

LEAD COAL

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This was not a formal ruling of the Federal District Bench in Washington today, but Judge Goldsborough said it several times in the course of the proceedings, interrupting Lewis's chief counsel to say it. Late this afternoon the hearing was adjourned until Friday, with the Judge extending his injunction against the soft ~~hard~~ coal strike for another ten days.

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The United Mine Worker chief Lewis tried resolutely to keep up his

"Madame X" ~~role~~ role throughout the day's proceedings, but during the luncheon recess he blew up and put in some ~~business that was~~ ^{ad libe that were not} in the script. As he left the courtroom, ~~he~~ a cameraman tried to take a close-up of his eyebrows. The Miners' Chief didn't say anything, but he used his cane and bust the cameraman's flash blub.

A second photographer tried the same, and Lewis wrapped him over the knuckle^s. When he reached the Carlton Hotel, a third cameraman tried to snap him. ^{It was} then ^{that} Lewis broke out of his silence and growled: "Don't you dare take a picture of me here", and shook his cane, intending to use it.

In some cities it's a felony to hit another man with a cane, but apparently not in Washington. At any rate, not if you're an important labor leader.

The leading counsel for Lewis today was Joseph Padway, Chief Counsel for the American Federation

Padway
of Labor. ~~He~~ flew all the way from Honolulu to appear
in court ^{with Lewis, in Washington} today. He rested his argument mainly upon the
famous Norris-LaGuardia Act of Congress, which
prohibits the use of injunctions in labor disputes. He
also claimed that the Smith-Connally Act, which forbids
anybody striking against the Government or in any plant
seized by the Government, was unconstitutional.

Judge Goldsborough then objected to Padway's
contention that society was engaging in ^a labor dispute
when it tried to protect itself from hunger and cold and
social disintegration.

⁷⁷ Whereupon Padway retorted that if this strike has not
grown out of a labor dispute, he did not know how to
describe it. *Incidentally*

he, the Judge, when a
~~that when he was a~~ Padway went on to remind Judge Goldsborough ^{how}
Congressman from Maryland, ~~he had~~
voted for the Norris-LaGuardia Act.

Goldsborough replied that Norris-LaGuardia
Act or no Norris-LaGuardia Act, Lewis and the United Mine
Workers were guilty of contempt when they ignored his

order of November Eighteenth, restraining them from striking.

Later on he again interrupted Padway to say that no person in the United States is entitled to take the law into his own hands, not even John L. Lewis and his Union.

Shortly before the luncheon recess, *the Judge* ~~Galsborough~~ repeated and amplified his words when he said: "I don't want any doubt left in anybody's mind that an individual cannot take the law into his own hands and decide for himself," *for "that," said the* ~~to which the Judge added,~~ *Judge* "is anarchy."

In the afternoon session, Padway declared that the Government does not exercise its sovereign function by telling a party to a contract with the government to go bargain with somebody else. *Whereupon the* ~~the~~ Government's attorneys ~~are~~ interrupted to say that Padway was misstating the facts. *Which* Padway countered by saying he could not see why the Government is disturbed, because *the Government* ~~is~~ is out of luck, whichever way it turns.


Judge Goldsborough ^{wrote in again, at} ~~then got into the argument~~
^{that point, addressing} and ~~said~~ the government Attorneys ^{telling them not to} ~~need not~~ worry, that
 he would not be misled because Padway had quoted the
 documents without quoting the context. That provoked
 Padway to say that he had read the English language and
 had a right to interpret it. ^{And, he} ~~he then~~ accused the
 government of acting ^{just as though Uncle Sam} ~~according to the tactics of the~~
^{were an} old time reactionary employer.

At another stage of the proceedings, the Judge
 told Padway that whether the Union was right or wrong,
^{the Union} ~~it~~ had made a great mistake by not waiting for a
 judicial decision before calling a strike. A postponement
 of the strike would not have hurt the miners a bit, said
 the court. And ^{that} in any event, the ^{Federal} court had a right to ~~make~~
 have its injunction respected.

Padway also tried to make the point that since
 Lewis had been advised by counsel, it was the Lawyers,
 not the union and its chief, who should be cited for
 contempt.

Judge Goldsborough's answer was, that many a

man who followed his doctor's advice is in the cemetery, but we don't shoot doctors for that.

Padway also brought[†] in the theme of involuntary servitude. It's an established American principle, he pointed out, that men ~~had~~^{have} the right to work or not to work ^{— as they choose.} Judge Goldsborough agreed, and the Government's counsel also agreed. "Then," said Padway, "What are we here for?" "What's all the shouting about?" He went on to point out that the injunction was directed against every member of the Union, every miner in the pits. 

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In Washington government officials are worrying about how to maintain U.S. food shipments abroad if and when the coal strike ties up most of our shipping? They foresee the possibility of ~~the~~ grain shipments to Europe fading to a trickle.

BALL FOLLOW COAL

The strike of the soft coal miners is not so much a labor dispute as an insurrection; a challenge that the government must meet. So declares an eminent Senator who once ~~XXXXX~~ ranked as a top socalled leberal, Joseph Ball of Minnesota. When Ball walked out on the Republican Party in Nineteen Forty-four, and supported F.D.R. the Liberals all acclaimed him as one of their own. All of which makes his statement today, to newspapermen at a National Press Club Luncheon in Washington, makes it more interesting.

Sen. Ball predicts that the Republicans in the Eightieth Congress will make haste once more to present the case anti-strike bill, the bill that died when President Truman vetoed it last summer. And, he predicts that there will be laws to forbid closed shop contracts also to revise the Wagner Labor Relations Act, and prohibit collective ~~xxx~~ bargaining on an industry-wide-scale, also to prohibit shut-downs. He predicted emphatically that the new version of the case bill will hold unions responsible for breach of contract

of contract, and will apply the provisions of the
Anti-trust laws to the unions.

STRIKE

Another meat strike in the offing. The Strategy Committee of the C.I.O. Packing House Workers held a meeting at Chicago today, making plans for a walkout that may be- infact probably will be nationwide, a strike against the big five packers.

At Lake Success today, Molotov fought for five and a half hours to compel Uncle Sam to tell the world how many atomic bombs he has and all about ~~his~~ nuclear fissure equipment. He did not win

¹ because Uncle ~~Sam~~ had the help of John Bull. ~~But~~. But it was a heated fight, the culmination of six days of bickering. ^{TP} Molotov's chief opponent was Sir Philip Noel-Baker, the British delegate, with Senator ~~Tom~~ ^{of Texas} Tom Connally ^(up) backing the Britisher ^{up} from time to time. ^{TP} The issue came ^{up} over the Soviet demand that each power should publish the number of soldiers ~~they maintain~~ ^{it has} on the ~~territory~~ ^{soil} of friendly and former enemy nations. The British, ~~as~~ you will recall, wanted to make the census include the total military establishment of each power. But Molotov ~~and~~ claimed ~~that~~ that should not be considered until they get down to discussing General disarmament. However he added today, if military establishments are to be disclosed, their armaments should also be made

public, ~~atomic bombs~~, rocket weapons, ^{and} all other arms, including atomic bombs. ^{Said he:-}
~~and he said:~~ "Soldiers don't fight with bare hands".

^R Noel-Baker and Connally wanted to know why the Soviet Union wouldn't list its armies at home. They said they were against revealing any figures on atomic bombs or other weapons until ^{the nations get far enough} ~~they have got so far with~~ ^{along with} disarmament that such candor would ^{be} safe. The debate became so interesting and so exciting, that the room was crowded. Some of the delegates ^{even} ~~were~~ sharing seats with others, and many ~~were~~ standing.

~~The political and Security Committee of the U N finally tore down the Soviet amendment by a vote of twenty-four to eighteen, with ten ~~no~~ members not voting after that, the committee adopted the British resolution, which included troops and members of military type organizations on the home territory of each power. That resolution was adopted by a vote of forty to ten, ~~no~~ with only two members not voting.~~

BIG FOUR

Mr. Molotov was all sweetness and light when he met later with the Foreign Ministers of the Big Four. At the meeting three important points regarding the future of Trieste were cleared up, and the way paved for early ~~xxxx~~ peace treaties for the five Axis satellite nations. In nearly every case it was Molotov, who gave in. And that seems like good Thanksgiving news.

The Big Four first of all agreed that the Security Council of the United Nations should appoint a Governor for the troubled port of Trieste. But how about the question of Allied Troops stationed there? On this point the Russians had been adamant. However, according to Today's agreement, Britain, Yugoslavia, and the United States will limit to five thousand men their garrisons in Trieste just as soon as the Governor assumes office. All foreign troops to be at the Governor's disposal until they are withdrawn. And then all to be withdrawn simultaneously.

Other matters, involving peace treaties with

the satellites came up - matters involving civil aviation rights and trade treaties. In almost every case the Russians bowed to the wishes of the western allies. Why? There are various guesses. Perhaps it would be better to wait and see.

INDIA

Another story on the troubles of India. In London there seems to be growing anxiety. For instance, the Duke of Devonshire, who formerly was Secretary for the Dominions, was overheard to say that the upheavals in India, which have been called riots, are nothing of the kind. Actually, says the Duke, they are the beginnings of one of the most hideous civil wars in all history.

Since the Government of the Pandit Nehru took over in Hindustan, -- the so-called caretaker government, -- the number of people killed is given as six thousand, seven hundred. So said the Secretary of India in the House of Lords today. And he added that the figures were not complete because, it being difficult to get accurate information from some parts of India.

JAPAN

General MacArthur today took further steps

toward making it difficult for the Japanese to rebuild

~~the~~ ^a war machine, ^{— for generations.} Specifically, Allied Headquarters in

Tokyo seized the assets of the notorious Zaibatsu. That's

^{the} combine of the ten richest ~~business~~ families in the

Mikado's Realm. It was the Zaibatsu that furnished the

sinews of war for the flag of the Rising Sun. Those

assets will be converted into ten-year bonds, ^{that are} not

negotiable; and those bonds will be held by the Allied

Holding Company Liquidation Commission.

U.S. Headquarters ^{in Tokyo} announced that this was ^{also} part of a

broad program to dissolve Japanese cartels and trusts;

^a ~~the~~ move ^{to} ~~enable~~ ^{MacArthur} ~~Headquarters~~, to discover exactly

how much the wealth of those ten families actually ~~is~~

^{amounts to.}

FLYING HORSES

Tonight, somewhere in the air, ~~over~~ nearing the West Coast, six horses are flying -- modern counterparts of Pegasus, the Flying Horse of mythology. Only of course these flying ~~■~~ horses are not self-propelled.

They are all thoroughbreds from Ireland - and are the first horses to fly the Atlantic non-stop. They landed at Newark ~~■~~ airport today and later flew on across the continent, bound for the rich Santa Anita Derby.

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of Irish horseflesh flying across the continent tonight. And it's a long way they've come.

THANKSGIVING

Fair weather for Thanksgiving throughout most of the country, fair and sunny, ~~that's what~~ ^{says} the weatherman. ~~says. But that will not include the folks~~
~~in the northwest.~~ ^{With} There'll be snow in the Rockies -
^{and} ~~with~~ rains along parts of the Pacific Coast. ~~In the~~
~~Central States, the Northern Plains, the Great Lakes,~~
~~most of the Ohio Valley and Northern New England,~~
~~somewhat colder than usual.~~ ^{TP} At the White House, there
~~will be a quiet family Thanksgiving Dinner, the Trumans~~
~~and several friends.~~ ^{TP} A President ~~xx~~ of the United States
is one of the lucky few who doesn't have to buy a
turkey. Mr. Truman this year received four. But, he
made a special point of ordering his cook to prepare
the one sent to him by a group of ~~Boston~~ newsboys.
That's the one the President of the United States will
carve tomorrow, at a typically American dinner:
turkey with dressing and cranberry sauce, ~~with~~ sweet
~~potatoes~~ potatoes, buttered peas, cauliflower-au-
gratin, orange and watercress salad, ^{cheese and} pumpkin pie. ~~xxx~~
~~and cheese.~~ Sounds about right doesn't it? And

the bird from the ~~Boston~~ newsboys, they say it's a beaut.

The White House reporters haven't any dope on whether the White House turkey will be stuffed with oyster dressing or a dry dressing or a chestnut dressing, or sausage dressing. That's an important omission on their part.

The President, we hear, just for this once, will interrupt his regular diet tomorrow. As a rule, the housekeeper at the Executive Mansion does not serve him the sort of dishes that put the poundage around the Presidential midriff. For the Great White Father always watches his diet - almost always. As for Mrs. Truman, well, according to the Executive Mansion Housekeeper, she is so considerate! doesn't want to give the staff any trouble! therefore she eats just whatever is served to the President, whether she likes it or not. What the President ^{of the United States} eats is good enough for her.

And sounds good enough for us too -- how about it Nelson?

TAXES

Taken from early Nov. 27th.

When the Republicans ^{get ready to try to} ~~in Congress begin their~~
~~action to~~ cut taxes, they ^{are} ~~are~~ going to ^{collide with} ~~run head~~
~~the present~~ ^{into opposition from the} Administration. That became
clear today when John W. Snyder, President Truman's
Secretary of Treasury, ~~made it obvious to~~ ^{at} a Press
^{said} Conference that the Administration will ask the
Eightieth Congress to keep taxes at their present level.

^{He said that}
^{for one thing,} the coal strike will ~~have~~ cut tax
revenues ^{rather} ~~quite~~ seriously. ~~Moreover, it is his policy to~~
~~try to balance the budget and pay off the public debt~~
~~rather than cut taxes.~~

~~All the signs throughout the country point to~~
~~a continuation of months of high income, and that is,~~
~~no time to cut taxes. With the big volume of money~~
^{He added that with}
~~coming in from high taxes on high income, it ~~may~~ be~~
possible to run the Government with a balanced budget.
^{said he is}
That ~~is~~ the position of the Truman Administration.

DEMOCRATS

Speaker Sam Rayburn doesn't want to be minority leader of the House when he quits being speaker. He made that fairly clear soon after ~~ix~~ election, and he made it clearer still today. So it looks as though the job will ~~ix~~ go to Congressman John McCormack of Massachusetts, majority leader lo these many New Deal years.

But, some southerners don't want the job ~~xxxxxxx~~ to go to McCormack. And now they constitute the most numerous singel bloc among the House Democrats

The Southerners say they have been unhappy with McCormack as House Leader for some time. So they ~~xxxxxxxx~~ want Sam Rayburn to take it. And Sam won't have it. Not only does he refuse to be minority leader, but he is going smack against his Southern Colleagues in supporting McCormack.

provisions of the Anti-Trust Laws to Unions.

Newspapermen asked him what he thought of the suggestion to establish special labor courts to settle industrial disputes. That, said ^{Sen.} Ball, is a remote possibility. ^{For it} ~~It~~ will take at least two or three years to enact a labor code ^{on which} ~~to form a criterion for the~~ decisions of ~~the~~ courts. ^{could be based.}