

News Asks Indiana Governor To Renew Peace Deal

Operators' Rejection Of Plan Hit Again Tries For Separate Deal

WASHINGTON (AP)—John L. Lewis today asked Governor Henry Schricker to renew his effort for a separate coal strike settlement in Indiana—a proposal rejected by the state's mine owners yesterday.

Such a settlement might break the way for ending the nationwide strike of 80,000 United Mine Workers.

Lewis, in a telegram to Schricker, said the UMW is ready to meet the Indiana operators on a "free about" basis.

He called the refusal of Indiana operators to hold separate peace talks announced yesterday by Harvey Cartwright, secretary of the Indiana Coal Producers Association, "a deliberate rejection of the Government's peace efforts."

Criticizes Party's Policies GOP National Treasurer Quits

CHICAGO (AP)—James B. Kemper, quick today as treasurer of the Republican National Committee because the GOP's reserve funds have dwindled from \$522,000 in 1948 to only \$50,000.

He said he is resigning because he thinks the GOP should have collected more money or cut expenses and because he wants to get rid of a political policy "that is a failure."

Kemper, a Dewey delegate at the 1948 GOP convention, also said he has been handicapped by a difference between his opinions and those of the party's official, or unofficial, no-political issues.

Kemper, a Chicago insurance executive, offered to quit last week but was told that the proposal was turned down by the committee. But he served notice today that he would quit, automatically if the GOP cash box fell below the \$125,000 mark.

SIGNS CHECK
Today he said he has signed a resignation check and turned it over to G. Gabrielson, national GOP chairman for operating expenses. Kemper said he has been GOP treasurer since July, 1944. Formerly he was finance chairman. He is a former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce. He is president of several insurance companies, including the Lumbermen's Mutual Casualty Co., Chicago.

He said he would appoint a



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Resigned today as GOP national treasurer after a year and a half in the position.

national assistant treasurer until the national committee names a successor.

He declared that "frankness compels him to say that the treasurer is handicapped in taking definite positions on issues which he thinks are vital to the welfare of the country if the party officials are not unified, happens to be pursued, different course.

In a sense in his so-called bipartisan foreign policy, Republicans have been asked to show gifts on British socialism—the younger sister of Communism."

Kemper said a British manufacturer had told him the Labor Party "reduced the United Kingdom by promising things that could not be delivered, and the American taxpayer now is underwriting that situation," Kemper said.

"No one could view the British and their student's thought of adopting Socialism here."

Hero Gets Sherman's Old Post New Navy Boss At Chiefs' Meet

WASHINGTON (AP)—Admiral Forrest P. Sherman moved swiftly today to tighten up on the new Navy top command by assigning Rear Admiral John J. Ballentine, Pacific war hero, to his own old post in the Mediterranean.

Sherman, pulled out of command of the State Task Force in the Mediterranean to take over as chief of staff operations, was sworn in only yesterday after a brief stop at the inter-service war role conference.

Shortly after the announcement of Ballentine's assignment, Sherman said he will try to talk out the joint chiefs of staff where the question over unification policy had centered.

He was introduced to the other members of the joint chiefs by the chairman, Rear Admiral Bradley VANDENBERG ABSENT

One member was absent. Gen. Hoy Vandenberg, Air Force chief of staff, left last night for an inspection tour to Eglin Air Force Base, Florida.

As CNO, Sherman succeeded Admiral Ernest King, who was back of the admiral's appointment that had contended the Navy was being run by a committee.

In taking over the Navy's top command, Sherman will have to deal with the problems of the Navy's top command, which has been troubled for some time by the lack of a unified command.

Ballentine will have the rank of vice-admiral in the Mediterranean assignment. He has been serving on the staff of the Joint Chiefs of Staff since he was promoted to the Pacific command. Ballentine was a Naval Academy classmate of Sherman. He is a native of Hillsboro, Ohio, and like the new CNO is 52 years old.

At the end of World War II he was naval aviation officer at the front of the United States Pacific command. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his part in the Battle of Iwo Jima.

He drew the assignment to lead at Absecon Airport Aug. 30, 1945, in the evacuation of Japanese prisoners of war.

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Scott Spares Life Of Killer Tom Wood

RALEIGH (AP)—Gov. Scott today spared the life of Tom Wood, Jr., who was scheduled to die tomorrow for first degree murder.

The Governor said he was commuted Wood's death sentence because of the "findings of expert psychiatrists" who say that the prisoner is hopelessly insane.

Wood, 30-year-old cotton mill worker, was convicted of slaying Superior Court judge on the morning of Mrs. Ruby Wood, 28. After she had been missing several days, her body was found in a creek near Erwin. Her body bore numerous stab wounds when it was found.

At a hearing this week, Wood's attorney, Everett L. Doffenwey of Dunn, presented a petition signed by every member of the jury that commuted Wood. It asked that he be given a psychiatric examination and that if he were found to be insane he should be committed.

Judge W. H. S. Puryear, who presided over the trial, announced his recommendation.

Dr. Edward N. Pisanias, superintendent of the State Hospital here, examined Wood on two different occasions and reported: "The prisoner is suffering from a malignant mental illness from which he will never recover irrespective of care or treatment. It is my opinion that the prisoner is incompetent, and it is felt that this illness has been present for some time and antedates his imprisonment."

"The diagnosis made by Dr.

Two Farmers Are Held In Secret Jail Seven-Year-Old Gone Overnight

MULLINS, S. C.—(AP)—A seven-year-old blonde girl, taken off yesterday in a car by two strange men, showed signs of being kidnapped, tired but unharmful, was held in a secret jail.

Deputy Sheriff Bert Rogers said Jerome Alford, 30, and Hugh Smith, 22, both farmers, had been arrested. No charges have yet been preferred. They were locked in an undisclosed jail.

"I understand from the doctors that those fellows didn't bother her," the officer said.

"They'd be drinking," he said of Alford and Smith.

He says he had been driven about Myrtle and Dillon Counties the greater part of the night with the girl in the car. He said he saw the car near the home of George Rogers. There she was fed and sheltered until she was taken to the home of Mrs. Mary Sovey. Sovey was held in jail yesterday afternoon as she was being held in a secret jail.

Smith was arrested as he drove into Mullins. Shortly afterward Rogers picked up Alford while walking along a road adjoining Dillon County.

At the home of seven children of a tenant farmer, was brought to a small hospital here, but was sent to a larger hospital for further examination. She has now been returned home.

She said the men used oak sticks and a knife to force her into their car.

Mary alerted at the Jackson farm to look for her mother and other children who were working there.

Mullins Policeman Harry Harrison said that the child's disappearance was "definitely a kidnapping." He said that he could describe no motive for such a crime as the abduction of a child of a tenant farmer of limited means. They are on a farm about five miles northeast of here.

The child attended the Nichols school, two miles from here. A policeman said that he had talked with several children in the school who had seen the child. She had the get off at the wrong house, which she had a speech impediment.

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Campaign Promises Get Attention

BY HAROLD W. WARD
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PORT WASHINGTON, N. Y.—(AP)—Solomon R. Guggenheim, senior member of America's great mining family, died here early today at the age of 88.

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Aviation Ban On Yugoslavs Eased

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Nobel Prize Won By Jap Scientist

STOCKHOLM, Sweden—(AP)—The first Nobel prize ever won by a Japanese scientist today.

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Talks On Victory Anniversary

ABOARD TRUMAN TRAIN
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Truman Sticks By '48 Pledges

He campaigned in 1948 and which he presented to the 81st Congress last January.

And they emphasized he will send the program back to Congress again in January and back to the voters in next year's Congressional elections.

It was a year ago today—the result was long in doubt in the Nov. 2 voting that Mr. Truman received the news of Thomas E. Dewey's consent of defeat.

It came to him in the pent house of Kansas City's Hotel Marlborough after he had spent election night hiding away at a home in Knoxville Springs, Mo., where he campaigned for himself.

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Tax On Fur Coats Put Off To March

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Internal Revenue Service today postponed until March 1 the effective date of a ruling claiming the 20 per cent sales tax on all fur coats without exception.

The postponement was in response to protests from manufacturers and merchants. They claimed they would suffer loss fairly unless given time to dispose of stocks acquired before the ruling.

The original ruling, made known last week, was held to be immediately effective, was designed to help "bootstrap" the law under which all fur coats had to pay tax free along with fur-trimmed coats.

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