

SOFT COAL MINES' TIE-UP SLATED TONIGHT

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins

The Weather
Partly cloudy today, except morning fog. Cloudy with rain Thursday.

Sunset today 4:39 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:25 a. m.

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The News-Review

Lewis Again Defers Talk Of Union's Heads

Mine Owners Reported Standing Firm Against Contract Concessions

NEW YORK, Nov. 30.—(AP)—John L. Lewis again today postponed a meeting of his United Mine Workers policy committee until tomorrow morning, too late to avert a new nation-wide soft coal strike due tonight.

But new hard coal wage talks were scheduled in the meantime, Ralph E. Taggart, chairman of the anthracite operators' wage agreement committee, announced that he and Lewis have agreed to re-open the talks here Dec. 6. They last met in Philadelphia on July 7.

In the soft coal dispute, the 200-man UMW policy committee was scheduled to meet here at 1 p. m. today. Lewis, whose moves in the past few days have been shrouded in secrecy, was in New York for the eleventh-hour session.

Mine Owners Stand Firm
Mine owners were reported standing solidly against any contract concessions. And there was no indication of government intervention.

Reports from Key West, where President Truman is vacationing, said presidential advisers apparently were clinging to the hope

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New Electrical Union To Ask Pay Boost, Pensions

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.—(AP)—The economic aims of the CIO's new Electrical Workers union are on the record today—a fourth round wage boost ranging from nine to 25 cents an hour, pensions and social insurance.

Delegates to the founding convention of the International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers (IUE) voted for that program yesterday after being told not to worry about court injunctions and to proceed with expansion of the union.

James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO and acting head of the IUE, advised the delegates to go ahead with their plans for building up the union. He said any court actions brought by the rival United Electrical Workers (UE).

The UE has gone to the courts in a number of instances in an effort to tie up the funds of various locals and otherwise prevent them from shifting to the new organization.

The IUE was organized early this month after the CIO had ousted the UE on grounds it was Communist dominated.

The wage resolution adopted yesterday declared "We want adjustments to bring the wage status of workers in our industry up to that of steel, auto, aircraft."

The resolution listed the average hourly wage in the electrical industry as \$1.448 compared with \$1.703 in autos, \$1.859 in steel and \$1.54 in aircraft production.

The pension to be sought would include social security, to work pay \$100 a month minimum, in years 65 years of age with 25 years experience. Except for the social security contributions by workers, the cost would be born by management.

This pension plan closely resembles that agreed upon by the Bethlehem Steel corporation and the United Steel Workers in their strike-ending pact.

City Drive-In Market Tapped By Burglar
The City Drive-In market was entered Sunday night and an estimated \$100 in cash and \$40 in pennies was taken from the safe, according to a report to state police.

Manager Henry Crowdis reported that 80 rolls of pennies were missing from the safe, but the exact amount of the other cash taken had not been definitely determined.

Entry was made through a rear window and a door, according to Crowdis.

Murder Charge Facing Boy Who Killed Cousin
EDINA, Mo., Nov. 30.—(AP)—A second degree murder charge was filed yesterday against a 17-year-old boy, accused of suffocating his cousin. The death occurred after a drinking party involving teen-agers.

A coroner's jury held James Karnoff, 17, responsible for the death of William S. Karnoff, also 17.

Charges against two men also have been filed in the case. Prosecutor Charles E. Murrell Jr. said they are accused of selling and buying liquor for a minor.

Levy Fact Ram
By L. F. Robertson

It now develops that the Chinese warship which fired this week on an American merchant ship was one of those given to the Nationalist government by the United States. Just a velly, velly nice stab in the back for velly, velly nice Uncle Sam.

Kiel's Confession Of Slaying Read To Jury

Wire Record Repeats Story Told Officers

Brother Of Accused Man Testifies Admission Of Slaying Made To Him

By means of a wire recording, the jury this morning heard Joseph Louis Kiel tell in his own words how he allegedly killed Stanley James Tucker by strangling him with a belt.

Something new in trial work in Oregon, the recording was admitted in evidence over the objection of Defense Attorney James McGinty of Myrtle Creek.

Circuit Judge William G. East ruled that the statement was voluntarily given, after he had listened to the recording yesterday afternoon after the jury had been dismissed.

Voices heard on the wire included those of District Attorney Robert G. Davis, who reconstructed the alleged crime through his questions; State Police Lt. Lyle H. Harrell, Assistant District Attorney Dudley C. Walton, and the defendant.

"Now tell us just exactly first how you killed him?" the jurors heard Davis ask.

"Well, I took my belt off and choked him with it," the voice of Kiel came over the machine.

During the playing of the recording, the defendant sat at the table before the judge, his head bowed.

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Tax Statements Likely To Be Sent Out Next Week

Tax statements will probably not be ready for mailing to Douglas county residents until early next week, it was announced today from the tax collection department of the sheriff's office.

Delays, necessitated largely by the large increase in assessments and the effort to get as many new assessments on the rolls as possible, have held up the preparation of statements. Between 18,000 and 20,000 statements have been prepared.

Taxpayers will be granted an extension of time, probably until Dec. 15, to make their payments, it was announced.

Many inquiries have come into the tax office asking when the statements would be mailed out. The tax office was unable to give the definite date, but thought they would be ready early next week.

Husband Sought In Slaying Of Wife

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. 30.—(AP)—State and city police today sought the man who shot and killed "teen-aged" Mrs. LeMore Angle last night.

The young wife, at 17 a bride of 11 months, was shot on a street near her apartment home. Police detective Frank Breen said her husband, Langdon Angle Jr., 22, an optical company worker, was missing.

A Navy veteran and described as a sufferer from migraine, Angle was absent from the couple's recently rented apartment when he got there.

His 1941 car, which lacks both fenders, also was missing, Breen said.

Pretty Mrs. Angle, shot in her head and heart, was found crumpled on a street on the northeast side about 10:30 p. m. Neighbors said they heard a man and woman quarreling and then two shots.

The Angles, married last January, recently became reconciled after separating for two months.

Doctor Massages Woman's Heart After It Stops

ROCKFORD, Ill., Nov. 30.—(AP)—A physician preparing surgical treatment of a chest ailment to a woman patient yesterday massaged her heart for five minutes after it stopped.

St. Anthony hospital officials said that after five minutes of hand massage by the doctor the patient's heart was restored to almost normal beating. The physician did not remove the patient's heart.

The patient was Mrs. Stella Parker, 55, a Negro, whose condition was reported by hospital attendants as serious. The physician declined the use of his name.

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Milk Control Board Order Stirs Protest

Umpqua Valley Assn. Of Producers Asks O. K. On Own Slate Of Prices

A resolution protesting the order of the Oregon Milk Control board of the State of Oregon affecting the price of milk to be paid by the various distributors of the Roseburg milk shed to its producers has been adopted by the Umpqua Valley Milk Producers association.

The state board had ordered the minimum price to be paid to the producers cut from \$1.18 per pound of butterfat to \$1.00 per pound, and the price of milk per CWT increased from \$1.40 per CWT to \$1.90, effective as of Nov. 1.

The producers recommend the following prices to be substituted for those of the state board: Quota price to be paid per pound for butterfat, \$1.00, and quota price to be paid per CWT milk \$2.00. The prices would be paid on a plant average test of 6 per cent.

The members of the producers association authorized the board of directors by unanimous vote of those present at a recent meeting to meet with the various distributors in Douglas county and to file a copy of the resolution with each, with the aim to obtain the necessary understanding and agreements from the distributors.

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Chungking Taken By Chinese Reds

HONG KONG, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Communist forces moved in on Chungking today and reliable reports from Taipei, Formosa, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters, said the city fell at noon.

Chiang arrived in Chengtu, new national capital, shortly before noon. He had been leading the defense of Chungking and trying to get acting President Li Tsun-shan to return to China from this British colony.

Nationalist navy headquarters said planes and warships had been pounding Red troops and shipping concentrations south of Shanghai for three days. The air sea attack is an effort to forestall an expected invasion of the Chusan Islands, off Hangchow.

These developments came as growing dissatisfaction with the Reds was reported in north China where the Communists have ruled for a year.

Violinist Opens Concert Season Here Tonight

Opening of the Community Concert season is scheduled for tonight at 8:15 p. m. in the Junior high school auditorium.

Ricardo Odonosoff, violinist, will make his appearance as the first concert artist in a series of four programs scheduled for the current season.

Odonosoff, a native of Buenos Aires, Argentina, has toured South America and Europe, and made his debut in New York in 1944.

MERCY OF COURT ASKED

Cong. Thomas Withdraws Plea Of Not Guilty To Payroll Padding Charges

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Rep. J. Parnell Thomas (D-N.J.) today withdrew his plea of not guilty to charges of payroll padding, and threw himself on the mercy of the court.

The 54-year-old legislator changed his plea to one of nolo contendere. That means he does not contest the government's charges.

With this startling development, Judge Alexander M. Holtzoff dismissed a charge against Miss Helen Campbell, former secretary to Thomas. She was accused of conspiring with Thomas to defraud the government through padding of the lawmaker's office pay roll.

Holtzoff set December 9 for sentencing of Thomas. Thomas faces a possible maximum sentence of 32 years in jail and \$40,000 in fines.

Pending the sentencing, Thomas was allowed his continued freedom under his present bond of \$1,000.

Holtzoff said that since Miss Campbell had pleaded guilty, the government would not ask for a sentence against her.

Morrison, AMA president, advocated a "little Hoover commission" to assign fields of taxation and responsibility among the various levels of government.

(Ex-President Herbert Hoover headed a commission that made economy recommendations on a federal level.)

Morrison said there is "overlapping, duplication" and "competition for revenues" among city, county, state and federal governments.

He asserted the association is "seeking a better life for some 85 million Americans living in urban areas."

The association comprises 10,150 municipalities in 42 states. Many of their Mayors are here for the session.

In Montgomery county, Ohio, the Federal government takes 81 cents of each tax dollar while the state got 11 cents, the county six cents and the city of Dayton only two cents, he explained.

Mayor William F. Devin, of Seattle, another convention speaker, declared that because of rural domination of many state legislatures, a "united program for all cities is absolutely imperative."

Carl Permin To Direct County Red Cross Drive

Carl Permin, local insurance agent, has accepted his appointment as fund-raising chairman for the forthcoming Douglas county Red Cross drive, announced Executive Secretary Douglas R. Sims.

Sims said organizational work is already underway, with the drive slated to begin about March 1.



LYLE BODENNER is service manager at Smith Motors, 233 North Stephens street, Roseburg Oldsmobile dealer. He has had this position for two years since coming to Roseburg. His former home was in Long Beach, California. He and his family live three miles north of Roseburg in that rapidly growing residential area this side of Club 99. Mrs. Bodenner teaches the First grade in the Dillard schools.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The National Grange, closing a 12-day session at Sacramento, turns thumbs down on the Brannan plan to handle farm surpluses by directly subsidizing them. The resolution embodying the Grange's disapproval says: "The Brannan plan is an internal cancer that would ultimately destroy our free enterprise system."

The resolution goes on: "The proposal has totally undesirable political implications. Clearly, under such a system, that party which would PROMISE to farmers the largest bonus out of the treasury would garner many votes not obtainable on the basis of an honest, sound platform. "It would then become a race to see which party would PROMISE THE MOST."

LET'S examine this Brannan plan to see what it is like. It provides full party supports, through purchases and loans, as now, for corn, cotton, wheat, rice, peanuts and tobacco. That is to

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Observation Ordered For Fraternity Killer

COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 30.—(AP)—James D. Heer of Euclid, indicted yesterday in the slaying of a fraternity brother at Ohio State university, will undergo psychiatric observation and examination.

Franklin county Prosecutor Ralph J. Bartlett said the 20-year old student will be sent to Lima State hospital for the criminally insane. The observation period for persons charged with capital crimes usually is 30 to 60 days.

The Grand jury returned a first degree murder indictment against Heer in the death Nov. 12 of Jack T. McKown, of Norwood, managing editor of the Ohio State Lantern, daily campus newspaper.

AMERICANS "INDIGNANT"

Acheson Sends New Note To Chinese Reds To Obtain Release Of Two Servicemen

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said today Americans are "thoroughly indignant" at the Chinese communists for their "inhumane" detention of two American servicemen for more than a year.

Acheson announced that the state department has sent a new "letter" to the Chinese authorities at Peiping in an effort to obtain release of the two.

They are Naval Chief Electrician William C. Smith, Long Beach, Calif., and Master Sgt. Elmer C. Bender, of the Marines, Cincinnati, O.

The secretary said that they have been held incommunicado by the Communists since they disappeared Oct. 19 last year while on a training flight from Tsingtao, China. The United States had a temporary naval base there then.

Acheson said also that a new report has just been received from Consul General Angus Ward at Mukden, who, with his staff of 12 other Americans, is try-

Wife Must Pay To Support Husband

CHICAGO, Nov. 30.—(AP)—A wife seeking a divorce was ordered by Superior Judge Rusolph Desort yesterday to pay \$5 weekly for temporary support of her husband.

She is Mrs. LaVerne Wahler, 31, a bank teller. Her husband, George P. Wahler, 40, an unemployed salesman, is a partially disabled army veteran.

Mrs. Wahler, in her suit, seeks temporary support, the family car, their apartment and attorney fees.

Wahler's attorneys countered with the demand that she pay him temporary alimony. They told the court Mrs. Wahler earns \$225 to \$250 a month and Wahler's only income is \$27 monthly he receives from the federal government. They said: "The statute provides that either spouse may be paid support and alimony, and this woman is certainly better able to pay than her husband."

Mrs. Wahler's attorney said he would appeal the ruling to the appellate court for a test of the Illinois law which permits men as well as women to collect alimony.

Senator Morse Predicts GOP May Match CVA Plan

PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore) told an Oregon Press club forum yesterday that Republicans may have a legislative proposal to match the Truman-sponsored Columbia Valley administration bill.

The Republican senator said his party must take a positive approach to the questions involved in the development of Columbia river resources. He added that the Republicans should work for authorization and completion of already proposed projects for the river. Then, he said, the Hoover recommendations for resource development should be examined along with the possibility of inter-state agreements.

"The northwest will pay about 85 percent of the cost of these river developments," he said. "We should insist on retaining some voice in their administration."

Searchers Trek To Plane Wreck On Mt. St. Helens

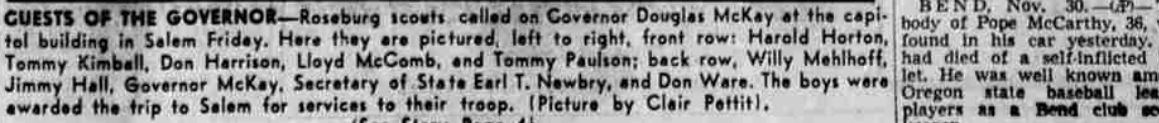
PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—An air force ground search crew worked up snow-clad Mount St. Helens north of here today toward wreckage of a C-54 transport.

The southwest Washington mountain area, a graveyard for military aircraft in past winters has been the scene of five such missions in recent years.

Capt. H.E. Lanning, commanding an air force search unit based here, said he believed the wreckage spotted yesterday was the four-engine transport plane that vanished Nov. 22 with six men aboard. He said spotters reported no sign of life at the scene.

Apportionment Testing Plan Is Abandoned
PORTLAND, Nov. 30.—(AP)—State Sen. Richard L. Neuberger dropped his plan today to contest the constitutionality of Oregon's legislative apportionment before the State Supreme court.

The Portland Democrat said he would leave the matter to public vote, since the AFL and CIO have filed an initiative measure. He had contended that failure to reapportion the legislature violated the state constitution. The lower court decided against him two years ago, but he had intended to appeal.



GUESTS OF THE GOVERNOR—Roseburg scouts called on Governor Douglas McKay at the capitol building in Salem Friday. Here they are pictured, left to right, front row: Harold Horton, Tommy Kimball, Don Harrison, Lloyd McComb, and Tommy Paulson; back row: Willy Mehloff, Jimmy Hall, Governor McKay, Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry, and Don Ware. The boys were awarded the trip to Salem for services to their troop. (Picture by Clair Pettit).

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