Plans Laid to Settle Strikes

US Mediation Board Gets Allis Case; Ford Deal Made

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outside the plant during the day, while in the Harlan coal fields of Kentucky four men were killed.

Fast Moving Developments Follow Strike Outbreaks

These acts of violence punctuated a day of fast moving labor developments. There were demands in congress for legislation to curb strikes in defense industries, the house approved two separate investigations of the defense program, and John L. Lewis said in New York that the United Mine Workers would not permit the soft coal wage dispute to be turned over to the defense mediation board.

In addition, the government stepped in and ordered soft coal prices "frozen" at the levels of March 28 "to prevent runaway or excessive prices due to the bituminous coal strike."

The defense mediation board announced in Washington that an agreement had been reached for continuing production at the plants of the International Harvester company, Chicago. C. A. Dykstra, board chairman, said the agreement had been signed by the company and the AFL but not by the CIO.

The agreement provided for operation of the plants pending a settlement recommendation by the board. It also provided: That the labor relations board be asked to hasten determination of collective bargaining agencies; no loss of seniority by employes; a formula for payment of employes if continuous operation of the plant is not immediately possible; and preservation of order by workers during the board's investigation.

Deaths and Injuries Reported in Rioting

The Harlan rioting, in which more than 100 shots were reported fired, also resulted in the wounding of five other men.

The CIO United Auto Workers union, which called a strike at the Ford plant Tuesday night, said that between 30 and 40 strikers were given medical treatment as a result of the Dearborn disorders. Many of them were bruised and cut in hand-to-hand fighting.

Union men barricaded streets leading to the Ford plant, and contended that only maintenance workers, permitted inside by the union, were at their jobs. Operations in the plant, the world's largest, were at a virtual standstill.

In Washington three democratic senators—Byrd of Virginia, Connally of Texas, and Overton of Louisiana—demanded immediate legislation to deal with strikes. Byrd said Secretary Perkins was "exceedingly derelect" for not certifying sooner the Milwaukee Allis-Chalmers strike to the defense mediation board and expressed hope that the democratic leadership would seek "effective legislation to remove the strike threat to our defense industry."

Connally favored authorizing the president to take over strike-bound defense plants and Overton advocated preventing strikers from stopping men from going to work in such plants.

The Allis-Chalmers plant, where police battled strikers Monday and Tuesday, was closed today upon order of Governor Julius P. Heil. The UAW-CIO, which called the strike 71 days ago, demanded at mass meeting that the plant also be closed to the 1700 office workers. Company officials plan to keep the plant shut until the federal government advises them as to a future course.

The house action ordering investigations of the defense program was by the overwhelming vote of 324 to 1. It called for separate inquiries by the naval and military committees. Defense strikes are expected to be studied by both groups.

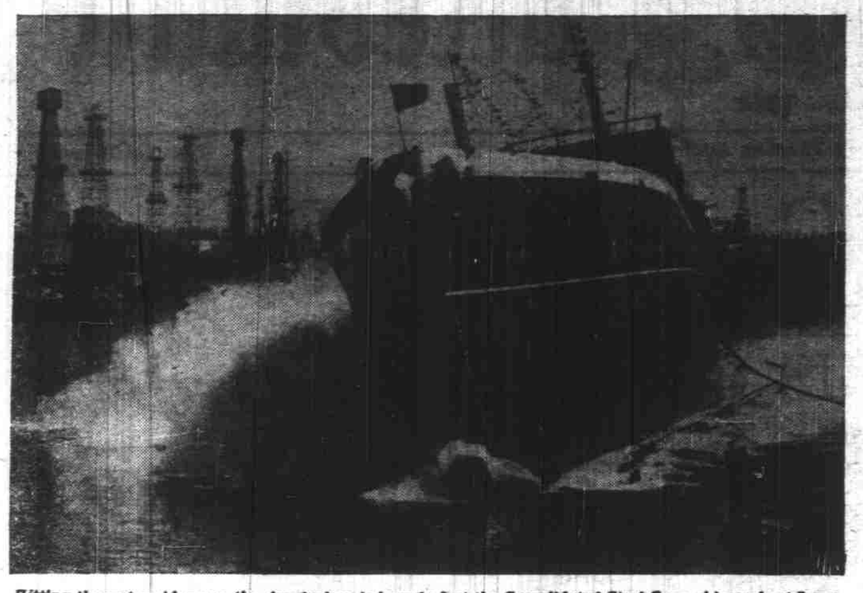
In serving notice that he would not welcome intervention by the mediation board in the soft coal negotiations, Lewis told a convention of hard coal miners that "we are not going to follow the new formula that the mediation board has discovered—of wiring the strikers to go back, bust their strikes, then have them come to Washington to mediate."

WASHINGTON, April 2—(AP)—Fresh demands for anti-strike laws were made in both branches of congress Wednesday while the house, after hearing Rep. Smith (D-Xa) exclaim that "red insurrection and rebellion prevail," directed two committees to investigate the whole defense program.

The house adopted a resolution by Chairman Vinson (D-Ga) of the naval committee directing his group and the military committee, headed by Rep. May (D-Ky), to make separate inquiries and file reports. Vinson promptly promised that his committee would look into the strikes and Smith declared that "this house and the American people are going to expect . . . the facts."

Smith declared that the strike was called by a union "dictator" who "stuffed the ballot box," that "the Dies committee has given you indubitable proof of the long, red, communist record of the leader and dictator of that union, and still we have done nothing about it."

Another Merchant Ship for American Fleet



Hitting the water sideways, the *Agwiprince* is launched at the Consolidated Steel Corp. shipyards at Long Beach, Cal. The $2,000,000 vessel will operate in service of New York and Cuba Mail Steamship Co.

Sprague Signs Two Measures, Vetoes Three

Three bills of the 1941 legislature, including one by Senator Rex Ellis, Umatilla county, making criminal certain trespassing or interference with national defense projects, were vetoed by Governor Charles A. Sprague Wednesday.

Penalties under the Ellis measure included a maximum fine of $10,000 or a maximum term of 10 years in the state penitentiary or both such fine and imprisonment.

Governor Sprague said present state laws coupled with recently enacted federal legislation appeared sufficient for the proper protection of the national defense effort.

Another bill vetoed by Governor Sprague appropriated $250 for erection of a "suitable enclosure" around the state seal in the floor of the state capitol rotunda.

"This would look too much like a pen set in what is designed as an open lobby," Governor Sprague's veto message read.

The third vetoed measure would have required an election, under certain circumstances, when changes were proposed in boundaries of school districts.

Governor Sprague signed two bills.

One of these, by Senator Thomas R. Mahoney, Multnomah county, prevents any person from having a place on the ballot who is a member of, or affiliated with any organization which advocates overthrow of the United States government by force or violence. Neither would such person be eligible for appointment to public office.

The other bill provides for the establishment of classes in the schools for the education of handicapped children. Handicapped children, under the measure, includes those who are crippled, blind, partially blind, deaf, suffering from defective speech, and others. The bill carries an appropriation of $15,000.

Administration of the act is under the state superintendent of public instruction.

Liquor Board Must Name New Leader

Selection of a state liquor administrator, to succeed J. J. Hague, who died recently, is a function of the state liquor control commission and not the executive department, Governor Charles A. Sprague declared here Tuesday.

A large number of applications for the position were received at the governor's office. These later were referred to the liquor control commission.

Sprague Tells Need For Science Students

CORVALLIS, April 2—(AP)—Science students should not be diverted from work in their own field, Governor Sprague said here Wednesday.

This nation, even in a rearmament period, has need of continued research in forestry and agriculture, he told an Oregon State college audience.

Dies at Portland

ORCHARD HEIGHTS — Goy Miller died at the Veterans' hospital in Portland April 1. He was the husband of Olive Porter Miller, formerly of Orchard Heights and now of Junction City. Besides the widow two children survive.

Portland Woman Wins

PORTLAND, April 2.—(AP)—Mrs. James Hayes, wife of a Portland railroad advertising man, was announced Wednesday as the winner of the national grand prize of $100 a month for life in a radio contest sponsored by a soap company.

Tornado Hits Texas

WORTHAM, Tex., April 2—(AP)—At least one person was injured and several houses unroofed by a tornado which struck here Wednesday night.

Oregon Soldier Awarded Medal

WASHINGTON, April 2—(AP)—Among six enlisted men granted the soldiers medal for heroism recently was Walter D. Blakely, private, of Fall Creek, Ore., new stationed at Ladd Field, Fairbanks, Alaska.

The five were decorated for their rescue of the occupants of an army plane which crashed and burned at Muroc bombing field, Muroc Lake, Calif., May 27.

6000 Attend Music Parley

SPOKANE, April 2—(AP)—Andrew J. Loney of La Grande, Ore., retiring president of the Northwest Music Educators conference, said today 6000 musicians and teachers participated in the four-day all-northwest musical festival which closed Tuesday previous estimates placed the number at 4000.

Loney, who was succeeded as president by Walter Welke of the University of Washington, left Wednesday with a group of educators for the California western regional festival at San Jose, Calif. With him were Chester Duncan of Portland, Louis Wersen of Tacome and officers of the national conference.

Miss Vanett Lawler of the national secretary's office, Chicago, estimated 12,000 people attended the three concerts given by the all-northwest band, orchestra and chorus.

"I believe the conference has enriched the cultural life of the northwest and its value to the students is inestimable," she said.

Science Church Aids War Victims

Articles in demand for war relief work by the Christian Science church, in which the Salem congregation is participating, were announced here Wednesday.

Over 800 cases of goods have been shipped to England from the headquarters in Boston, and nearly all are reported to have arrived safely. The shipments have included more than 255,000 garments, blankets and other articles of dry goods, for distribution to any in need.

The demand is greatest, officials say, for clothing for school children, woolen underwear, nightgowns and pajamas, knitting wool, thermos flasks, shoes and lumber jackets.

Gun Club Asks State For Sealion Deaths

WALDPORT, April 2—(AP)—Killing of sealions should be legalized along the Oregon coast because the amphibians harm fishing, the South Lincoln County Rod and Gun club said recently.

The group also asked the state to declare an open season for bull elk in southwest Lincoln and northwest Lane counties, and to close the north and south forks of the Yachats river to fishing in order to protect spawning fish.

— At Your Grocer —

Forest Bureau Okehs Bigger Nursery

Enlargement of the Corvallis nursery, operated by the state forestry department, was authorized at a meeting of the state forestry board here Wednesday.

The board devoted considerable time to discussion of the forestry program approved at the recent legislative session. N. S. Rogers, state forester, was authorized to employ additional help for administration of the so-called forest practice act.

Under this measure timber owners and loggers are required to leave a certain number of trees on logged-off lands for seeding purposes.

This was one of a series of 16 bills affecting the forestry department passed by the 1941 legislature.

New Commander Starts Work

Staff Serg. Willis S. Estep, new commander of the Salem army recruiting station, started his duties here Monday. Estep comes from the Medford station, which he had commanded since 1936, and is an "old soldier," having seen 28 years of service with the regular army with less than two years until retirement.

Serg. Estep replaces Serg. Joseph W. Cushman, transferred to the Medford station.

Estep announces the enlistments from Salem of four more young men enlisted for three years with the regular army. They are: Eugene P. Brassfield, Salem, for the GHQ air force, Hamilton field, Calif.; Merle E DeWall, Jefferson, and Robert V. Pilcher, Aurora, for the field artillery, Hawaiian department; Aloysius F. Nietling, Sublimity, for the signal corps, Nichols field, Philippine department.

Peru Warships Find Vessels

Crews and Lifeboats Missing; Mexicans Frustrate Plot

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flames about 200 miles south of Callao and 100 miles off the coast.

"When the cruiser approached the Muenchen was found to be sinking slowly and was without its crew or lifeboats," the announcement said.

Several hours later the 4,833-ton Hermonthis was found also afire and sinking. Its crew and lifeboats also were missing and upon receiving a report from the Grau, other ships left Callao to join in the search for the crews.

Peruvian planes also had been searching for the ships which left port without clearance papers. Two other nazi ships in Callao and another in the harbor of Paita were scuttled.

TAMPICO, Mexico, April 2.—(AP)—German seamen on the 9,660-ton liner Orinoco resisted but were overpowered by a Mexican boarding party Wednesday night as the marines frustrated an alleged plot to scuttle and burn the axis ships harbored here.

Vice-Admiral Luis Hurtado De Mendoza said the captains and crews of nine seized vessels in Tampico harbor had plotted to destroy their ships some time Wednesday night.

He said marines had discovered in the exhaust line of the Italian tanker Fede a TNT bomb so connected that it would explode the moment the engine was turned over.

The small Italian tanker Atlas was scuttled by its crew Tuesday night when Mexican detachments hastened to prevent sabotage on the refugee fleet of 10 axis vessels here and two in Vera Cruz.

Discovery of the alleged plot against the nine remaining ships afloat here moved the navy department to send the gunboat Querteraro up with orders to remove the crews of all the ships immediately.

The 200 marines of the gunboat found a fight on their hands when they boarded the Orinoco, a well-appointed nazi passenger ship which was damaged on a previous attempt to slip away and dare the British blockade of the Atlantic.

MOBILE, Ala., April 2—(AP)—Capt. G. B. Martini of the Italian steamer Ida Z. O. admitted to US Commissioner Alex T. Howard here Wednesday that he tried to sabotage the vessel before it was taken over last Sunday by the coast guard.

Speaking through an interpreter, the captain said that in damaging the Ida Z. O. they were only obeying orders from their superiors. He said he gave orders for the crew to destroy the ship's machinery and expressed displeasure that they did not get to complete the job.

Stevens Gets Nurses

FORT STEVENS, April 2.—(AP)—One chief and two reserve nurses reported for duty Wednesday at the Fort Stevens post hospital. Two more reserve nurses are due shortly.

In One Ear . .

—Paul Hauser's Column

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again. He went to the door and there, standing a cautious distance from the door, stood the same Witness.

Before our friend could open his mouth the Witness shouted: "I don't like him either!"

Our friend didn't tell us whether he heard the phonograph record. For all we know he was converted and is ringing doorbells himself these days.

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"You're a little off, there," said Rockwood. One of us certainly killed Tess, and ye're all suspected."
"Don't spit hairs, Rock," snapped Wheems.
—San Francisco Examiner.

"Can I help it?" Rock shot back angrily. "Tess would cook with her hair down."

Inspector Donovan, who had been silently chewing his dead cigar, came to life. "Ah," he said, grabbing Rockwood with an iron grip. "I see it all now, an open and shut case. Call the wagon, O'Flaherty."

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What's worrying us most today is how the local WPA inventory came out. We'd like to know if they ever found those two spittoons that were missing.

Croat Leader Expects War

Macek Still Undecided on Vice-Premiership; in Favor of Peace

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was reported to have expressed a similar view.

Macek's associates said he favored peace at almost any cost and believed that if the new government held public confidence it could safely affirm the pact which its predecessors made with the axis. Other Croat leaders remained silent on this point.

The question asked by each newcomer to Zagreb is: "Will the Croats fight if Yugoslavia is attacked?"

Perhaps the best answer was given by a Croat business man who replied:

"Most of the troops in this section are Serbs. The Croat soldiers are mostly in Serbia. The Croat leaders are for peace. The only question is whether Croat soldiers away from home will obey orders of their commanders."

Zagreb, which is almost within artillery range of the German frontier, goes about its business calmly.

Officers Named By Presbytery

INDEPENDENCE, April 2—(AP)—Election of Rev. Richard Morgan of Redmond as moderator of the Willamette Presbytery was announced Wednesday. He will serve for one year.

Rev. C. C. Barnes, McMinnville, was elected chairman of national missions; Rev. W. I. Williams, Salem, foreign missions; Rev. E. W. Warrington, Corvallis, Christian education; Rev. J. S. Burns, Lebanon, united pensions, and Rev. W. B. Mahon, Independence, vacancy and supply.

Yugos Alarmed Over Invasion

Dies Sees US in War Within 90 Days; Axis Plays Political Card

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ese foreign minister, to send a threat across the ocean.

Gayda stated in effect that in Matsuoka's conferences in Berlin with Hitler and in Rome with Mussolini an agreement had been reached as to Japan's mission of action should the United States engage in hostilities with the axis —and even should this happen "without formal declaration of war."

At about the time that all this was going on in Rome, the British—whether or not by coincidence—jarred the Japanese up somewhat. To the house of commons Richard Austen Butler, the parliamentary secretary for foreign affairs, announced that Britain was more and more dissatisfied with the way Japan was doing things in China. Was Britain working with the United States? he was asked and to loud cheers he replied:

"We always do that in everything."

In the African campaign, the British imperial armies and the royal navy prepared to throw a noose about the estimated 100,000 Italian troops still in East Africa—all but isolated in Ethiopia and between the Eritrean mountains and the Red sea.

Eritrea, the British said, was being abandoned by the fascists as fast as they could run. Every British account indicated that the whole of Italian Eritrea was going to be surrendered without further struggle.

Germans Claim Sinking Of Additional 80,000 Tons

As to the war in the west, the principal development was a German claim that 80,000 additional tons of British shipping had been sunk. It was stated that choking off the British fuel supply by concentrated attacks on tankers was the chief current tactic.

The German quarrel with Yugoslavia, over that country's refusal to demobilize its army and thus turn itself more or less over to the nazis, grew worse during the day.

Three foreign airplanes of nationality not established reconnoitered during the day over the southern Yugoslav city of Skopije, which is likely to become the emergency seat of government if the Germans invade the country, and the people spent eight anxious minutes under cover.

German diplomatic employes remaining in Belgrade exhibited an extreme nervousness, and put their swastikas away.

The fact that Yugoslavia had mined her coasts was disclosed violently and accidentally. Two of the country's commercial ships, the Karadjordje and the Prestolonaslednik Petar, hit mines thus laid and sank in the Adriatic bay of Obrovac. The vessels were being rushed to port at the time; all crew members were saved.

New Notes Rap Crew Lockups

US Prepares Replies to Strong Language; Flags Hauled Down

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mitted to remain may fly the Danish flag when Danish officers are aboard.

Although no explanation was given for the orders, officials said the ships still belong to their foreign owners pending any forfeiture proceedings that may be taken later.

There was every indication that the new axis protests would only delay rather than change the American answers rejecting them entirely.

Amid these developments in the capital, a federal grand jury at Boston indicated Captain Ernest R. Heitzmann, four officers and five members of the crew of the German tanker Pauline Friedrich on charges of sabotage.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 2—(AP)—Brazil protested to Germany Wednesday against an aerial attack on the Brazilian freighter Taubate in the Mediterranean March 22 and demanded "legal and moral reparations."

The 5099-ton freighter was reported bombed by German planes 100 miles northwest of Port Said. One man was killed and three wounded. The ship continued her voyage to Alexandria.

CARACAS, Venezuela, April 2—(AP)—Foreign Minister Gil Borges sent strong notes of protest to the German and Italian diplomatic representatives here Wednesday night for the burning and scuttling of four axis ships harbored in Venezuela.

The notes held that the axis governments were responsible for the conduct of the crews.

Their acts of destruction at Puero Cabello were characterized as "deliberate" as a "scandalous" violation of hospitality accorded them, as well as an offense against the national sovereignty of Venezuela.

Prosecution of crew members was predicted in the following paragraph of protest:

"In committing the violation and perpetrating on our territory a premeditated crime which is punishable by our laws, the members of the guilty crews have lost the previlege of maritime asylum and have become subject to the penalties of our laws and tribunals."

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