

New Parley May Avert Strike Of Longshoremen

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—(AP)—Longshore Chief Harry Bridges, armed with solid support from his CIO union for a West Coast strike Sept. 2, prepared today to meet waterfront employers in negotiations that may avert the walkout.

Bridges announced the expected resumption of peace talks at a meeting of 6,000 longshoremen here yesterday. The meeting voted unanimously for the strike and also to boycott a National Labor Relations Board election next week on the employers' last official wage offer of a five-cent hourly increase.

Similar votes were taken at stop-work meetings in Seattle, Los Angeles and Portland.

There was a possibility the negotiations would get underway

today. At the longshore gathering, however, Bridges cautioned against "overoptimism" and counseled the membership to "keep in readiness to hit the bricks Sept. 2 unless your negotiating committee receives a satisfactory offer from the employers."

A Bridges spokesman, Morris Watson, denied persistent waterfront rumors that an offer had been made by Frank P. Folsie, president of the Waterfront Employers Association, to end the dispute over union dispatchers at hiring halls.

But the talk persisted that the employers had expressed willingness to go along with the union dispatcher system subject to a Supreme Court decision on whether it violates the Taft-Hartley act.

Pay Raise Major Issue

The San Francisco Chronicle said the major issue remaining concerned the amount of a wage raise. There were unofficial reports the WEA had offered a 10-cent an hour increase. The Independent Marine Firemen's Union

Portland Auto Testing Ordinance Faces Suit

PORTLAND, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Constitutionality of Portland's automobile testing station was attacked yesterday in a circuit court action filed by Gail F. Reed, service station operator.

He contends the ordinance, which since 1941 has required motor vehicle owners living in the city or within three miles of the city boundaries to have twice-yearly mechanical checks, is special legislation, unreasonable, arbitrary and discriminatory.

is unofficially reported to have been offered \$12.50 a month more, plus 2.3 per cent to equalize West Coast rates with other coasts. Three other unions are involved in the dispute.

Bridges said he told the union "the only way a strike can be called off now is by an agreement on all issues. Settling the hiring hall issue would not settle the issues at stake. Everything must be settled before any one issue will be settled."

The longshoremen voted to stop work at Pacific Coast ports at 12:01 a. m. Sept. 2 to hear reports on contract negotiations. The Sept. 2 date marks the end of the 80-day "cooling off period" prescribed by Federal Court under the Taft-Hartley act. The contract expired last June 15 and a strike at that time was forestalled by the injunction.

Longshoremen were back at work today after yesterday's lay-off to permit the mass contract discussion meetings.

'Decision of My Country'



Soviet Consul Gen. Konstantin A. Efremov (right) tells reporters that the offices of the San Francisco Soviet Consulate would be evacuated, "in accordance with the decision of my country—with all possible speed."

Canterbury's 'Red Dean' Barred From Lecture Tour in America

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Dr. Hewlett Johnson, dean of Canterbury Cathedral, who long has had the sobriquet of "The Red Dean" because of his enthusiasm for Soviet Russia, announced in London yesterday that he had been refused a visa to enter the United States for lecture engagements, including one at Madison Square Garden.

The dean made his statement through the Communist newspaper, the London Daily Worker. He is a member of the editorial board of that organ. He said the American embassy disapproved of the "American-Soviet Friendship Society," which was sponsoring his tour. (The National Council of Soviet-American Friendship is on U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark's subversive list.)

"It seems," Dr. Johnson added, "that no steps must be taken in the United States to cultivate American-Soviet friendship on understanding. America is said to be the land of free speech, but obviously speech about friendship with the Soviet Union does not come under that category."

Dr. Johnson says he is "naturally sorry that this has happened." I think the average American also will have real regrets, but in a different sense. We aren't sorry that it happened, but that it had to happen. In other words the good doctor could scarcely expect us to welcome "free speech" supporting something which our country is trying its best to eliminate so far as our own way of life is concerned.

Noted for Unorthodoxy.
The 74-year-old dean is one of England's striking personalities. He long has been the most unorthodox of church dignitaries, a modernist and a campaigner for social justice. He has wanted to see Britain in the forefront of Socialism and as a matter of fact was appointed Dean of Canterbury by the late Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald, labor leader and socialist.

Dr. Johnson has been constantly in the news at Canterbury. As a dress reformer he advocated shorts and open-neck shirts for choir boys and young acolytes. He said no girl should be excluded from the cathedral for wearing beach pajamas to religious services. Previously, while dean of Manchester, he defended "new lovers," seeing no harm in young couples holding hands during his sermons.

Views Disowned by Church.
After a trip to Russia in 1938 the dean praised the U.S.S.R., and declared there was nothing essentially anti-religious in Russian Communism. His pro-Russian views resulted in five canons of Canterbury disowning their dean's politics. They accused him of condoning "Russia's offenses against humanity and religion." Dr. Johnson denied the accusation.

Low-Price Daily Newspaper, Sunday Issues Vanishing

NEW YORK, Aug. 27.—(AP)—The rising cost spiral is causing the two and three-cent daily newspaper and ten-cent Sunday edition to disappear from the newsstands in many American cities.

Newspaper officials say they need only two words to explain the price increases — "higher costs."

An Associated Press survey covering 120 daily newspapers in 44 cities discloses that more than 42 per cent have increased prices to readers in one form or another in the past year.

Thirty-four per cent raised rates for mail subscriptions or home delivery by carrier, and

15 per cent increased the newsstand price of single week-day editions.

Of those with Sunday editions, 24 per cent have raised the single copy newsstand price to 15 cents within the past year.

RUSSELL SEWALL DIES

PORTLAND, Aug. 26.—(AP)—Russell Elgin Sewall, 77, veteran Portland lawyer and Multnomah County district attorney in 1898, died here yesterday.

Drive-in-Theater to Rise Between Albany, Corvallis

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 27.—(AP)—A plan to build a \$100,000 drive-in theater halfway between Albany and Corvallis was announced yesterday by A. W. Adamson, theater operator in the two cities. Adamson and Charles Whit-side, Corvallis theater man, purchased a tract opposite the KOAC transmitter and plan to complete the outdoor theater by Oct. 1. It will accommodate 500 cars.



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REMAIN CHAMP: The U. S. Polo Team defeated England by the scores of 13 to 2 and 8 to 5 to retain the International Championship.

GOOD INDIAN: Marty Callaghan, playing with the Seattle "Indians," sets a world's record of 173 games played without an error.

DOES IT AGAIN: Rene LaCoste defeated Bill Tilden, 11-9, 6-3, 11-9, to win the U. S. Men's Singles Championship in tennis for the 2nd straight year.

STILL CHAMP: Gene Tunney successfully defended his title against Jack Dempsey before 80,000 people who paid \$2,800,000 to see the fight at Soldier's Field, Chicago.

FOUL FOUL: Loaysa, Chilean lightweight, won from Seattle's Tod Morgan in the 5th on a claimed foul, floored in the 8th and put on his feet in the 9th, he claimed a foul and was awarded the decision, although the examining doctor could find no marks of a foul blow on his body.

WILD WILDCAT: "Wildcat" Carter, flashy Everett fighter, defeated Vic Foley, Canadian featherweight, in 4 rounds at the old Seattle Crystal Pool fight arena. Carter won all but the 1st round, which was even.

POTENT PUNT: George Flavin, captain and halfback for the Georgetown University football team, punted 110 yards (78 yards in the air) against Holy Cross.

LIFETIME BOWLING: Mrs. Floretta McCutcheon holds this enviable bowling record for lifetime play, 300 games—10, 289—9, 280—4, 289—12 and 279—10. Her average for 10 years 201, during which time she bowled 8,078 games.

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