

STEEL UNION OKS FEDERAL PAY HIKE PLAN

Installation Boosts Total 17 1/2 Cts. Hr.

Companies' Approval Still Required To Put Down Threat Of Strike

WASHINGTON — Elated CIO Steelworkers early Friday accepted a government pay boost proposal and canceled a weekend strike threat, but a new walkout danger loomed on April 8 if the steel industry turns down the recommendations.

Philip Murray's union jubilantly approved a Wage Stabilization Board plan for settling the steel labor dispute which has been going on since last November. Voted by public and labor member over stiff industry objections, it calls for a three-installment pay boost that will eventually total 17 1/2 cents an hour, plus other concessions including the union shop.

These concessions, in dollars and cents, were estimated variously might eventually mean 2 1/2 cents an hour.

The board said they would amount to 5 cents; industry spokesmen guessed 12 1/2 and said they might eventually mean 2 1/2 cents an hour extra.

The union had asked for 18 1/2 cent hourly pay boosts with other concessions estimated to bring the overall increased costs to around 35 cents an hour.

Steel companies gave no immediate reaction to the WSB plan, promising to do so later Friday. But WSB's industry members earlier denounced the proposal in a blistering statement as unfair and inflationary.

Fresh Parley Asked
Murray, announcing his fourth delay in strike plans, called for renewed negotiations starting Monday with steel companies here and at Pittsburgh.

The chief of both the CIO and the million-member Steelworkers Union said if no settlement with steel firms is reached by April 8, the unions will give 9 hours notice and strike April 8.

Thus if the industry refuses to go along with the WSB recommendations an eventual strike appears inevitable. The steel firms have claimed all along they could grant no wage boosts unless they were recompensed by compensating price increases.

Russia Stresses GERM War Myth

MOSCOW — The campaign against alleged U. S. germ warfare in Korea is being whipped to a high pitch here.

Izvestia, the Soviet government newspaper, Friday published a declaration by Patriarch Alexei of the Russian Orthodox Church and three leading metropolitans condemning alleged bacteriological warfare in Korea.

Soviet press reports repeated previous charges in Peiping that the United States is now using poison gas on the Korean front. Moscow papers reported a continuing wave of protest meetings throughout the Soviet Union.

"Wrath and Indignation" was the headline over a story of a meeting at Alma Alta. "Monstrous Atrocities American Imperialists," said the headline over the story from Khabarovsk.

Russia refused in the United Nations Commission Thursday to support a United States proposal for an impartial investigation by the International Red Cross of the Communist germ warfare charges. The United States has repeatedly denied the charges.

Damage Suit Alleges Sheep Killed By Dogs

Suit charging two dogs ran rampant on a ranch, killing 28 ewes and 30 lambs, has been filed in Circuit Court by Merle H. Doering, who owns a ranch on Roberts Mountain.

Defendants in the suit are Alfred and Jane Doe Roberts, Dillard.

The complaint charges the two dogs killed the animals between Jan. 26 and Jan. 28. Damages of \$1,235 are asked.

TRUCK RATE UPPED

SALEM — Charles H. Heltzel, Oregon public utilities commissioner, granted a rate increase Thursday to truckers who haul household goods.

Heltzel said the boost was granted to meet increased costs. He said the amount of the increase was short of what the truckers asked.

Levity Fact Ram

By L. F. Reizenstein

Discussion of Korean armistice terms, begun last August, have been switched by the Chinese Reds to innumerable extraneous subjects, until one wonders how long it will be before they join the current marathon on juvenile delinquency.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



RALPH CHURCH, assistant personnel director at the United States Veterans Hospital here, as he sat at his desk discussing the impending visit of a group of American Legion and Legion Auxiliary brass, bent upon an inspection of the hospital. Ralph has been with the big hospital for the last six years. Prior to this period he had been office manager at Lockwood Motors for five years, and for 15 years before that he had been an instructor at Junior High School. He is a native of Roseburg and widely known here.

U.S. Sabre Pilots Up Score Of Foe's Planes In Longest Battle Of Jets In History

SEOUL, Korea (AP) — American sabre pilots destroyed or damaged 13 to 18 Red jets in a series of fights Thursday climaxed by history's longest jet battle.

Darkening skies prevented exact assessment of results of a 40 minute dogfight over North Korea. But pilots of F-86 Sabre jets said they damaged at least three MIG-15s and possibly eight.

In two earlier engagements Thursday the Sabres reported they shot down five MIGs and damaged five.

In the 40 minute battle 28 Sabres tangled with 40 MIGs in a fight running over 70 miles from Sinanju to the Yalu River border with Manchuria. The longest previous jet battle lasted 35 minutes.

The fight brought the Sabres' three-day record to at least 31 and possibly 35 Red jets hit, including 11 shot down.

The Air Force said the bag of Red warplanes now stands at 232 destroyed, 39 probably destroyed and 28 damaged—a total of 697.

Far East Air Force planes cut trails in 100 places, destroyed 105 trucks, 12 gun positions, four supply dumps, two rail bridges, 25 bunkers and destroyed or damaged 75 supply buildings.

Marine pilots also set a record with 726 sorties. The Leatherneck fliers dropped tons of bombs and napalm on a sprawling Red supply area near Karhu.

The board consisted of Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly, Sheriff O. T. Carter and County Treasurer Oliver Johnson.

After a hearing Thursday afternoon, the board backed up the school board's refusal to certify the Dodson-Ausland firm of Ashland to become a bidder for construction of the district's new grade school.

Bids for construction of the building are to be received Monday night.

A state law made effective in 1931 permits such appeals to be made to a special board consisting of the circuit judge, sheriff and county treasurer. This is the first time since then an appeal of this sort has been made in the county, Judge Wimberly said.

Contract For Reservoir Awarded By Sutherland

A contract has been awarded for construction of a 1,150,000-gallon water reservoir for the City of Sutherland.

Bids on the project were opened at a meeting of the city council Monday, and the Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Company was low bidder.

For erecting and painting the reservoir, the company submitted a bid of \$37,705. The bidder asked to be allowed 180 days for the job.

HEARING HELD

A hearing was held on the proposed school budget for District 19 in Myrtle Creek Grade School last week—but no one appeared.

Budget and school board members waited the required hour and then continued with a special session.

The Weather

Partly cloudy and warmer today and Saturday.

Highest temp. for any March — 85
Lowest temp. for any March — 18
Highest temp. last 24 hours — 46
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 34
Precip. last 24 hours — .02
Precip. from March 1 — 2.39
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 32.40
Excess — 6.30

Sunset today, 6:26 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:13 a.m.

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'Dozers Fight Nevada Snow To Rescue Starving Cattle

Needy Sheep Also At Stake In Huge Task

State Of Emergency Declared By Governor To Obtain Federal Aid

SAN FRANCISCO — Army bulldozers Friday went to the rescue of 600,000 head of starving livestock in North and Central Nevada. Twenty dozers were sent from Ogden, Utah, to attack ranch roads clogged by snow and clear the way for rushing in feed.

Other bulldozers from the naval base at Hawthorne, Nev., opened a 35-mile long lane through snow to 2,000 marooned residents in Mono County, East-Central California. Residents were low on fuel but had food.

In Northern California, highway plows bit into snowdrifts which closed the two major highways over the mountains to Nevada—U. S. 40 and 50—Tuesday. Their reopening was expected shortly.

In the Rockies two snowstorms disrupted ground and air travel and left Denver streets almost impassable. The storm belt extended some 150 miles from Cheyenne, Wyo., to Colorado Springs.

The biggest crisis was in Nevada where Gov. Charles Russell declared a state of emergency to qualify for federal assistance.

Promptly 20 Army bulldozers were ordered sent to help save an estimated \$18,000,000 worth of imperiled cattle and sheep.

The first success was scored Thursday by an Idaho State Department plow. It opened a road for the feeding of 4,000 head of cattle in the Owyhee Indian Reservation in Nevada's northern Elko County. Behind the plow came 100 tons of hay in six trucks.

Most of the menaced cattle are in Elko County, where ranch roads have been snow-blocked more than two months.

Most of the 2,000 persons who have been isolated in California's Mono County were north and south of the town of Leavening.

SAN FRANCISCO — Snow drifts on California's Northern mountains are so unusually deep —20 feet and more — that the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. issued warnings to ski fans to watch out for buried high voltage lines. The company warned that any skier would be killed if he came within seven feet of any snow-buried lines.

County Exchanges Land With Long Bell Firm

Timberland in the Smith River area was decided to the Long Bell Lumber Company by the county Thursday, the Forest Appraisal Department reported.

The land, for which Long Bell has paid \$19,479, will be used in a land exchange with the Forest Service, it was reported.

Purpose of the exchange is to consolidate Long Bell's timber holdings, officials said.

MISSIS GOAL

CAMBRIDGE, Eng. — Joseph Kester died Friday at the age of 104, 10 years short of the goal he set himself at his recent birthday party.

Annual Spring Flower Exhibit Scheduled April 4-5 With Woman's Club Sponsorship

All residents of Douglas County are invited to participate in the annual two-day Spring Flower Show, sponsored by the Roseburg Woman's Club, to be held April 4-5 in the new clubhouse on W. Mosher Street.

According to a report by one of the leading committee members in charge of the program, the show should be a pleasure particularly to non-gardeners, a stimulation to sluggish gardeners and an inspiration to active gardeners.

The exhibitor is being advised to strive to raise his standard of quality, to develop his skill in growing flowers and increase his esthetic appreciation of flowers and their use.

To accomplish all of these objectives, definite standards must be met and maintained. A worthwhile show will develop an appreciation of well-grown flowers, an interest in a greater variety of flowers and the ability to arrange and use flowers properly and artistically. The purpose of sponsoring the shows is to have people enjoy the

House Committee Again Turns Down Access Road Item

WASHINGTON — For the second successive year, the House Appropriations Committee has cut out a \$700,000 budget item for the construction of access roads in the Oregon and California grant lands.

Explaining its action, the committee reported that "legislation relating to the distribution of receipts from the sale of timber made accessible by the proposed access roads has not been modified and it is still the committee's opinion that the federal government should not share in further capital improvements without deriving a larger share of the financial proceeds of harvesting the timber than is now provided for in the controlling legislation."

By law, the Western Oregon counties in which the timber is located receive 50 per cent of the timber sale revenues. The division is soon to go 75 per cent to the counties and but 25 per cent to the government.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Spring came bustin' out all over the usually staid University of Michigan campus Thursday night.

It took a near-riotous form. Bands of youths raided women's dormitories and the women raided back.

Assessing the damages Friday, university authorities found some broken windows and smashed doors. They blamed a spontaneous outbreak of spring fever. At its peak an estimated 2,500 students were involved.

The fun started with bands of men students invading the women's dorms, scattering underclothing about. The women formed counter-raids and city police were called.

A force of 10 officers responded but by that time the mob had split up into smaller groups which climbed on dormitory roofs, threw mud at fraternity and sorority houses and rocked the cars of police who tried to restore order.

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After prolonged questioning, by officers, the women admitted the theft of a Paradise man's car and assumption of his deceased wife's identity. One of them used the dead woman's name as an alias in passing the checks, police said.

The told officers they were headed for Seattle. City police in Yreka arrested them after one of the checks had been passed, but allowed them to continue after restitution for the amount of the check.

Oregon State Workers Again Ask Pay Boost

SALEM — State workers asked again Thursday for a pay boost.

A 5 per cent increase was asked by the Oregon State Employees Association in a letter to the State Civil Service Commission.

Association Secretary Forrest V. Stewart said 63 per cent of the state's employees quit last year because they were not getting enough pay.

Even more will quit now that spring work is opening up more jobs in private industry, he said.

He said food costs have gone up 11 per cent since employees got their last increase in November, 1950.

The Association, which originally asked the increase three months ago, proposed that the boost be granted by moving each employe up two steps on the civil service scale.

Trail Of Bad Checks Ends In Jail Here

2 Women Prisoners Also Admit Car Theft, Violation Of Paroles

Two women on parole from the California Women's prison at Tehachapi—one of them convicted of killing her husband—are held in the Douglas county jail in \$2,500 bail each.

State police identified them as Jean Benham, 30, Paradise, Calif., and Shirley Marie Clark, 32, Rockaway Beach, Calif.

Both waived preliminary hearing in district court Thursday on charges of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Their arrest here Wednesday by a state policeman ended a trip from Paradise, officers disclosed today.

During a trip from the California town, they admittedly passed worthless checks at Yreka, Calif., Medford and Roseburg, state patrolman Joe Haystead reported.

Wanted In California

Both are wanted by California authorities on charges of parole violation, auto theft, theft of personal property and obtaining money by false pretenses. Haystead advised. They are also wanted, he said, by the FBI on a charge of interstate transportation of a stolen motor vehicle and by Jackson County on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Jean Benham had been paroled from the California women's prison on last Feb. 19. She had been committed Dec. 15, 1949 on a 15-year manslaughter sentence for killing her husband with a butcher knife. Haystead explained. He added that Shirley Clark had been convicted on a grand theft charge in 1942 and was committed to prison later for violation of probation.

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Damaging Club House Charged To Four Boys

Four juvenile boys, ages 10 to 13, were cited to juvenile court on charges that they did \$150 damage to a club house belonging to the South Umpqua Rod and Gun Club, the sheriff's office reported Thursday.

Armed with three air rifles, the boys reportedly shot holes through windows, shot out a window in a door, broke inside and tried to rip open a door to the ammunition room and tried to break off the hinges of another door, officers said.

The club house is off the Riddle-Canyonville Road some two miles west of Canyonville.



PVT. MELVIN B. DeDOBDELAERE, above, member of the 511th Airborne Signal Co., Fort Campbell, Ky., last Saturday received his master jump wings, awarded for his having completed 50 parachute jumps. He is the first soldier to make that many jumps during a six-month training schedule, and was the only one in his company to receive the special award. He has been in the service since May of last year, but in airborne training only the last six months. His wife resides in Roseburg at 1044 E. 3rd St.

6 1/2 YEARS AFTER WAR

U.S. Senate Votes Okay Of Peace Pact With Japan; Reparations Phase Eased

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate has overwhelmingly approved a generous peace treaty with Japan six and one-half years after the surrender in Tokyo Bay ended World War II. President Truman is expected to sign it promptly.

Thirty-eight Democrats and 28 Republicans supported the treaty late Thursday as it rolled up a 66 to 10 favorable vote, far more than the required two-thirds.

The document provides that it must be approved by at least seven of 12 nations, all with vital interests in the Pacific.

So far it has been approved by five of these, in addition to the United States. They are: Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon and Japan itself. Yet to act are Canada, France, Indonesia, The Netherlands, Pakistan and the Philippines.

The Senate also approved three Pacific Security pacts which the administration has said were of equal importance.

The Japanese peace treaty restores the full sovereignty of Japan over its home islands. But she renounces title to Korea, Formosa, and a number of other islands. Japan agrees to apply for U.N. membership and live peacefully in accordance with U.N. charter principles.

Her obligation to pay reparations is recognized; but the treaty says that because of limited resources these payments should be confined to assets she has in surplus — excess labor and unused plant capacity.

Under the security treaty, the United States is given the right to keep military forces in and around Japan. An administrative agreement already has been signed covering the facilities to be used by these forces.

Japan also agrees not to grant any military bases to a third power without U. S. consent.

Dr. Alton Dalros Heads New Officers Of Elks

Dr. Alton Dalros was elected exalted ruler of the Roseburg Elks lodge at the annual election meeting Thursday night. He will succeed E. C. Nolte. Walter Allen was chosen esteemed leading knight and Arlo Jacklin esteemed loyal knight. Gordon Carlson was elected esteemed lecturing knight; Robert Hellivell, secretary; Ivan Pickens, treasurer, and Archie Elliott, tiler.

A. J. Ellison and Marshall Hauth were named trustees, the former for a five-year term and the latter for a two-year term.

The lodge session followed a potluck dinner served by the Lady Elks.

Bogart, Leigh Awarded Film Academy Oscars

HOLLYWOOD — Humphrey Bogart, Vivien Leigh and "An American in Paris" won the principal Oscars Thursday night in Hollywood's annual Academy Awards Festival.

Bogart was an obvious sentimental selection for best actor award as the gin-loving skipper in "The African Queen." Miss Leigh was a pre-award favorite for the best actress Oscar for her portrayal of a faded beauty in "Streetcar Named Desire."

But the upset mood of the night in the Pantages Theater prevailed in the best picture award—"An American in Paris" was a dark-horse. Most of the pre-award polls figured "Streetcar" as a runaway choice.

CONSCIENTIOUS YEGG

LONDON — A cracksmen with a conscience blew open the safe at a trucking depot here early Friday.

He took 1,000 pounds (\$2,800), but passed up a collection box full of coins for the blind.