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**Mill Race Pollution Bans Pledge Dunking**

EUGENE, Oct. 4.—(P)—University of Oregon fraternities have been warned not to dunk pledges into the mill race because of pollution of the water.

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**President Truman, Under Taft-Hartley Act, Can Stop Steel Strike 80 Days Longer**

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(P)—You may be wondering: why is there a steel strike? I thought the Taft-Hartley act was supposed to stop big strikes?

First, T-H can't stop any strike but can only delay one. Second, President Truman hasn't used T-H in the steel case but still can if he wishes to.

The strike, which started Oct. 1, already was delayed 78 days by presidential action. If Mr. Truman wants to use T-H now, he can stop it for another 80 days.

This is an explanation of what has been done and can be done. The CIO Steelworkers were supposed to strike at midnight, July 15. On that day Mr. Truman appointed a three-man fact-finding board to look into the case, hear both sides, and recommend a solution.

So until the board could finish its work the steelworkers and the steel owners agreed there'd be no shutdown or strike. The board reported back to the president Sept. 10.

A couple of times between Sept. 10 and Oct. 1 a strike upon the president's request. When it finally started Oct. 1, 78 days had elapsed since Mr. Truman appointed his fact-finding board July 15.

This 78-day delay was voluntary on both sides, the union and the steel companies. There was no law compelling them to agree to the president's request for delay.

If he had used T-H, Mr. Truman could have delayed the strike by law. This is how T-H would have worked in this case:

First, Mr. Truman would have had to decide a steel strike was a national emergency, endangering the nation's health and safety.

Then he'd appoint a board of fact-finders to study the dispute. Then it reports to the president on the facts.

(There's a difference between the T-H type of fact-finding board and the one used in the present

steel case. T-H boards can't make recommendations. The one in this case, not covered by law, could and did.)

After receiving the T-H board's report, the president can tell the attorney general to get a U. S. court injunction (order) forbidding a strike for 80 days.

The first 60 of the 80 days are intended to give more time for the union and a company to reach a settlement. Meanwhile, the president calls back his T-H board and asks for a report on the latest developments.

This report must be made within the first 60 of those 80 days covered by the no-strike order. The president makes the report public. If, at the end of the 60 days, there's still no settlement, the national labor relations board steps into the picture.

It has 15 days—after the elapse of the first 60—to hold a vote

among the union members to see whether they—even though their leaders reject the idea—want to accept a company's latest offer.

That uses up 75 of the 80 days. In the next five days the NLRB must tell the attorney general the result of the vote. Then, with the

80 days used up, he must go into court and have the no-strike order dismissed.

At this point, after 80 days' delay, a union is free to strike. At this point the president sends a full report to Congress. Then it's up to Congress to take any special action it wishes, by passing

some special act, to delay a strike further. This hasn't happened yet.

So, although the steel strike was delayed 78 days without benefit of T-H, Mr. Truman can still use T-H to stop it for another 80 days by going through the various steps outlined here.

**Unions Trying To Lure Farm Hands, Senator Charges**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—(P)—Senator Robertson (D-Va.) Monday said organized labor has tried to influence farm legislation in order to draw farm workers into unions. Administration leaders promptly denied it.

This issue was injected into debate as the senate took up a compromise farm bill drafted by Senator Anderson (D-NM), former secretary of agriculture.

The bill would include the cost of labor as part of the formula for figuring parity payments. Anderson said labor costs would increase subsidy payments to farmers by about six per cent.

(Parity is the price designed to give farmers a fair return on their crops in terms of what they must buy.)

Robertson told the Senate the inclusion of labor costs in the parity formula "is part of a program to organize farm workers in unions."

He said he has been told the American Federation of Labor had endorsed this part of the Anderson farm bill.

Anderson said if the AFL had taken such action "it has been kept secret from me."

And Senator Pepper (D-Fla.) said there is "no unseen hand of labor in the bill."

Democratic leader Lucas (Ill.) said the working man would get very little benefit from labor costs being included. "I want to make it clear," he said, "that there is nothing in the bill that goes to the agricultural worker himself."

The Anderson bill would set up a flexible system of government-backed price supports, ranging from 75 to 90 per cent of parity for most basic crops. The price supports would come down as crop supplies went up.

**Bandits Caught After Cape Cod Home Looting**

OSTERVILLE, Mass., Oct. 4.—(P)—Two pistol-brandishing robbers, listed as from San Francisco and Milwaukee, Monday roused a sleeping couple, looted their Cape Cod home of \$20,000 in valuables, and fled—only to be trapped at a bridge to the mainland, police reported.

Donald Parsons Jr., 30, a Woods Hole marine biological laboratory staff member, and his wife, Phyllis, 28, were awakened at 4 p. m., by the two men who took suitcases and loaded them with jewelry and antiques.

Without awakening the couple's three young children—asleep in another part of the house—the robbers bound and gagged the parents and locked them in a closet.

Breaking out of the locked cubicle, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons notified the Hyannis police. The police swiftly threw road blocks across the two Cape Cod canal highway bridges at Sagamore and Bourne, the robbers' only means of escape from the cape.

Bourne police, at the mainland end of the Bourne bridge, shortly afterward halted a big car—its back seat loaded with valuables identified as from the parsons home.

They arrested the two men in the car, who were booked as Henry Leo Schnitzer, 21, of San Francisco, and Gerald H. Noble, 25, of Milwaukee.

Taken to Hyannis police headquarters, they were charged with breaking and entering in the night time and larceny.

Almost three-fourths of pedestrians killed in traffic accidents are struck down between 5 p. m. and 8 p. m. during the seasons when these hours are dark.

**American Ship Eludes Blockade, Reaches Shanghai**

SHANGHAI, Oct. 4.—(P)—The American merchantman Flying Trader docked in Shanghai Monday after slipping through the blockade while nationalist gunboats escorted two of her sister ships to the Chusan Islands.

The ship was four days overdue from Hong Kong. She spent most of that time outside of Chinese territorial waters near the mouth of the Yangtze river where two Chinese warships immobilized the outgoing Flying Independent and Flying Clipper, her sister ships.

The Flying Independent's captain radioed earlier that the British armed frigate St. Bridge St. Bay, was standing by, within blinker-contact range and ready to give aid in case of extreme emergency. However, the U. S. and Britain do not recognize the blockade. The U. S. navy has refused to intervene.

The two ships were halted Thursday at the mouth of the Yangtze river. They were outbound from Shanghai. Aboard are 125 Korean refugees, 15 American, British, and other European passengers, and 10,000 tons of cargo. The Flying Independent's skipper reported his situation was critical due to stormy weather and food shortage.

(In Seoul, U. S. Economic Cooperation administration officials said the ships are carrying \$1,650,000 of aid goods for Korea. The cargo includes three Stinson planes to inaugurate Korea's first postwar commercial airline.)

**WOOL SALE FIZZLES**

CASPER, Wyo., Oct. 4.—(P)—A three-day wool sale scheduled to start here Monday was canceled because of the lack of interest in similar sales at Portland, Ore., and other western cities. O. T. Evans, manager of the woolgrowers warehouse, announced.



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**LOVE IN BLOOM (HIPPO STYLE)**—After 383 hours of flirting and nose-rubbing through separating barriers, "Knautschke" finally gets close enough to his lady-friend, "Grete," to engage in a little smooching (hippopotamus style). The two light-hearted hippos became acquainted at their mutual home in the Berlin Zoo after "Grete" was imported from Leipzig in Germany's Soviet Zone.

**Grand Jury Chosen To Probe Robeson Riots**

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Oct. 4.—(P)—A grand jury was selected and sworn in Monday to investigate the Paul Robeson concert riots.

State Supreme Court Justice James W. Bailey swore in 21 men to probe disturbances of the concert.

He asked that they determine without racial prejudice if there had been a "conspiracy to commit or promote disturbances of strife."

He also charged the jury to decide if groups that guarded the Negro baritone "were an illegal private militia."

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey ordered the special investigation after fighting and stone-throwing followed Robeson's Sept. 4 concert near Peekskill and forced cancellation of an earlier concert.

**SHORT WAVES ON BEAM**

NEW YORK.—(P)—Unusually short waves of 4,000 megacycles are used for radio relay of television signals largely because they apply themselves easily to beaming from point to point.

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