

Labor Unity Committee Proposed by CIO Chief

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—CIO President Philip Murray today proposed creation of a labor unity committee to work toward eventual merger of the CIO, AFL and other major segments of organized labor into a 16,000,000-member federation.

More immediately, it would provide for cooperation between big union groups on economic, legislative and political issues.

Murray made his appeal in letters to the AFL, John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers, the Railroad Brotherhoods and International Association of Machinists.

Declaring that repeal of the Taft-Hartley act and other legislative aims of labor have been blocked by "powerful industrialists and their reactionary spokesmen in congress," Murray said:

"Only one thing can defeat them—effective unity of action on the part of our great organizations which speak for millions of American families."

The CIO chieftain proposed a permanent committee representing the various labor organizations with authority to carry out a common program.

"The establishment of such a standing joint committee would provide much-needed inspiration and leadership for the millions of liberal Americans who are now so

Membership Drive Leaders Cited in OSEA

Four members of Marion county chapter 18 of the Oregon State Employees association were cited Tuesday night for bringing five or more new members into the chapter.

They were Aver Wirts who secured 22, Ed Kinney with 8, Lillian L. Hartwig with 6 and Tillie Albers with 5.

Max Rogers, a longtime member, was presented with a pin for outstanding service to chapter 18 which comprises mostly tax commission employees.

The chapter Tuesday night voted to donate \$10 to the cancer fund and \$10 to the polio fund. President Robey S. Ratcliffe commended members for their support of the recent Marion county polio drive.

It was announced at the meeting that the Oregon State Employees Association Choral group would present a program May 26 and 27 at the Salem high school auditorium in support of the polio fund drive. Frank Hutchinson, of chapter 18 was commended for his outstanding work with this group.

E. A. Bamford, Jr., state association vice-president, discussed proposed presentation to the state legislature of a study of state retirement benefit increases.

Senate Tells McCarthy to Give Up Data

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—Senators investigating charges that reds are in the state department told Senator McCarthy today they want the documents he says he has to back up his accusations.

McCarthy quickly replied he would give them any information he considered pertinent, but none that would help the state department locate the sources of his information. The senator, a Wisconsin republican, explained he does not want any of his informants to lose their jobs.

Otherwise, he told the investigating group headed by Senator Tydings (D-Md.), "Your committee will be supplied with any material which I consider of value in aiding you to perform the task assigned to you by the senate."

Tydings promptly wrote McCarthy a second letter asking him to turn over to the committee by noon tomorrow what ever information he is willing to furnish.

"We do not desire to know of any of your sources unless you feel you can give them to us," he assured McCarthy.

Senators' Easter Vacation Clipped

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—Democratic Leader Lucas of Illinois gave Senators the bad news today—they'll get no long Easter vacation.

The house has voted to drop work from April 6 to April 18 as a sort of vacation bonus for keeping up with the job.

Lucas told senators they will have Friday off but must be back at work Monday.

"We've got a tremendous amount of work to do," he said.

Finletter Gets Air Post Nod

KEY WEST, Fla., April 4—(AP)—Thomas Knight Finletter, long-time champion of a 70-pound air force, was named by President Truman today as secretary for air.

A distinguished New York attorney and frequent state department advisor, Finletter succeeds W. Stuart Symington, shifted by the president to the long-vacant chairmanship of the national security resources board.

Mr. Truman signed Finletter's nomination this afternoon at the "Winter White House" and forwarded it to Washington by air for submission to the senate for its confirmation.

More Astoria Houses Slip

ASTORIA, April 4—(AP)—Week-end rains caused the Irving street residential hillside to slip further and three more homes were abandoned.

The Lawrence Jackson home, high on the hill, was moved several feet and given up for lost. It is the fourth destroyed in the earth slides since January.

A stream of mud and water poured across the yard of the Robert McIntyre property, which was one of those abandoned. The Peter Anderson and Mrs. Lucy Lyman families living at the bottom of the slide area, moved out yesterday.

Portland Fringes Split on Merger

PORTLAND, April 4—(AP)—Eight suburban districts split 4 to 4 today in balloting whether to merge with the city of Portland.

One small southeast district and three southwest areas approved the move. The southwest area rejected the plan, including the heavier populated sectors near Multnomah.

Census Chief Enumerated

CINCINNATI, April 4—(AP)—The tall man looked a little startled when the census taker asked, "what kind of work do you do?"

The secretary of commerce Charles Sawyer laughingly replied that part of his job was running the census bureau, as well as the department of commerce, the weather bureau, several radio stations, a newspaper and a law office.

And when census taker Don Brannen asked Sawyer at his home here "are you looking for work?" the government executive shot back, "definitely not."

Diver Cheats Death by Son's Quick Decision

OYSTER BAY, N.Y., April 4—(AP)—A 51-year-old diver cheated death for the second time in two years today because his son made a correct split-second decision.

When Edward Christiansen was pinned by a huge timber in 14 feet of water, his son, Norman, 23, guessed his father's air release mechanism might be jammed. If it were, and air continued down to him, it would explode the diver's suit.

So young Christiansen stopped the air intake.

A little later he got a message from the diver: "Air release jammed—Dad's reach it."

Twenty-five minutes later Christiansen was released and brought to the surface.

He was treated at a hospital for bruises.

On April 22, 1948, Christiansen coolly directed by telephone his rescue from tons of mud in which he was trapped for three and a half hours at the bottom of New York harbor. Police said today's trouble resulted from the release of a block and timbers under a newly launched tug.

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Naval Priority On Destroyers, Patrol Planes

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—Admiral Forrest P. Sherman said here that an increase in the number of destroyers and patrol planes is the navy's first priority.

The chief of naval operations talked with reporters shortly after Senator Hill (D-Ala.) had predicted in an interview that congress will act quickly to strengthen the weak links he said Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower has pointed out in American defenses.

Sherman's concern over destroyers and patrol planes is in line with Eisenhower's call for a buildup of defenses against submarines. Not Satisfied

The admiral said the recent reduction of active destroyers from 170 to 140, and the reduction of patrol plane squadrons from 30 to 20, do not represent "a situation we're satisfied with."

He said he intends to do everything possible within the funds available.

Reporters asked the admiral about suggestions by Gen. Eisenhower last week that funds for submarine operations be increased in President Truman's budget for 1951.

Sherman said Eisenhower was aware, at the time he made his comment, of \$78,000,000 added to the budget last December for anti-submarine warfare.

"General Eisenhower feels, I believe, that the forces for anti-submarine warfare are not as strong as they should be," Sherman said.

The admiral returned only yesterday from a visit to England, France and Germany.

He expressed hope that U. S. naval bases abroad be better manned and equipped in the future by shifting funds to them from navy establishments in this country.

Soon after Sherman's return the navy announced it will increase its strength in the southwest Pacific near areas that are under strong communist pressure.

It ordered the seventh fleet increased late this spring by two destroyers, two antisubmarine destroyers and three submarines. The additional ships are now based elsewhere in the Pacific.

U. S. marine detachments form a part of the complement on all American battleships, aircraft carriers, heavy cruisers, and on the later types of light cruisers, as well as on other types of combat ships.

Construction of the temple of the Latter-day Saints (Mormon) church in Salt Lake City was begun in 1853 and completed 40 years later.

Spokesman for Celilo Indian Tribe Visits

John Whiz, interpreter and spokesman for the Celilo Indians, was a visitor in Salem Tuesday in the interests of a movement to assure retention of the tribe's identity as a separate group.

Leaf Torn from Betsy Ross' Family Bible

PHILADELPHIA, April 4—(AP)—Vexil D. Weisgerber, curator of the famed Betsy Ross Flag House at 239 Arch street reported here that a page had been stolen from the Ross family Bible.

Weisgerber said the page, bearing records of the Ross family, apparently was ripped out during visiting hours Sunday. The same page disappeared in 1853, and was returned in 1897.

The Bible is displayed in a glass case. To reach the bible, Weisgerber said, the thief or thieves had to remove several screws from a brass edging which held the glass to the table.

The page contained entries in the handwriting of John Claypoole, husband of Betsy Ross, listing the births, marriages and other data of their seven children.

Weisgerber said records in the house in which Betsy Ross made the first American flag show that the same page was "lost" in 1853 and recovered in 1897. Then the Bible was rebound to fit the page into its old place.

Flying Frenchman Heads for Phoenix

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., April 4—(AP)—Jacques Andre Istel, the "Flying Frenchman," arrived here this afternoon following a three-hour flight from Sacramento and left after lunch for Phoenix, Ariz.

Istel, on a trail of a \$600 plane, had barely enough gasoline to reach the local airport.

Insurance Refund Payments Said In Latter Stages

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—About 12,500,000 insurance refund payments have now been made to World War II veterans.

Treasury officials said tonight the total amount paid out so far is about \$2,350,000,000. Approximately \$550,000,000 remains to be paid.

The huge job is going faster than was expected, officials said.

Whiz and one or two other Indian leaders plan to leave for Washington, D. C. next week end to oppose a bill under which the Celilo self-supporting tribe (made up of Celilo and Rock Creek Indians) would be placed under the jurisdiction of other tribes.

Whiz said the bill "would destroy our Indian traditions."

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