

Injunction Against Picketing Of Dairy Refused

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



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Airlines Anxious To Serve Roseburg When Port Readied, Manager Advises At Forum

West Coast Airlines is "ready, willing and anxious" to serve the Roseburg area as soon as adequate airport facilities are provided, the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce noon forum luncheon audience was told today.

Robert England, general traffic and sales manager for WCA, was principal speaker for the luncheon and was accompanied by David Nelson, Richard Puckey and Jake Fryberger, Civil Aeronautics authority officials, all of whom spoke briefly.

Soviet Phony In Reparations 'Cut'

BERLIN, May 16 — (AP) — Russia announced a sharp cut in east Germany's war reparations bill today. The news touched off a big Communist propaganda campaign extolling Soviet "generosity and helpfulness."

Anti-Communist Germans and Allied officials promptly labeled Prime Minister Stalin's reparations cut an empty gesture and "phony book-keeping" aimed at countering the recent announcement that occupation control would be relaxed in western Germany.

Moscow radio disclosed Stalin informed east German Premier Grotewohl that Russia was cutting the balance of the Soviet occupation zone's reparations bill in half, leaving \$3,171,000,000 to be paid in the next 15 years. Moscow's original demand made at Potsdam in 1945 was for \$10,000,000,000 in war reparations.

The official American newspaper, the New York Times, called it "propaganda sought at a cheap price." "Let the Russians give the Germans what they have taken and it will be shown that the Soviet zone has already paid the original Russian demands in full," the newspaper added.

A state department spokesman in Washington called the Soviet action empty gesture and added that Russia has been "looting east Germany for several years, so there's nothing much left to reparate."

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FROM London: "A bird that looked like an owl power-dived out of the blue today and snatched the spectacles right off the nose of C. J. Orme in suburban Earling."

"A moment later a bird zoomed down on William Kysow AND AWAY WENT ANOTHER PAIR OF SPECTACLES."

"Last Monday Eric Dowton was subjected to a similar attack, but the bird's aim was poor and Dowton came out of the affray with only scratches on the back of his neck."

"It's a cockeyed world we're living in, mates. Even the birds are getting screwballed."

HERE'S finally some worth-while news from Washington:

"The government reported today it has developed techniques which make it possible to eliminate one of the major causes of pain in a newly-billed tooth."

"The bureau of standards, reporting the development, says its scientists

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The Weather
Increasing cloudiness with few widely scattered showers this evening. Partly cloudy Wednesday.
Sunset today 8:31 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:47 a.m.

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RAIL FIREMEN'S STRIKE ENDED

Settlement Satisfactory To Both Sides

Union Drops Demand For 2nd Fireman On Diesels, Gets Pay Readjustment

CHICAGO, May 16.—(AP)—The nation's worst railroad strike in four years was settled today and striking firemen on five major rail systems were ordered back to their jobs immediately.

The struck carriers—their passenger and freight service disrupted by the six-day-old walkout—planned to resume normal service "as rapidly as possible."

The striking Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers recalled picket lines and ordered the strikers to return to work.

Both sides expressed satisfaction over the settlement terms. The carriers said they won the fight over the principal issue—not to hire a second fireman on multiple unit diesel locomotives. They said the union withdrew its demand on the issue, which has been in dispute between the brotherhood and carriers for more than 10 years.

Union president David B. Robertson, in a statement, termed as "satisfactory" the settlement "of all issues involved."

The union said it did not withdraw "entirely" its request for assignment of a third man on big diesel locomotives. A spokesman said the brotherhood "modified" its demand to the extent that the question will be approached through arbitration of the existing contract agreement.

The strike started May 10 against parts of the Pennsylvania, New York Central, the Southern Railway and Santa Fe systems. It was extended to the southwestern district of the Union Pacific railroad last Saturday.

The union said the agreement eliminated wage differentials which it said had existed in pay of firemen on oil burning steam locomotives and straight electric locomotives. They have had lower rates than those on coal burning diesels, the union said.

The new agreement, it said, brings all rates at the same level. No figures were given.

The railroads had estimated that granting of the union's chief issue would cost them \$40,000,000 a year. The carriers rejected the proposal, terming the union's demand "unreasonable."

A statement issued by the chairman of the three negotiation committees for the carriers said:

"This experience should end any illusion that the railway labor act assures healthy labor-management relations or protects the public against paralyzing strikes."

Two fact-finding boards—one appointed by President Roosevelt and the other by President Truman—reviewed the manpower issues in this long-standing dispute and concluded that the union's claims were without merit. That should have been conclusive."

Russian Food Prices Soar Faster Than Rate In U. S.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 16.—(AP)—Two Harvard economists report Russian food prices have skyrocketed three times faster than those in the U. S. over the past 14 years.

The Soviet housewife's struggle is faced with food tags 2.25 to 2.50 times higher than they were in 1936, the two said in the May review of economics and statistics published by the Harvard economists' department.

In the U. S. by comparison, the bureau of labor statistics wholesale price index stands at approximately 174—based on the 1926 average of 100; that's only a 54 percent increase in 24 years.

Boy, 5, Kills Sister, 3, While Playing With Gun

JUNEAU, Alaska, May 16.—(AP)—A five-year-old boy shot and fatally wounded his baby sister yesterday while playing with a .32-caliber rifle.

The victim was Yvonne LaMoore, 3, she died in a hospital less than an hour after her brother Gene accidentally fired the loaded rifle.

The children's mother is Mrs. Betty LaMoore, whose husband was hanged April 14 for his part in the slaying of a Juneau grocer.

Spruce Budworm Battle To Begin Near Roseburg

SALEM, May 16.—(AP)—The battle against the spruce budworm, which has infested more than 1,000,000 acres of Oregon forests, will begin Thursday.

The State Forestry department said it would first spray 25,000 acres north of Roseburg with DDT. The state will spray about 500,000 acres in the next two or three weeks, and the federal forest service will spray the other 500,000 acres.

STATUE STOLEN

Siege Besets Costa Rica In Hunt For Thief

PANAMA, Panama, May 16.—(AP)—The daring theft of the million-dollar statue of Costa Rica's patron virgin has brought the little Central American country to a virtual state of siege, travelers arriving here from San Jose reported.

They said the jewel-encrusted gold image of Our Lady of Los Angeles was stolen Friday night from the basilica of Cartago, 20 miles southeast of San Jose. The thieves murdered the church watchman and escaped with the two-foot tall statue, as well as with money and jewels from the church alms box.

Amid a country-wide wave of indignation, rewards totaling 4,000,000 colones (more than \$600,000) have been offered by individuals and business houses for information leading to the recovery of the statue. It is valued at 6,000,000 colones, nearly \$1,000,000.

Costa Rica's frontiers have been closed and travel out of San Jose has been forbidden, except with a special pass. Police were reported making continuous raids on hotel rooms and private homes. Persons were stopped in the streets and searched on the spot frequently.

The government decreed three days of national mourning for the statue.

Because it is believed no Costa Rican would dare steal the nationally-venerated image, foreigners were objects of particular suspicion and were carefully searched when leaving the country.

Even priests were not exempted from the searches, the arrivals here said.

Chiang Kai-shek Vows To Die In Formosa's Defense

TAIPEI, Formosa, May 16.—(AP)—Chiang Kai-shek pledged today to die defending Formosa if he cannot beat back the Communist tide that has swallowed all of mainland China.

He spoke after Communists announced they had captured the Nationalist hands another blockade base, Tungshan, 60 miles south of Amoy. The Nationalists expect the Communists to launch their attack on Formosa this summer.

Chiang said he expected Nationalist leaders to join him in the death pact.

"I don't easily talk about death but I have it in mind if anything unfortunate happens in Formosa," said the generalissimo. He added: "And I shall keep my word."

Winnipeg Still Facing Flood 'Catastrophe' Threat

(By The Associated Press) The Red river's flood crest surged through the greater Winnipeg area today and the flood control chief warned "a catastrophe would still happen."

The army had completed plans for a mass evacuation if necessary. Already, some 80,000 persons had left the stricken city.

Six square miles of the prairie city of 350,000 are under water. Officials said the Red and its two tributaries would have to fall at least five feet before dikes in greater Winnipeg could be called out of danger.

The Red river also continued to menace communities in northern Minnesota and North Dakota, with flood waters covering thousands of acres of lands in the two states.

So. Stephens Lighting To Be Extended

Council Order Based On Budget Item; 2 Additions Petition For Sewers

Plans and specifications for extending street lighting on So. Stephens street to the city limits were adopted by the city council last night. An ordinance is to be drafted and a call for bids submitted, probably at the next council meeting.

The budget for the 1950-51 fiscal year provides \$7,800 for this project. Total of 20 lights, from Woodward to a block beyond Rice street, will be installed at an average cost of \$325 each. They will be of a type, 16,000 to 21,000 lumen lights, similar to those in the business district.

The budget was formally adopted by resolution, following a public hearing. No one appeared at the hearing to discuss the budget.

Also the public hearing on West Roseburg's sewers was held, but no protests were registered. There remain some rights-of-way to be obtained before a call for bids can be issued.

Petitions bearing 63 names were submitted asking for installation of sewers in Miller's addition and Sleepy Hollow. The petition asked that the work be done as soon as possible, and that if bids are higher than the engineer's estimates, the work be done "force account," meaning that the city hire the work done and not contract it. There are 31 property owners in the area, according to the county records. The petition was referred to the committee on police and health, to work with the finance and street committees and city manager to determine if the project is feasible and to report at the next meeting.

The Roseburg Lumber company was authorized to install, at its own expense, a highway warning blinker light over the highway on East Second Ave. So at the crosswalk between the company's plant and office.

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Argentina Awards Medal To Gen. Eisenhower

BUENOS AIRES, May 16.—(AP)—President Juan D. Peron has awarded one of Argentina's highest decorations to U. S. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The official bulletin said last night Eisenhower has been awarded the Order of Liberator San Martin in the grade of grand cross. The decree designated Gen. Arturo Bertolotti a special ambassador to confer the decoration in the United States. He is expected to leave this week by plane.

Eggs, Tomatoes Hurdled At 'Red Dean' Johnson

HAMILTON, Ont., May 16.—(AP)—A barrage of eggs and tomatoes greeted Britain's "Red Dean" of Canterbury, the Very Rev. Hewlett Johnson, last night as he continued a Canadian speaking tour.

Dean Johnson, banned from the United States for his leftist sympathies, was pelted as he finished a speech and started down the street toward another hall where the Rev. Dr. James Edlicott, chairman of the Canadian "Peace Congress," was speaking.

LOG TRUCKER KILLED

EUGENE, May 16.—(AP)—Logging truck driver Donald Mower, 36, was injured fatally yesterday by a log that rolled from his truck at a small sawmill near here.

Employer Beating Wife, His Slayer Declares

SPOKANE, May 16.—(AP)—A young produce worker who attempted to stop a family argument was held today in connection with the fatal shooting of his employer.

The slain man was Robert E. Yarber, 27, a produce dealer. He died in a hospital after being shot in the chest.

Police Capt. Paul Saunders said Robert H. Jennings, 22, readily admitted in an oral statement that he had shot Yarber but said it occurred accidentally as he tried to stop his employer from beating his wife, Virginia Yarber.

Thefts At Pound Stress Need For Good Watchdog

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 16.—(AP)—The county pound here needs a good watchdog.

Two months ago burglars broke into the pound and got \$100 out of a desk. The pound bought a safe.

Last weekend burglars again broke in. They smashed the safe and took \$150.

Neither time did any of the impounded pooches howl an alarm.

UNEXPECTED—Mrs. Elsie Woodruff Lindgren of Corvallis, driver of the pictured auto, was an unexpected visitor Monday at this home, owned by Edith S. Ackert, 814 Winchester. City police said Mrs. Lindgren's car failed to stop when she applied the brakes. Thinking to stop by easing into the curb, the driver suddenly found herself part way in Mrs. Ackert's front room. No one was injured, although the house was damaged considerably. (Staff photo)



Milk 'Strike' Not Of Illegal Type, Decision

Judge Wimberly, In His Ruling, Raps 'New Deal,' State Milk Arbitrator

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly ruled Monday that picketing of Umpqua dairy by striking dairy farmers may continue. At the same time, he declared the picketing action was not a "strike" as defined by law, nor is the milk producers group a labor union.

The decision threw out contentions by the plaintiff Umpqua Dairy Products corporation at the co-defendants, Umpqua Valley Milk Producers association and local Teamsters union, had "conspired" to maintain a picket line for an unlawful purpose, carried on in an unlawful manner.

In a nine-page decision handed down late Monday afternoon, Judge Wimberly ruled as legal the picketing action begun May 3 by members of the Umpqua Valley Milk Producers association against this city's largest distributor of milk and milk products.

In agreeing that the farmers group is not a labor union, the judge also declared "strike" was not of the type defined by law. However, he brushed aside claims of the plaintiff that the picketing was unlawful.

"The milk control act provides for fixing only the minimum price. It is not unlawful or illegal for the producers to sell at a price higher than the minimum, or to use any lawful means to attempt to obtain such higher price," he said.

Union Status Not Needed
The judge continued: "A labor union has the right to act in concert in picketing and to cause a work stoppage. Just because the milk producers are not a labor

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Taft To Answer Truman Tonight In Broadcast

By The Associated Press
President Truman's Chicago appeal for the ouster of "obstructionists" and his advice to the Republicans that they "come out for something" stirred the 1950 campaigning to new warmth today.

Republicans sent Senator Taft of Ohio into the battle, to reply at 10:30 EST tonight with what the GOP thinks of Mr. Truman's spring tour of the west in general, and his climactic speech at Chicago last night in particular.

Taft will have the same radio outlets that Mr. Truman had when he told cheering Democrats in Chicago, and the nation at large, that Democrats "will carry on the fight" for:

(1) International Cooperation; (2) Taft-Hartley law repeal; (3) improved social security laws; (4) federal aid to education; (5) middle income housing help from the government; (6) health insurance; (7) natural resources development; (8) improved farm price supports; (9) aid to small business; and (10) civil rights laws.

That was Mr. Truman's formal summary. Departing from his text, he gibed at the Republicans:

"If I wish the opposition would come out for something and be a real opposition. A great political party cannot survive by being against everything."

Chicago Stages Whopper
Boisterous Chicago, which whooped it up for Mr. Truman in 1948 when he was nominated for Vice president and again in 1948 just before he won the presidency, drew a crowd of 100,000 today.

The city's police commission estimated that 500,000 people lined the streets in the pre-speech parade, which was completed with torch lights and aerial bombs.

Inside Chicago stadium, Mr. Truman told his audience that the Democratic 81st Congress has reversed what he called the backward trend of the Republican 80th and added:

"Of course, there are still many backward looking senators and representatives who have tried to defeat every progressive measure they could, and to obstruct and delay those they could not defeat."

He added: "I hope that by next January (when the new Congress meets) some of these obstructionists will be removed."

Plane Rushes Surgical Aid To Save Man's Arm

PORTLAND, May 16.—(AP)—An air force reserve crew flew a small packet of special surgical screws to Medford yesterday to save the arm of a man who fell from a ladder.

A Medford physician explained Clarence Twoogood's left elbow was shattered. Amputation would have been necessary unless the vitalium screws—to hold the arm in place—were received quickly.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Reizenstein

A press dispatch from Formosa says Chiang Kai-shek, for his last defense, has 160,000 "fighting" men. The word "fighting" must have been inserted by someone either inadvertently or in a spirit of sarcasm.