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NEWSPAPER STRIKE FACTS

By Charles V. Stanton

In Tuesday's edition of *The News-Review* we presented in this column the first installment of a report by George Cornell, Associated Press reporter, summarizing labor disputes between the International Typographical union and the printing industry. This report, written by an uninterested author, details some of the factors involved in the strike of *News-Review* composing room workers.

In Tuesday's installment, the writer told how the ITU attempted to battle the Taft-Hartley law by stubborn demand that the industry sign closed shop contracts in violation of law. He reported that the ITU is striving to keep out of court a National Labor Relations board finding of unfair practice and demand for compliance. To avoid getting the compliance order before the court (NLRB findings have no legal status until court action is taken) the ITU is asking acceptance of a voluntary compliance offer.

(The writer failed to state that a second accusation has been placed before the NLRB, again charging illegal labor practice in demands for jurisdiction over teletypewriter processes and coercion of unions.)

Cornell pointed out that the ITU has been slow to accept new processes and is attacking the teletypewriter process in particular.

Struck Newspapers Listed

He listed as newspapers against which strikes have been launched this year, because of the teletypewriter process, the *Marietta*, Ohio, *Daily Times*; the *Texarkana*, Ark., *News and Gazette*; the *Eldorado*, Ark., *Times and News*; the *Hot Springs*, Ark., *New Era and Sentinel Record*; the *Klamath Falls*, Ore., *Herald and News*; the *Roseburg*, Ore., *News-Review* and the *Oak Ridge*, Tenn., *Oak Ridger*.

Contracts granting jurisdiction over teletypewriter processes have been signed in 45 larger cities, the writer said, but only SEVEN of the 45 cities use teletypewriter equipment.

(The writer did not mention the fact, but it might be pertinent to add that the jurisdictional clause granted in the 45 cities applies only for the life of the contract, usually one year. Thus the affected newspapers are in a position to reopen the issue when a new contract is negotiated. Few large cities have adopted teletypewriters in any large number to date, because they have been waiting for new and faster linecasting machines particularly designed for teletypewriter use. These machines recently were placed on the market and we are informed that metropolitan papers have contracted full capacity of manufacturing plants for several years to come. One Chicago newspaper has 40 such machines on order, according to reports we have received.)

Mr. Cornell further amplifies the situation today as follows:

BY GEORGE CORNELL
 (The Associated Press)

NEW YORK — In about 40 cities where publishers have teletypewriter operations, the union has not been granted jurisdiction. Most of the papers are operating without contracts, or are being struck.

In a number of current strikes, some dating back as far as five years, other issues, such as wages and working conditions are involved. But the teletypewriter question, along with carry-over discord from the Taft-Hartley battle, also are factors in some cases.

These struck papers, all publishing, include:

Waukesha, Wis., *Daily Freeman*; Tri-City Herald of Pasco, Wash.; *St. Petersburg*, Fla., *Independent* and *St. Petersburg Times*; Nyack, N. Y., *Journal Times*; Advertiser; Springfield, Mass., *Republican*, *Union* and *News*; Prescott, Ariz., *Evening Courier*; Colorado Springs, Colo., *Gazette*; Telegraph; Painesville, O., *Telegraph*; Rockville Centre, N. Y., *Nassau Review Star*; Jamestown, N. Y., *Post-Journal*; Allentown, Pa., *Call and Chronicle*; Columbus, Ga., *Enquirer and Ledger*; Huntington, W. Va., *Herald Dispatch and Advertiser*; Orlando, Fla., *Sentinel and Star*; Charleston, W. Va., *Daily Mail*; Miami, Fla., *Herald* and *Miami News*; Muskogee, Okla., *Phoenix and Times*; Democrat; Springfield, Mo., *News and Leader* and *Press*; Las Vegas, Nev., *Review-Journal*; Burlington, Vt., *News*; Bartlesville, Okla., *Enterprise and Examiner*; Monroe, La., *World and News - Star*; Somerset, N. J., *Messenger - Gazette*, and *Meriden*, Conn., *Record - Journal*.

In most of the strikes, the union has lost its standing at the newspaper involved and the plants have become open shops.

Union Starts Papers

In at least four cities—Trenton, Meriden, Colorado Springs and Jamestown—the ITU has launched its own newspapers to compete with the struck dailies and provide employment for striking printers.

Some of the strikes hinge on wages. Generally, ITU locals this year have settled for smaller wage boosts than in recent years.

the ANPA notes. It says that 80 percent of the 1950 pacts have given printers increases of \$2 to \$3, while in 1949, 63 percent of the agreements provided increases of \$3 or more.

The ITU reports that the current average weekly scale for newspaper printers is \$34.15 for day work and \$39.49 for night work, compared to 1949 average scales of \$31.72 for day work and \$31.43 for night work. Scales generally are higher in the larger cities.

Regarding work hours, ITU claims that 402 of its locals now have work weeks of less than 40 hours.

Cuts Manpower Needs

But teletypewriting is something else. One of the main things about it that worries the ITU is that the perforating units through a teletype wire hookup can supply linotype-operating tape to a whole chain of newspapers in one operation, thus cutting manpower needs.

Probably the most comprehensive solution to the teletypewriter problem is contained in the contract signed last July between the ITU and Washington, D. C., newspapers.

This pact gives the union jurisdiction—the right to man and maintain them—but it also sets up a labor-management "joint experimental committee" to study procedures for use of the machines, proper training, standards of competency, training of operators, wages and kindred matters. It also calls for research into the economic soundness of replacing present printing methods.

the information. I'll pass it on to him. Someone told E J about such a material age time but we can't recall who it was, nor what the rest was called. Maybe you knew. (My address, Lorane Route, Cottage Grove.)

Vital Statistics

Marriage Licenses
 TOZIER-CINGCADE — Merrill Hufford Tozier and Hazel Loretta Cingcade, both of Oakland.

GERRETSEN - HOLMQUIST — Gordon H. Gerretsen and Patricia Ann Holmquist, both of Roseburg.

STEPHENS - DAUGHERTY — Herbert Fay Stephens, Sutherlin, and Amy Verlee Daugherty, Oakland.

MENEEL-WARNER — Creston McNeel and Mary Margaret Warner, both of Roseburg.

BURGESS-ELLISON — David Edward Burgess and Carol Jeanne Ellison, both of Sutherlin.

WEST-THOMPSON — William Edward West, Roseburg, and Pauline A. Thompson, Winston.

STROOP-BOLLMAN — Jack B. Stroop and Gertrude F. Bollman, both of Roseburg.

CHRISTIAN-NOVAK — Delmar Charles Christian and Annette Marie Novak, both of Roseburg.

WELCH - WELCH — Harold Charles Welch and Aleta Mae Welch, both of Remote.

WELKER-TRENTO — Ervin Eugene Welker and Bessie Arlene Trento, both of Roseburg.

Divorce Suits Filed
 LA VIGNE — Edwin A. vs. Evelyn Bell La Vigne. Plaintiff charges cruel and inhuman treatment and asks that the defendant be allowed to recover her former name.

DIES IN CAR UPSET
 ALBANY, Ore. — (AP) — Earl LeRoy Kessler, 23, Albany, was thrown from a rolling car to his death Saturday night east of here, on highway 20. A companion, John Pease, Lebanon, escaped injury.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from page One)

YARD FENCE FROM KOREA.
 If it should be decided that THIS IS THE TIME, they could be on the fighting fronts in South Korea almost overnight.

While you're at it, watch Formosa.

We have announced that if Formosa is attacked by the Chinese Communists we will DEFEND it. If the Chinese Communies attack and we defend, it will be WAR.

Remember this:
 In Moscow, back in February, Red Russia and Red China signed a treaty of mutual friendship and aid in which this clause occurs: "In event of one of the agreeing parties being subjected to attack by Japan OR ANY STATE AL-

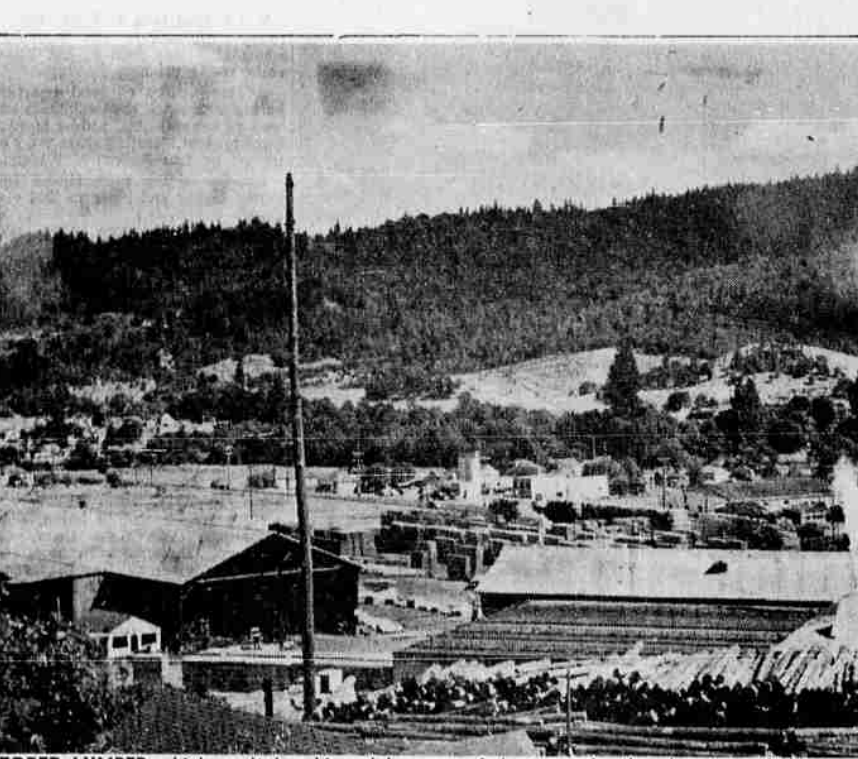
LIED WITH HER — the other party will IMMEDIATELY RENDER MILITARY OR OTHER AID WITH ALL MEANS AT ITS DISPOSAL.

What does that mean?
 Well, it SAYS, in effect, that if Red China goes to war with anybody Red Russia will come to Red China's aid.

SO—
 If the Chinese Reds attack Formosa and we fight them off, Russia will have the excuse to wade in. Whether or not she wades in will depend on whether she thinks the time is ripe.

This is the point:
 If we should be driven out of Korea, in spite of all we can do, Russia may decide that the time is ripe.

Ethics Or No Ethics



STORED LUMBER which can't be shipped because of shortage of railroad cars is piled in yards of Roseburg Lumber company mill. Piles can be seen in back of the company's dry kilns. The company says only about 35 to 40 percent of their needs for rail cars is available. The mill operates two shifts, but may have to cut down to one shift if shortage keeps up, officials said. (Paul Jenkins photo)

Scoops from the MENDING BASKET
 By Viahnett S. Martin

We were settling world affairs over a soda in our usual rendezvous. As usual I had my "column to write." My friend, who enjoys lending a hand, suggested giving someone an idea for making a living by shelling black walnuts. Maybe I looked dubious. At any rate she said emphatically:

"A person could make a good living working eight hours a day. There are worlds of black walnut trees around, only most people don't know the nuts can be conveniently shelled." My friend (who edits church and school news, and the country news, when she isn't keeping house or riding her pet saddle horse, Mars, or shelling walnuts) nodded vigorously. "You have to settle on an efficient way to get the walnuts out of the shells."

A former WAC would know all about that need for "efficiency" so I wasn't surprised to learn that she had "discovered this way for myself. I put several nuts at a time into a vise, saw them part way through in two directions. Then put them in a gunny sack and beat on them with a shovel. They fall apart easily that way. Black walnuts are delicious! It's a shame to have them wasted. Put them in plastic bags—and there you are!"

If you have as big a job trying to get walnuts, even enough for a black walnut cake, as I do other things "free for the getting", I'll be making some other kind of cake. But oh, I do like black walnut flavor, don't you? The look in E J's eyes didn't seem enthusiastic when I told him. He would probably tell Margaret Benston what he told another friend: "Yes Viahnett gets the ideas and I do the work!"

One time when he was telling a group of folks how hen-pecked he was, a professor of psychology piped up: "Men who are hen-pecked don't usually go around bragging about it. Quite the contrary." And isn't that the truth!

By the way, a rancher friend wants to know the name and where to get the material used in lining ponds so water will not seep out. It's some kind of "ite." He figures on making a water reservoir on his ranch and would appreciate

Harder Raps For Liquor Law Violators Advised

PORTLAND — (AP) — Equalized economic penalties were suggested to the state liquor control commission yesterday for KNOX law violations.

Chairman Carl W. Hogg, Salem, said economic differences between various establishments should be considered. He explained a five-day suspension of a license where five persons were employed was more severe than a similar penalty on a small tavern.

Hogg suggested the commission study ways of varying the penalties in ratio to the size of the club, tavern or package licensee.

A second liquor store for Eugene was approved. It will be located near the big Y market on highway 99 on the north edge of that city. Stores supervisor F. E. Burton said the Eugene area's one store had not been adequately serving the approximately 40,000 people of the area.

The Hawaiian Islands were formed by a volcanic eruption in the floor of the Pacific Ocean.

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Star Route Mail Carrier Elected To National Post

W. H. Scofield, state president of the Star Route Mail Carriers association, was elected to the district national board of the National Star Route Mail Carriers at the national convention of the association held at St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 7 to 11.

The district comprises the 15 western states.

Mr. and Mrs. Scofield returned late Monday to Roseburg. They and Oscar Arndt, Corvallis, were the three Oregon delegates. Frank E. Russell, Forest Grove, Ore., was re-elected national president. The 1951 convention will be held at Fresno, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Scofield left Roseburg July 29, going to Montgomery City, Mo., where they visited Mrs. Scofield's mother prior to the convention. They made the trip both ways by train.

In their absence, their son, Glenn, substituted for his father, carrying the mail between Roseburg and Eugene.

Scofield will leave Thursday for Montana to attend a state meeting of star route carriers as his first duty in his new position. He said he will make four trips yearly to Washington, D. C., and will visit each of the 15 states in his district.

FROM THE NEWS OF 40 YEARS AGO

LOCAL NEWS
 Several prominent prune growers of the Umpqua Valley, near Oakland, state that the prospects for a bumper prune crop were never brighter. The outlook is also fine for large crops of apples, pears, peaches and cherries. Several of the large orchards have been provided with smudge pots to be used in the event of a late frost.

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Over-Cutting Of Timber Worries U. S. Forester

PORTLAND — (AP) — The chief federal forester thinks timber surveys should be speeded up so the harvest areas would be mapped for any emergency.

Lyle E. Watts, Washington, D. C., said continued military calls for reservists may cripple the forest service. He explained about 60 to 70 percent of the foresters are reservists.

Here for a tour of the region's national forests, Watts said he also will press for congressional action on timber access road bills. These would open up over-age timber for cutting.

Watts was discouraged over the rate of cut. "We are over-cutting now. If war comes, we will be dangerously over-cutting. However, when we get into a war we have to do it whatever it takes to win it."

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — (AP) — The disappearance of a large road sign at the junction of highways U.S. 85-87 near the Colorado-Wyoming boundary has been solved.

Don Olson, manager of the chamber of commerce here, said a farmer had used the sign in building a cow barn.

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