

STEEL STRIKE PUT OFF FOR ANOTHER WEEK

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins

The Weather

Fair and continued warm this afternoon, tonight and Friday.

Sunset today 6:11 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:01 a. m.

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Truman Plea Accepted By Both Sides

Wildcat Walkouts Shut Two Plants; Pension Plan Major Snag In Parleys

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 22.—(AP) Philip Murray's CIO United Steelworkers today put off for another week the nationwide steel strike set for Saturday midnight.

The million-member union's policy-making committee joined industry in accepting President Truman's plea for extension of the strike until 12:01 a. m. Saturday, October 1, to permit renewed contract talks.

The action came as wildcat walkouts shut down two Pittsburgh steel plants and idled 2,400 workers. Pickets carried signs demanding "strike—not more extension," and "strike—free pensions."

Murray and the industry deadlocked on acceptance of a presidential board's peace recommendations that the steelworkers get company financed insurance and pensions. The union accepted. Industry objected to footing the bill and refused to be bound by the report without bargaining. They've been feuding since.

Mr. Truman intervened to stave off the weekend strike. In addition to truce extension, he called for direct bargaining and early settlement.

Murray announced the union wage policy committee approval of the extension. He said: "The only thing I have to add is that we are contacting the various companies and we hope to meet with the (U. S. Steel) corporation tomorrow."

The action was taken in a resolution unanimously adopted by the committee. The resolution stated: "The public interest requires and the American people have a right to expect an early settlement on the part of the steel companies on the basis of the board recommendation."

The two and a half hour session broke up with the 170 members standing on their feet to cheer Murray.

Two Pittsburgh district plants were closed by work stoppages one company official blamed on the men being "littered over the whole situation by the steel industry." Union officials said the men were out without union authorization.

Employees reporting for work at the Universal Cylcops steel plant milled around confusedly in the rain—and then went home. "I don't know what this is all about," said one. "We can't learn why this walkout was called."

A power house employee looked at a smokstack and said: "There's no smoke coming out. The boilers are cold. I'm going home."

Pickets appeared at the Superior Steel company plant in Pittsburgh. There was no disorder.

Moose Initiate 58 Candidates

State President Clifford "Bric" Leach, Oregon Moose association, of Klamath Falls was president of the night to witness the initiation of a class of 58 candidates into Roseburg Lodge 1037, Loyal Order of Moose.

The Eugene Moose degree team conferred the degree upon the large class.

President Leach, speaking before the well-attended meeting, congratulated Roseburg Governor Jerry Willis and the membership upon the rapid growth of the local organization since it was reactivated here about a year ago.

He told the initiates about the Loyal Order of Moose and talked also about Mooseheart, home for the aged.

State Supreme Sergeant-at-Arms Bill Heinke, Eugene, was also a guest.

Following the meeting a travelogue motion picture was shown and refreshments were served.

Two Plead Guilty To Charges In Circuit Court

Pleas of guilty were entered by two men arraigned before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly today.

Chester William Clark, 50, Stockton, Calif., charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, waived grand jury indictment, and entered his plea. He is accused of shooting at Yoncalla Chief of Police Vincent H. McMurray on Sept. 1, following a long chase onto Rice Hill.

The other to enter a guilty plea was Daniel K. Craven, 35, Chicago, charged with obtaining personal property by false pretenses. He is accused of passing a worthless \$15 check on Parkinson's grocery Aug. 29.

The judge deferred passing of sentence until a later date.

Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reisenstein

With us is the annual rail car shortage. He is a super-optimist indeed who expects any more of a remedy than given in past years. Leave it to the "Friendly" sobbing Pacific to spawn a fresh supply of specious explanations.

Annual Fall Opening Viewed By Thousands

Displays Of Styles Draw High Praise

Inauguration Of New Street Lighting System Enhances Festivities

By DAN MINDOLOVICH
"Spellbound" might well have been the theme of Roseburg's biggest and best fall opening. Thousands of persons jamming the streets last night appeared to be in that state of mind as they marveled at the ingenuity and artistry displayed by Roseburg merchants in carrying out the fall motif through window decorations.

Store windows vied for the attention of pleasantly-amazed citizens from near and far. Satisfied that the last window was the epitome of perfection, the spectator was surprised to see the next display offering just a bit more.

The City of Roseburg helped its merchants show their wares to better advantage through the inauguration of the new street lighting system.

In a brief ceremony prior to unveiling the windows, Mayor Albert C. Flegel put Roseburg on the map as one of the better illuminated communities in the country, by flipping a master switch that sent electricity surging into the new street lights.

A slight hitch developed as the light nearest the speakers platform failed to join the others, but City Manager Matt Skankard, in a word, coaxed it to life.

Youth Captures Watch
After the brief program from the speakers' platform ended a watch was thrown from atop the KRNZ radio tower, which fell 250 feet to Jackson street.

Myron Phillips, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Phillips, Tipton road, pounced on the watch.

Blackmer's attorney said plans still call for him to fly to Chicago and then board a train for Denver, where he is due to face six federal charges of income tax evasions next week.

Immigration inspectors who saw Blackmer when he alighted from the trans-Atlantic airliner yesterday said he appeared outwardly at least—in good physical condition.

His sudden return to this country kindled the memories of the Harding administration's Teapot Dome scandal. Two of Blackmer's oil associates, Edward L. Doheny and Harry Sinclair, were involved.

Blackmer slipped away to Europe in 1924 rather than testify at a congressional inquiry into the Continental Trading company. He was a director. It was disclosed in a Cheyenne, Wyo., court that the company made \$2,000,000 through a paper transaction by purchasing oil from one company and selling it to another. The profits were used to purchase liberty bonds. Government detectives said some of the bonds were traced to Albert Fall, secretary of the interior in the Harding administration.

Fall Convicted, Doheny Freed
Fall was convicted of accepting a bribe of \$100,000 from Doheny in the leasing of the Elk Hills naval oil reserve, part of the Teapot Dome field. He was sentenced Nov. 1, 1929 to a year in prison and fined \$100,000.

In the same court and before the same judge, Doheny was acquitted of charges that he gave Fall the bribe. Doheny died in 1935.

Fall was released in June 1932, after serving nine months in Santa Fe prison. He left there in an ambulance, a sick man. He

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2 Roseburg Men Injured In Crash

EUGENE, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Two prominent Roseburg men were taken to Eugene hospital Wednesday afternoon when a logging truck driver, attempting to avoid hitting a little girl, crashed head-on into their parked automobile. Both men were reported in "good" condition this morning.

Abe Bean, 31, owner of the Olympia Mill and Logging Supply Co., suffered bruises of the left leg and face. Darrell W. Wade, 45, of 102 East Rice St., suffered a lacerated forehead and possible skull fracture.

New State Office Bids Called; Frills Deleted

PORTLAND, Sept. 22.—(AP)—State Highway commissioners have stripped the frills and luxuries from its Salem office building plans and called for new bids to be opened Nov. 7.

Parred from the original drawings were an air conditioning system priced at \$185,000, a rear terrace which Chairman T. H. Banfield described as a \$24,000 flower pot, the cafeteria and fancy gadgets in the lavatories.

The action followed rejection yesterday of all bids on the office building. The commission hopes the new offers will be closer to the \$1,600,000 it wants to spend. The low bid on the original plan was \$1,934,264.

Daylight Saving Ends Sunday In Eastern Areas

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Daylight saving, the summer dividend of an extra hour of evening recreation for some 30,000,000 Americans ends this Sunday.

The official time for turning back the clock an hour in nearly all "fast time" zones is 2 a. m. Sunday.

Thus the hour of sleep lost last April 24 will be regained this Saturday night.

As usual, daylight saving was observed in most of the northeastern sector of the country this year and in several large cities of the Middle East.

Cordova Kiwanis Gives "Civilization" Touch

CORDOVA, Alaska, Sept. 22.—(AP)—"Civilization" has come to Cordova.

The newly organized Kiwanis club will receive its charter Friday night—putting an end to Cordovans' claims that this is probably the only city under the American flag without a luncheon club.

Prospects Poor For New Labor Law Even In 1950

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—(AP)—House leaders appear to have written off chances for getting a new labor law through Congress—not only for this year, but for 1950 as well.

Chairman Lesinski (D-Mich.) of the House labor committee said today his committee will take no further action on Taft-Hartley repeal—now, or at the next session starting in January.

With demands for some new legislation almost certain if the nation's strike picture worsens, Lesinski told reporters: "Unless the attitude of the House changes, we don't intend to try to report out another labor bill."

And with the 1950 election campaign already warming up, Lesinski said he doesn't look for any immediate change in attitude.

Early in the session, the House rejected the administration's labor bill and sent a substitute measure back to committee, leaving it with no labor legislation pending.

The Senate passed a bill containing many of the features of the union-bated Taft-Hartley law. The House hasn't acted on the Senate bill and leaders have indicated no intention of doing so.

President Truman, who campaigned for Taft-Hartley repeal in the 1948 presidential election, said recently that the administration will fight to the bitter end to wipe that measure off the books.

Besides T-H repeal, a proposal to exempt maritime hiring halls from Taft-Hartley's closed shop provisions also is caught in the congressional labor squeeze. T-H bans the closed shop, in which only union members may be hired. Maritime hiring halls are union agencies for supplying ship labor.

U. N. Urged To Prevent Reds' Grab Of China

Soviet Directs Commie Army, Delegate Charges; Recognition Issue Up

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—(AP)—China called on the United Nations assembly today to act quickly to prevent Communism from engulfing China and the entire Far East. For the first time, China also charged that Russia was directing the Chinese Communists.

China's chief delegate, Dr. T. T. Tsiang, told the 59 national delegations that the North Atlantic pact had halted the flow of Communism across Europe, but there was no such barrier in the east.

"The Chinese Communist party," he said, "is an integral part of the International Communist movement. It is as fanatical as Communists elsewhere. Its propaganda is always in tune with Moscow propaganda. Its action is always in step with Moscow's action."

Tsiang spoke less than 24 hours after the Chinese Communists proclaimed at Peiping the establishment of a Communist peoples republic of China.

Tsiang devoted almost his entire speech to an attack on Communism. Then he made his appeal for help.

"I ask the general assembly," he said, "to ponder over the present situation in the Far East and the grave dangers to world peace and security."

"I appeal to the general assembly to be brave enough to embrace the vision of one indivisible world and not to retreat."

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West Roseburg Petition For Annexation Is In

Names of 179 West Roseburg residents are included in a petition for annexation of that area by the city, according to City Recorder William Bollman.

The petition, received by the city recorder this morning, includes signers in the area extending west to Coates' addition and 100 feet south of the old Coos Bay wagon road.

Bollman said he was told additional names would be added to the petition, bringing the total to nearly 200. According to law, 15 percent or 75 of the registered voters living in the area to be included must sign the petition before it is considered by the city council.

Petition signatures have not yet been checked, Bollman said.



TO HANG—Margaret Williams (above), 21-year-old member of Britain's Women's Royal Army Corps, was sentenced to death by hanging in London for the murder of her army sergeant, Montague Williams, in Austria last July.—(AP Wirephoto.)

Grange's Leader Draws New Rap

THE DALLES, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Wasco county Pomona Grange has joined the Klamath county unit in criticizing State Grange Master Morton Tompkins' call for the defeat of 22 Oregon legislators.

Other granges have taken similar action since the Klamath group started it.

The vote to renege Tompkins' pledge by a narrow margin. Rep. John I. Sell, who was listed for purge action by the State Grange leader, defended his vote to change the initiative and referendum law, which was the basis for the purge. State Grange Deputy Vernon Lantz spoke in favor of Tompkins' action.

In its resolution, the Wasco group said "if the grange intends to be non-partisan and non-political, it is evidently breaching the principle" in following Tompkins' recommendation.

Wheel Chair Takes Oregon Senator To Arms Aid Vote

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Senator Morse (R-Ore.) arranged to be taken to the Senate in a wheel chair today for the vote on the foreign arms program.

Morse was injured several days ago in a fall from a buggy at a horse show in Salem, Ore. He now is a patient in the Bethesda (Md.) Naval hospital.

Aides said he is backing Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, Republican foreign policy leader, in demanding passage of the bill without change.

Shippers To Discuss Rail Car Shortage

Proposed Remedy Will Be Explained At City Hall Meeting Friday

A meeting of all shippers and other persons interested has been called for Friday at 8 p. m. in the Roseburg city hall. Purpose of the meeting, according to Avery Thompson, Chamber of Commerce traffic committee chairman, is to discuss the current critical rail car shortage.

"We are presently suffering from another of the car shortages on the Southern Pacific lines, which shippers have learned to expect each year at this season," Thompson stated in notices sent out.

"Many report they are receiving less than half the number of box cars needed to move their production, and in some instances operations have had to be curtailed or even suspended," he said.

An explanation will be made of a proposal to alleviate the shortage of cars by united effort of shippers throughout western Oregon. This plan, according to

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Nash Motors Announces Auto Price Reductions

DETROIT, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Nash Motors today announced price reductions ranging from \$73 to \$140.

The reductions apply to the company's new 1950 model cars which go on display in dealer showrooms tomorrow.

In its 1950 line Nash has renamed its "600" model the "Statesman." This model is in the low medium price field. Its Ambassador model sells in the medium price bracket.

First Half Of Basic Fund Given School Districts

SALEM, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Oregon's school districts got \$8,512,571 from the state today. It is the first half of the basic school fund for the 1949-50 school year.

The other half of the money will be distributed next March.

Deer Hunting Season To Open As Scheduled

SALEM, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Oregon's deer hunting season—October 1 to 20—will go ahead as scheduled, Governor McKay said today.

The governor said the forests are pretty dry, but there is no critical fire danger.



LOUIS VELEZ, proprietor of Airport Inn in North Roseburg (or South Winchester, whichever way you look at it), is pictured as he prepares for the afternoon coffee trade from nearby mills and business houses which now grow so thickly alongside highway 99 in that area.

Louis has owned the inn for about three years, coming here from Klamath Falls. He was born in Arizona.

EXILE ENDS, COURT WAITS

Blackmer, Teapot Dome Figure, Faces Six Counts Of Evading Income Taxes

BOSTON, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Henry M. Blackmer today was reported at the New England Baptist hospital.

The 80-year-old oil tycoon was taken immediately to the hospital after he flew here yesterday—ending 25 years of exile in Europe.

Attaches at the hospital refused to give a report on his condition—but indicated it was not serious.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

DEVALUATION of foreign currencies (led off by Britain's cut in the dollar value of the pound) is still the biggest news in the world. It dwarfs an accomplished coal strike and an impending steel strike.

To many of us, unskilled in the intricacies of foreign exchange, it seems all wrong that in artificial thing like juggling currency values should so completely upset business relations all over the globe.

LET'S put it this way:

Suppose at a meeting of your neighborhood poker club somebody should suddenly announce that from then on he WOULD PAY LESS FOR CHIPS than the other players. That would create a lot of excitement in the poker club, wouldn't it?

It works the same way when (Continued on Page Four)

Damage Suit Follows Box Factory Accident

Damages of \$15,000 is asked by Guy L. Callahan in a suit filed in circuit court against Martin Brothers Box Co.

Callahan alleges he sustained hand and wrist injuries in an accident June 23, and that the injuries are of a permanent nature.

He states he was "feeding a sticker" at the company's plant when the injury occurred. He charges the company with negligence in not providing safety measures to have prevented the accident.

Douglas' Share Of National Forest Receipts This Year Second Largest In Northwest

Douglas county's share of national forest receipts this year is \$255,806, the largest amount any county in Oregon or Washington is receiving outside of Lane county, said M. M. Nelson, supervisor of the Umpqua National forest.

The amount is based on 25 percent of the receipts from timber sales and other sources of revenue on national forest lands within the county. The largest share comes from the Umpqua forest, but the Willamette, Siskiyou, and Rogue River forests are also represented.

Nelson said that state law provides that 75 percent of the county's share of the money—or \$191,855—shall go into the county road fund, and 25 percent—or \$63,951—shall be used for schools.

Nelson predicted that next year's distribution to this county

All Tiller School Bids Rejected; New Ones Asked

All bids received by school district No. 114 at Tiller for alterations and new additions to the school have been rejected and new figures are invited.

The new opening date is Oct. 7, the Portland Daily Journal of Commerce reported.

Revisions will be made in plans for the new invitations, according to the office of architects Freeman, Hayslip and Tuttle, Portland.

Original plans by the architects called for three classrooms, play gym, and boiler room addition, a small addition to an existing lunch room, and new boiler room equipment.

Construction was to be frame, concrete slab and plywood fiberboard.

STREET DANCE A FEATURE OF FALL OPENING—For those who still had the energy after taking in the window displays in Roseburg shops last night, Lou Franco was on hand to provide dance music. The above action took place on the corner of Jackson and Oak streets, under the new Roseburg lights. The picture, taken from the Umpqua hotel fire escape, shows part of the overflowing crowd that was on hand to enjoy the artistic and original window displays that Roseburg merchants presented in their annual fall show.—(Staff photo.)