

STEEL

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(Allan Jackson subs.L.T., who is in Alaska)

Today the head of a Steel Union local told his group -

"Now that we're on the street - we're going to stick it out."

He was exhorting them to support the Union decision - for a long strike, in preference to accepting the contract offered by management.

Backing up the decision - high officials of the Union are touring the picket lines. The President of the United Steel Workers, David MacDonald - is swinging through eastern Pennsylvania. Vice-President, Howard Hague - is in Pittsburgh. They're boosting the morale of working men and women - who face their first weekend without work.

Mediation will start again - on Monday. By which time, the workers will have lost fifty million dollars in wages - industry two hundred and ^{fifty} million in production - and the nations, a million and a half tons of steel.

The Navy admits it made some big mistakes - on defense contracts. "Big job", in the phrase used - with reference to fourteen cases - that cost Uncle Sam twelve million dollars more than should have been paid to the companies involved.

Assistant Navy Secretary, Don Miller, testified before a House Sub-Committee - that the procurement system was overhauled - to prevent any more mistakes like these. But he pointed out that no system can be perfect - when billions of dollars are being spent. And he emphatically defended - the intelligence and integrity of the men who are buying for the Navy.

BUTLER

The Democratic National Chairman claims that the public is behind him - by better than six-to-one. Paul Butler, referring to his controversy with Democratic leaders in Congress - says he won't withdraw his criticism / because he is strongly supported by a deluge of letters and telegrams. He interprets his correspondence to mean - that he speaks for the party, when he denounces Democrats - who vote for conservative legislation.

On Capitol Hill - the interpretation is a bit different. Senator Harry ~~Byrd~~ Byrd of Virginia calls Butler a "radical" - and repeats the charge that the National Chairman is injuring his own party.

CASTRO

Fidel Castro's offer

~~Fidel Castro has offered~~ to resign - was a ^{tactical} ~~practical~~

move, to strengthen his position. That's the common belief in Havana - where virtually no one expected to see the rebel leader step out of the top spot in Cuban politics. According to this theory - Castro is forcing a show-down with the moderates - with those opposed to his program for land reform. To nobody's surprise - President Urrutia refused to accept - the Castro resignation.

What about the Communists? They're demanding - "a truly revolutionary government." In the Marxist political dictionary / that means a government infiltrated by Communists.

GENEVA

The Western Foreign Ministers in Geneva - are angry tonight. They are angry because of Gromyko's latest statement. It's blunt, unyielding, belligerent - and a repeat performance. In brief, /Gromyko demands that Britain, France, and America - accept Russia's plan for Berlin. / After today's session - Selwyn Lloyd, Couve deMurville and Christian Herter stayed behind for a three-hour conference of their own. When they broke up, all three showed quite plainly - they're still angry with their opposite number from Moscow.

KHRUSHCHEV

Today the boss of the Kremlin was in a city - that used to be German. It was called Stettin / one of the famous Baltic ports. Germany lost it after the war - and it ^{has} been Polish ever since.

Khrushchev took the proper cue / in his speech. He promised the Poles - that Germany will never recover their city. And that declaration brought him / authentic cheers. Everyone present agreeing with him / that the present borderline between Germany and Poland - ~~must~~ must remain as it is.

POLIO

Here's a serious warning from - Surgeon General, Leroy

~~Rix~~ Burney. Polio is - increasing. More than twelve hundred cases

~~patients~~ have been reported - so far. Last year, at the same time - the figure was only seven hundred and fifty-four.

According to General Burney - / the tragedy is that most of the stricken are those / who just didn't take the trouble to ~~be~~

~~have~~ get their polio shots
vaccinated.

PANIC

That panic in Pusan, Korea - was caused by ~~by~~ Typhoon Billie. The big blow / - storming in from the Yellow Sea / - hit the Korean peninsula with violent rain, and winds of eighty-five miles an hour. And it hit suddenly. Reaching Pusan - it howled into a stadium full of spectators / who had no ~~an~~ idea that it was coming.

The result / - mass hysteria. Panic. A few spectators raced for the single narrow exit - and that touched off a stampede through the stadium. The crowd surged toward the exit - in a seething, screaming mob. They were packed so ~~at~~ tightly - that some smothered to death. Many others were trampled / or suffered broken bones from being kicked. Minor injuries - ^{was} countless. Tonight the Pusan hospitals are treating / dozens of the severely injured. The toll of the dead / - around fifty. And all because of - an unreasoning panic.

Japanese farmers who work the land near Mount Fuseuchi - are complaining to Tokyo about - marauding monkeys. The farmers claim that the monkeys are involved in something close to - a Simian civil war. And ~~then~~ ruining this year's crop / during their hostilities.

(37) The monkey war - looks like this. Two factions are fighting for possession of - Mount Fuseuchi. When one group descends into the fields - the other group runs down to head them off. Result / a monkey free-for-all. After which, the survivors retreat to the mountains / leaving the farmers to bury the dead - and estimate the damage to their tomatoes, beans, and wheat.

(17) No wonder the farmers want Tokyo to pass a law - permitting them to shoot the invaders. The catch is / that the Ministry of Culture is against the law. ^{Don} The Ministry ^{insists} ~~claims~~ that Japanese culture / would be hurt / - by the disappearance of the marauding monkeys / of Mount Fuseuchi.

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SNOW

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It snowed near Aden - last night. No - the story has nothing to do with the time of year. ^{And} It isn't that snow is unusual - / in July. The real point of the story is / - that Aden has never had snow before, in recorded history.

(29) The city lies at the southern end of / the scorching Arabian desert. They almost never feel the cold - in Aden. And snow? / It's unheard of. Or was - until last night, when white powdery flakes fell from the sky / for almost an hour.

(15) Weather experts say the snowfall was due to - / freak weather conditions in the upper atmosphere. ⁹ ^{Don} Anyway, it's something the people of Aden - won't forget in a hurry. Snow drifting down - / onto the sands of the Arabian desert.

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BOHLEN

Administration officials in Washington say that Charles Bohlen - will be offered a high place in the State Department. And from Manila we hear - that our Ambassador to the Philippines will accept. Which would seem to end the discussion about the immediate future / of one of our top experts on the Soviet Union - Charles "Chip" Bohlen.