

STRIKE

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The latest in the world of labor is an announcement, just in, that Ford is giving a fifteen percent wage increase to all employees not covered by the union agreement announced over the weekend. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ The members of the auto workers union getting a boost, all the other employees of the Ford motor company get one likewise.

Meanwhile, with Ford and Chrysler coming to terms with the C I O, the union chiefs continue to insist that General Motors will have to meet their demands -- a demand for a higher wage scale than agreed upon with Ford and Chrysler. In other words the C I O with the General Motors strike still on, intends to make that company pay higher wages than the other two.

A government inquiry into the General Motors strike is being held in Detroit. The National Labor Relations Board is conducting the investigation, and an examiner today stated that there will be no consideration of "ability to pay". The union has been contending that the question

of an increase of wages should be ~~px~~ based on the ability of the company to pay higher wages. However, the inquiry in Detroit will confine itself to the question of whether General Motors has failed to continue collective bargaining. The unions maintain that, since the strike General Motors has refused to negotiate -- a violation of collective bargaining.

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In the meat strike, the late news ~~§§§§~~ sounds one discordant note in the chorus of -- "back to work". With the government operating the packing houses, there is a dispute at one Armour plant, and at that plant the workers are threatening another strike. But, in general, the packing industry reports that operations have been resumed in full. And meat supplies will soon be normal -- that is, in a few days.

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A late bulletin announces the arrival of John L. Lewis in Miami -- to take his place on the council of the A F of L, Lewis and his miners union having returned to the Federation.

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TRUMAN

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President Truman has taken action to extend price control. The law, under which the White House can put ceilings on prices will expire on July thirtieth -- and the President wants it extended for another year. So he has asked ~~the~~ leaders in Congress to prepare ~~an~~ legislation to keep price control in force. The White House wants this as a means of checking inflation -- the President feeling that with wages rising a ~~rise~~<sup>rise</sup> of prices might cause a spiral of inflation -- ~~that~~ reminiscent of the boom during the twenties ~~in~~ which was followed by the ~~crash~~<sup>crash</sup> and ~~the~~ depression.

U. N. O.

In London, the U N O was today presented with the Iranian protest against the Soviets. And immediately the Russians replied -- making a point that would seem to put the Iranian protest in quite a paradoxical position.

The chief delegate from the ancient land of Persia stated the now familiar case <sup>for</sup> his government -- charging that the Soviet Red Army had connived in the setting up of an autonomous regime in the northern part of Persia, Ajerbajian. ~~And he demanded~~ <sup>that</sup> the U N O do something to make the Russians desist from interfering and called for a withdrawal of Red Army troops from Persia -- all according to the agreement of the Big Three at the Teheran Conference, said he.

No sooner had he lodged the complaint <sup>than</sup> Soviet Vice Comissar Vishinski arose and replied. ~~He~~

~~that~~ The mere fact that the Iranians were allowed to present the protest was with the permission of the Soviets. ~~that is~~ Russia could have cast a veto and kept

the thing from being held at all. As it was, the Moscow delegation voted to allow the Iranians to come forward. This, however, <sup>said he,</sup> did not mean that the U N O would give a verdict in the affair of Iran. It signified merely that the United Nations would decide whether or not to consider the Iranian case at all.

<sup>well,</sup> Today's proceedings might possibly indicate the Soviets conceded as much as they did, because they knew that they could put the Iranian protest in a peculiar ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ position. Maybe they allowed the complaint to be made ~~because~~ because of the reply they could ~~make.~~ ~~Vishinski~~ Vishinski went into a lot of technicality in denying the justice of the protest. He said the Iranians were all wrong in complaining, and declared that the Soviets were willing to negotiate with the government of Teheran.

But the twister came when he made the summary contention that today's Iranian protest to the U N O was null and void -- because it was made by a delegation representing a government that no longer existed. In other words, the Iranian representatives

didn't represent anything, because the government that had sent them to the assembly of the U N O had meanwhile -- fallen. The facts are these: Last week the Prime Minister at Teheran ordered the Iranian delegation in London to present the complaint. Then, several days ago, the news came that the Prime Minister and his cabinet had resigned -- a new Prime Minister taking over. You would expect that the new regime in Teheran would have gone forward and taken a stand on the protest to be ~~made~~ submitted in London -- but nothing of the sort ~~seems~~ seems to have taken place. The word from the assembly of the U N O is that the Iranian delegation acted today without instructions, from the new Prime minister -- just carrying on along the line of the instructions from the previous Prime Minister.

That was the background of the Soviet declaration today that the Iranians in London were representatives of a government that no longer existed, ~~that and that~~ therefore the charges they made were no

longer valid.

What it ~~all~~ <sup>not so</sup> means is unclear. ~~And we~~ <sup>add we</sup>

know <sup>is</sup> that the whole thing sounds peculiar.

Still another matter of dispute was taken up by the U N O today -- and compromised. This was an application for membership, an application made by Albania, which country wants to join the U N O. Albania, seized by Fascist Italy and liberated by the Allied victory, is now ruled by what appears to be a communist regime. The application of the little Balkan country for membership in the U N O was sponsored by Jugoslavia, which country is run by Communist Marshal Tito. The government of Poland, which was sponsored by the Soviets, backed the application-- and so did the Moscow delegation itself.

Americans were opposed to putting the Albanian application on the schedule of business to be ~~considered~~ <sup>considered</sup>. The British said that they didn't want to discuss problems of new members right now. The compromise was to accept the ~~an~~ Albanian application

## BOMB

The drama of bomb removal in England never seems to come to an end -- the latest thriller occurring in dangerous vicinity of both Buckingham Palace and the United Nations, the U N O.

The assembly of the U N O is meeting in Central Hall, and that building, as has previously been noted, is near the place where a huge Nazi bomb landed and failed to go off, burying itself in the ground. That spot is <sup>also</sup> not far from the Royal Palace. This happened in Nineteen Forty, in the great blitz. The Nazi bombers seemed to be aiming at the great government buildings in the center of London, and narrowly missed Central Hall and the Palace. The U N O has been meeting and King George the Sixth has been living within only a few hundred yards of buried bomb -- which if it were to explode, would be like a volcanic eruption.

That peril came to a climax today when a demolition crew, having dug its way down to the bomb undertook the delicate task of defusing it and making



it harmless. They found that dirt and iron rust had accumulated on the fuse -- a hard crust that had to be cleared away. At last reports a demolition expert <sup>were</sup> taking ~~his~~ <sup>their lives in that</sup> ~~life~~ ~~is~~ ~~in~~ ~~his~~ ~~hands~~, was working at the tricky task -- clearing away the hard mass of <sup>dirt</sup> ~~rust~~ and rust.

Engineering officers supervising the job explained to the United Press correspondent that if the bomb were to explode<sup>s</sup> -- not only <sup>will</sup> ~~would~~ the demolition crew be blown to bits, but also the United Nations and the Throne of Great Britain would be rocked to their foundations.

## GERMANY

The Army is going to run the American occupation of southern Germany for ~~the rest of the~~ <sup>the rest of the</sup> present year -- at least. The War Department had hoped to turn over the burdensome and perplexing task to the State Department by July first, giving up the administrative part and carry on with mere military and police duties. But the State Department has asked the Army to hold on for a while longer. There may <sup>be</sup> a technical transfer of authority on paper -- but the army will do the administrative work of the occupation until at least Nineteen Forty-seven.

Meanwhile, the zone of American occupation has had its first election -- Bavaria. The elections held among the Germans were for local officers, thirteen hundred townships voting for municipal councilmen. The result was vivid and eloquent. The Christian ~~Dem~~ Democrats won an overwhelming victory. In times before Hitler the number one political ~~fraction~~ <sup>ate</sup> faction in Germany was the Socialist Democratic party, modern <sup>ate</sup> socialists. But now, the Christian democrats in Bavaria have ~~an~~ won a majority.

of nine to two, over the Social democrats and the communists <sup>got</sup> ~~were~~ nowhere.

This corresponds to election results in nearby Austria and Hungary. Red factions and elements of the left were beaten badly in those countries; <sup>and now</sup> ~~now~~ in Catholic Bavaria.

## PEARL HARBOR

At the Pearl Harbor inquiry today a naval officer told how, with uncanny accuracy, he had predicted the Jap surprise attack. He was Captain E. M. Zacharias, specialist in intelligence for the Navy. He stated that nine months before the Japs launched the assault, he made his prophecy to Admiral Kimmel, who was Navy commander at Pearl Harbor when the Japs did attack.

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So what was the prognostication? Captain Zacharias today declared that he saw Admiral Kimmel at Pearl Harbor and the Admiral asked the intelligence officer what he thought of the prospects of trouble with Japan. To which Zacharias replied: that, if war came Japan would try a surprise air assault on the Fleet at Pearl Harbor and that this would occur on a weekend -- probably a Sunday morning.

And that's exactly the way it happened, on that dateful day.

Captain Zacharias adds that he told Admiral Kimmel that the object of the Japs would be to

knock out four American battleships. He explained that he came to this conclusion because he figured that, to carry out a quick sweep of conquest to the south, the Japs would have to reduce American sea power by about four battleships, -- to prevent our fleet from interfering effectively. Well, as it happened, the Japs succeeded in knocking out more than four battleships -- and our Fleet was unable to interfere ~~until~~ until the conquering sweep of the enemy had reached down all the way to the ~~the~~ Solomon Islands, almost to Australia.

Admiral Kimmel has stated that he does not remember the Zacharias prognostication, to which ~~Zacharias~~ *- who was then a junior officer -* makes the comment -- that the Admiral was exceedingly busy at the time and might well ~~fail~~ fail to remember. He says however that the Admiral's chief-of-staff, who <sup>was</sup> ~~was~~ present does remember - and that officer is expected to appear before the Pearl Harbor inquiry and give corroboration of the prophecy.

There has been talk that Captain Zacharias,

a little more than a year before Pearl Harbor had <sup>been the</sup> ~~some~~  
*cause of the Fleet going*  
~~the Fleet~~ on what has been described as: "A wild goose  
chase". Today he disclosed what had happened.

In October of Nineteen Forty, he was doing  
intelligence work in Southern California, and got a  
tip from an informer in Mexico. This Mexican passed  
along a tip that the Japs were planning a surprise  
blow off the coast of Southern ~~East~~ California. This  
was to be done with planes flying from some secret  
place in Mexico or from ships that had sneaked up  
secretly in the Pacific. The Jap force was to  
consist of twelve planes, carrying bombs, and four of  
the twelve were to be suicide planes -- kamikazis of  
the sort that later were to make headlines. The  
Jap objective, according to the informer in Mexico,  
was to knock out four battleships. Again that same  
theme, four battleships.

This tip from Mexico may have seemed slightly  
on the melo-dramatic side. But it ~~was~~ also came in  
much detail and it tied in with one fact. At that

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time, Admiral Richardson, who was the American Naval commander at Pearl Harbor, had just arrived in San Pedro, California with three battleships and a heavy cruiser -- suspiciously like the reported Jap objective of four battleships.

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SUN OIL

*I'm in Jacksonville, Fla., tonight;*  
*and in a way I'd like to*  
~~I suppose the place for me tonight should~~  
be Toledo, Ohio, where I'd be able to add <sup>fifteen</sup> ~~fourteen~~ to  
sixty-one hundred. That is, I've been with the Sun Oil  
Company <sup>almost 15</sup> ~~fourteen~~ years; -- and the sixty one hundred  
represents the number of years gathered around a table  
at Toledo. In that city there's a celebration held by  
Sun Oil men who have been with the Toledo Refinery for  
more than ten years -- members of the Sun Service  
Emblem Club. ~~There are~~ three hundred of them, with an  
average of over twenty years. ~~And~~ <sup>TP</sup> The toastmaster,  
Arthur D. Pew D, Vice President of ~~the~~ Sun Oil  
Company, is calling for extra cheers in honor of the  
veterans in the fifty year bracket. The dean of them all,  
the oldest employee of the company in point of years,  
J. Edgar Pew, Vice President in charge of Production,  
~~He~~ has been with Sun Oil for fifty four years. <sup>Also in</sup> ~~and~~  
in the fifty year bracket are Albert Dailey and  
Clarence Wanbough. Veterans who have ~~held one job for~~ <sup>been with Sun</sup>  
~~for~~ <sup>1</sup> more than fifty years, ~~each can say tonight~~ <sup>I salute them, and</sup>  
~~all the rest of the crowd who've~~ <sup>must have made good</sup>  
~~rolled up these six thousand one~~  
~~hundred years.~~

## ACCIDENT

A terrifying accident happened to William Molesworth of Detroit. He was driving along in his automobile when the car ~~xxxx~~ skidded on an icy pavement and hit a power pole supporting high tension wires. The shock of the impact dislodged a heavy transformer from the top of the pole, and the transformer, with wires, electricity, and all, fell on top of the car. And forty-eight hundred volts of electricity ran through the auto. The car was alive with ~~xxx~~ streams of lightning -- enough electricity to be instant death. Yet, William Molesworth came out of it alive. He was injured a bit by the crash -- but not at all by the electricity that made his car a thing of fantastic ~~peril~~ peril.

Policemen who were on the job, shouted to him and told him -- touch no metal. As long as he was @ the upholstered seat, and made no ~~direct~~ contact with metal, through which electricity was pouring -- he was safe. He ~~was~~ sat there, imprisoned by electricity for three hours -- until the current

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was ~~xxx~~ shut off, and he ~~xxxx~~ was released. ~~That~~ After  
sitting 3 hours that  
near to electrocution, he had what you would call an

electrical escape. And now by electrical  
impulse back to Radio City where  
my s-l-u-t-m will be said for  
me by friend Hugh. - And now here's  
Hugh James.

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