

John L. Lewis Vs. Santa Claus

QUOTE might John Lewis in ordering an end to his abortive coal strike: "Questions as to motive will be pure speculation. Some philosopher has said any purpose is a means to an end, and the end is the motive." True enough, but since we are bound to dismiss the two motives Lewis attributed to himself—concern for the public welfare and a desire to free the Supreme Court of undue pressure—we feel justified in taking up the elusive pursuit.

There'll Always Be Barracks

IN all the wide world, we thought the only places where no housing shortage exists were within the confines of the United States Army's posts, camps and stations. For some time we have known that twelve months ago was equipped to feed, house and clothe some 12,000,000 men would have no housing problem in its present reduced circumstances.

Furred, Feathered, Finny Rebels

IT'S been more than a year since we last took note of the signs of rebellion among our furry, feathered, finny friends, and passed along our usual word of caution. In the interim an Englishman by the name of George Orwell has used a barnyard revolt as the basis of a political satire, Animal Farm. We are not sure, however, that this business can safely be relegated to the realm of fantasy. Consider the latest scattered intelligence reports from The National Safety Council:

Minority Denied A Hearing

MEETING in Raleigh Thursday, the State Board of Education received a number of resolutions and petitions from the Cohoed—urging that its members give serious thought to the salary schedule endorsed by the South Piedmont district of the board.

ury would be exhausted in less than a month. Nor can the majority of the miners collect unemployment compensation while on strike; only one of the coal states, Pennsylvania, allows payment, and it requires a four-week waiting period. The miners were out of work, the weather was bitter, and Christmas was coming. Santa Claus may very well have been the man who finally took John Lewis' measure.

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NOTE: The following article was written prior to the resignation of Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt and attributes to him a generous portion of the blame for the Government's failure to meet its "debt of honor" in the matter of providing housing for veterans. It was written by John S. Knight, conservative owner-editor of a string of conservative metropolitan dailies, and immediate past president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors. It is reprinted from the Detroit Free Press.—Ede. (The News)

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The cold facts reveal that the widely heralded Wilson Wyatt has turned out to be pretty much of a flop. After months of dilly-dallying with a situation he apparently doesn't understand, Wyatt is clamoring for "full backing" from other Government agencies.

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WASHINGTON.—We hear a lot about Communism in Iceland. The island is one of the world as Iran and Outer Mongolia. But right at our front door is a curious case, and the man of the moment is the Moscow technique.

The country is Iceland which, in this air age, is on our doorstep. Having lived for centuries in isolation from the world, the Icelanders now find themselves torn by the bitter winds of the cold war.

The Communists are playing of course on the fact that the United States is a democracy. They are trying to build big air bases in Iceland, and they are trying to get the United States to keep fairly sizable numbers of troops stationed there during the war, since Iceland is obviously a key spot for a Nazi parachute invasion.

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