

### Communist Issue Still not Closed

#### IWA Group After General Session Asks Lewis to Aid in Purge

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 12.—(AP)—A rump convention, called to night after adjournment of the two-day session of the International Workers of America (IWA) convention, voted to petition John L. Lewis, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, for intervention in the union's affairs. The rump convention was called by the Columbia river district council, and its leaders contended it represented 75 per cent of the union's "dormant" membership. Al Hartung, the district's president, presided. The session attracted more than 100 of the IWA convention delegates who voted almost solidly throughout the six-day assembly in opposition to what they called communist "interference" in the union, but were voted down by an average of 10 votes on vital tests.

**Officers Accused**  
The general convention had been adjourned by O. M. Orton, international vice-president, amid confusion and cries of "dictatorship." Orton had warned adjournment would be ordered at 5 p. m., with remaining issues to be submitted to the executive council. The petition asking Lewis and the CIO to "take what action deemed necessary to correct this internal strife within the organization as caused by international officers." It specifically named Harold J. Pritchett, the union's Canadian president who was absent from the convention because he could not gain entry into the United States, Secretary-treasurer Bert J. McCarthy and Orton. It charged Pritchett, Orton and McCarthy with "encouraging factionalism by attempting to 'purge' groups which opposed the promotion of communistic theories. A third charge accused the international officers of using the "Timber Worker," official IWA publication, for "purposes destructive to the organization."

### Slaying Admitted; Girl Held, Recent Chemawa Student

LA GRANDE, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—State Police Sergeant George Glenn said today that Ernie H. Clark, 20, Sandy, Utah, had admitted slaying a young woman, 19, of Sandy, and hiding his body. Clark, who was arrested here last night, said the slaying occurred about two weeks ago and the body was hidden between Cooperstown and West Jordan, Utah, the officer continued. Held with Clark was his 17-year-old cousin, Annie La Vatta, part Indian, who had been visiting at the home of Clark's parents. Annie La Vatta, 17, was denied admission to Chemawa Indian school here because the institution's quota of students was full. Supt. Paul T. Jackson said Saturday she attended Chemawa last year. The girl, part Indian, and Ernie H. Clark, 20, her cousin, applied to Jackson early this week for her readmission. He said school records list her home address as Fort Hall reservation, Idaho.

### Oddities ... in the News

**BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Oct. 12.**—(AP)—Customs officers know most of the answers, but not quite all. Even they were amazed when they caught a man swimming the Rio Grande, pushing a wash-tub in front of him. The tub carried four parrots.

**ANSON, Tex., Oct. 12.**—(AP)—Mrs. T. H. Gleason went to the pasture with a lasso to bring in her cow. Seeing a big hawk swoop low over a nearby chicken run, she threw the rope and snared the bird around the foot. The hawk measured four feet two inches from wing tip to wing tip.

**ATLANTA, Tex., Oct. 12.**—(AP)—Paul Allen, Atlanta newspaperman, and his family were at the outskirts of town on their way to Dallas when the city fire alarm sounded. "There's probably a news story for you," remarked the wife, but Allen drove on.

**At Mount Pleasant,** they learned it was their own home that had burned.

**CHUNGKING, China, Oct. 12.**—(AP)—In the remote mountains of western Szechwan province there is—or was—a town also named Chungking, like this Chinese capital. It was heard of here for the first time today, when Japanese naval bombers reduced it to ruins.

### Behind the Guns With Italian Troops in Africa



Using both native and colonial troops, Italy continues her campaign in Egypt. Here the camera takes up behind an Italian field artillery unit during a clash with defending troops.

### Defense Program Permanent, View

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Willis Mahoney, Oregon democratic party leader, said in an interview here today that congress will spend \$3,000,000,000 on national defense plants and production in the next six years "regardless of outcome of the European war." He declared that eastern industrial capacity had "about been reached," leaving the west coast in line for large expenditures. Mahoney returned from Washington to stump the state for the Roosevelt-Wallace ticket.

### St. Ann's Altar Has First Party

MT. ANGEL—The first fall card party sponsored by the St. Ann's Altar society was held in St. Mary's auditorium Wednesday night with 18 tables of 500 in play. Elizabeth Unger received the high score prize for the ladies and J. Pohlshneider for the men. Mrs. J. Pohlshneider was awarded the draw prize. Luncheon in the school dining hall followed. The committee in charge included Mrs. William Kloft, chairman; Mrs. J. Lacher, Mrs. Emma Leman, Mrs. N. M. Leuby, Mrs. Joe Lebold, Mrs. L. A. LaDoux, Mrs. Phil Lutz, Mrs. Joe Lux, Mrs. Phillip May, Mrs. George May and Mrs. Anton Kraemer.

### Alaska Highway Approval Looms

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Rep. Warren G. Magnuson returned from the national capital today with a prediction the proposed Alaska international highway through Canada would soon win approval as a national defense measure. He said it would be a major item on an expanded defense program which would bring additional expenditures of \$100,000,000 in the Pacific northwest.

### British Pleased At FDR Address

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—(Sunday)—(AP)—President Roosevelt's Columbus day speech outlining western hemisphere defense and declaring that aid to democracies opposing aggression will be continued was praised today in a British Broadcasting corporation broadcast heard by CBS. "Nothing more heartening has been heard from a foreign country in many a day," the British broadcast said.

### Marshfield Girl Killed In Motorcycle Accident

EUGENE, Oct. 12.—(AP)—A 16-year-old Marshfield girl, Laurel Young, was instantly killed today in a motorcycle accident on the Siuslaw highway west of here near Cheshlre. She was riding on the cycle with Thole Sanford, also of Marshfield, when a sudden stop to avoid collision with a car threw her to the road.

### Renton Heads Group

SPOKANE, Oct. 12.—(AP)—J. Lewis Renton of Portland was elected president of the Northwest Federation of Mineralogical Societies at the annual convention today and his home city was chosen for the 1941 meeting, tentatively for the Saturday and Sunday preceding Labor day.

**Ex-Congressman Dies**  
NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(AP)—William W. Cohen, 66, democratic representative in congress from 1927 to 1929, died today. A stockbroker for 35 years, he held his seat in 1928 on the New York Stock Exchange for \$96,000.

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girl who has the vote with a smile can snarl at us, providing she has paid in advance, including connection charge, and the theatre box office believes can actually frown at us when we forget to include the tax.

We're going to expand from there. The heavier work, like letting football players, prize fighters and axe murderers take advantage of our service, will naturally be handled by one of our numerous assistants. This will be less painful for us than telling him straight from the shoulder that mounting costs make it necessary for us to reduce the staff. The pinnacle of our service will be reached when we extend into the greatest field of all, that offered by the gasoline station business. We expect to make our first million when we crack down the smiles of the service station attendants and give them their first chance to growl on company time since Spencer Tracy and Clark Gable brought in their first gusher.

We'll have a fleet of cars devoted entirely to the service station business. Whenever a gas pumper gets tired of whistling "Smiles" to keep his courage up, all he will have to do is call that handy telephone number and one of our limousines will roll up and our diamond-studded operative will demand, flicking his cigar arrogantly, "One gallon of gas and check the tires, sonny?"

Years of pent up emotion will be released when the attendant says what he's wanted to say a thousand times and snarls, "Aw, pump 'em up yourself, you big bag of wind."

### Hatch Act Breach Charged, Seattle

SEATTLE, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The Times said in its Sunday edition that "charges of wholesale violations of the Hatch act, which forbids political activity on the part of federal employees, were forwarded yesterday to Senator Styles Bridges on behalf of employees of the department of agriculture in Washington." It said the complaint was "for consideration by the senate committee on campaign expenditures." The agency for collecting campaign funds from the employees of the department of agriculture in this state is the national committee for agriculture, with headquarters in Chicago, the newspaper said. "The scheme is said to be a part of a general plan to assess governmental employees in the interests of the democratic administration." The quota which Washington must contribute from all sources is placed at \$50,000.

### Antitoxin Rushed Botulism Patient

BEND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Botulism antitoxin, rushed here in six hours from San Francisco, may have saved the life of Mrs. R. W. Hotchkiss of Sisters. After the supply of the new antitoxin was located by a coastwide telegram search, it was sent to Portland by commercial plane and relayed here by automobile.

**Levants Are Parents**  
NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(AP)—A six-pound, 14-ounce daughter was born today to Mrs. Oscar B. Levant, wife of the musically gifted radio and screen star.

### 41st Auto Show Is All-American

#### No Foreign Makes; Lower and Wider Cars Seek More 'Eye Appeal'

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—(AP)—A quarter of a million dollars worth of 1941 model automobiles, commercial vehicles, accessories and gadgets were placed on display by the Automobile Manufacturers' association today in a setting designed to emphasize hemispheric unity and the productive resources of American industry. It was the 41st annual national automobile show—an "all-American presentation" for the first time in many years because of the absence of any foreign exhibitor and participation by Henry Ford for the first time in more than three decades. Four floors of Grand Central Palace were devoted to the showing. There were 18 makes of passenger cars and eight of commercial vehicles. In addition there were 40 old time cars, veterans of some famous speed contest of endurance tour, and dramatizing the progress made in four decades. The new models were all longer, lower and wider, with more emphasis than ever on "eye appeal." For the industry the show marks the formal inauguration of the 1941 model car—a year which the car makers generally believe will see the production of approximately 4,600,000 vehicles with a wholesale value in excess of \$3,000,000,000.

### Grand Coulee Job Beating Schedule

GRAND COULEE, Wash., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Ninety eight per cent of the concrete which will make Grand Coulee dam the biggest man-made thing on earth is in place—10,500,000 cubic yards of it—the Consolidated Builders, Inc., disclosed today. The contractors have until March, 1942, to finish their work. Employees are waging the job will be done six months ahead of schedule. Already much of the equipment sprawling on both sides of the Columbia river is being dismantled. Most of the gigantic cranes that walked upward as the dam gained in height are gone, some of them to other projects.

### Legislative Pay Measure Backed

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Formation of a non-partisan committee to promote passage of a constitutional amendment increasing pay of Oregon legislators from \$3 to \$8 a day was announced today. Dr. William G. Everson, president of Linfield college, McMinnville, is chairman.

### Stowaway Faces Federal Charges

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—James Wilson, 25, Albany, N.Y. mechanic, was arrested by federal bureau of investigation officers here today under the new law making it a federal offense to stow away on a vessel. Wilson was taken from the Matson freighter Makiki. He said he boarded the ship at San Francisco in the hope of reaching Honolulu, but was discovered the first day out.

### Disclosure Held Not 'Forgivable'

OTTAWA, Ont., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King declared tonight that conservative party leader R. B. Hanson's disclosure of British air training plans in Canada was unforgivable. Air Minister C. G. Power earlier had charged that Hanson, in statements he made in a speech last night at Charlottetown, P.E.I., had betrayed a secret of Britain. The people of Canada and "the hard pressed people of Britain" will find Hanson's disclosure "difficult to understand and impossible to forgive," the prime minister declared. The conservative leader's own words, he said, "make clear that he himself believed he was betraying a military secret and this at a time when secrecy concerning the movement of men and supplies is vital."

### Bombed Freighter Limp Into Cadiz

CADIZ, Spain, Oct. 12.—(AP)—The 1,320-ton British freighter Starling, four of whose crew members were killed and seven wounded by two bombs dropped from a plane, arrived here today in badly damaged condition. The crew of the Spanish fishing boat Joven Junto, who saw the attack, said the plane dived from the clouds at the Starling and fled before the crew could man the anti-aircraft gun.

### Molalla Project Almost Assured

MOLALLA—At a recent meeting of the Molalla city council, it was announced that the \$25,000 project for construction of a 10-inch water main from the city reservoir to the distributive mains has been virtually approved by WPA authorities in Washington, D.C. Only obtaining of a parcel of property through which the main must run remains for an ok on an allotment of funds for labor. The council plans to meet with the owners in the near future. To provide additional funds for the city's share in the work the council passed the first reading of an ordinance authorizing issuance of \$4700 in bonds, originally sanctioned by the voters in 1926 as part of a \$14,700 water bond issue.

### Music Has More Parrish Students

#### Miss Simms Teaches Some Only Two or Three Days per Week

Miss Margaret Simms' music classes at Parrish junior high school this year are much larger than last year because of the opportunity for more children to elect this subject. Seventh and eighth graders desiring to take directed study and music, or art and music, may do so by taking music three days a week and art or study half two days a week, or vice versa. This alternating of classes allows more students to elect music than heretofore, but it cuts down on the time in class. Two classes meet every day in the week, however. They are the ninth grade chorus and the advanced eighth grade. The latter group includes those who had music in the seventh grade. The ninth grade class this year is much larger than it has been before and practically fills the music room. The total enrollment for the eighth grade music classes is more than one third the total enrollment of the school.

### Eight Are Bitten By Dog, Portland

PORTLAND, Oct. 12.—(AP)—Eight or more persons were bitten by an apparently rabid dog in downtown Portland today. Police and private citizens finally cornered the dog, a young female springer spaniel, near the union depot where patrolman John Roscovich shot it. The one-dog reign of terror started at Southwest First avenue and Madison street, more than a mile from the depot.

### Brooks Entry Is Best St. Bernard

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—Another Pacific International Livestock exposition became history tonight as ribboned grand champions, named earlier in the week, filed through the arena in stately parade. Three purebred animals were presented to a trio of 4H club winners—Robert Kink, Moro, Ore.; Richard Averill, Corvallis, Ore.; and Delmar White, Plains City, Utah. Kiegl Light O'Aragon, entered by the Aragon kennel, Franklin, Ill., was crowned best dog in the Oregon Dog Fanciers' association show. Best of breed winners included: St. Bernards—Mrs. A. Folsom Hayes, Brooks, Ore.

### Simson Company Grants Pay Boost; Strike Ended

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Oct. 12.—(AP)—The Simson Lumber company said today it had granted a wage increase asked by the AFL union local and would resume cutting early next week. It's mill has been closed by a strike since September 24.

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