

The seamen's strike is over - well, over for five days, anyhow.

Harry Lundeberg, Secretary of the Sailors' Union has just called his people back to work/this means on all East and West Coast ships, the ~~new~~ order effective immediately.

However, three unions, the A F of L Masters, Mates and Pilots, the C I O Marine Engineers, and the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union all have contracts expiring on Monday, and they ~~may~~ go out. Spokesmen for the Marine Engineers say ~~they~~ their locals are in favor of striking if present wage negotiations fail.

The engineers are one of seven unions affiliated with the committee for Maritime Unity, and that Committee's charter calls for all members to support one another in case of a strike. So, word from the

West Coast is that the maritime strike has been settled, but, may be only for five days.

PITTSBURGH

The strike of the power workers which has partially crippled industrial Pittsburgh is about to end.

George Mueller, the union president who received a year's jail sentence for contempt of court yesterday has been released - set free after he apologized to the Allegheny County Court, whose preliminary injunction against the strike he first called "a scrap of paper". A mass meeting of strikers is being held to debate whether to end the two-day walkout. Mueller, when he apologized, promised the court he'd go to the mass meeting and urge acceptance of a new company wage contract.

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The strike has cut power in Pittsburgh by sixty-five percent. Factories, mines and businesses ~~in~~ of all sorts, in an eight hundred square mile area, have closed down. Department stores closed. Home owners have been asked to use but a single light - with only hospitals getting full service.

MEAT

Twenty-five hundred butchers in Kentucky announced today that they will be forced out of business unless price controls are removed. In the Chicago's stockyard district the Saddle and Sirloin Club, renowned for the size and quality of its steaks, is still open, but on its menu today were only fish ~~and~~ and eggs.

The War Department has notified the meat industry that ~~ix~~ it must have fifteen million pounds of meat each week -- one fourth of the available supply -- and the Army warns that it will invoke its requisitioning powers.

STOCKS.....

Still, The Stock Market, *Zoomed up*, ~~which has been bouncing like a rubber ball for the last few weeks, climbed upwards today, to the tune of more than a billion dollars. Industrial shares scored one of their widest advances in almost six years.~~

Several factors encouraged the buying. First, there was a series of highly favorable dividend announcements. Then the report that commercial, industrial and agricultural loans have reached the all-time high of nearly nine billion dollars, and finally the disclosure that last week General Motors set a new high for Nineteen Forty-Six output.

The rise in loans is interpreted as a sign of business confidence *ce* generally, ~~inasmuch as such borrowed funds will be used chiefly for plant expansion.~~

~~Another reason behind the climb, which has added about two billion five hundred million dollars in value in the last two days, has been the widespread satisfaction *and* *over* the appointment of W. Averill Harriman as Secretary of Commerce.~~

ARCHBISHOP

Tito's government today formally indicted Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac, head of the Roman Catholic Church in Yugoslavia on six charges, including those of war crimes.

Stepinac was arrested by Tito's secret police a week ago, and will probably be put on trial at Zagreb, where twelve priests and monks and six other persons are already facing similar charges.

One charge against Archbishop Stepinac is that he cooperated with the Nazi occupation forces and was a leader of the so-called "Independent Croatian State" of Pavelich, Hitler's wartime chief in Croatia.

STALIN

Secretary Byrnes and his advisers are convinced that Stalin's new conciliatory attitude is the direct result of our firm stand against the Kremlin. They have been dealing with the Russians for a long time, and have reached the conclusion that Russia is neither impressed by nor grateful for concessions. The man in the Kremlin does take notice, however, when someone stands up to him.

The Moscow newspaper Pravda in discussing the Henry Wallace affair today, reaches the conclusion that the dismissal of Wallace as Secretary of Commerce "had long been planned by the ruling group in the United States."

"Differences between Wallace and the ruling group", says Pravda, "had reached such proportions and such sharpness, that it was no longer possible to hide them."

Not that Pravda is entirely satisfied with Henry. The Red journal feels he has not been sufficiently thorough-going in his criticism of American foreign policy. Therefore Henry is not thoroughly satisfactory. Then the article goes on to say: "He is clearly inconsistent in many respects and often is the victim of widespread prejudices."

Moscow, it seems, would like to send Wallace back to the minors for further seasoning.

WAR CRIMINALS

Thw twenty-two Nazi top figures in Nuremberg Prison, will hear their ~~xx~~ fate, next Tuesday, October First. For most of them it probably will be execution.

Allied Press representatives covering the Nuernberg trials so far have filed millions of words of copy from the War Crimes trial. But there ~~xxx~~ will be a news blackout so far as executions go. If they die, they will die in secret. The Press will not be there.

Today, Earl Johnson, General News Manager of the United Press, protested. In a telegram to Secretary of War Patterson, he asked that newsmen be allowed to cover the executions.

In his telegram to Secretary Patterson he said: "Millions of allied soldiers and sailors who fought in the war have an interest and a stake in

what happens to Nuernberg defendants".

Secretary Patterson says he will take the matter up with General McNarney, Chief of our ~~farfx~~ forces in Germany, to explore the matter further.

The U P man's telegram also said: "The only way we can be sure that myths do not rise out of the executions is to have trained reporters present. Secrecy breeds rumors", continues the message, "and there should be no false rumors rising out of the executions of any of these men who brought this war upon the world".

KAISER-----

Henry Kaiser ^{made} ~~had~~ a few ^{more} ~~remarks to make~~ today before the House of Representatives Merchant Marine Committee. By the time the ~~burly and blunt~~ West Coast Industrialist was through, he had made three things quite apparent. One, he doesn't think much of the Government's auditing system. Two, he has little use for the Maritime Commission. And three, he takes a dim view of critics of the profit system.

Kaiser told the Committee today that wars cannot be won without profit for war manufacturers, even though he and his companies expect to wind up eighteen million dollars in the red on the ships they built for the government.

As for the Maritime Commission, which claims that the Kaiser interests ^{made a profit of} ~~grossed~~ a hundred and ninety-two millions, profit,

Henry Kaiser accused that agency of deliberately falsifying facts.

^{And he was} ~~His views were~~ backed up by John McCone, President of the California Shipbuilding Corporation. Government accounting figures show that the California Company made a profit of more than forty million dollars on nine hundred million dollars' worth

of contracts.

That's all wrong, says McCone. Those figures were reckoned before renegotiation, taxes and other deductions. The actual profits amounted to ~~little more than eight million dollars, a~~ margin of less than one per cent. *said he,*

Kaiser had his most serious row today with Representative Alvin Weichel of Ohio. Weichel sought to discover the amount of money invested in Kaiser's wartime shipyards, and Kaiser resented the question. Said he: "If a shipbuilder can deliver the stuff and save you money, I don't think it makes any difference what his capital investment is. I want you to recognize that we built the ships. We built them cheaper and faster than others, and saved the government two hundred and fifty million dollars."

Weichel contended that profits must be viewed in the light of how much capital a company was willing to risk. ~~This bit of economic liberalism did not sit well with~~ *To which* Henry Kaiser ~~the~~ replied, "all right, if you want to place everyone in a soup kitchen and have congress set up a system so that nobody makes a dime during the war, I'm willing to go along. But you know that the profit incentive is the way to win wars. No country

ever won a war except on the incentive system - even Russia found that out."

Kaiser did not explain how his profit views jibed with his contention that he failed to make a nickel in the four shipbuilding companies he controls, but he did say that he lost heavily on a steel plant built at Fontana, California, to get steel for his shipyards.

Representative McConnell of Pennsylvania pointed out that the government paid the Kaiser Corporations four billion dollars for war work. He wanted to know what the government got out of that. Then McConnell answered his own question. The Kaiser yards launched one thousand, four hundred and sixty vessels.

McConnell later complained that Kaiser had led the Committee into "a temple of confusion." Kaiser said that was understandable, ^{as} he was somewhat confused himself - he wasn't even sure about his own financial standing.

When the committee turned from Kaiser to McCone, it ran into an equally bitter assault on the accounting practices of the Maritime Commission. McCone's parting shot was,

"if an accountant reported the position of a public-owned corporation with so many half truths he would not be allowed to practice in any state."

PALESTINE....

Thousands of Jews are ~~streaming~~^{streaming} tonight into their troubled Holy City - ~~to celebrate the~~^{to celebrate the} Jewish New Year - ~~on their way~~^{on their way} to the Wailing Wall, of Jerusalem. The synagogues ~~are already packed,~~^{of Jerusalem are} and services will last until tomorrow.

But there is no peace in Palestine despite the holy season.

All day today, the underground radio station of the Jewish resistance movement, Hagana, kept up its threats to avenge the recent death of a Jewish ~~struggle~~^{who} immigrant ~~who~~ was killed on Sunday, when British troops forced their way aboard the blockade runner Palmach, after the vessel was intercepted in the Mediterranean.

And there were more arrests today - arrests stemming from the discovery of another small arms cache near Haifa, containing ~~bombs~~^{bombs}, grenades, detonators and ammunition.

Meanwhile the moderate Zionist Inner Council which is striving desperately for a peaceful solution of Palestine's

problems, announced³ that it has rejected British proposals for Jewish participation in the Palestine Conference now being held in London.

The Zionists say they may participate later, if the British offer more satisfactory conditions. (What the British did offer

was not revealed today. But apparently they did not offer to release two members of the Jewish Agency from the detention camp

- and the Jews demanded their release before the London ^{conference,} discussions ~~got under way.~~

CRASH

Another serious plane crash, this one in Hong Kong. Nineteen died in one of the worst plane accidents in the Far East, and one of seven major air disasters that have taken a hundred and fifty-nine lives in the United States, Europe, Africa and Asia this month.

Today, a Royal Air Force Transport, taking off from Hong Kong, bound for Hongkong, stalled, crashed into a hillside, and caught fire.

It's reported that one of the persons killed either in the crash or by the fire that followed was a well known American war correspondent, and radio commentator.

Two other reported victims of the crash are Colonel E.A. Wilde, war crimes liaison officer for the Allied forces in Southeast Asia, and M.I. Davies, chief British prosecutor at the Tokyo War Crimes trial.

However, the names of the victims will not be released until the next of kin have been notified.

DODGERS

A tree couldn't ~~gxx~~ grow in Brooklyn tonight - everything's dead. I'm sure you heard the score - Philadelphia, eleven; Brooklyn, nine. And that puts Brooklyn a game-and-a-half behind the Cards in the National League pennant race - ~~xxx~~ with only three games left to play. If St. Louis wins tonight, only a miracle can keep them from the flag.

Twenty two thousand fans - and I was one of them - sat in silence at Ebbets Field this afternoon while the roof fell in.

The Dodgers got off to a one-to nothing lead. That was okay. Philadelphia charged back to go ahead five to one. That was awful. But by the time the ninth inning rolled around, things were looking up again, with Brooklyn ~~xx~~ ahead nine to six. Then came the deluge. Five runs for Philadelphia, five runs and the ~~xxx~~ ball game.

If any Flatbush resident is still capable of speech, about all he can say this evening is - well, maybe I'd better not try I might misquote them. For the rest of this inning, Nelson, I wish you'd do the talking. I just about lost my voice rooting for the Dodgers this afternoon. Tonight I had dinner with Branch Rickey. It was an annual party we have and Branch told us that his team which is made up of youngsters, is hardly of world series caliber. He thinks it will be another two years before they are likely to be at their best. But what was that you were about to say, Nelson?

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PITTSBURGH...

Serious labor unrest in the steel city of Pittsburgh.

More than twenty-five thousand workers ~~off their jobs in~~ ^{are out now - in}

Pittsburgh and vicinity, as a result of the continuing

electric power strike. Pittsburgh's Union Leaders ^{are} protesting

the sentence yesterday of a year in jail, for contempt, of ^{for}

George Mueller, President of the striking workers.

Other leaders of the electrical union also face possible jail terms for contempt. They have called a meeting of their three thousand five hundred members for tonight to vote on returning to work.

Meanwhile, a series of protests against the court's action in Pittsburgh developed during the day. Five plants of the Westinghouse Electrical Corporation are closed down by sympathy strikes. United States Steel workers picketed a Jones and Laughlin Steel plant, making two thousand more men idle.

The strike has cut electrical power service in Pittsburgh sixty-five per cent, and factories, mines and business in an eight hundred square mile area generally are hit hard. Trolley car service was only twenty-five per cent of normal during rush hours. Department stores were closed. Home owners have been asked to use but a single light, and although hospitals are operating with full services, many office buildings have been closed down.

On September Ninth, the city of Pittsburgh obtained a court injunction against the Electrical Workers Union ^{— one} minute before a strike was scheduled to start. The City petitioned on the grounds that a power strike would imperil the lives, property, health and well being of its citizens.

The legality of the order has yet to be argued. The City Solicitor who obtained it is confident the order will be upheld and made permanent. The Union claims that the order denies the exercise to Union members of their rights, and establishes forced labor.

POLITICS....

The Democratic National Committee is about ready to send in its first team. The four horsemen in this year's backfield are Hannegan, Anderson, Clark and Krug, their goal of course being a Democratic victory in this fall's elections.

Before he was fired for publicly criticizing American ^{policy} Foreign ~~policy~~ Henry Wallace was supposed to ^{do much of} ~~have some part of~~ the speech-making. Now Wallace is off the team. ~~Any talking he does from here on will be on his own.~~

Interior Secretary Krug who in his department handles mining problems, has heavy speeches scheduled in Pennsylvania and West Virginia, mining states in which Republicans are claiming an edge.

The midwest and far western agricultural regions will see a lot of Agriculture Secretary Anderson.

Hannegan and Clark will get roving assignments.

~~WAR ASSETS~~
WAR ASSETS. Serious charges of forgery of government documents were heard today by a special House committee now investigating the War Assets Administration.

In Washington today, a jittery government stenographer took the witness stand, ~~she testified~~ ^{SHE TESTIFIED} under oath that her superior in the War Assets Administration once dictated to her a pre-dated memorandum authorizing a mid-western firm to sell surplus radio equipment ~~for~~ ~~three thousand dollars~~ below the established price.

Mrs. Ruth Campbell, former secretary to Walton Bostwick, told the House Committee that Bostwick dictated the memorandum last April, but ordered her to date it back to December Eighteenth, Nineteen Forty-Five.

Committee Chairman Roger Slaughter has already branded the document a forgery. ^P Mrs. Campbell also claimed that William Foss, head of the Electronics Branch of the War Assets Administration, was in the room while the

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and that he
memorandum was being dictated, ~~Foss~~ made no comment about it. Yesterday Foss testified that he knew nothing about the matter.

Foss's name also cropped up in earlier testimony when another War Assets employee, Edward Dillon, charged that under orders from Foss, he turned over to a private business man the job of allocating to private firms surplus electronics equipment. Dillon said he realized fully that this was improper and contrary to federal statute. He also said that while he was acting under instructions, ~~at the time~~ he knew what he was doing AT THE TIME.

At the conclusion of Dillon's testimony, Foss leaped to his feet and asked that he be allowed to question the witness. Representative Slaughter said that he, Foss, could testify at a later date.