**POWER OF PUBLIC OPINION**

THAT'S A BIG LESSON in the flip-flop performed by Secretary of State Dulles and President Eisenhower reversing the State Department's initial rejection of Chou En-lai's proposed talks.

This shows how powerful the impact of world opinion is, and above all the power of American public opinion when it expresses itself on foreign policy.

Every Chinese-En-lai proposal talks between his country and ours on easing East European tensions, especially around Formosa.

Within a few hours the State Department put out a sugary reply, with conditions adding up to a veto of the talks.

And President Eisenhower OK'd that State Dept's reply, which aroused a furor of protest throughout Asia and Europe and in our own country.

James Reston, the N.Y. Times Washington bureau chief, wrote yesterday: "The original United States statement of last Saturday was drafted under the direction of Under Secretary of State Herbert Hoover Jr., acting for Mr. Dulles, and clearly not for Dulles to say review." No amount of back-peddling can remove the ugly fact of President Eisenhower's action last week-end.

For our ambassador in Peking, who was a witness to the astonishing Chairman George of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee had a lot to do in forcing the Administration to change its mind.

But now the time has come to translate words into deeds and start the actual negotiations with China.

World peace will be strengthened if our country returns to the path on the Far East entered into during the war. At Cairo we pledged that Formosa and other territories stolen by Japan from China will be returned. And that pledge should be redeemed.

A first step in the direction of a Formosa settlement would be adoption of the Morse-Lehman resolution barring war over the Chinese islands of Quemoy and Matsu.

**VICTORY IN SIGHT**

THE PEOPLE locked UMT a year ago and now they seem to have it in their grasp to repeat last year's victory.

The Eisenhower Administration was banking this year on a so-called reserve plan--a disguised form of UMT and certainly an entering wedge for it.

The House Armed Services Committee has already approved the bill. But opposition has been so great that on Wednesday Defense Secretary Wilson felt compelled to go to Capitol Hill to make sure his bill was not all the measure failed to pass. The press interpreted this development with such headlines as "Youth Draft Plan Appears Beaten.

Everyone knows that it is the protests of labor, church, civil and peace groups which year after year have defeated UMT. These groups must make certain now that the "Appears Beaten" becomes a certainty.

**PROFITS vs. WAGE DEMANDS**

PROFIT REPORTS for the first quarter of 1955 are now rolling in, and they already indicate another all-time record. U. S. Steel reports that while its sales for the quarter were only five per cent above the first quarter of 1954, the net profits (after taxes) leaped by 60 per cent. The net is also more than 50 per cent above the same 1953 quarter, although the company's sales were considerably below.

What you see in steel is pretty much what you'll find in the profit figures of all the major corporations now making their report.

In the face of these figures we have the stubborn re- fuse to concede any wage rise or anything beyond a pittance of a couple of pennies an hour. In New England, textile employers are holding out wages at a wage cut. At the two major current Southern strikes now in the seventh week, workers everywhere are forced to strike and stay out against their jobs going begging in a generation for extremely modest demands. And the corporations whose profits are swollen by the big tax concessions, the loophole-keeps-affluent finance, the technological changes, are getting the help of the Eisenhower government and the courts for their policies.

Thus it is that the 1955 wage round, now getting into swing with auto and soon with steel wage negotiations, must not be settled for a pittance. This must be a year of substantial raises. Labor, preparing to merge, must seal its bond of unity NOW with full sup- port for every struggle on the wage front.

**Probe Coast Vaccine Failures; CIA, AFL Urged Salk Priorities**

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child should be deprived of vaccine, because of the economic position of his family or of the state, of which he lives.

Hollingsworth, for the CIO, proposed President Eisenhower delay the decision until June 1, 1955, or until further notice, vac- cine should be given only to children of age 5 and under. He rec- ommended that later statements of priority should be made as the supply permitted.

He made his proposals in the Con- ference on Shell Polynesian- bine Vaccination, held by the State Depart- ment, Education and Welfare.

There it is said, "no rule of practice now for the distribution of the short supply of vaccine," Andrew J. Henneler, Jr., for the AFL urged a "state of priority and denominated state- ments of priorities and denominated state- ments of prinicpants in the debate: of Mrs. Graca Coyle hobby, secretary of the Depart- ment of Health, Education and Welfare, that no Federal funds are required. He said most state legisla- tures have authorized it. Further- more, some states at the moment have a budgetary wage cut. At the;-

FEMA'S PLEA

A similar demand for appropriate a disposal of the vaccine was made by Senator Ben Hendon Johnson for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Montgomery recommended that the National Foundation keep all information about all of the children inoculated by the hospitals or by pri- vate physicians to guarantee against microbial protein.

The National Foundation Unions and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, "Health, "Healthcare, and Welfare for distribution "until there is an abundant supply available through public health clinics and private practice.

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