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By The Associated Press
More than 235,000 workers over the nation were idle yesterday as the CIO-United Automobile Workers petitioned the National Labor Relations Board for a strike vote in all General Motors Corporation plants represented by the union.

More than 90,000 workers in Detroit, mainly in the automobile industry, still were idle at the end of a week of labor troubles and the city was threatened with a complete shutdown of transportation by a spreading strike of CIO workers.

The strike of the CIO-International Oil Workers Union, affecting more than 21,000 workers in six states, left the South and Midwest facing a serious gasoline shortage. Toledo, O., was on a self-imposed rationing program and communities in other states affected by the strike were considering similar steps to conserve dwindling fuel supplies.

Walter P. Reutner, UAW-CIO vice president, announced the union's intention to take a strike vote in all General Motors plants throughout the country. He said the principal issue involved was the union's demand for a 30 per cent wage increase.

The oil workers also are demanding a 30 per cent increase.

General Motors, largest of the automobile industry, was chosen by the UAW as the "most strategic" for presentation of the union's postwar wage and other demands. Reutner was quoted as saying that if the demand is won from General Motors, it is virtually won for the entire industry.

Striking oil workers forced the closing of more than a score of refineries and plants in Texas, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, and West Virginia.

Upwards of 15,000 refinery workers were out in Texas with 10 plants closed. In Ohio, the total made idle by the strike increased to approximately 1,700 as the work stoppage spread to the Standard Oil Company refinery at Lima. Five other refineries in the state also were closed and gasoline supplies were scarce.

Some 1,500 oil workers were out in Detroit and gasoline deliveries to the city were completely shut off, threatening a breakdown in the city's transportation system.

In the Chicago area, seven plants were closed at East Chicago, Whiting and Hammond, Ind., including Socony-Vacuum, Cities Service, Sinclair Refining and the Shell Oil Company. More than 3,000 workers were idled in those work stoppages and another 1,000 were idled in affiliated industries.

As the situation appeared destined to get worse before it gets better, the government's conciliation director, Edgar L. Warren, summoned oil industry representatives and the CIO Oil Workers Union to a meeting in Chicago Tuesday in an effort to

C. Ira Baird Dies Suddenly

Funeral Monday Prominent Resident

C. Ira Baird, 62, prominent resident of Gainesville and member of one of Alachua County's oldest families, died yesterday morning at his residence, 819 East University Avenue.

Coming to this city at the age of 17, Mr. Baird attended the East Florida Seminary in Gainesville. He became later the president of the Standard Fruit Company and director of the First National Bank of Gainesville—holding both of these positions at the time of his death.

Mr. Baird was a large real estate holder and was recognized as one of Alachua County's leading financiers.

He was married June 10, 1908, to Miss Clara Pound, who survives him.

In addition to his widow, Mr. Baird is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary Eschleman Baird of Gainesville; two daughters, Mrs. Fred Mathers, Orlando, and Mrs. Harry C. Duncan, Jr., Gainesville; three sisters, Mrs. Edna B. Scott, Arcadia; Mrs. T. Shackleford, Tampa, and Mrs. Hattie B. Ashmore, Gainesville; three nieces, Miss Nan Rhoads Shackleford, Tampa, Mrs. Norma Brown, Tampa, and Mrs. Frank Wilkins, Boston, Mass.; three nephews, Captain David E. Turner, U. S. Army Medical Corps, Major E. D. Turner, Jr., Gainesville, and Fred Shackleford, Tampa; and one grandchild, Susan Clara Mathers.

Funeral services, in charge of the DeWitt C. Jones Company, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the First Baptist Church. Rev. T. V. McCaul will officiate.

Pallbearers will be: James A. Whitehurst, Charlie Whitehurst, Johnnie Brasington, Wyche Getzen, Fal Johnson, Frank C. Whidden, Robert R. Sinclair, C. Sidney Robertson.

Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery.

Lions President To Visit Here

THE OCCUPATION

MacArthur Probes Into Finances; Hirohito Included

State Secrets Of Nation To Be Laid Bare

By The Associated Press

General MacArthur probed into Japan's greatest state secrets today by demanding an accounting of the empire's finances, including Emperor Hirohito's fortune—reputedly the world's largest.

The White House disclosed that President Truman had instructed MacArthur to strip Japan of war industries and limit heavy manufactures to peacetime needs "to insure that Japan will not again become a menace to the United States or to the peace and security of the world." The financial accounting appeared to be the first step.

The order was considered only a prelude to a deeper inquiry into the immense wealth of the munitions makers and merchant princes who under Washington's latest directive must be dragged from positions of power.

It was intended to give the Allies precise information and a right hold over financial agencies and the methods which enabled an essentially poor country like Japan to underwrite eight years of war.

The order was just another check from the occupational whip on a nation packed day with new developments.

MacArthur ordered the arrest of Gen. Nobuyuke Ate, lately deposed governor of Korea and former premier who was closely allied with the military and the conquests in China.

He told the Japanese naval

Special FSCW Housing Built

Record 2,500 To Attend This Year

TALLAHASSEE (AP)—Florida State College for Women yesterday was rushing to completion housing facilities for an extra 200 students who are expected next week to swell the enrollment above a record 2,500. President Donk S. Campbell

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