

SUIT FILED TO BREAK NATIONAL FOOD CHAIN

WHO DOES WHAT By Paul Jenkins



CARLA LEE TAYLOR is pictured displaying her painting of the Tillamook Burn (done from memory) which won for her a First Premium at the art display at the State Fair last week. Carla, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor of 403 South street, is a student at Museum Art school of Portland. A member of the Art and Craft club here, she is a graduate of the Roseburg schools and attended the state university where she majored in art. This will be her second year in the Portland school.

FEATURE BROADCAST

Fall Opening Program Will Coincide With Throwing Of New Street Light Switch

A 45-minute program, highlighting speeches, band music, and the official turning on of the city's new street lighting system, will be broadcast over KRNR Wednesday night as one of the many features connected with Roseburg's grand Fall Opening.

In the Day's News

FOR nearly a week, the upper bracket brass of Britain, the United States and Canada have been conferring in Washington on what to do to keep Britain solvent. On Monday they reached an agreement on a ten-point program for dealing with the immediate problem. Billed down, this is what the ten points amount to:

Enabling the British to **SELL MORE GOODS TO US** while at the same time **BUYING LESS GOODS FROM US.**

So much for Monday.

Tuesday morning, in Washington, the International Monetary fund (which is an organization)

STUDY DISPOSAL PLANT SPRINGFIELD, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The city council will employ a sanitary engineer to prepare plans for a sewage disposal plant. The action stemmed from a state sanitary authority letter of July 27 demanding that a time schedule and fiscal program covering a disposal plant be submitted within 60 days.

National Employ Handicap Week Local Committee is Set Up; Livermore Chairman

First organizational meeting of the local committee to promote this year's National Employ the Physically Handicapped week, Oct. 28, met last night at the state employment office in Roseburg. Bill Livermore, representing the Roseburg Lions club, was elected chairman of the group, made up of 13 local civic and fraternal organizations.

George Foster, manager of the Oregon state employment office here, and representing the governor's committee of NEPH, said the following will represent their respective organizations in helping promote this year's campaign locally:

Clifford Fields, Veterans Administration; Irwin Short, American Legion; C. E. Hoover, VFW; Arthur Newell, DAV; Robert Phillips, Rotary club; J. E. Clarke, Masonic order; Carl O. Permin, Knights of Pythias; Randle Hockett, Eagles; Leonard McIntyre, CIO; Walter Dage, AFL; Pat Gregory, Oregon State Employees association; George Smith, the general public and Livermore.

Willing To Work

Livermore pointed out there are many handicapped workers who want to work and who, if

The Weather
Mostly cloudy with showers today and Friday.
Sunset today 6:24 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:53 a. m.

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Murray Charges U.S. Steel Forcing Strike

Claims Refusal To Accept Bid Is Deliberate

Fairless Would Talk But Expects Workers To Share Pension Cost

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 15.—(AP)—President Philip Murray of the CIO United Steelworkers today charged the giant United States Steel corporation is "deliberately seeking to force a strike."

The accusation came in a telegram the union leader addressed to U. S. Steel president Benjamin F. Fairless.

Murray again insisted that U. S. Steel accept the recommendations of President Truman's fact finding board aimed at settling steel-labor difficulties.

Sends Wire

He wired Fairless: "The union still hopes that a strike in the basic steel industry can be averted. It can be averted if your corporation and the rest of the industry will agree with the union and with public opinion to accept the recommendations of the steel industry board."

Murray's telegram replied to an overnight message from Fairless which stated U. S. Steel is unwilling to accept the board recommendations without bargaining.

The board recommended that labor and the industry work out company financed pension and insurance plans but ruled out a wage increase for steel workers. U. S. Steel took particular exception.

GOLD PRICE TO STAY

Secretary Snyder Indicates This Country Would Use Veto Power If Necessary

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Secretary of the Treasury Snyder has notified the International Monetary fund that the United States will not agree to a boost in the price of gold.

His declaration indicates that this country will, if necessary, use its veto power to kill any general increase which might be favored by the board of directors of the 48-nation fund.

Bids Are Called For Canyonville Highway Strip

Bids for the construction of the new Pacific highway south of Canyonville, will be opened by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads in Portland Sept. 29. Notice of the bid call was received here Wednesday by the Umpqua National forest.

The 5.4 miles section for which the government will let a contract lies within the boundaries of the Umpqua National forest.

Snyder made his statement, it was learned today, at a closed meeting of the fund's committee on gold. It helped to quash—for the moment—a South African proposal for a fund study of a new, higher price. It is now \$35 an ounce.

But the Union of South Africa, world's biggest gold producer, plainly had plans to raise the issue again before the annual governors' meeting of the fund and the World Bank ends tomorrow night.

And it became clear that the lines were drawn for a major assault—prolonged if need be—against the gold-price policy of the United States, which is the major buyer.

Meantime the delegates here in annual meeting:

1. Prepared to vote to India the chairmanship of the fund and bank for the next year. The election is tomorrow but the outcome was taken for granted.
2. Weighed whether to hold next year's meeting in Paris. France would have had the meeting this year had not economy and convenience dictated otherwise.
3. Put a fund committee to work considering ways to break down the currency controls which hamper trade in most of the world. The fund has reported "no general trend" toward improvement in the last year.
4. Heard that Sir Stafford

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Leaking Tug Is Abandoned In Alaskan Waters

SEATTLE, Sept. 15.—(AP)—A coast guard report early today that six men had abandoned a leaking tug in the stormy Gulf of Alaska was followed six hours later by a report two survivors were sighted on the grounded boat.

The ill-fated tug was the Afognak, of Juneau.

The coast guard station at Cape St. Elias, midway along the Gulf of Alaska coast, was advised the battered Afognak was sighted aground on Palm point one mile west of the village of Katala. The scene is about 50 miles southeast of Cordova.

Coast guard headquarters here said the report to the St. Elias station came from the civil aeronautics administration office at Cordova. The sighting was believed to have been by one of the search planes.

The earlier message from the Afognak, the third of its distress calls, reported all six aboard took to a 14-foot life boat at 2:28 a.m. Pacific Standard Time. The message said no land was in sight.

The vessel gave her position as six to eight miles off Cape St. Elias located on Kayak island, about 175 miles southeast of Kodiak. The message said the craft was shipping water in heavy seas and winds of 45 to 50 miles per hour, but gave no other details.

The coast guard identified the six persons as (no hometowns available):

Fred Brandes, the master; Lee Christy, chief engineer; Jim Johns, assistant engineer; Bucky Sadler, Arthur Johnson and Curtis Bach.

The vessel is owned by James V. Cole of Juneau. The coast guard said the Afognak was bound for Juneau from an unknown port.

Dance Of Eagles Will Aid Polio Emergency Drive

The national emergency polio fund drive will be aided by a public benefit dance Friday, Sept. 23, at 9 p.m., sponsored by the Roseburg Eagles lodge, according to Paul Travis, chairman.

Designed to help put the current fund campaign over the top, local Eagles will turn in the entire proceeds of the dance to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The national organization will use the sum to help defray expenses incurred by the recent outbreak of polio, especially in the west.

Tickets for the benefit dance will go on sale Saturday at the Eagles hall, corner of Cass and Pine streets. Committee members and all other persons interested in the current campaign will meet with Travis Friday night at 7:30 at the Eagles hall to plan a city-wide ticket selling program.

Members of the Eagles lodge will be assisted in planning and arrangements by the Eagles ladies auxiliary.

Two Boys Of Elkton Are Reported Missing

Two Elkton boys have been reported "missing" since Saturday. They are Leland Cheever and Glen Hahn, both 16, who were last seen Saturday afternoon driving a '35 Ford V-8, blue gray in color.

Leland is six feet, one inch, with dark hair, blue eyes, and wearing a yellow cowboy shirt and a red letterman's sweater with white stripes.

Glen is five feet, 11 inches, with blue eyes, blond curly hair, and wearing a sports shirt and green cruiser coat.

Both boys were wearing Levis and brown oxfords.

Between them they were believed to have \$11.

The police have been notified. Persons who have seen the boys are asked to contact the police.

Murder Trial May Go To Jury Tonight

Defense Attorney Paul E. Geddes accused the state of a "deliberate smear campaign" against the character of Victoria Sanders, as he argued the case before the jury in the murder trial this morning.

"The state would have you believe that they have brought in every bit of evidence, whether it's good or bad," he said. "They chose to bring in the things that would smear this girl. They did not have a case, so they tried to manufacture one out of smear."

The defense attorney began his argument today following a complete review of the testimony by Dudley Walton, assistant district attorney. Walton began his review yesterday afternoon, after both the state and defense had rested.

Bring Pajamas

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly cautioned jurors yesterday to bring their toilet articles and pajamas, as it might be necessary for them to stay at the courthouse overnight if they do not arrive at a verdict by late evening.

District Attorney Robert G. Davis was expected to give the rebuttal argument this afternoon after Geddes' plea to the jury for a verdict of acquittal.

Geddes told the jury what impressed him was the "total lack of motive" for the alleged murder. He said the state had introduced "little things to simulate motive," such as religious differences between Victoria and Ralph Mojonier, as to whether Victoria's baby should be baptized in the church.

No Justification

"Never have I seen before the church and religion used by the state as the justification for murder," Geddes declared. "The state would have you believe that this girl's religion would lead her to murder."

Victoria's housekeeping was used by the state as "another motive," Geddes said. "I've criticized my wife for her housekeeping," he added. "Those things are not serious. They are one of the

Truman Approves Non-Disciplining Of Crommelin

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(AP)—President Truman today gave a nod of approval for the navy's decision against disciplining Navy Capt. John G. Crommelin for his recent public scolding of the military high command.

The president told a news conference that Secretary of the Navy Matthews has handled the matter capably, and that it will remain in Matthews' hands.

Matthews has ruled against any disciplinary action.

A change in assignment was announced today for Crommelin. The navy said that Crommelin, who has been on the staff of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, is being assigned to the office of the chief of naval operations. Just what work he will do in his new post was not disclosed.

The navy said the change was not to be viewed as a disciplinary measure.

Secretary of the Navy Matthews said he "questions the judgment of Captain Crommelin" in telling the press that the navy's striking power is being "nibbled to death" by the military policy makers in the Pentagon.

Students Rally Tonight To Be Pre-Game Feature

The "Bally, Rally" tonight in Roseburg, will be a pre-game feature of the football game between Yell and senior high, headed by Yell Queen Pat Means and assistant queens Jackie Daniels and Willa Wilshire, will meet at junior high school promptly at 7 p.m. A serpentine will be formed and will wind through the streets, stopping off at the Umpqua hotel.

Coaches Ray Sherwood, Norm West and Ray Brown will say "Hello" to the students. Their remarks will be recorded by KRNR technicians and rebroadcast at 10 p.m. The Umpqua hotel meeting is listed for 8 p.m.

Following the introduction of coaches, the serpentine will continue to the community hospital grounds, where the Medford Tornado team will be burned in effigy.

The club girls will help the yell team organize the mass of students expected to participate in the demonstration.

Atomic Secrets Will Be Talked At Confab

LONDON, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Britain, the United States, and Canada will reopen the question of their atomic secrets in talks opening in Washington Sept. 20, the foreign office said tonight.

The discussions, the statement said, will be "entirely exploratory," and any agreements reached will be subject to approval by the three governments involved.

About two months ago the British government formally requested the United States to extend the range of cooperation between the two countries on the subject of both atomic weapons and atomic energy.

Democratic Senators Deny Elliott's Charge

PORTLAND, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Four Democratic state senators from Multnomah county have said, in effect—"It wasn't I!"

They were referring to charges by Sheriff M. L. Elliott that two unnamed state Democratic senators had warned he would have trouble hanging on to his office unless he used the sheriff's office in raising a party war chest fund for a gubernatorial campaign.

The campaign, Elliott said, was to have been in behalf of State Treasurer Walter Pearson. The state official yesterday said Elliott's story was ridiculous.

State Senator Jack Bain said he was positive it wasn't he who Elliott meant. State Senator Austin F. Flegel Jr. said he doubted the whole story.

Senator Thomas Mahoney declined to "dignify" Elliott's charges. Senator R. L. Neuberger said "I'm sure Mr. Elliott's story is untrue."

Settlement Seen In Long Costly Strike Of Printers In Chicago Daily Papers

CHICAGO, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The long and costly strike by 1,500 AFL printers against Chicago's five major daily newspapers appeared near settlement today.

The strikers, who quit work nearly 22 months ago in a dispute over a new contract, will vote Sunday on terms agreed upon last night by union and publishers' representatives.

The new pact calls for a wage increase of \$10 a week. The union originally had demanded a pay boost of \$15. Provisions of the new contract have been approved by the executive council of the AFL International Typographical union.

John J. Pileh, president of Local 16, AFL-ITU, said the local's officers and scale committee will recommend acceptance of the new contract to the rank and file at Sunday's vote.

A spokesman for the publishers said the contract proposal agreed

Civil Action Is Follow Up To Conviction

Move Would Break Up Vast Holdings Of Chain Over Country

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Attorney General J. Howard McGrath today filed suit to break up the great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company's nation-wide food chain.

The civil action was brought in federal district court at New York city this morning.

It is a follow-up to a criminal conviction of the A. and P. company under the anti-trust statutes at Danville, Ill., three years ago.

The conviction was affirmed in the U. S. court of appeals at Chicago early this year and the company paid fines totaling \$175,000.

Branded Threat

In New York, an A. & P. official branded the suit as "a threat to the welfare and living standards of every American citizen."

Entering a general denial of the government charges, a spokesman for the big food chain said "the whole basis of this attack is the fact that we sold good food too cheap."

"This is not just an effort to destroy A. & P., but an attack on the entire system of efficient low-cost, low-profit, mass distribution which this company pioneered," he said.

The action in New York requests a court order requiring A. and P. to separate its manufacturing and processing business from its buying and selling business and to separate its present seven retail store divisions into seven independently owned retail food chains.

Dissolve Holdings

The justice department proposes to dissolve the Atlantic Commission company, A. and P.'s wholesale purchasing and sales agent in the produce market.

Under the proposed break-up of the present national chain into seven independent companies, A. and P. itself would not be permitted.

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NAVAL SUPPORT—Captain John G. Crommelin (above), navy flyer who accused the army and air force of trying to take over the National Military Establishment, has been flooded with telephone calls from navy officers supporting his stand. Retired Admiral William F. Halsey, attending a private luncheon with several other navy officers at Crommelin's home in Washington, called on "all navy officers" to support Capt. Crommelin.—(NEA photo.)



HIGH LEVEL HUMOR—Sir Stafford Cripps (right), British chancellor of the exchequer, and Douglas C. Abbott (left), Canadian minister of finance, share a laugh at opening of fourth annual board of governors meeting of world bank and international monetary fund in Washington. H. M. Hirschfeld (center rear) is a member of the Netherlands delegation.—AP Wirephoto.