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## Telephone Co. Plans Building In Roseburg

### Outlay of \$550,000 Will Embrace Dial System; New Phones Now Going in

Plans for the construction of a new, dial telephone building in Roseburg to cost, together with land and equipment, a total of approximately \$550,000, were announced today by R. J. Herwood, local manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.

The building is scheduled for tentative completion late in 1948. It will be erected on the pioneer Binger Hermann residence property, presently held by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Young, from whom the site was purchased recently for a reported \$30,000.

The firm of Whitehouse, Newberry, Church and Roehr has been retained to handle the architectural details of the project, Herwood said.

Plans, which are subject to C. P. A. approval, call for the erection of a two-story building with basement of steel-frame, fire-proof construction. Dimensions of the building will be 75 by 101 feet on a 160 by 200-foot lot.

When complete, the new building will provide ample space for offices. It will house dial central equipment capable of serving in excess of 5,000 telephones.

Designed for efficient operation on a long range basis, the office is expected to furnish adequate facilities to meet the requirements of continued growth in the volume of local and long distance calls.

Installing More Phones  
Herwood also announced that

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## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

**STRIKES**—some coming, some going—still hold their place in the news.

The coal strike seems of becoming. There is tough talk in Washington to the effect that with stocks low and winter beginning coal must be dug. The impending strike has been forbidden by a federal court order.

Meanwhile, miners are quitting their jobs. The number idle as this is written is reported to be about 58,000—an up of 20,000 since the day before.

**THE** long, bitterly-contested maritime strike on the Pacific Coast seems to be going. San Francisco dispatches indicate that an agreement may be ratified soon. It is added that after ratification an additional two days will be required to get waterfront work rolling and ships moving.

In the meantime Alaska, dependent on shipping for food and other supplies from the U. S. mainland, is being partially fed with flour and meat from Canada.

**BEING** Americans, preferring the American way of life to other ways, we can't say that there shall be no more strikes. To do that would be to adopt the TO.

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## Fails to Get Suit in Time for Marriage, So He Sues Cleaners

### SHREVEPORT, La., Nov. 21.—(AP)—

Because he didn't get his new suit back from the cleaners in time and was forced to get married in a "soiled and unkempt" gray ensemble, Thomas J. Mitchell of Shreveport has filed suit for \$2,500 against the Shreveport Laundries, Inc., and its agent.

Mitchell asks an additional \$27.50 damage for the value of the suit which was never returned.

The petition maintains that Mitchell has "an odd and unusual size and physique" and is not easily fitted and that a "frantic search" of Shreveport stores on his wedding day failed to uncover a suit which would fit him.

## Fred W. Williams of Garden Valley Found Dead of Gun Wounds

### Found dead on the floor of his cabin late yesterday, Fred W. Williams, long-time Garden Valley resident, apparently took his own life with a double-barreled, 12-gauge shotgun, Sheriff O. T. Carter said.

Williams had worked for a number of years for R. S. Hutton, Garden Valley rancher. Late in the evening he was living with the E. J. Webber family. Saturday he moved to a cabin in back of the Webber place.

Neighbors, noticing no signs of activity around the cabin since Saturday, became curious and made the tragic discovery yesterday afternoon, Carter said.

Discovery of Williams' body was made by Frank Neves and K. C. Leyer, who notified the sheriff's office. The shotgun was "ripped in Williams' hands. Shots had penetrated through his jaw and blood was splattered on the ceiling.

Williams had no known relatives, according to the sheriff. His age was not known by investigating officers. He had lived in Garden Valley for about 25 years.

## Murder Charges Denied By 23 Nazi Physicians

### NUERNBERG, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

Twenty-three Nazi doctors pleaded innocent today to charges of murdering hundreds of thousands of persons in cruel medical experiments.

Arraigned before an American tribunal in the second Nuernberg war crimes trial, the defendants, headed by Karl Brandt, Adolf Hitler's former physician, leaped to their feet and without hesitation answered "not guilty" to a 17-page indictment read by Brig. Gen. Telford Taylor, chief prosecutor.

Following the pleas, the trial was recessed until Dec. 9. All the defendants were poker-faced and displayed no emotion.

## Lumber Restriction Order Hits Tacoma Firm

### WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

William F. Buchanan and A. Stolen, partners in the Lumber Supply Company of Tacoma, Wash., have been barred by the CPA from placing certified orders for housing construction lumber during the next four months.

Any construction lumber received during that time must be set aside and sold only to veteran housing priority holders, the CPA ordered.

CPA said the firm had placed orders for lumber during March, April, May and June in excess of authorized amounts.

## Wintry Wave Retains Grasp On Northwest

### (By the Associated Press)

The mid-November cold wave continued to grip the Pacific northwest today from Medford, Oregon, well into British Columbia as the Weather Bureau gave rise to slight hopes of relief with the prediction that occasional snow flurries today would change to "occasional rain" Friday.

The storm-caused death toll increased to six last night—five in Washington and one in British Columbia. Mrs. Irene Davis Buell, 25, wed at Helena, Mont., five days before, was fatally injured when her car ran off the snowy highway at Eltopia, en route to Pasco, and an elderly man, identified as Hans Rasmussen, was found dead beside his boat at a Seattle wharf. Police expressed belief he had slipped during the first snowfall Monday.

Roy L. Pike, 18-year-old hiker, was reported safe after being missing since Saturday at North Vancouver, B. C., but four members of an Indian family were unheard from after leaving Stevenson, B. C., Saturday in a small fish boat.

Two hunters, marooned in Barlow Pass, near Arlington, Wash., since Sunday were rescued by a

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## Roseburg Turkey Prices Uncertain

### Prices of 32 cents per pound for tom turkey, 28 cents for hens

are being held in Roseburg, poultry houses this week, with the approaching Thanksgiving season expected to set the up or down trend in prices.

At the Douglas County Poultry Co., birds are being accepted only on a consignment basis, since prices are expected to drop. At the Oregon Turkey Growers and the Northwest Poultry and Dairy Products, cash prices are being paid.

The latter two houses also have growers who are members on a cooperative basis, but who will not receive returns from their turkey crop until it is sold by the poultry house. They are, however, guaranteed a minimum of 20 cents a pound for toms.

Uncertainty in prices is attributed to individuals on charges of turkey no in storage. Department of Agriculture reports indicated more than 79 million pounds in storage on the East Coast, almost 39 million more pounds on the West Coast.

During the meat shortage, it was stated, hotels and restaurants stocked up with poultry. Now that meat is more plentiful, they show no further inclination toward buying poultry this year.

If prices do continue in a downward trend, it is expected that many turkey growers will withdraw from the market, since they are operating almost at a loss now.

## Surgical Dressing Firms Facing Federal Charge

### BOSTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

A Federal grand jury today indicted four surgical dressing companies and six individuals on charges of conspiracy to restrain domestic and foreign trade and commerce in the manufacture, sale and distribution of surgical dressings in violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The four companies allegedly manufacture 75 per cent of the surgical dressings produced and sold in the United States. Total sales of the four corporations in 1945 amounted to \$31,960,372, the indictment charged.

The indicted corporations are: Johnson and Johnson of New Brunswick, N. J.; Johnson and Johnson International, of New Brunswick; Parke-Davis and Company, of Detroit, Mich.; and The Kendall Company, of Boston.

Boys Jailed for Alleged Theft of Milk Bottles

## Survey of Roseburg Area's Industrial Sites Near Finish

### An industrial site survey of Roseburg, to be published by the Bonneville Power Administration, is nearing completion after six months of research by a committee of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce.

The committee met yesterday afternoon with John F. Durr, Portland, of the market development section of the BPA, to discuss the report, which will tell of Roseburg's present industries and agriculture, and of the possibilities for future development.

Maps to be included with the industrial site survey, will show areas suitable for industrial locations along the Pacific Highway, south to Green and north to Winchester.

The industrial site survey of Roseburg is one of a series which has been published for Oregon cities by the Bonneville Power Administration. The committee of the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce working with Durr includes Abe Bean, Frank W. Chase, W. C. Holmes, Al Parr, J. Roland Parker, Earl Wiley, and Harold J. Hickerson.

Distribution of the survey will be handled through the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce. It will be sent to persons or industries planning to locate here.

## Rescue Chance In Plane Crash Poor

### PARIS, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

American authorities at Orly airport said tonight they feared the outlook was virtually hopeless for the 11 persons aboard a crashed C-53 transport unless rescue crews reached within a few hours the spot in the Alps where the plane came down two days ago.

They pointed out the 12,000-foot-high area was swept by bitter winds. U. S. Army headquarters at Frankfurt reported a radio message saying eight of the 11 were stretcher cases.

The passengers included a brigadier general, Loyal M. Haynes, and the wives of three brigadier generals.

The Lyon airport radio station reported a message that "someone on the ground" had been sighted, but it did not know whether this referred to the plane's occupants or to rescue parties toiling up the snow-clad slopes of the Mt. Cenis region.

The Lyon-Bron radio announced a message from the C-53 at 5 P. M. (8 A. M., Pacific Standard Time) saying "We want to live."

## Ultra-Nationalistic Purge of Japs Ordered

### TOKYO, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

The Japanese government today ordered ultra-nationalistic industrialists and newspaper officials purged from their offices. Thousands were expected to be removed, with widespread repercussions.

Today's action had been anticipated two weeks ago, when 250,000 to 400,000 ultra-nationalists were ordered ousted from provincial government offices.

## Landlords Facing OPA Suit for Trouble Damages

### PORTLAND, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

OPA has asked the Federal Court here to order three Portland landlords to pay trouble damages on alleged tenant overcharges.

OPA asks one third payment to the tenants and two thirds to the government in the first suit brought here under the Supreme Court decision authorizing restitution.

## Court Ousts OPA Suit Against Lumber Firm

### PORTLAND, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

# Paralysis Hits Soft Coal Industry as 400,000 Quit

## Contract Regarded Ended; Government Appeal Is Ignored

### PITTSBURGH, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

A general walkout by the United Mine Workers shut down the nation's soft coal industry today.

The 400,000 United Mine Workers in the bituminous fields pre-announced their walkout upon what John L. Lewis regarded as a termination of the "Paul" contract with the government. Traditionally the miners do not work without a contract.

The walkouts spread into the anthracite field of Pennsylvania, with 7,500 employees of eight large mines quitting work. The hard coal industry employs 80,000 miners, who are under a contract separate from the bituminous one.

The situation in the fields was generally calm. Miners simply failed to show up at the pits.

The Stars and Stripes—symbol of government management of the mines—still waved over mine properties deserted by grimy-faced coal diggers who chose not to heed the government's plea that they remain at work.

## Teachers' Strike Slated in St. Paul

### ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 21.—(AP)—

A strike of 1,000 St. Paul teachers who plan to picket the public schools is scheduled for next Monday in an attempt to enforce salary demands which school authorities say they would like to grant but cannot because of city charter restrictions on expenditures.

Adding to the complexities of this incongruity is the fact that the city treasury holds a \$350,000 surplus, enough for a start on higher wages.

The city commissioner of education's office said today that if only half of the 1,000 teachers who voted the strike actually walked out, all of the grade and high schools would have to close.

The members of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) demand \$200 in lieu of increases for the 11 months of 1946; an annual salary ranging from \$2,400 and yesterday and should begin to decline after production starts a seasonal increase within a few weeks.

It said the prospective upturn in production will be accompanied, as a price influencing factor, by indications that consumers are beginning to spend less for food as industrial products become available in larger quantities.

Reflecting resistance to price increases and heavy demand for milk for manufactured products, the consumption of fluid milk and cream has declined more than normal at this time of the year.

Much of the cream has gone into the production of creamery butter. The department said that despite an increase in the rate of butter production this fall, the 1946 production will be little more than 1,100,000,000 pounds compared with 1,262,000,000 last year and a 1935-39 average of 1,591,000,000.

The department predicted that December and January supplies of creamery butter will be smaller than in the same months last year because storage stocks are much smaller.

## Price Drop Near In Dairy Products

### WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

The Agriculture Department said today dairy product prices have about reached their peak for this year and should begin to decline after production starts a seasonal increase within a few weeks.



MINERS WALK OUT OF PITS AHEAD OF TIME—Group of United Mine Worker members walk off the job at the Chicago Wilmington and Franklin's New Orient mine near West Frankfort, Ill. More than 1,300 men normally are employed at the pit, reputed to be the largest shaft mine in the world.

## Truman's Cooperation Sought By Republican Senator in Plan To Strengthen Labor Statutes

### WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

Senator Ball (R-Minn.) said today he thinks congressional Republicans ought to seek President Truman's cooperation in any changes they propose in existing labor laws.

"When we have finished drafting our bills, I think we ought to go down to the White House, lay them before the President and ask him if he objects to any of their features," the Minnesota senator told a reporter. "Perhaps in that way we can work out legislation that will not be vetoed."

Ball is a member of a senate G. O. P. subcommittee assigned to the task of drafting labor bills.

His proposal represented the first concrete indication that the Republicans may meet the president half way in his post-election offer of cooperation with the new congressional majority on measures for the nation's benefit.

Ball is now drafting revisions of some sections of the Case-Smith control bill which Mr. Truman vetoed last summer. He said he plans provisions making unions subject to suit for violation of contracts, banning secondary boycotts and "equalizing" employer and employee status under the Wagner act.

Senate Republicans are expected to go along generally with such changes. Senator Elbert Thomas (D-Utah), former chairman of the Labor Committee, indicated that he and many other Democrats recognize that some alterations are in order.

Thomas, who has opposed any change in the Wagner act and other basic labor laws in the past, said he hopes the Republicans

## Community Chest Drive To Be Closed This Week

### Planned to be finally ended this weekend, the Roseburg Community Chest lacks \$1,500 of its goal, Franklin Wickham, campaign chairman, said today.

Approximately \$12,500 has been collected within Roseburg from residents and merchants, he stated. A \$3,000 emergency fund has been held over from last year's collections, in order to assure 100 per cent payment of the local agencies' budgets and to cover any emergencies in getting next year's Community Chest started.

All milk bottle banks and barrels of the chest will be collected today, Wickham stated. All persons who have neglected sending in their contributions and who were not personally contacted, are asked to remit their donations at once.

## Man May Appeal Verdict In Triangle Case Killing

### SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

## Miners' Chief, Still Silent, Stays at Home

### Other Union Heads Also May Be Prosecuted; Coal Use Being Restricted

### WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

The government moved quickly to cite John L. Lewis for contempt of court today as a general walkout of UMW miners occurred in the soft coal mines.

Reports from the field indicated some anthracite miners were joining the 400,000 bituminous diggers in a stoppage that could eventually touch all industry. Work suspension came in the face of government pleas to keep the mines going.

Lewis, who disregarded a court order to restore the effectiveness of the miners' contract with the government, continued silent.

The United Mine Worker boss was at his home in suburban Alexandria, Va., and as no indication that he planned to come into his Washington union headquarters there that Lewis may have made arrangements for an extended absence from his office. It was known that he spent much of yesterday answering mail and otherwise clearing his desk of pending business.

By noon today, government attorneys had been expected to go before Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough and petition for a contempt citation that might subject him to fine or imprisonment.

However, midday came and went with the government attorneys still in consultation and indications that there would be some delay in their appearance in court.

Coal Users Restricted  
Orders went out meanwhile to cushion the impact of a prospective coal famine.

Federal Works Administrator Philip B. Fleming ordered a return to wartime heating and lighting structures in all federal buildings throughout the country which depend on coal.

Fleming said he will seek to reduce temperatures to the wartime level of 68 degrees. The order affects approximately 300 buildings in the capital alone.

The CPA prepared a directive designed to help ration artificial gas, produced from coal. The same agency pondered an electricity conservation order.

Assistant Attorney General

## Coal Miners Not In Financial Condition For Fight-to-Finish

### WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—

Labor experts differed today on how long John L. Lewis' coal miners could hold out in a fight-to-the-finish strike.

On one point most of them agreed: The miners generally lead a hand-to-mouth existence, even at top pay of \$75.25 a week, and few have cash reserves in the bank.

But—in past strikes, notably in last spring's 59-day walkout, the miners and their families have produced little if any actual suffering from hunger.

For one thing, the thrifty wives usually keep a "war chest" of supplies stored away in their cupboards against just such a rainy day. Then, too, a good many of the miners are skilled hunters—and the pits lie in some of the finest hunting land in the country.

May Resort to Scrip  
Although the union has an estimated \$13,500,000 reserve, it does not generally disburse relief funds in strikes. At best, it would be a drop in the bucket for the 400,000 miners in a long strike. Nor could they count much on state help to weather the storm, since most states reported they will give no unemployment compensation to miners on strike.

In a pinch, the union might resort to past practice. Years ago, striking miners paid their bills with union-backed scrip which was accepted by stores.

## Jail Sentence, \$100 Fine Meted to Drunken Driver

### Charge of drunken driving in justice court yesterday resulted in a 30-day jail sentence, \$100 fine, and revocation for one year of his driver's license for Robert Anderson, Roseburg, Justice of Peace Hartfield reported.

Other traffic violations and fines included: William H. Cutts, no PUC permit, \$10; and Robert F. Van Bishler, passing with obstructed view, \$10.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Raitenstala

A congressional committee probe is slated to determine if government controls are impeding the veterans housing program. The answer will probably confirm what all the rest of the nation has suspected about the whole control policy from its inception.