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Union Responsibility
THE decision of Federal Judge Fred L. Wham of East St. Louis, ordering the Progressive Mine Workers of America to pay \$117,000 in damages resulting from a lengthy strike, has brought to a new crescendo the long and bitter argument over responsibility of labor unions.

The final outcome of the case, which presumably will be carried to the highest court in the land, is one which will affect the entire future of employer-employee relations in America.

Judge Wham's ruling, holding that unions and their members are responsible under the law for damage inflicted as a result of unlawful conduct or conspiracy to injure an employer's property or business, may eventually prove to be a turning point in the controversy over whether labor unions should be incorporated or otherwise made legally responsible for their actions.

The bitter argument over incorporation of unions goes back to around 1880 when, strangely enough, it was organized labor which was demanding the right to take advantage of the incorporation laws in order to remove the aura of illegality which surrounded unions at that time.

In 1886, congress passed a law permitting unions to incorporate, but by that time labor leaders had had a change of heart and few unions took advantage of the opportunity. As years passed, labor sentiment against incorporation became more pronounced, leaders realizing that such action would make unions subject to many restraints and responsibilities which do not affect voluntary associations.

Since that time there have been a few court decisions on the issue, but never a controlling and authoritative ruling on the legal status of unincorporated unions.

Briefly, the stands of employers and workers on the question are these: Employers contend that the present situation is unfair because they, as individuals or corporations, are responsible for their acts, while unions are not. They contend that employers should receive an assurance under the law that, once a contract is signed, there will be no strikes or other disturbances so long as employers discharge their obligations.

Labor contends that unions are not responsible, do not violate contracts, and need not be incorporated to assure responsibility.

Without discussing the merits of Judge Wham's decision, it undoubtedly will serve, in the long run, to clear up one of the most puzzling aspects of employer-employee relations—whether organized labor is liable for damages for civil offenses.

It will not settle, however, the question of whether unions should be made legally liable for damages resulting from failure to fulfill contracts, as no question of agreement violation was involved in the Illinois case.

This, and many other aspects of the organized labor problem, will be solved only when congress and the administration break down to the task of formulating a definite national labor policy.

War Waifs
ONE of the most heart-rending aspects of the long and bloody Spanish civil war has been the fate of little children. One observer estimates that more than 100,000 have been made orphans and

homeless during the fighting. The plight of all war refugees is sad enough, but what of those waifs—nearly a million of them—who now are without food, homes, friends or adequate clothing? How can the Spanish nation, regardless of which side wins, ever hope to rear these children into useful, happy men and women? Compared with disaster such as this, even the Texas school explosion, resulting in more than 400 deaths, pales into relative insignificance.

Hiring Families
HOLLYWOOD thought it very funny when Paramount Pictures had to hire an entire family in order to sign up Greta Garbo, a Malayu jungle girl, to play the lead in a forthcoming film. But American voters are hiring whole families all the time in order to get the services of one man.

In 1931, 44 members of the U. S. House of Representatives hired assistants or clerks of the same family name. In 1935, the number was 37; in 1936, 34; and in 1937, 25.

The last time a bill was proposed to prevent use of the annual \$2,200,000 clerk-hire appropriation for congressman's relatives, it was shunted down with a lousy "No!"

Paranoid is just a copycat.

Editorials on News (Continued from page 1.)

A couple of physicians to have her sterilized so that the mother could go on controlling the grandfather's money instead of having it pass to children Aunt might have.

Such, again, is fame. WHEN you're poor and unimportant, you see, your affairs are pretty much your own business, because nobody is particularly interested in them, but when you become famous, in any of the various ways that bring fame, your affairs are the world's business.

A NEW YORKER, testifying before the house ways and means committee in Washington, says only three per cent of the nation's adult population pays federal income taxes. The rest of us merely pay the high prices that result when the taxes are passed on.

VETS. AUXILIARY TO VISIT REEDSPORT
A caravan of legionnaires and auxiliary members will travel to Reedport Saturday night for a joint meeting with the American Legion post and auxiliary there. The host groups will provide an 8 o'clock dinner, to be followed by a program of entertainment and a business session.

Unhappy is making an effort to secure a large donation, and indications are that the caravan will be quite large. Cars will leave the armory shortly after 5 p. m.

George McBoe has been named as chairman of transportation, and all post and auxiliary members planning to make the trip are asked to notify him. Transportation will be arranged, it is hoped, for those who do not have cars.

R. O. T. C. HORSES AT O. S. C. OUSTED
CORVALLIS, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Oregon State college announced the elimination of horses from the ROTC officers training corps today to make way for the construction of an indoor track.

Bob activities will be curtailed. The new armory track will be an eighth of a mile long and the building will be equipped for field events. The track will not interfere with military uses of the armory.

DORLAND TO APPEAL FROM LIFE TERM
MONTICELLO, Jan. 21.—(AP)—District Attorney Earl A. Noy said yesterday Leonard Dorland, sentenced to life imprisonment for the first degree murder of Herbert Riet, should have been granted a stay of execution until February 14 in order to file motion for a new trial.

BUSINESS MEN HEAR TOWNSEND SPEECH
BERNARDSBURGH, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Gordon Ware, national representative of the Townsend movement, spoke at noon today before a luncheon men's luncheon at the Ruyter Tea room. Mr. Ware spoke on the relationship of the plan to land

At the Macomber hall tonight he will address a meeting at which all clubs of the county are expected to be represented.

PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Father Warren A. Watt, pastor of the St. Joseph's Catholic church and superintendent of the parochial schools in this area, died today.

OUT OUR WAY



MADMAN'S ISLAND

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GAST OF CHARACTERS
KAY DEARBORN—heroine who inherits a yacht for vacation.
M. E. L. T. A. HOWARD—Kay's roommate and co-adventurer.
PRISCILLA DUNN—the third adventurer.

FORREST BROTHERS and GRANT HARPER—young scientists whose expedition turned out to be a rare experience.

Yesterday, Montzomery, accused by Kay of murder, rushed at her in a blind rage and is stopped by Grant's ready fist.

The warning note did not weaken the determination of the quartet aboard the "Mistral." On the contrary, it galvanised them into renewed action, for now they realized that if Kay Dearborn and Grant Harper were not discovered very soon it would mean—tragedy.

Mac read the note again, aloud: "There is no chance to be of assistance to your friends. And to save your own lives you must leave this place at once."

"No—do you think that means it's already too late?" Melita faltered.

"It can't be," Mac Forrest answered quickly. "Tom, this is no time to wait until morning. Let's get back to the island." He turned to Priscilla and Melita. "This time you'd better stick with the ship."

"Not on your life," Priscilla told him shakily. "We're going, aren't we, Mel?"

Melita nodded. "All right," Mac started for the door of the cabin.

Within a few seconds they were in the speedboat again, heading for shore. Now Mac made no attempt to throttle down the engine. "Make plenty of noise," he advised. "Maybe we can draw this bird into the open."

The powerboat rolled roughly into the sand, and Mac leaped from the wheel. "Come on, Tom!" He motioned toward the wood. "You girls lag back a little, and if it looks like trouble you'd better break for the boat. The man who wrote that note won't be pleasant when he finds us."

MARTIN STRESSES MINING AND FISHING

Tourist Trade Also Cited by Governor in Speech On Development.

MARSHFIELD, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Calling on southwest Oregonians to develop their mining and fishing industries and their tourist trade, Governor Martin today forecast an "era of prosperity" for this region provided the state concerns its labor problems.

In an address prepared for delivery at a civic luncheon in his honor, the governor said "we must all work for restoration of industrial peace and the restoration of confidence between employer and employee. After all, both employers and employees are workers and are entitled to work."

He said Oregon might become a "great iron and steel producing state" by bringing Coos bay coal and Columbia county iron ore together, and urged a movement to obtain lower freight rates to Eugene for southwest Oregon coal.

The governor urged development of the district's commercial fisheries and appealed for support of the fish commission's activities in promoting this industry.

Pointing out that tourists left \$20,000,000 in Oregon last year, he said southwest Oregon should develop its playgrounds and scenic attractions to attract more tourists.

KRRR PROGRAM

- (1500 Kilocycles)
REMAINING HOURS TODAY
4:00—The Editor Views the News.
4:15—Welkes' Orch., MBS.
4:30—The Children's Hour.
4:45—Radio Campus, MBS.
5:00—"Melody Lane" With Wanda Armour.
5:30—MBS College Radio Guide, MBS.
6:00—Hansen Memories.
6:15—The Phantom Pilot, MBS.
6:30—Frank Bull, MBS.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—News Flashes.
7:00—20 Years Ago & Today, MBS.
7:30—Lone Ranger, MBS.
8:00—Organ Recital, MBS.
8:15—Barbaco Program, MBS.
8:30—Basketball, Sunset Thrift Store.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News, MBS.
9:15—Lombardo Orch., MBS.
9:30—Sign Off.

SATURDAY, JAN. 22

- 7:00—"Early Birds."
7:15—Wazig Hatchery, Sarff's Auto Wrecking Co. Programs.
7:30—News-Review Newscast.
7:45—Hansen Memories.
8:00—Bridges Stores, Stearns & Cleggworth, Ben's Cafe Programs.
8:15—Tall Corn Time, MBS.
8:30—U. S. Army Band, MBS.
9:00—Parents Magazine of the Air, MBS.
9:15—"This Wonderful World," MBS.
9:30—Studies in Black & White, MBS.
9:45—Severana Pet Club, MBS.
10:00—Homemakers Harmony, MBS.
10:30—Carnegie Tech Symphony, MBS.
11:00—"Love Tales," Coppo, MBS.
11:15—Benay Venuta Program, MBS.
11:45—Rabbi Heidt, Health Service, Umpqua Florists Programs.
12:00—"Palace of Varieties" From London, MBS.
12:45—News-Review of the Air.
1:00—International House, MBS.
1:30—Arthur Wright and Organ, MBS.
1:45—Freudberg Orch., MBS.
2:00—Sammy Kayes Orch., MBS.
2:50—News Flashes.
3:00—Len Salv, Organist, MBS.
3:15—Aces High, MBS.
3:30—To Be Announced, MBS.
4:00—Welkes Orch., MBS.
4:30—Morgan Orch., MBS.
5:00—Pat Barnes & His Barnstormers, MBS.
5:30—Olga Bacalovas Continent at Reedport, MBS.
6:00—Singing Time, MBS.
6:30—Frank Bull, MBS.
6:45—Interlude.
6:50—News Flashes.
7:00—Indianapolis Symphony, MBS.
8:15—Horace Heidt's Orch., MBS.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News, MBS.
9:15—Kings Year State, MBS.
9:30—Sign Off.

SUNDAY, JAN. 23

- 8:00—Reviewing Stand, MBS.
8:15—Devotional Hour.
8:30—The Embassy Trio, MBS.
8:45—Glad Tidings of the Air, Rev. Ira F. Rankin.
9:00—Veterans Dedicatory Program.
9:30—American Wildlife Program, MBS.
9:45—N. Y. Civic Orch.
10:00—Sands of Time, MBS.
10:15—Romance on the Hi-Ways, MBS.
10:30—Gotham String Quartet, MBS.
11:00—Baptist Church Services, Rev. J. R. Turnbull.
12:00—Poems From the Tower Room.
12:15—Organ Classics With Wanda Armour.
1:00—Dance Melodies.
1:30—Lutheran Hour, MBS.
2:00—Tales From an Antique Shop, MBS.
2:30—Rabbi Margn, MBS.
2:45—Summer Prindle, Pianist, MBS.
3:00—30 Minutes in Hollywood, MBS.
3:30—Reunion of States, MBS.
4:00—The Angelus Hour, Dr. C. A. Edwards.
4:30—Interlude.
4:35—Strandlind Swing, MBS.
4:45—Hollywood Gospel, MBS.
5:00—Eric of America, MBS.
5:30—Sammy Kayes Orch., MBS.
6:00—Detroit Exposition Broad-

SOAP SUDS SPECIALS
at Piggly Wiggly

Ivory Soap 3 Medium Bars Limit 3 Bars 14c
OLD DUTCH Can... 6c
Crystal White Bar... 3c
Soup Tomato Vegetable Ritter's 2 cans 13c
Catsup Ritter's Tobacco flavored 14 oz. bottle 13c
GREEN SPLIT PEAS 1 1/4 lbs. 10c
Manning's COFFEE Yellow Bag, 1 lb. 25c
Peaberry COFFEE 1 lb. 21c
Shredded Wheat PKG. 11c
PANCAKE FLOUR Pillsbury, Lg. Pkg. 19c
Windmill FLOUR Montana Hardwheat \$1.35
Grapefruit Juicy Arizona, 100 size, 6 for 17c
Oranges Juicy Sunkit, 2 dozen 29c
Potatoes No. 1 Netted Gems, 15 pounds With a fine Shopping Bag FREE 23c

HIGH RADIO SPOTS
AUNT EMMA WOTS:

Benay Venuta Featured on New Mutual Variety Show.
Benay Venuta, blond mistress of rhythm, will greet nationwide listeners on Saturday, January 22, on the first of her own series of variety programs, to be heard over the Mutual-Dou Lee network each Saturday from 11:00 to 12:00 noon. (From New York.)

cast, MBS.
6:20—News Flashes, MBS.
6:45—L. A. Symphony.
7:00—Louisiana Hayride, MBS.
7:30—Old Fashioned Revival, MBS.
8:30—Hancock Ensemble, MBS.
9:00—Aika Seltzer News.
9:15—George Glenn's Music, MBS.
9:30—Sign Off.

TWO INDIANS DENY MURDER CHARGES
MEDFORD, Jan. 20.—(AP)—Joseph E. Hall, 27, Klamath Indian pleaded not guilty in federal court here this morning, to an indictment charging him with first degree murder.

OREGON EVENTS FLASHED FROM WIRE SERVICE
SALEM, Jan. 21.—(AP)—A justice of the peace is not permitted to allow payment of fines on the installment plan and cannot extend the time for payment of the fine after he once fixes the penalty, Attorney General L. H. Van Winkle ruled today.

SALEM, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Old age pension payments to 495 Oregonians last year totaled \$10,955, Ben O. Lipecomb, Salem manager for the federal social security board, said today.

THE DALLES, Jan. 21.—(AP)—Fifteen Wasco county cattle and sheep ranchers who met with County Agent W. Wray Lawrence said yesterday the heavy winter droughts of recent years formerly devoted to grazing lands result in substantial livestock decreases.

Uncle Sam is an increasingly popular employer, civil service commission records show. The commission's business has tripled in some lines since 1932. Applications for jobs have increased from 221,491 in 1932 to 521,063 in 1937. Examinations have more than tripled and the number of appointments in the classified service has grown from 11,492 to 52,753.

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