an "extreme and narrow" view of the coal industry. He said the mine workers had "a first step in the long-range strategy of the Republican Party to crush organized labor to the ground."

Moving on to Wilkes-Barre, Mr. Truman said he was "pleased to pass a bill to admit homesteaders to the public lands. It is a bill that discriminates against Jewish and Catholic groups."

He also said he was for legislation providing low rent public housing, Federal aid to education, low interest on mortgages, and expansion of Social Security and National Labor Relations Act.

The President was scheduled for a talk in Johnstown before Gov. Thomas E. Dewey tried to win a vote in Albany last night. His campaign wound Tuesday.

Dewey will not begin his final vote tour until Monday morning when he heads for the same big town.

The Republican Presidential candidate returned to Albany last night suffering from a head cold which he told a party rally in New York was so bad he couldn't hear himself speak. While in New York he had had major speeches at party headquarters.

He also said he was for "look ahead four years" and close out the present election drive without any effect on control of the cause on earth—that of the peace of the world.

Gov. Earl Warren, his running mate, meanwhile concentrated on the home row in California. He was seen MINERS HEAR on page 2-A.

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stitution's normal takeoff run by approximately 24 feet per second, Lockheed said. In the test the rockets were fired by the pilot as soon as the plane broke ground and returned to the runway.

Three Jato bottles were located in compartments inside the wing on each side of the fuselage behind the inboard engines and above the flaps.

Lockheed engineers predicted that installation of Jato rockets on large transport planes is standard equipment would provide an extra measure of safety in case of sudden power failure during takeoff.

Lockheed has built two of the Conversions for the Navy. They are undergoing final tests.

LOCKHEED, Calif. — Powerful Jato rockets have been used successfully to speed up the takeoff of the Navy's giant 180-passenger Lockheed Constellation, announced today.

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Issue Can't Hold Endangered For Strike

Nation Closes To Martial Law

PARIS — (AP) — Communist union leaders called for a general strike Monday throughout the highly industrial St. Etienne area as France moved closer to martial law.

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Rejection Of Neutral Proposal

Vishinsky Wants Plan Amended

PARIS — (AP) — An authoritative source said today Russia has rejected the six-nation plan for settling the Berlin crisis in the United Nations Security Council.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Andrei V. Vishinsky discussed the plan, which he proposed for two hours today with Argentine Foreign Minister Juan B. Bramuglia, a leader in the efforts to mediate the crisis arising out of the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

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