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**More Strikes Settled:** Settlement of the strike at the Truscon Steel Company of Canada, Ltd., has ended the last of the strikes in the Windsor, Ont., area and an early settlement is predicted at the big Canadian Westinghouse Company plant at Hamilton, Ont.

Truscon employees have voted to accept a 12-cent-an-hour wage increase, ending their 120-day-old strike. At Hamilton a joint announcement by the company and union said agreement had been reached on all principal outstanding issues, subject to ratification by 4,000 employees. The workers have been idle since the union called a strike last July 5, seeking 25-cent hourly wage boosts and a 40-hour week.

Meanwhile, a Canadian Press survey discloses that the three big basic steel plants recently involved in a lengthy strike were resuming production rapidly with full-scale operations expected within two to four weeks. The flow of steel is greatest from the Hamilton works of the Steel Company of Canada which maintained partial production throughout the strike. The Dominion Steel and Coal Company at Sydney, N.S., plans full production in two weeks and the Algoma Steel Corporation at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., reports "rapid progress" in resuming operations. (CP)

**U.N. Atomic Commission Hears Canadian Expert:** Following an address by Charles S. Parsons of the Canadian Bureau of Mines, the United Nations Atomic Commission at an informal meeting with its technical advisors has agreed unanimously that controls could be established at refineries. Mr. Parsons outlined safeguards established at uranium refineries in Canada.

The meeting agreed U.N. control machinery could be set up without any unduly cumbersome organization and without undue interference with the production process. The Commission, composed of 11 members of the U.N. Security Council and Canada, is continuing collection of material and facts upon which to base a plan for international control of atomic energy. (CP)

**Cosgrave Going To China:** Trade Minister MacKinnon has announced the appointment of Col. L.V. Moore Cosgrave as Canadian Commercial Counsellor to China and he will leave Vancouver next week to take charge of the Canadian trade office recently re-opened in Shanghai. Col. Cosgrave, who represented Canada during the signing of Japan's unconditional surrender aboard the U.S.S. Missouri in August, 1945, was Trade Commissioner in China for 10 years before the war and also served in a similar capacity in Australia.

**Mine Taxes Under Study:** Following representations from provincial mines ministers, a Cabinet committee will study the question of taxation of mines. The provinces, contending that a principle of applying to mines a system of taxation designed primarily for other industries is unfair, sought a Royal Commission investigation. Instead, Dominion Mines Minister Glen has suggested consideration first be given by a Cabinet committee composed of Mr. Glen, Finance Minister Ilsley and Reconstruction Minister Howe. (CP)

**Polish Soldiers Expected Next Month:** The first movement of the 4,000 Polish Soldiers who will be admitted to Canada is expected to be completed next month with the arrival of between 1,500 and 2,000. All are members of the Polish forces which fought alongside Canadian units in Italy and who now do not wish to return to Poland. Selected for work on Canadian farms, they will be required to sign agreements to remain at least a year at current farm wages. (CP)

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