

# Coal Contract Talks Bring 'No Results'

By John B. Owen  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—Soft coal contract talks brought "absolutely no results" tonight despite earlier reports that John L. Lewis and the operators had edged closer together on money differences.

David L. Cole, chairman of President Truman's coal inquiry board, appearing haggard and dejected, told reporters that progress had stopped in negotiations which failed over the eighth day to end the strike of 372,000 United Mine Workers.

The two sides, under federal court order to stick to their bargaining, were called back at 2:30 p.m. tomorrow as the strike's mighty squeeze sent unemployment in other industries toward 78,500. Violence hit again at non-union diggings. Cities tightened rationing and more steel works were closing. Railroads were down to a 14.4 days' overall supply.

Apparently hope had vanished for a sudden break in the strike which the miners have maintained in defiance of a federal court Taft-Hartley directive.

And at 10 a.m. tomorrow their union must answer for it.

The UMW must try to convince Federal Judge Richmond B. Keach that it hasn't been in contempt of his order issued February 11 and should not go to trial Monday. He can make the penalty as harsh as he wishes.

It was assumed that one UMW contention would be that the miners were acting as individuals in quitting work—which the Taft-Hartley act permits. Lewis is on record with two public calls for them to go back to work.

Truman Silent  
President Truman was silent. To news conference questions he replied only that the coal subject is before the courts and he does not propose to comment now.

The atmosphere as the closed door talks broke up for the day after two sessions was one of complete gloom. A coal operator who was asked what went on replied, "Nothing". Lewis wouldn't comment.

### Valley Obituaries

**Bert J. Mehl**  
SILVERTON — Services for Bert J. Mehl, 52, former Silvertown resident who died Sunday at Monterey, Calif., will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday from Ekman's memorial chapel in Silvertown. Interment will be in Valley View cemetery. Surviving are four children, Jack, Bobbie, Bert, jr., and Marta Mehl; three brothers, Ingedahl and Sigurd Mehl, both of Portland, and



MARK O. HATFIELD  
Candidate for Legislature

# Mark Hatfield Files for State Legislature

(Story also on page 1)  
Mark O. Hatfield, political science instructor at Willamette university, announced Thursday he would be a candidate for the republican nomination as state representative from Marion county.

Hatfield, 27, a veteran of 31 months' navy service including the Iwo Jima and Okinawa campaigns, is a member of Pacific No. 50 A. F. & A. M.; Pi Sigma Alpha, political science honorary, and Beta Theta Pi, social fraternity.

He is also a member of the American Legion, and of such professional societies as the American Political Science association, American Society for Public Administration and the American Academy of Political and Social Science.

Hatfield is a Baptist and unmarried. He resides at 530 Waldo ave.

Listed as his sponsors are Ed Ahrens, Stuart Compton, Mrs. W. C. Dyer, sr., Frankie Evans, Lewis Judson, Fred Klaus, E. Burr Miller, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Ray Rolow and Ed Rostein, all of Salem; and Elmer Mattson, Woodburn, George Christenson, Silvertown, Merle Holman, Jefferson, Arch Van Nuys, Stayton, George Manolis, jr., Gates and Frank Hettwer, Mt. Angel.

Regarding Hatfield, the committee said: "It is our sincere conviction that Mark Hatfield in character, training and ability, possesses those qualifications which we believe vital for a candidate who will contribute constructively in the betterment of our state government. We are in support of his candidacy without reservation."

Chester Mehl of Haywood, Calif., and a sister, May Nelson of Jewell, Ore.

# Fish Board to Oppose Dams On Snake River

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 (AP)—The Oregon fish commission notified Sen. Guy Cordon (R-Ore) today that it would continue opposing construction of four dams on the lower Snake river.

"If those four dams are built," said Chairman John C. Veatch, "we can say goodbye to the salmon runs on the Snake."

The fish commission also refused to sell the army engineers an acre of ground at the mouth of Herman creek. The engineers wanted to give the acre to the Indians as a fishing site, to make up for sites flooded by Bonneville dam.

The commission said Indian fishing there would nullify the value of the fish hatchery on Herman creek.

Don McKernan, chief biologist, was given a three-month leave of absence to study Japanese clam and oyster resources for the U. S. government.

### TRAFFIC TOLLS

CLEVELAND—(INS)—The nation's after-dark traffic death toll will be approximately 16,800, according to preliminary estimates of the Street and Traffic Safety Lighting bureau. This total represents a saving of 800 lives over 1948 when 17,600 met death after dark.

# UAL Manager Sees Continued Air Freight Growth for Salem

(Story also on page 1.)  
Air freight shipments in Salem will continue at a record-breaking pace during the rest of 1950, Manager Harold Sweeney of United Airlines predicted Thursday.

Sweeney, Thursday reviewed United's winter business as his company prepares to testify at Civil Aeronautics board hearings which will determine whether West Coast or United airlines or both will operate in Salem.

He expressed optimism about the coming months.

"Definite shipments will begin within a week or 10 days," he said, "and we'll probably ship 20,000 pounds within 30 days. They come in from Salem, Woodburn and Silverton and are flown as far away as Texas. Shipments will continue for about six weeks," he said.

"Mushrooms are still the steady air freight customer," the manager continued. "We ship them 10 or 11 months a year, mostly to San Francisco and Los Angeles."

Other products often flown out include baby chicks, poultry and holly.

### Passenger Business Up

Sweeney said passenger business also had jumped during the past year at United. "January passenger flights were one-fourth heavier this year than last year," he said.

The manager pointed to a graph on his desk which showed that passenger business has increased steadily over the past four or five years. He predicted another upsurge this year with a peak during the tourist season this summer.

"Speaking of passenger business,

# T. S. Golden, 78, Succumbs At Salem Home

Thomas Stephen Golden, a native of Oregon who lived more than 75 years in Salem, died Thursday at his home at 1395 Saginaw st. He was 78.

Golden was born Sept. 1, 1871, in Albany, the son of Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Golden, pioneers to Oregon. He was among the first graduates of the old East Salem school and also attended Capitol Business college.

The deceased was married July 16, 1893, to the former Edith Penland who died in 1944.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Annabelle Kain, Portland, and Mrs. Viva Rex, Salem; a son, Virgil T. Golden, Salem; and three grandsons, Lee and Tommy Golden, both of Salem, and Wayne Kain, Portland.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning from the V. T. Golden chapel. Concluding services will be in Belcrest Memorial park.

### Warrant Officers Due for National Guard Assignment

Assignment of a warrant officer to all national guard units in Oregon has been authorized by

the national guard bureau, Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Rilea announced Thursday.

### Meet to Provide Tips for Sunday School Teachers

Salem Child Evangelism fellowship will conduct a meeting today at Salvation Army hall, beginning at 10 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ellis, state directors, will give tips for Sunday school teachers.

Following a no-host luncheon the program will include a talk by the Rev. Richard Abrams, pastor of Christian Missionary Alliance church; music by Mrs. Lloyd Rice; teacher training class and devotions led by Mrs. Edwin A. Young.

# Barrels Used In Manufacture Of Iron Lung

FILER, Idaho, Feb. 23—(Special) An iron lung made of oil barrels in a machine shop here has been pressed into service for polio victims in this area. It is portable, can be transported in any ambulance of truck, and operates from standard power circuits.

The lung was fashioned by Wilfred Herrett, machine shop operator and former deep-sea diver. An air pump and rotary valve are used, and a mirror, adjustable head rest and rubber fittings are included.

Sponsoring the project is the IOOF lodge which provides storage and transportation. The Masons, Grange, Kiwanis and Women's club also have aided. Herrett donated the lung for use anywhere in this area.

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