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The steel industry might adopt a policy - of one company sharing profits with another. If the union - were to call a strike against one section of the industry, and not another. Seeking - to play off one against the other.

So stated Conrad Cooper, today, an executive of U.S. Steel - who is chief negotiator for the industry. Pointing out - that the airlines used that policy, in a labor crisis last winter. Companies which operated - putting their "excess revenues" at the disposal of lines that were grounded. Steel - to follow suit, possibly.

Negotiations were continuing, today, with talk about possible government intervention. If the strike is called at midnight, on June Thirtieth, ^{Then} President Eisenhower might invoke the Taft-Hartley law, and order a thirty day cooling off period.

RACKETS

Two top ranking New York newspaper executives testified today, that large payments of money ^{were paid to} ~~had~~ ~~made to~~ union officials during a Teamster Union strike in Nineteen Forty-Eight. Armory Bradford, Vice President of the New York Times, and Warren Kelly, Vice President of the Daily Mirror, told a Senate Rackets Committee - that ~~The~~ Times and ~~The~~ Mirror reimbursed a New Jersey printing company which company had to pay union officials to ~~print~~ bring about a settlement. Testimony was that the printing company paid more than three hundred thousand dollars to labor leaders over a period of years.

TRUMAN

Former President Harry Truman - modifying his bitter criticism of the committee on Un-American activities. Which, in an ~~axr~~ address at Columbia University he called "the most un-American thing in ~~ix~~ this country."

Now he says - he was not referring to the present committee, headed by Congressman Walter of Pennsylvania. His excoriation aimed at a couple of previous chairman. Congressman Martin Dies, the Texas Democrat, who was the chairman ~~of~~ to begin with - and Republican Harold Velde, who had a run-in with H.S.T. when he was President.

The present committee on Un-American activities - okay. Chairman Walter - doing a good job.

former President *now says.*

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According to the*

NAACP

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People - today suspended the head of its chapter in Union County, North Carolina. Robert Williams - penalized for advocating violence in racial matters. Williams declaring: "We must be willing to kill, if necessary."

The NAACP calls this "irresponsible." And declares against any principle - of "meeting violence with violence."

In the South, negro leaders today were almost unanimous - in taking the same stand.

SPACE

From the space front - a statement that radio-relay satellites may soon revolutionize world communications. By bouncing signals off a man-made moon, it may be possible to cut the price of long distance telephone calls ~~in~~ in a drastic way. So that you ^{if be able to put in a phone call to} ~~may telephone~~ ^{any} any point on this earth - for twenty cents.

Meanwhile, the government space agency, today, ordered a contract for the development of a rocket that will stand as tall as a ten-story building. ^{To} cost - thirty ~~three~~ million, ~~five-hundred-thousand~~ dollars. The rocket ^{to} ~~will~~ be called - Vega; ~~in~~ After the brilliant star - by that name.

They say Vega may be launched at the planet Venus, early in Nineteen Sixty One. Or it may put a five hundred thousand pound satellite ~~in~~ into orbit, with a space laboratory -- operated by several men. Or, ~~it could~~ put ~~several~~ several hundred pounds of scientific instruments - on the moon.

FRANCE

In France - a railroad strike. A twenty-four hour walkout - as a demonstration in favor of higher wages. And against - the DeGaulle austerity program.

The Communist ~~are~~ unions - calling the strike. Twenty-four thousand railway men - out. (The Socialist and Catholic unions, with six thousand members - remaining on the job.

The tie-up -- confined mostly to local and suburban traffic. Long distance ~~are~~ trains - operating normally.)

Today's walkout - a test of strength between the Communists and President Charles DeGaulle.

ROMANIA

A sudden change of policy - in Red Romania,

Concerning - emigration. ~~Real~~ People - getting out of the Communist utopia. The Communist regime - granting exit visas, ~~But~~ - with a decided limitation. Applying - only to non-Jewish citizens, ~~Who~~ have close relatives - overseas. The United States, for example - included. But not - Europe.

The first group of emigrants - arriving in Vienna, Saturday, ~~Followed~~ - by about thirty ~~per~~ per day, ever since.

Last autumn, there was a surprise, when Romania granted exit ~~via~~ visas - to thousands of Jewish emigrants, going to Israel. But that stopped, suddenly - a couple of months ago, ~~Supposedly~~ - because of protests from the Arabs.

Now, an opening in the Iron Curtain - for non-Jewish Romanians. The supposition being - that the move has a propaganda motive. A "good-will" gesture - in advance of the East-West meeting of the Foreign Ministers.

TELEPATHY

At Nashville, Tennessee, Dr. Spencer Thornton hopes - his latest prediction will not come true. ^{— — —} The twenty nine year old surgeon - who is making a reputation as a prophet. Which he attributes to - "extra sensory perception", telepathy.

Dr. Thornton forecast the result of the Kentucky Derby. Writing out his prediction - which was deposited in a bank vault. When it was opened, after the race, it showed - Tomy Lee winning. Sword Danger - second. First Landing - third. Correct, Professor, correct.

The Tennessee physician also ventured a prophecy - in the realm of politics. Prognosticating - that Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce would be confirmed by the Senate as Ambassador to Brazil. But - that she would resign. And ^{- as you know -} ~~that~~ it happened that way.

Now, about his latest forecast - ^e ~~that~~ one that he hopes will not come true. ^{It's} ~~That's~~ a prediction - that there will be an air crash - in the New York-New Jersey area, this coming Friday.

The doctor explaining - that his telepathy comes true about eighty-five percent of the time. Fifteen percent wrong. For example, he predicted that there would be a series of tornadoes in Texas this last weekend. But - no tornadoes. Dr. Thornton hoping - that his "extra sensory perception" will also turn out to be incorrect. In the case - of the air crash.

TOWN

The geographical center of this nation - sold at public auction. That is, the town - right next door to the point, which is the middle of the U S A.

Pondosa, Oregon. - ^{Does that} ~~which may~~ sound strange? ^{Way out}
there - on the Pacific Coast. [?] But, our geographical center ^{now}
has become - rather fantastic. ^{Since} ~~After~~ the admission of the
forty-ninth and fiftieth ~~xx~~ states --- Alaska and Hawaii,
~~Putting~~ our western border - way out in the Pacific Ocean.

The story of Pondosa ^{It's} - a sad one. The town -
founded back in a lumbering boom of the 'twenties. When
Pondosa rose to a population - of two hundred and fifty.
Declining - ever since.

Recently, some of the few residents left had hope -
that Pondosa might boom as a tourist attraction. Following
the removal of our geographical center - from Smith County,
Kansas, all the way to Oregon.

But ~~the~~ tourists have not been responding. So now -

the sale at public auction, ^{Don.} An abandoned sawmill, some
buildings and homes, a hotel, and acres of land - going,
going, gone!

PICASSO

In London - the highest price ever paid for a painting by a living artist. One hundred and ~~forty~~ fifty-four thousand dollars - for an early work by Picasso. A nude, called "La Belle Hollandaise". Depicting a Dutch beauty - of ~~ample~~ ^{ample} proportions. The painting - sold at auction to ~~the~~ a national art gallery at Brisbane, Australia.

Picasso painted La Belle Hollandaise in Nineteen Five - for a friend, Paco Durio. Who, later, sold the painting to pay off some debts. Getting ~~1~~ ^{a mere} ninety dollars for it. Talk about rising prices and inflation! ~~The figure~~ ^{From \$90 to} ~~one hundred~~ and fifty-four thousand dollars, today.