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THE PEACEMAKER TALKS WITH THE PRINCIPALS



Jacob Potosky, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, (left) confers with Walter Reuther (center) and Jacob J. Davis (right) during a convention session of the CIO at Atlantic City. Potosky has been acting as peacemaker in a bitter battle between the two men for the presidency of the CIO. Reuther, United Auto Workers president, is believed to have the edge over Potosky, CIO executive secretary. (UP Telephone).

Picks Up Strong Support

Reuther Appears CIO Winner

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. (AP)—Walter P. Reuther seemed virtually assured today of becoming the CIO's new president after a close and bitter political battle among CIO unions.

The youthful, fiery president of the Union Shermans master-minded a fight for CIO convention votes and apparently was a winner over CIO Vice President Allan S. Haywood.

Paint Thinner Kills 3 Convicts

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP)—Three convicts, including the notorious Troy Blackstock, died at Kilby State Prison late yesterday after drinking paint thinner, and eight others were made violently ill.

Blackstock's death brought a grim end to the bloody career of the Blackstock brothers who wild venture into crime starting in 1941 with a raid on a jail at Leakeville, Miss.

The other Blackstock, Thomas Roy, died in a knife fight at Kilby three years ago.

Victims of the poisonous paint thinner cocktails besides Troy Blackstock were: Calvin C. Roper, sentenced to 25 years from Dallas County for robbery in July, 1951.

Air Force C-47 Believed Down

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP)—An Air Force C-47, with 13 men aboard, apparently crashed during the night at the 8,000-foot level in the San Bernardino mountains.

DuPont Sherrill Loring Coleman said he saw a big fire in the mountains north of here and west of Big Bear Valley about 4 a. m., which finally died out.

The plane based at Offutt AFB, Omaha, Neb., left Davis-Monthan Air Base at Tucson, Ariz., last night, en route to nearby March Air Base. It last checked in by radio over Palm Springs on the desert east of here at 8:51 p. m. (Pacific Standard Time).

Scott Tags \$260,000 For Davidson Bypass

RALEIGH (AP)—Gov. Scott today announced the allocation of \$1,650,000 in highway surplus funds for five road improvement projects.

The bulk of the money, one million dollars, was earmarked for a new link in the modernization of U. S. 70 across the state.

The project provides for a new location of the main artery highway from a point on U. S. 621 south of Greensboro to a point near Wilsett in Eastern Guilford County.

OUR WEATHER: Cloudy and cool with rain ending early Wednesday morning, becoming warmer by Wednesday night.

Soviet Demand For Cease-Fire Is Rejected

Indian Plan Prokers Vote Down Proposal

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—Western and central nations which have approved India's peace plan for Korea refused today to accept a Russian demand for an immediate cease-fire in Korea.

Forty-one countries in the 60-nation U. N. Assembly Political Committee today voted the Russian proposal, which would also have demanded forcible repatriation of all war prisoners.

The move cleared the way for quick and overwhelming approval of the Indian plan in a plenary session of the U. N. General Assembly tomorrow.

Chairman Joan Garlos Muzib of Brazil then announced that the committee's discussion of the Korean question was suspended until the Chinese Reds and the North Koreans have been given a chance to give formal reaction to the Indian proposal.

China has already rejected anything that does not resemble the Russian plan. But the Assembly will go through the motions of voting on the Indian compromise so that Assembly President Lester B. Pearson can formally put it to the Chinese and North Korean Communists.

The vote in the U. N. Political Committee on the Indian resolution, aimed at ending the prisoner-of-war deadlock which has held up a Korean truce, was 33-5.

The five Soviet bloc nations voted against it. Nationalist China abstained because she didn't think the plan would work.

1,000TH HIGHWAY VICTIM HEADS NC FOR NEW MARK

RALEIGH (AP)—North Carolina highway traffic last night claimed its 1,000th victim for 1952, the State Highway Patrol reported today.

C. K. Jackson, 77, of Fayetteville, N. C., who was injured in a Thanksgiving Day crash, became the 1,000th highway fatality when he died at a Fayetteville hospital at 8 P. M.

It appeared the 1952 toll would climb far above the 1,071 killed last year. The 1,000-mark during 1951 was not reached until Christmas Day. Safety experts in the Motor Vehicle Department declined to hazard a guess on how high road fatalities will go this year.

To date during 1951, a total of 954 persons had lost their lives in highway accidents, compared with the 1,000 total for this year.

Winter Conditions Prevail Across U. S.

By The Associated Press

Snow covered midwestern states today from Minnesota to the Atlantic Coast.

The huge area took on the appearance of mid-winter 10 days before winter began officially. Chicagoans slogged and skidded in about four inches of snow. Three persons were killed in traffic accidents on slippery highways in the Chicago area.

Most of the U. S. east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio River was covered by snow.

The 118-mile New Jersey Turnpike was open but officials ordered all traffic slowed to 25 miles per hour instead of the normal 60 m. p. h. speed limit.

In the New York metropolitan area, snowing and chills today went into action shortly after the rain began falling at 7:30 a. m. (EST). Airlines reported slight delays in schedules. Harbor shipping moved carelessly through swirling snow.

Some mountain areas in Pennsylvania reported as much as five inches of snow. The fall had reached a depth of two inches in Washington, D. C., by midnight.

The fall was expected to continue through the day in Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey. Snow was forecast for 19 days.

DEER ENTERS WINDOW AND WRECKS HOME

HUNTINGTON, Pa. (AP)—A 200-pound, eight-point deer burst through a picture window yesterday into the home of Dr. and Mrs. William Todd, it was reported.

The deer was shot by a hunter before it was killed.

After smashing living room furniture and breaking through the basement ladder where the washer, dryer and ironer were battered and overturning some furniture, the animal slid on the slick floor and went down.

Mrs. Todd telephoned a game protector who shot the deer and gave the meat to the county home.

Ohioan Calls Ike's Choice 'Incredible'

CINCINNATI (AP)—Sen. Robert A. Taft today called the selection of Martin Durkin, a Democrat, as Secretary of Labor "an incredible appointment" by President-elect Eisenhower.

Sen. Taft, who campaigned for Eisenhower after losing the GOP nomination to him, said in a prepared statement.

"The appointment of Mr. Durkin is an incredible appointment. This is no reflection on the character or ability of Mr. Durkin. I had a number of talks with Mr. (Herbert) Brownell who has been the key man in Cabinet appointments, and made several recommendations of qualified men.

"It was never even suggested that a man would be appointed who has always been a partisan Truman Democrat, who fought Gen. Eisenhower's election, and who advocated the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law.

"It is an affront to millions of union members and I believe has the courage to defy the edict of officials like Mr. Durkin that they vote for Stevenson. This appointment in the Cabinet shows millions of Democrats, North and South, who left the party to support Gen. Eisenhower, and gives representation to their most bitter opponents."

The statement immediately brought to question Taft's future political relationship with Gov. Eisenhower.

Only a few days ago, Taft remarked that the general's choice of cabinet members had never been recommended.

The senator had gone all out for Eisenhower's election after his own making speeches in many states. One of the things the Republicans fought during the campaign was the declaration by President Truman and others that Eisenhower was more or less under control of Taft.

Travel Near Normal In Western N. C.

ASHEVILLE (AP)—Travel in Asheville and Western North Carolina was almost back to normal today after being slowed down considerably by ice which came in the wake of rain, sleet and scattering of snow last night, blanketing the entire area.

Chains were needed on several highways in the area, but State Highway personnel said all roads were passable.

Coat Saves Child's Life In Freak Mishap

SOUTH BEND, IND. (AP)—Sharon Duke, a 4-year-old girl, probably saved her life yesterday.

The four-year-old girl fell out of a baby carriage when she was held by her mother, Mrs. Howard C. Morse, who was passing another car, but her coat caught on a door handle.

The child was taken to Memorial Hospital with head injuries, right arm fractures and a broken collar bone.

Post Office Seeks Interception POW Relatives Receive Red Propaganda

NEW YORK (AP)—The New York Herald Tribune said today that the State Department has disclosed that relatives of American servicemen now presumed to be in North Korea or Communist China have been deluged with Communist propaganda for months.

A wide variety of propaganda about the Far East was disseminated in some instances, and in some instances offers to render special services to such prisoners—for a price.

It was during part of that period that Numan was the nation's top collector of taxes as internal revenue commissioner.

American Ace Downs Red Jet

SEOUL (AP)—An American jet ace, returned to Korea after six weeks in the U. S., shot down a Communist MIG15 today in an air battle over the Korean Peninsula.

The pilot, Lt. Col. James P. H. Low of Sausalito, Calif., shot down a MIG15 today between two U. S. F-86 Sabre jets and two MIGs. It was his seventh kill of the war.

Chinese and Allied and Red infantrymen spilled in snow and biting cold. The mercury lowered two to six inches deep along the front line.

South Korean soldiers buried back reported Chinese attacks in the snow-blanketed Triangle Hill area of the Korean Peninsula.

It was hand-to-hand but the Reds never hit with more than 30 men.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Federal grand jury today indicted Joseph D. Numan, Jr., former chief of the Internal Revenue Bureau, on charges of income tax evasion.

Attorney General McGranery said the indictment, returned by a jury sitting in Brooklyn, N. Y., was during part of that period that Numan was the nation's top collector of taxes as internal revenue commissioner.

BANK HOLIDAYS: RALEIGH (AP)—The bank will celebrate two days for Christmas. A proclamation designating Dec. 26 as well as Christmas Day, a bank holiday, was signed by Gov. Scott today.

Comic Dictionary

What a woman hopes she'll have on when there's a fire in the house.

Barrier

THE first person you see if you're trying to get in to see Senator-elect Dwight Eisenhower is Mary E. Keenick (above) who offers the first buck at his hotel headquarters. The pretty brunette has ready replies for an astonishing variety of requests. (UP Telephone).



Eisenhower's Cabinet Now Complete

NEW YORK (AP)—The Eisenhower Cabinet was complete today with the appointment of AFL leader Martin P. Durkin of Chicago as Secretary of Labor and Sinclair Weeks of Boston as assistant and Republican official, as President of Commerce.

President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower's choice of Durkin, a Democrat, who voted for Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, came as a surprise yesterday.

Durkin, the only Democrat on the new Cabinet list, is the first person ever to be taken directly from a labor union office for the secretary of labor post. Some previous secretaries had been in the labor movement before appointment.

Durkin, 58, is general president of the AFL, United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe-Fitting Industry of the United States and Canada.

Weeks, 39, is chairman of the Republican National Finance Committee. He is an industrialist and bank director and has been in power in the Massachusetts GOP for nearly 20 years and in the national GOP organization since 1940.

The designations of Durkin and Weeks were announced by Arthur H. Vandenberg Jr., who will be secretary of the White House staff.

Vandenberg also announced the designation of Walter Williams of Seattle as under secretary of commerce. He was chairman of the

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report immediately. The American Far East Command Prisoner-of-War Division and Psychological Warfare Service reported that they had heard of the reported propaganda.

In a statement not related to the Herald Tribune story, the Post-Office Dept. said today in Washington it has not yet discovered any certain way to keep Communist propaganda out of the U. S. mails.

The department said it was still trying. It received an appeal to the public to give their local postmasters any such material delivered to them by mail.

The Herald Tribune story said one booklet figuring heavily in the propaganda campaign purports to be a list of names of "Red Cross Camps of China." It is entitled "Out of Their Own Mouths," and bills itself as "Revelations and Confessions Written by American Soldiers of Fortune, rapists, and pillaging and murdering murderers of defenseless civilians and prisoners of war in Korea."

