

Western States' Governors Meet To Discuss Problems

SALT LAKE CITY—(P)—Governors of 11 western states and Alaska are meeting here to discuss industrial, financial and educational problems—many of which developed during and after the war.

Regional education, including plans for cooperation among western states in the matters of higher education, was debated in the opening session under leadership of Gov. Lee Knous of Colorado.

Gov. Arthur Langlie of Washington led a discussion on defense plans and their effects upon Western industry. Fear of encroachment by the



RETRIEVER—Obviously this ambitious little explorer isn't going to get very far while the Boston terrier has his mind made up to keep him out of mischief. Howard Nickerson, of East Norwalk, Conn., won third prize with this picture in a contest sponsored by the Gaines Dog Research Center, in New York City.

Halt Demanded In Payments Out Of Miners' Fund

CONCORD, N. H.—(P)—U. S. Sen. Styles Bridges (R-NH) says he and John L. Lewis are in "conflict" and that payments from the multi-million dollar miners welfare fund must cease immediately.

Bridges, neutral trustee of the fund, said he has demanded that payments cease because he claims further expenditures are illegal.

He said he has written his demand to Lewis, trustee for the union, and asked for a meeting of the three fund trustees.

"I am deeply concerned at the rate of expenditures from the fund for the so-called hospital and medical cases which we are still paying," Bridges wrote. "I am alarmed at the possible obligations and liabilities incurred but not yet paid."

Since expiration of the UMW contract last June, payments have been limited to emergency hospital and medical cases. The fund has fallen from \$30,000,000 in June to about \$12,000,000 last month, Bridges' office confirmed.

Bridges contends the fund is legally exhausted since money obtained without a work contract cannot be used. Most of the

federal government in state affairs was expressed by Langlie in a pre-conference interview last night.

"We are not backward people out here," Langlie declared, "always waiting for a handout. We don't expect someone to step into our affairs where we can establish them on a local basis."

Moving of airplane production to inland states has resulted in considerable unemployment in his state, he added.

Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon said he is vitally interested in developing industry to take care of the increased population of his state.

While Oregon has more people employed right now than it did at the height of shipyard activity, McKay said seasonal unemployment still is a problem.

Interstate cooperative training for medical and other professions was proposed by Gov. Knous who suggested that only in that way could sparsely-settled western states meet the training needs of their young people.

Knous said that representatives of Wyoming, New Mexico and Colorado have studied the problem and have arranged for committees from each state to seek a solution.

"The need for new and expanded facilities for training in medicine, dentistry and veterinary medicine seems particularly acute in this region," Knous said.

Gold Flow Into United States Goes In Reverse

WASHINGTON, —(P)—The current world financial situation has caused a reversal in the 15-year flow of gold into this country and has brought a U. S. crackdown on dollar aid by the international monetary fund.

Both developments, disclosed over the weekend, apparently stem directly from the western world's financial dependence on this country. Officials said the U. S. raised a go-easy signal on the outlay

of the fund's dollars through fear that the end of Marshall plan aid in 1952 would find the 49-member organization without dollar resources.

While this was considered the more important of the two developments, the increase in U. S. gold sales, compared with purchases, was perhaps more startling. Officials said foreign countries have bought up enough gold from U. S. stocks to cause a \$108,000,000 dip in the past seven weeks.

The major reason, they said, appeared to be the persistent, repeatedly-denied rumor that the United States is planning to devalue the dollar—which would raise the dollar value of gold.

Officials said the failure of some countries to heed secretary of the treasury Snyder's devaluation denials is costing them money.

The United States charges a 9-cent-per-pound handling charge on gold transactions, and there are insurance and shipping costs as well.

Ship Grounds In Harbor During Fog; All Saved

VANCOUVER, B. C., Nov. 8.—(CP)—Fifty-one passengers and the 35-man crew of the 1,134-ton S.S. Chelohsin Sunday night walked safely to shore over 500 yards of barnacled ocean bed when the coastal steamer grounded in blinding fog on the beach at the entrance to Vancouver harbor.

Union steamships, Ltd., owners of the Chelohsin, were too busy evacuating the passengers and preparing salvage operations to comment on the grounding. Some reports said the ship was holed, taking water and may break up, but these could not be confirmed.

\$1,000,000 fund last month was collected on coal mined after Lewis' walkout, Bridges contends.

Exra Van Horn, the operators' representative, previously urged freeing all royalties collected since June 30.

In Chicago Lewis told reporters he doesn't wish to discuss anything until after he meets with the United Mine Workers 200-man policy committee.

Two "Drunks" Jailed, Two Vagrants "Floated"

Two drunks were committed to the city jail in lieu of fine payments and two vagrants were floated out of town after appearing in the municipal court of Judge Ira Riddle Monday morning, Police Chief Calvin H. Baird reported.

Leo Hamm, 46, Roseburg and John Woodrow Brady, 40, Grants Pass, arrested by city police Saturday, both pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk on a public street. Hamm was committed to the city jail for 10 days in lieu of paying a \$20 fine, while Brady was committed for 15 days in lieu of a \$30 fine payment.

Joy Archie Morris, 18, Grants Pass and Phillip Joseph Bourque, 23, Echo, arrested by city police Saturday, pleaded guilty to vagrancy charges, were fined \$20 each and floated out of town, Chief Baird said.

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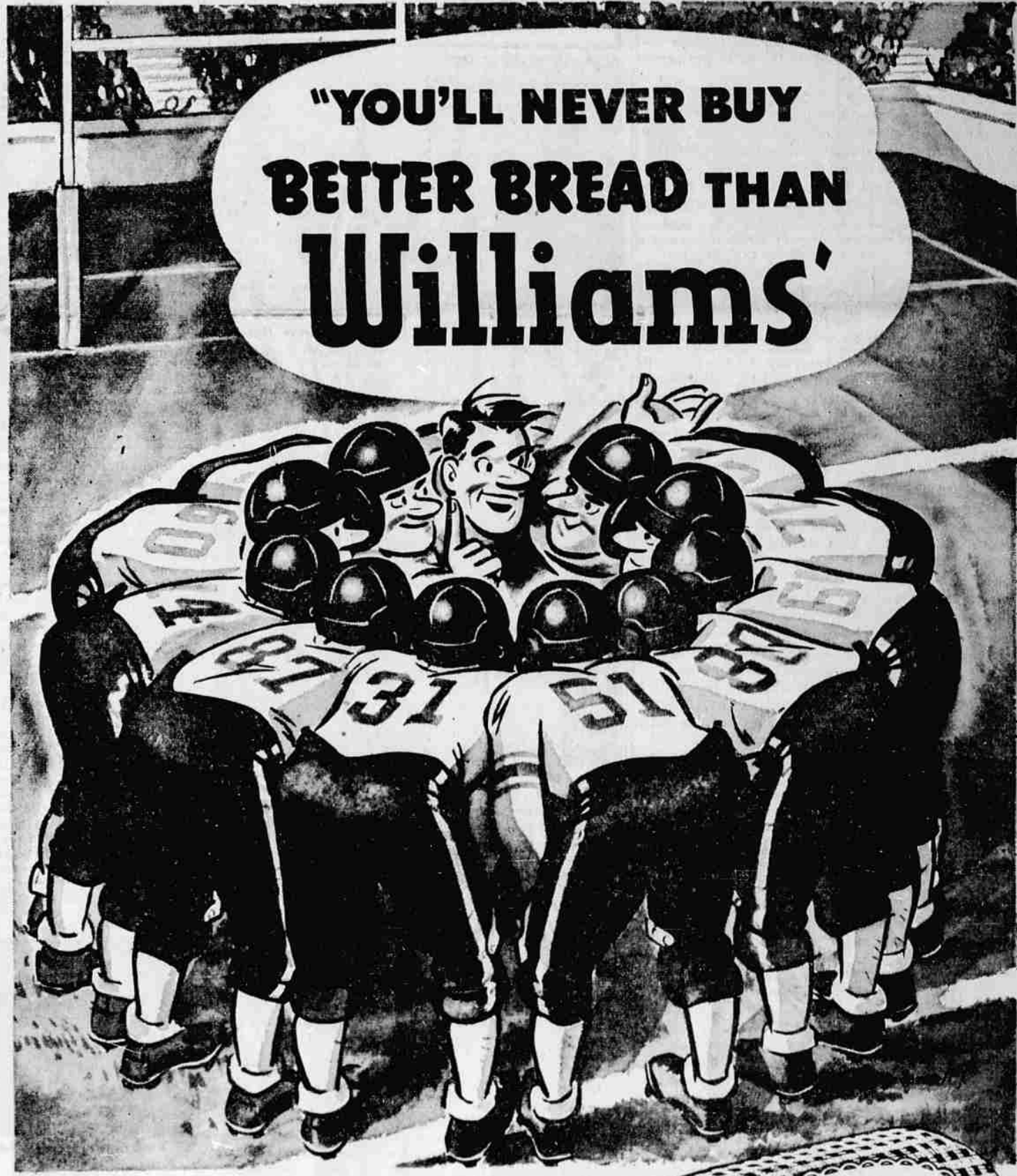
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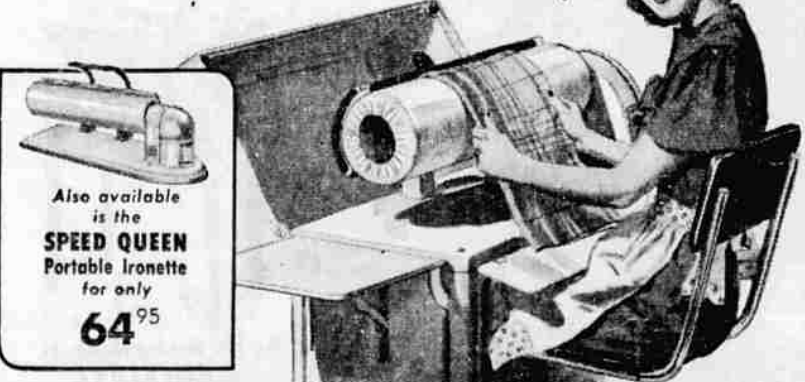
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