

LABOR BILL AWAITS TRUMAN'S DECISION



CONFEDERATE GENERAL VISITS CAPITAL—Pictured in Washington, D. C., where he dedicated the Jefferson Davis Highway marker is Gen. Julius Franklin Howell, of Bristol, Va., 101-year-old commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans. With him is his hostess, Mrs. Lena E. MacDonald of Washington, D. C.

Peace Indicated on Waterfronts of Pacific

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—(AP)—Another year of peace along the waterfronts of the Pacific Coast was forecast today with announcement by CIO Longshoremen Leader Harry Bridges that his key group had agreed to extend its present contract until June 15, 1948.

Bridges' statement was hedged by a proviso that employers come to terms with three CIO West Coast seafaring unions by a week from tomorrow, expiration date of the existing contract.

The action of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union was expected to have strong influence on the smaller unions in their negotiations.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

SECRETARY of State Marshall, speaking to the Harvard alumni association at Cambridge (Mass.), calls upon the countries of Europe to work out together a great new program of reconstruction.

He then promises American economic assistance and support "so far as it may be practical." He doesn't name the amount of money this country intends to make available for such a purpose, but says Europe must have "substantial additional help during the next three to four years or face economic, social and political deterioration of a very grave character."

He tells why Europe faces deterioration.

Industries in the cities and towns are not producing enough THINGS to go around. Without THINGS to spend it for, money becomes valueless. (We're learning something about that even here in happy America.)

Under such circumstances, food becomes supreme in importance. (FOOD PREVENTS STARVATION.) So—having nothing to trade it for—European farmers produce only as much food as

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Republican Backing Truman's Policy, Democrat Backed by Wallace Rivals for Congress

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 7.—(AP)—Washington's unpredictable Third District was choosing a new congressman today in a special election which is being watched nationally as a barometer for possible changes in popular political sentiment.

In a district which has swung alternately Democratic and Republican in the past four elections, the electorate was deciding the heated contest between a 55-year-old Republican newspaper publisher and a 41-year-old former lumberman's union official after a lively campaign on the major issues of foreign policy and the record of the Republican Congress.

The Democratic standard bearer is former Rep. Charles R. Savage; his major opponent Russell V. Mack. A third candidate who had not figured prominently in the campaign is Harry Morton of the Socialist-labor party.

They are contesting for the seat left vacant by the death of

Truman Hears Ike Tell of U. S. Aims

KANSAS CITY, June 7.—(AP)—President Truman divided his time today between his bed-ridden mother at Grandview and comrades with whom he served in World War One.

He set out to witness the first post-war II parade of veterans of the 35th division before driving to Grandview for his second visit in two days by Mrs. Martha E. Truman.

He found the 94-year-old patient so improved yesterday that he gave his sister, Miss Mary Jane Truman, a brief holiday from her nursing chore by bringing her into Kansas City to attend a reception and hear an address by General Dwight D. Eisenhower last night.

The chief of staff declared "we intend to continue the firm champion of those who seek to live their own lives in peace," despite any "hostility" from an other nation.

He did not name Russia but General Eisenhower noted that "at least one of the powerful nations does not see eye to eye with us on measures for the stability peace demands."

"We do not dictate to any nation what it does internally," he added. Those nations seeking to live their own lives in peace with world neighbors will continue to be championed by this country, he said.

The general added that without American aid, guidance and leadership "there is immediate danger of social, political and economic chaos among hundreds of millions."

Of the "course we deem right," Eisenhower declared, another nation's "indifference, or even hostility, must not deflect us."

Train Spreads Money Along Railroad Track

DORAVILLE, Ga., June 7.—(AP)—Four thousand dollars in currency was spread along four miles of railroad track here yesterday when a mail bag fell under the wheels of a speeding express train.

Reports that the bag contained \$50,000 brought scores of searchers to the scene.

The bag bounded under the train wheels when the mail clerk tossed it toward the station platform. Postoffice inspectors recovered most of the money.

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Tornadoes, Floods Deal Losses

Twisters Ruin Buildings in Four States

Tornadoes Sweep Other Areas, Routing Residents, Taking Toll of Livestock

(By the Associated Press)
Thousands were left temporarily homeless in parts of four Midwest states today as surging waters of rivers and streams spilled out over farm lands, washed out railroad tracks and flooded highways. Tornadoes struck in four other states last night, causing extensive property damage.

While the peril of serious floods threatened in Southeast Nebraska, Southwest Iowa, Northwest Missouri and Northeast Kansas, tornadoes hit communities in Illinois, Colorado, Oklahoma and Missouri last night destroying several homes. There were no fatalities.

The twisters which struck at Champaign, Ill., and Julesburg, Colo., caused heavy damage. In the Illinois city, home of the University of Illinois, more than two score houses were destroyed or damaged, with a loss estimated at \$200,000. At Julesburg, the Union Pacific Railroad yard was damaged and the station nearly demolished.

A tornado also hit a rural area near Chester, Okla., demolishing

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Fuel Oil Caution Aim of Campaign

Fuel oil distributors in Roseburg are planning an educational campaign to show that oil stove fires are preventable. Fire Chief Glenn H. Taylor said today. The campaign is a result of the fire Thursday at the V. J. Micelli home, which started when oil was being put into a basement storage tank.

W. C. Holmes, manager of the Standard Oil Co. here, who suggested the educational campaign to Taylor and to oil company distributors, today said that if storage tanks "must be located in the basement," they should be "no closer than 10 feet to the furnace."

Inside oil tanks, Holmes added, should be filled from the outside and should have an outlet to the outside. All installations should be by professional service representatives of the oil companies, he said.

"An oil burner is a mechanical device which should be checked and cleaned at least twice a year, in order to prevent fires as well as to insure efficient operation," Holmes said.

Taylor said that the oil tank installation at the Micelli home had no outlet to the outside for escape of oil vapors. When the nozzle of an oil hose was inserted in the tank, the oil vapors were forced out, near the hot furnace a few feet away.

Due to the low humidity conditions, the fire then spread rapidly through the basement of the house and into the attic, burning through the fire stops in the walls, the fire chief said.

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Douglas Electric Co-Op Given Loan To Extend Service

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—The Rural Electrification Administration yesterday granted a \$150,000 loan to the Douglas Electric Cooperative, Inc., Roseburg, Ore., for extension of electrical service to rural areas. The loan was one of 10 totaling \$2,156,000 granted yesterday by the REA.

Immediate information as to the locality where the cooperative plans its extension was not available at its headquarters in Roseburg this morning, owing to the temporary absence of the manager. It is expected that this information will be provided Monday.

Oregon Auto Sales Show Heavy Boost

PORTLAND, June 7.—(AP)—Automobile sales in Oregon vaulted 174 per cent in the first four months of this year, compared with the same period in 1946, the Department of Commerce reported today.

This works out at \$2.74 for every dollar spent on automobiles in 1946, the department said. Filling station sales also were up 15 per cent for the period.

Washington and California sales lagged behind the Oregon pace, although Washington had a gain of 100 per cent and California 107 per cent on auto sales.

The report also listed a gain of 29 per cent for all kinds of business in the state for the first four months, compared with 19 per cent in Washington and 20 per cent in California.

The gain in various categories for Oregon: food 11 per cent; dairy products 30; bakery products 15; dry goods 31; furniture, household goods and radios 27; appliances 84; hardware 30; lumber and building material 30.

City Building Permits For May Total \$26,300

Building permits issued during May totaled \$26,300, it was reported today by Glenn H. Taylor, city building inspector. An addition to the Roseburg Welding Shop, at \$3,000, was the only commercial project. Other permits were for the construction of four dwellings as well as for several remodeling projects.

Cargo of Scotch Whiskey Not Wobblers Cause

NEW YORK, June 7.—(AP)—The Liberty ship Paul Bunyan wobbled and shivered at sea a few days out of Liverpool, England, and Engineer Leonard W. Balentine reported yesterday when the ship docked here.

But it wasn't the cargo—1,200 tons of Scotch whiskey—that gave her the wobbles. Balentine said the ship's propeller had snapped.

The Weather

Showers tonight and Sunday.

Russia Refuses to Sign Austrian Peace Treaty In Effort to Force Acceptance of Communism

(By the Associated Press)

A Communist maneuver against the conservative-dominated government of Austria was reported in Vienna today, adding to the long-drawn-out sequence of events which many western diplomats regard as Stalin's answer to the Truman doctrine.

A high personality in the Austrian administration quoted as saying Moscow would refuse to sign a peace treaty with the present Austrian government. The Communist, Ernst Fischer, was quoted as telling two Austrian cabinet members that he had definite information from Moscow that repercussions could be expected if "western orientation" in Austria remained unchanged.

This drew significance from the Communist coup in Hungary, which forced Premier Nagy out of office, and the arrest in Sofia of the chief of Bulgarian opposition to the Soviet-supported Communist regime.

British Demand Evidence

The British sent a second letter to the Russian commander in Budapest asking copies of documents allegedly implicating Nagy in a plot to overthrow the Hungarian republic.

British Maj. Gen. O. P. Edgcombe moved the demand in events

Babies Beaten To Death in Ohio Hospital

MASSILLON, O., June 7.—(AP)—Two infant girls were battered to death in the pediatrics nursery of City Hospital last night by an unidentified assailant whose motive was unknown, police announced today.

Although the nursery sometimes contains as many as 30 children, the two victims were its sole occupants last night. They were:

Rosemary Morton, nine weeks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Morton, and Diane J. Brand, eight weeks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Brand.

A nurse, Marian Silbeck, found the babies' bodies by their cribs last night. The bed clothing on a third crib was pulled back.

The Stark County coroner, Dr. Edward Reno, said the infants died "of injuries caused by blunt force."

Police Chief Stanley W. Switzer, who headed an investigating detail, said the attacker may have picked them up and struck them against the floor. Dirt smudges were found on the head of the Brand baby.

The police believed the attack was made between 7:35 and 7:45 last night. Visiting to the nursery was restricted on Friday nights.

Stark County Prosecutor Dean McClaughlin, who participated in the investigation, said that in his view hospital authorities had not been lax in their responsibilities.

"In no way did I find any neglect of proper duty or care," he added.

The Brand baby was admitted to the hospital last Monday for an operation and the Morton baby had been there since May 19 for observation.

Conditional Promise Given on Sugar Ration

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson said today that "we'll get out of sugar rationing, as far as household consumption is concerned, as quickly as possible."

He appeared before the House Banking Committee to testify on two bills—one calling for elimination of all sugar rationing for home consumption, the other giving priority on sugar to those using it for home canning purposes.

Plunge of Work Truck Kills 1 Man, Injures 9

SALEM, Ore., June 7.—(AP)—A work truck plunged down a 25-foot embankment a quarter-mile west of Detroit yesterday and killed one man and injured nine others.

The dead man was Harold Franklin Ames, Portland. His widow, a child and seven children survive.

Jesse J. Shaw, Portland, the truck driver, suffered slight injuries.

County Official Found Guilty of Taking Bribes

SEATTLE, June 7.—(AP)—Grayling, 59-year-old King County Commissioner Joseph A. Whitestone today awaited sentencing on two counts of asking and receiving bribes.

A Superior Court jury of seven men and five women convicted Whitestone on both counts last night after deliberating six and one-half hours. A previous trial on the same charges ended in a hung jury last April 25.

The commissioner, indicted by a recent county grand jury, was accused of accepting \$750 for aid in obtaining use of a county bridge by J. Arthur Lind, Preston logging operator, and taking \$100 for help in getting property rezoned so it could be used as an airport by Mrs. Irene Haverkamp Jones, Newport.

Sunday School Bus, Auto Collide; 10 Persons Hurt

SEATTLE, June 7.—(AP)—Ten persons, nearly all children, were hospitalized at Tacoma and Puyallup, Wash., after a Sunday School bus from Dorringer and an automobile collided southeast of Tacoma, Dwight Payne, 32, Sumner, and his two-year-old son, Lester, were the most severely hurt. Payne suffered a fractured jaw and a probable internal injury, while the infant had deep scalp wounds and concussion.

Bandon Signs Contract For Bonneville Power

PORTLAND, June 7.—(AP)—The City of Bandon signed a power contract yesterday with the Bonneville Power Administration.

Initially the Mountain States Power Company will deliver the electricity to Bandon, in return getting Bonneville power for upper Willamette valley operations. After the Eugene-Cosco Bay transmission line is constructed, Bonneville will serve Bandon directly.

Formation of Riverside Sanitary District Agreed On at Committee Session

Definite action toward formation of a sanitary district in the Riverside area, north of Roseburg, was agreed upon yesterday in a meeting at the office of Les Hammock, head of an unofficial committee seeking improved sanitary conditions for the area.

The meeting was attended by Kenneth H. Spies, of the State Board of Health, and Claude Baker, county sanitarian, who "talked the situation over" and advised on the steps to be taken to create the proposed district.

Vice Adm. Gatch Retired by Navy

NORFOLK, Va., June 7.—(AP)—After nearly 50 years in the Naval service, Vice Adm. Thomas L. Gatch, USN, is being retired for physical disability resulting from wounds received in World War II, it was announced today.

Gatch, a native of Salem, Ore., plans to drive across the country to Oregon where he expects to make his home.

During the Santa Cruz Islands battle, Admiral Gatch was seriously wounded in the explosion of an enemy bomb, October 26, 1942. His ship, the U. S. South Dakota, distinguished herself in the engagement, and on the night of November 14-15, 1942, sank at least one Japanese cruiser and assisted in destroying or damaging many other Jap ships.

For leadership and heroism in those engagements he was awarded two Navy crosses.

Oregon's Civil Service Director, Colman, Quits

SALEM, Ore., June 7.—(AP)—Announcement of the resignation of State Civil Service Director William G. Colman, Salem, was made today by the Civil Service Commission.

Colman's resignation was prompted by a desire to enter administrative work in the federal service, the commission said.

A promotional examination within the civil service department will be made to fill the vacancy.

The state-wide examination program to establish eligible lists for all state departments, as provided by the Civil Service Act, will commence early in July, the commission recalled. Until now tests have been conducted only for state social security and public health agencies.

France Employs Truckers In Rail Strike Situation

PARIS, June 7.—(AP)—The French government authorized truck lines today to haul food and passengers throughout the country, in the face of a railroad strike for increased wages which has isolated Paris from the remainder of France.

French railway officials declared that the strike was confined generally to a 60-mile radius around Paris and that trains were functioning normally elsewhere.

Gun Toter in Bank Only Wanted Change for \$50

SEATTLE, Wash., June 7.—(AP)—Bank teller Otto Krueger thought he was in for some excitement when a man carrying a pistol and a paper sack walked up to his cage.

"This is not a stick-up. I just want this \$50 in bills changed to quarters,"

Krueger changed the bills and the pistol-totin' patron left without explaining the gun.

Threatening Russia with Disciplinary Action by the United Nations is almost as terrifying to the Soviet as threatening an unruly youth with a feather pillow.

Senate Margin Big Enough to Override Veto

Reluctant Acceptance Forecast to Provide Tool To Fight John L. Lewis

WASHINGTON, June 7.—(AP)—As in the case of the tax reduction bill, the next move on the Taft-Hartley labor bill now is up to President Truman.

The Senate completed congressional action on the GOP-sponsored union-curb bill last night, approving it 54 to 17.

The legislation now goes to President Truman for his veto or approval. Earlier in the week Congress sent him the Republican-backed tax cut measure.

Mr. Truman has given no indication of his intentions with regard to either bill.

GOP leaders in Congress claim sufficient strength to override a veto of the labor bill, pointing to the Senate margin of 54-17 and the House vote of 320 to 79. A two-thirds majority vote in each branch is necessary to overcome a presidential veto.

However, they conceded that in the case of the tax bill they lacked the strength in the Senate to override a veto.

Senator Ellender (D-La.) told a reporter he does not expect Mr. Truman to disapprove of the labor bill, adding:

"I think he may write a stinging criticism of it, but accept it primarily on the ground that by July 1 he would have no other tool to fight John L. Lewis."

On the last Senate vote, 37 Republicans and 17 Democrats voted for the labor bill, 15 Democrats and two Republicans voted against it.

Oregon's two Republican senators split in the Senate vote, Cordon voting for the bill and Morse against it.

The labor bill goes far beyond the labor legislation program recommended by Mr. Truman in his State of the Union message to Congress last January.

Bitterly opposed by labor union leaders, but described by its sponsors as an incentive to production and a balancing wheel for labor-management relations, the bill:

1. Permits the government to get 80-day court injunctions

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Youth Burns To Death in Auto-Oil Truck Collision

PORTLAND, Ore., June 7.—(AP)—One teen-age passenger died in the flaming wreckage of a "hot-rod" near here last night and four of his companions were injured seriously.

In addition two rescuers suffered burns, one requiring hospitalization.

The dead youth was Clifford Paranto, 16, Portland, a passenger in the light touring car that crashed into an oil truck at Linton. He burned to death, Wesley Madsen, Portland, a city fireman passing by, helped pull three other boys from the flaming wreck. A fourth was thrown clear.

Madsen was hospitalized for burns. The truck driver, Russell G. Weaver, also suffered slight burns in the rescue work.

Indicted Portland Realtor Object of Hunt

PORTLAND, June 7.—(AP)—The real estate offices of Charles Delfel & Company in Portland, Salem, Sherwood, and Vancouver, Wash., were closed today and police sent out a search order for Delfel.

Claude H. Murphy, state real estate commissioner, suspended Delfel's realty license after Mrs. Virginia Stevenson charged the ex-realtor failed to return \$300 earned money to her and the Multnomah County Grand Jury indicted him on a charge of embezzlement.

Ed Campbell, the commissioner's deputy, took charge of Delfel's office here as keeper under an attachment on a \$353.08 claim filed in circuit court by the Creditors' Protective Association.

Police said Delfel was last heard from in Salt Lake City.

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