

# Annual Fall Opening Wednesday Night HALF MILLION IDLE IN COAL STRIKE SPREAD

## FOR AIRPORT JOB: \$234,000 Commercial Service's Cost, Exclusive Of Two Tracts, Told City By CAA

If Roseburg can raise the money, this city can be assured of an airport suitable for commercial airline service by late next summer. That's the promise of Civil Aeronautics administration officials, who spoke at a Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon meeting at the Hotel Umpqua Monday noon.

Ben B. Irving, Roseburg, who is preparing the preliminary engineering survey for proposed airport developments, gave the figure of \$234,000 as the total estimated cost for the work, exclusive of the cost of purchasing additional land.

The government through the C.A.A. will match 25 percent of the cost of acquiring necessary land for airport improvements, and 55.9 percent of the construction costs, the C.A.A. officials said.

City Manager M. W. Slankard said the city's share of the money could be raised in any one of three ways:

1. By creating an airport assessment district, which would include both the City of Roseburg and surrounding areas.
2. By directly assessing property within the City of Roseburg over a period of years, the money to go into an airport sinking fund.
3. By issuing general obligation bonds in the City of Roseburg, to raise the necessary money immediately.

### Weather Here Favorable

J. V. Fryberger, Salem, assistant district engineer for the C.A.A., said the problems of finding a suitable airport site here have been "gigantic." Feeder lines have gained in experience in using small airports, he said, and "we all feel very confident now that adequate service can be furnished this city."

Fryberger pointed out that weather conditions are very favorable here, with the weather bureau reporting only four days foggy enough last year to prevent airplanes from landing. Best weather for schedules comes after 11 a.m. An afternoon schedule could probably be maintained the year around by a feeder line.

The airport should be prepared E. L. Yuravich, Seattle, chief of the planning and evaluation division at the C.A.A. regional office, said the choice for an airport location here had narrowed down to two sites, one in Gar-

## Jury Frees Judge Who Shot Lawyer In Divorce Action

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 20.—(AP)—A Superior court jury required only 59 minutes, after five days of testimony, to acquit Judge Robert Carpenter of attempted murder.

Courtroom spectators cheered as the jury last night acquitted the 44-year-old jurist of attempting to kill his former friend, attorney John Lockwood.

Judge Carpenter smiled and tried to blink back tears before turning to clasp his attractive 20-year-old step-daughter, Barbara.

A few minutes later the judge and Barbara escaped through a crowd of well wishers to the privacy of the chambers in Fulton county courthouse where he presides over Civil court.

Lockwood, a 53-year-old former Philadelphia lawyer, was not in the courtroom when the verdict was returned.

The State charged that Judge Carpenter pursued Lockwood four blocks the night of July 27 and shot him four times in the face. Lockwood is attorney for Mrs. Carpenter in her divorce suit.

On the witness stand the judge would admit only to shooting at Lockwood, exclaiming, "If ever a man was justified I was."

For five days the trial swirled around the relationship between Lockwood and Mrs. Carpenter, and between the judge and another woman, Mrs. Estelle Manful.

### Govt. May Restrict Sale On Unshelled Walnuts

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—(AP)—A government order may limit sale of unshelled walnuts in the three Pacific coast states to 70 percent of this year's crop.

### The Weather

Fair this afternoon, tonight and Wednesday, except for morning cloudiness. Sunset today 6:15 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:59 a.m.

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# The News-Review

## Currency Devaluing Lines Up 19 Countries

### London Stock Market Scene Of Rampage

#### Government In Britain Facing Rebellion Threat From Ranks Of Workers

Devaluation of the world sent ripples across the world's stock markets in sterling areas scurrying for gold and commodity stocks yesterday afternoon, on the L. O. Willigan place, 15 miles below Elkton, Coroner Harry C. Stearns reported.

Stearns said residents of the area noticed their electricity had gone off about 1:30 p.m. The trouble was not located until 5 p.m., when Fenton's body was found.

### Efforts To Ban Steel Strike Still Futile

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The CIO steelworkers went ahead today with plans for a strategy meeting as the second day of government-sponsored peace talks brought no sign of an agreement in the steel dispute.

### Myrtle Creek Paving Work Bid Is Rejected

The State Highway department today rejected the low bid of a Eugene firm, Tauf Charnek, for the grading and paving of one-tenth of a mile of Oak street in Myrtle Creek. The firm's bid was \$20,270.

### Broken Flagpole Section Deals Death To Youth

RAVENSWOOD, Va., Sept. 20.—(AP)—A six-foot section at the top of a high school flag pole came off last night, plunged into the head of 13-year-old Dean Roush, and killed him.

### Armsenal In Purse Just Souvenir, Girl Declares

TACOMA, Sept. 20.—(AP)—That small-sized arsenal 15-year-old Georgianna Henry had in her purse when picked up here Friday was "just a souvenir," she explained today.

### Mother, Daughter Have Babies Five Hours Apart

LONDON, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Mrs. Alice Shepherd, 47, caught a cab for St. Stephen's hospital to have her twelfth baby.

### EXECUTRIX NAMED

Elsie M. Wisegarver, executrix of the estate of her brother, William Wisegarver, deceased, by order of Circuit Court Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

### Sutherland Man Is Electrocuted

Elmer Buck Fenton of Sutherland was found electrocuted beside his well-drilling equipment late yesterday afternoon, on the L. O. Willigan place, 15 miles below Elkton, Coroner Harry C. Stearns reported.

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DING DONG DADDY WEDS—Francis van Wie (left), 62-year-old former San Francisco street car conductor, who served two years in San Quentin, Calif., prison for marrying 12 or 13 wives, is congratulated by Municipal Judge Herbert Kaufman (center) after the judge married him to his 13th or 14th wife, the former Mary Abo, 49, of Oakland, Calif., in the judge's chambers at San Francisco city hall.—(AP Wirephoto.)

### "JUST MATTER OF INTEREST"

## Truth Serum Test Won't Affect Victoria Sanders Case, Dist. Attorney Says

The "truth serum" test for Victoria Sanders, who was convicted last week for the killing of Ralph Mojonner, will be conducted by her defense counsel for "their own purposes," said District Attorney Robert G. Davis.

### Downtown Zone Parking Will Be Banned During Fall Opening Festivities

City Manager M. W. Slankard announced today that a special "no parking" order will go into effect in downtown Roseburg Wednesday afternoon at 3 p.m. in preparation for Wednesday night's Fall Opening festivities.

### Ford Co., Union Still Dickering

DETROIT, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Faced with a strike deadline, the Ford Motor Co. was reported today attempting to reach a settlement with the Cio-United Auto Workers with a tentative offer of a company-financed pension plan.

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## Coal Supply Will Last At Least 40 Days

### Truman Said To Have Decided To Let Out Sides "Sweat It Out"

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The nationwide coal strike idled more than a half million miners and railroaders today while the White House watched from the sidelines.

A half-dozen coal-carrying railroads ordered more than 27,000 employees laid off as the "no pension no work" revolt of John L. Lewis' 480,000 United Mine Workers entered its second day.

In Washington, Press Secretary Charles G. Ross said President Truman has "nothing in the works" to offer as a formula for settling either the coal or steel dispute.

In Washington, a source close to President Truman said the president has no intention of trying to halt the walkout for 30 to 60 days.

The official, who asked anonymity, said Mr. Truman is determined to let Lewis and the coal industry "sweat out" their difficulties.

There are about 60,000,000 tons of coal above ground, enough to keep industry going anywhere from 40 to 60 days.

J. V. Sullivan, secretary of the West Virginia Coal association, said miners "are not striking of their own accord" but "because they got the signal."

He declared in a statement that Lewis' representatives "have been in the mining districts for a week advising local unions."

High union officials had said the strike was voluntary among miner locals.

Chairman Ralph E. Taggart of the Pennsylvania anthracite operators wage agreement committee sent a telegram to Lewis asking the best efforts toward getting hard coal miners back to work.

The 80,000 anthracite diggers in the eastern Pennsylvania joined the coal walkout in a sympathy work stoppage.

Another coal carrying railroad announced plans to lay off workers. The Norfolk and Western Railway said 1,650 workers will have to be furloughed Thursday.

### Catholic Priests, Nuns Arrested In New Czech Drive

PRAGUE, Sept. 20.—(AP)—The Czechoslovak government has jailed dozens of Roman Catholic priests and nuns in a big new wave of arrests aimed at breaking spreading resistance to state control schemes, a statement from church sources said today.

An informed church source estimated that the latest wave of arrests brought the number of Catholic priests under arrest to more than 200.

The report, given to correspondents here and enumerating at least 30 arrests, was termed only a partial list. It said more arrests were expected as the long-state-church fight neared a showdown stage.

In one case the entire personnel of a monastery was reported seized.

The government has published a proposed church law, to be enacted by Parliament this fall, which would give the state power over all church appointments and administration.

Meanwhile reports reached Prague that a local Communist official had been killed by angry peasants in Moravia following the arrest of a Catholic priest.

The news stirred speculation whether fresh peasant uprisings are brewing.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Singer Paul Robeson testified 20 minutes for the defense today in the communist conspiracy trial.

But about all he got to say was that he knew all the defendants—and that he once studied law under Federal Judge Harold R. Medina, who is presiding at the trial.

The government objected to virtually everything else and the Negro baritone was asked, and Medina upheld the objections.

### Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

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