

LEWIS, MURRAY WRANGLE AT CONFERENCE

The Weather

Light rain and occasional light snow tonight and Wednesday.

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Hot Words Fly Over Make-Up Of Committee

Mine Union Head Protests Exclusion of 2 Certain Groups, Wins Delay

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—A hot exchange between Mine Union Leader John L. Lewis and CIO President Philip Murray today threw the labor-management conference into dispute over Lewis' demand for a bigger role.

Lewis came out of the scrap with a temporary victory by obtaining delay in conference action on creation of an important executive committee pending settlement of a controversy over union representation.

A proposed agenda for the conference called for an eight-member committee, with four places each for labor and management. Labor's vote were to be divided equally between the AFL and CIO. Lewis demanded places on the committee for his United Mine Workers and for the Railroad Brotherhoods.

"Blitz" Charge Angers Lewis

Murray, one-time ally of Lewis before the UMW leader broke away from the CIO, protested any changes in the committee make-up. Murray declared he had heard reports of a "veritable blitz" by Lewis to get on the conference executive committee.

Lewis jumped up and shouted that Murray's words constituted "despicable and unique German terminology."

Gripping a conference table, Lewis roared that "Mr. Lewis doesn't care a tinker's malediction whether he is a member of any committee" personally. But the UMW chief made clear he wanted his mine workers represented.

Murray retorted that Lewis, from past acquaintance, knew he never employed Hitler-like tactics. He added that he was pre-

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U. S. Marines Will Soon Quit China, Report Says

TIENSIN, Nov. 6.—(AP)—The United States Marines will be withdrawn shortly from north China, probably by December 5, it was reported unofficially here today.

Known facts seem to support the report, for the Marines virtually have completed their mission in north China—to restore order and help disarm the Japanese.

There are isolated groups of Japanese who have not been disarmed, but Chiang Kai-Shek's nationalist troops, who are beginning to arrive in north China in large numbers, should have the situation in hand by that time.

Oil Overflow From Truck Fires House; Woman Dies

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 6.—(AP)—A woman died and three persons suffered minor injuries here today when a rooming house was gutted by fire caused by the ignition of gasoline overflowing from a truck.

Mrs. Rose Anderson, about 60, died from burns and shock as the flames rapidly enveloped the frame building after breaking out in the basement of the house near the downtown section of Vancouver.

The driver of the truck was arrested while his truck was being filled and the gasoline overflowed and seeped into the rooming house basement where it caught fire.

M'Arthur Smashes Japs' 4 Largest Monopolies

TOKYO, Nov. 6.—(AP)—General MacArthur today smashed Japan's four greatest financial and industrial families and gave notice of his intentions to break up all such combines to "aid Japanese economic development along peaceful, democratic lines."

MacArthur further told the government to set up a holding company liquidation association to direct the dissolution under the direct Allied control and warned that all policies and personnel must have his approval.

"The way has now been cleared for the first time in Japanese history for the Japanese people to achieve economic freedom," MacArthur said.

Drunk Driver Fined \$100; Jail Term Is Suspended

Steve Miller, Roseburg, paid a fine of \$100 in the Roseburg justice court after pleading guilty to a charge of drunken driving. Judge Thomas C. Hartfield reported today: "A 30-day jail sentence was suspended. Miller's license to drive a motor vehicle was revoked for a period of one year."

Weather's getting colder, Fuel's a gettin' shorter, So's patience of suffering folk; Truman warns the huddle, Either or your middle, Or the public will; 'snowjoke.

Transit Strike Hits National Capital

30 Pct. Wage Hike Asked By AFL Workers

Strikes of Greyhound Bus Drivers, S. F. Machinists, Textile Unions Continue

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, where labor and management leaders are seeking the way to industrial peace, was hit today by a transit strike that stranded thousands unable to hitch rides.

The tieup of busses and street cars carrying 1,500,000 fares daily was termed complete by an official of the Capital Transit company.

AFL union members stopped work without notice to the sleeping populace early today and many residents patiently waited at stops for vehicles that did not leave stations after 5 A. M.

The stoppage inconvenienced most of the 300,000 federal employees in the capital and crippled mail deliveries. Some concerns sent out company motor cars to bring employees to their offices.

The conciliation service assigned a commissioner to the dispute in an effort to bring a quick settlement and restore operations.

Some 2,000 AFL members of local 689 of the Amalgamated Electric Railway and Motor Coach employees, after an all-night meeting, voted to continue sessions today. The union, which claims 4,000 of the company's 4,700 employees as members, is demanding a 30 cents an hour in-

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TROUBLE, trouble — from one end of the world to the other. The front pages are full of it. The air waves VIBRATE with it.

IN China, the Chungking government (Chiang Kai-Shek) and the northern Communists are eyeing each other like two dogs working themselves up to the point of fighting.

IN Java, the Dutch and the natives who have been ruled by the Dutch are at loggerheads. One day the situation looks better and the next day it looks worse. (This is the day when it looks worse.)

IN the Middle East (which has been a powder keg as long as this writer can remember) the Jews and the Arabs are at sword's points—and the swords are drawing blood from day to day.

HISTORICALLY, this is the situation in Palestine:

The Israelites occupied Judea some 900 years BC (taking over from its THEN inhabitants, of course and lived there in reasonable tranquility about 1000 years. Then the Romans went on a

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Dillard Ranch Caravan's Goal

Westward Trek of Family From Eastern Oregon Area Recalls Covered Wagon Era

REDMOND, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—A central Oregon rancher now migrating across the Cascades is reviving the ways of the old Oregon trail to move his family and belongings by caravan.

Charles Samson, former Heppner district resident, is now en route with his family to a 160-acre ranch in the Dillard section near Roseburg, driving a covered wagon that differs only in the pneumatic tires on which it is mounted.

Four horses pull the fabric-covered vehicle, and behind it is towed the family car. Trailing Samson, whose wife and youngest son and cat ride with him, in a second wagon driven by an older boy. Hitched to the second wagon is a two-wheeled cart loaded with hay and feed. Two saddle horses are tied to the cart tailgate. Along side of all these trots the family dog.

Every inch of space is utilized, just as in the days of homesteading migrations. Beds and house-

James Mess Appointed City Councilman to Fill Vacancy; J. V. Long Named Legal Aide

Appointment of James Mess as a member of the Roseburg city council was voted at the regular meeting of the council last night. Mess, carpenter, Myrtlewood novelty manufacturer, and former president of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce, was named to take the place left vacant by the removal of Councilman Charles P. Snoddy to Eugene. He will represent Ward No. 3.



James Mess
Named City Councilman

Bus Strike Conferees Fail to Reach Agreement

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—Negotiations between 200 drivers and the Overland Greyhound stages were at a standstill today after company officials left the city declaring the "dispute is no nearer settlement than the day it arose."

Overland president R. J. Walsh, Omaha, Neb., said last night "union officers representing the Northwest division now refuse to enter into negotiations unless the company first agrees to pay all bus drivers for the time lost while on strike. This the company can not do."

Overland line busses in four states have been idle since Oct. 1 when the special wartime pay scale was cancelled. The AFL union contended change of scale without negotiations constituted a lockout, and drivers should be paid for time lost.

Observance of Armistice Day Urged by Truman

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—President Truman today proclaimed Nov. 11 as Armistice day and called upon the people to observe it by dedicating themselves to the cause of enduring peace.

He asked the people to recall the "valor and sacrifices of those Americans who brought victory in 1918," and urged them to devote themselves "to the building of an enduring peace among the countries of the world."

Government offices will be closed Monday, Nov. 12. A recent executive order provided for government holidays and the Mondays following national holidays that fall on Sunday.

Lumber Yard for Albany

ALBANY, Nov. 6.—(AP)—A retail lumber yard will be built here by the Long Bell Lumber Co., Longview, Wash.

AFL Rejects Wage Increase Granted CIO

Compromise Offer Gets Cold Reception; Some of CIO Are Not Satisfied

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—A bid by operators of four strike bound AFL-manned Portland sawmills to compromise the \$1.10 union demands with the same pay boost offered CIO workers today drew a "cold shoulder" from AFL officials here.

John Christensen, chairman of the AFL Strike Policy committee, reported similar offers by other operator groups in the four Northwest states have already been rejected.

The Portland operators set a Saturday 10 A. M. deadline for acceptance of their offer, but made no explanation what might happen if the union did not accept.

The strike is now in its sixth week.

The mill owners said the 12½ cent hourly increase would boost the minimum, except for highly skilled workers, to \$1.02½, which it described as a \$1.85 per cent increase over the 67½ cent rate in effect January 1, 1941.

"This is the scale established

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New Slaughter Stories Told at Yamashita Trial

MANILA, Nov. 6.—(AP)—A Spanish priest and a Filipino laborer, testifying at the war criminal trial of Lt. Gen. Yamashita, recounted today the starvation, torture and massacre of 6,000 Filipino and Chinese civilians by Japanese troops before the fall of Manila last spring.

Father Belarmino Decelis of the Spanish Augustinian order said that last February 5 the Japanese jammed the 6,000 civilians into the ancient church of St. Augustine, oldest building in Manila.

Women and children he said, were kept without food in the church compound until they were so hungry they ate grass and roots.

On February 9, the men were taken out and forced to stand in the open streets under heavy artillery fire and then marched to Fort Santiago, where the burning and slayings took place.

Juan Palada, the Filipino, testified he was one of 100 packed into a stone dungeon 20 feet square. He was stabbed later, and left for dead in a pit with 500 other bodies.

Earlier, an 11-year-old girl, Rosalinda Andoy, showed the military commission conducting the trial the scars of 38 bayonet wounds. She sobbed softly as she told of her mistreatment and the death of her family at the hands of the Japanese invaders.

Sister Nelly, a nun, recounted how a doctor was slain in cold blood as he sought to save the life of Father Cornelius Van Russell, who had been wounded fatally as he sought to remonstrate with the Japanese.

The Japanese doused the doctor and his patient with gasoline, hung them to lamp posts and set them afire, she testified.

State-Owned Property Shows Increase in Value

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—The state of Oregon's property is worth \$43,975,000, a gain of \$1,700,000 in the past year, the State Board of Controls said today.

The largest valuation was \$6,180,000 on Oregon State college properties, while the highway commission has property valued at \$5,645,000.

Other large valuations include: coal buildings and grounds, \$4,444,000; University of Oregon, \$4,383,000; liquor commission store stocks, \$1,624,000.

The levee amounts to 22.7 cents for each \$100 of value.

Heart Attack Strikes Banker at Grants Pass

GRANTS PASS, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—Roy K. Hackett, who recently gave up his position as manager of the Grants Pass branch of the First National bank upon receiving a vice-presidential post in the organization, is confined in Josephine General hospital as a result of a heart attack which he suffered last week. His condition today was reported as "somewhat improved."

Auto Collision Sends Woman to Hospital

ALBANY, Ore., Nov. 6.—(AP)—Mrs. Josh McConnell, Chilliwack, B. C., lay in critical condition in a hospital here today after a traffic accident.



WAGE LIBERALIZER — Judge

John C. Collett, above, stabilization administrator, has been authorized by President Truman to put liberalized government wage policies into effect. The new policy is intended to simplify pay boosts which formerly required federal approval.

Molotov Asks for Allied Japan Rule, A-Bomb Sharing

LONDON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Foreign Commissar Molotov called for an allied control of Japan in a Moscow address today and declared "there ought to be no secrecy about the subject of atomic energy."

In a broadcast address opening Russia's observance of the 28th anniversary of the Soviet revolution, Molotov asserted:

"In the treatment of the defeated we should not let ourselves be guided by our feelings, but only by the necessity to prevent a new aggression. This applies to all countries which bear the responsibility for securing peace."

"We must then mention here the force of atomic energy which was experienced in the war with Japan. Nowadays there ought to be no secrecy about this subject."

This was the first time a high Soviet official had suggested that the United States and Great Britain share their practical knowledge of atomic energy as a means of warfare.

Molotov told a cheering crowd that, with victory in war, "now we can return to peacetime labor."

Roseburg Grocer Named Association Director

PORTLAND, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Chester E. Tompkins, Grants Pass, was elected president of Oregon Food Merchants' association at the close of a two-day convention yesterday.

More than 700 delegates named Elmer Berg, Salem, as first vice-president.

The 38-man board of directors includes R. H. Franks, Roseburg.

Newly Developed Rat Poison May Prove to Be Science's Answer to Bubonic Plague

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—The answer to one of mankind's greatest scourges—bubonic plague—may lie in an innocent looking white powder.

The powder is the new rat poison 1080 (ten eighty). Its chemical name is sodium fluoroacetate. It gets its numerical designation because it was the 1,080th chemical compound tested in the government's two-year wartime search for an effective weapon against disease-spreading rodents.

It kills rats quicker than any known poison except strychnine (which must be imported) and—rats like the stuff. Strychnine has to be disguised.

Bubonic plague, transmitted to a man by the fleas that infest rats, is estimated to have killed more humans than all the wars in history.

A form of the plague has been found in several different types of rodents in the western states, including ground squirrels, wood rats, deer mice and woodchucks. Poison 1080 is deadly to all of these and is equally effective in a wide variety of baits and in water.

Rats' Toll Enormous

The fish and wildlife service estimates that there are nearly as many rats in the United States

Protection of Forests Topic Of Meet Nov. 9

State Committee Will Seek Public's Views on Fire-Created Problems

A public hearing will be held in the courthouse at Roseburg, Friday, Nov. 9, starting at 1:30 P. M., by the special forestry committee named by Governor Snell to investigate the problems raised by the Tillamook burn, improved protection of Oregon's forests from fire, and other related forestry matters.

Individuals, organizations and the general public are invited to attend and participate, according to Michael Bigley, industrial forester and executive secretary to the special committee, who spent Monday in Roseburg making preliminary arrangements for the forthcoming hearing.

Public Opinion Sought

It is the desire of the committee, Bigley says, to obtain a complete survey of public opinion,

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Wintry Wave Rolls Over Northwest; Snow Falls

(By the Associated Press)

A cold spell closed down over the Northwest today, with the mercury falling to 17 at Baker, 20 at Yakima, and to the thirties in the Willamette Valley.

Two inches of snow blanketed Baker. A half inch fell at Grants Pass, and light flurries occurred east of Portland. The weather bureau predicted continued cold tonight and tomorrow, with snow east of the Cascades and either snow or showers west of them.

Portland, Salem, Eugene and Roseburg all registered a minimum of 38 early this morning. The mercury at Astoria dropped to 36.

Chinese Reds Prepare For All-Out Civil War

CHUNGKING, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Chinese communists, reports from their Yen'an headquarters in Shensi province said today, are proceeding "full steam ahead" with plans for all-out civil war against the central government in event current negotiations with Chungking fail.

The communists, the reports said, envisage a 10 years war and are confident that they can win it.

The Reds renewed today in a considerably moderated tone their charges that American Marines had clashed with Red forces in North China.

A Yen'an spokesman today admitted that the incidents he reported "might have been provoked."

Klamath Falls Federal Court Term Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.—(AP)—President Truman signed today a bill for a term of federal court at Klamath Falls, Ore., beginning the first Tuesday in June each year.

Postwar Crime Outlook To Be Discussed at FBI Conference in Roseburg



The Federal Bureau of Investigation has scheduled a semi-annual FBI law enforcement conference in Roseburg, Nov. 9, at 7 P. M.

Joseph E. Thornton (above), special agent in charge, will lead the conference and will speak particularly on the postwar crime outlook and also on the unlawful flight to avoid prosecution statute.

Two of the FBI agents are scheduled to talk at the conference, Ralph C. Vogel talking on the "Detection of Deception," and Howard B. Patterson on the subject of "Auto Theft" and "Hit and Run Drivers," with particular emphasis on the use of laboratory aids in connection with such investigations.

Rural Fire Zone Proposal Adopted; 5 Directors Named

A light vote was cast Monday in electing five directors to form a rural fire protection district for the territory immediately adjacent to the city of Roseburg.

Sixty-one votes were cast and were divided among the five unopposed candidates as follows: Wm. R. Anderson, 61, H. C. Berg, 58, John W. Doyle, 61, A. S. Wallace, 59, John J. Zenor, 55. Nine persons wrote in the name of Roy Agee.

Within ten days after the results of the election are proclaimed by the county court, the directors are required to meet and cast lots for their respective terms, ranging from one to five years and to elect from their number a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

One person may hold both offices of secretary-treasurer, if the board so desires.

The board of directors is authorized by law to arrange for fire protection, either by setting up a district department, or contracting with an existing agency. The plan expected to be adopted is a contract with the city of Roseburg, in which case the city proposes to add equipment and employ at least one extra driver.

7 Dead, 11 Missing in Plane's Crash at Sea

HONOLULU, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Eight survivors of an Army transport command plane's forced landing at sea were in an Army hospital here today under treatment for injuries.

One of the survivors said that the body of an unidentified man was among seven corpses brought here from the wreckage.

Search continued for eleven persons still missing.

Planes and Navy surface vessels scouted the area 400 miles northwest of Oahu, where the Liberator-type transport and its 21 passengers and five crewmen met disaster Saturday en route to the mainland from Honolulu.

Foster Brother, Sister Wed With Law's Ok

PITTSBURGH, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Pretty Martha McGinty, 17, married here today to Raymond McGinty, 30-year-old veteran of the Africa and Italy campaigns, fore-saw nothing but marital peace—her "in-laws" are her foster parents.

The groom is the bride's foster brother, and he didn't know she loved him until she wrote him so while he was a lieutenant with the 34th division overseas.

Martha is the adopted daughter of McGinty's parents.

The marriage license bureau refused the couple a license until three judges authorized it on grounds there was no blood tie between the two.

Maj. Owen Gets Bank Job

PORTLAND, Nov. 6.—(AP)—Maj. Jerrold Owen, publisher of the Oregon Legionnaire since 1910, has been appointed director of public relations for Central bank, whose headquarters are at Oakland, Calif.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein