

City Transit Lines Calls for Financial Help

(Story also on page one.)

A call for immediate financial aid was issued Saturday by City Transit lines through its manager Carl Wendt.

Two developments have clouded the picture for the bus company, said Wendt. One is that Eugene-Springfield operations used to make enough profit to carry the losses in Salem, but that the situation in Lane county has deteriorated since the first of the year so that both cities are practically on the same earning basis. He blamed the change on greatly increased auto registration.

The other thing is that employees are voting this week end on a new contract to replace one expiring tonight. He said the company "is avoiding the line with a walkout, felt it had to give an offer in line with wage demands."

This offer was 9 cents an hour across the board, which the manager declared would cost the system another \$1,500 per month.

There also are some changes in working conditions. Extra fares needed.

Another 600 rides per day in Salem and 800 in Eugene would put the lines on a paying basis again, according to Wendt. He noted that fares have not increased in the past year but operating costs are up from 28 to 31 1/2 cents per mile in Salem in that time, and the new wage plan would add another 1 1/2 cents. At the same time, he claimed, gross business has dropped by 20 per cent. Schedules within the city have not been altered in more than a year.

Fears Fare Increase

While the company currently has an out-of-pocket loss of \$1,500 monthly for the whole system, the manager pointed out that it could not turn to fare increases or service curtailment to meet increased costs, since that would only drive customers away.

Wendt said the company needs the help of the city in improved routing and in promotion of riding. He was critical of the addition to the Baldock traffic plan of parking areas near the downtown, as well as of the absence of bus-riding business from the state buildings, "while a large number of state-owned cars are parked in front of houses."

The lines employ 36 men in Salem and 55 in Eugene, with daily travel of 1,800 and 3,100 miles respectively. The current hourly pay scale is \$1.45 to drivers and \$1.76 to mechanics.

C. E. Watkins Succumbs to Heart Attack

Charles E. Watkins, 66, longtime Oregon resident, died early Saturday of a heart attack at his home, 1178 Third st., westside Salem.

Watkins had lived in Oregon 60 years and in Salem six years. He had been employed by the National Battery company plant in west Salem. He was born Oct. 5, 1884, in Joplin, Mo.

Christian Science services will be at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday, at the Clough-Barrick chapel. Interment will be at Belcrest Memorial park. Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Olive B. Watkins, Salem; daughters, Mrs. Erma Moore, Silverton, and Mrs. Lena Gale, Salem; sons, William E. and Ellis H. Watkins, both Eugene; sisters, Mrs. Florence Rollins, La Grande, Mrs. Effie Stewart, Corning, Calif.; 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Vandals Cut Phone Cable

PORTLAND, July 28—(AP)—The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company today reported a cable south of Portland had been cut by vandals.

Sheriff Terry Schunk of Multnomah county began an investigation, and said the line had been cut because of "labor trouble or subversive activity."

Schunk said the cable, strung on poles in that area, had been sawed in two. The phone company said the cable handled 100 long distance lines.

Frey Meets Miller

ASTORIA, July 28—(AP)—John Frey, Portland, and Jim Miller, Oswego, Ore., waited today into the finals of the men-under-40 bracket at the Oregon Coast Golf tournament.

Frey defeated Mike Terulli, Oswego, 3 and 2, and Miller defeated Elwin Bowyer, Vancouver, Wash., 5 and 4.

25 IN LONGACRES

SEATTLE, July 28—(AP)—Twenty-five horses have been nominated for the 16th running of the \$10,000 Longacres mile Aug. 26. Five of them belong to Teamster Secretary Frank Brewster, who has a piece of two stables.

Today's Pitchers:

AMERICAN LEAGUE: St. Louis at Washington (3)—Byrne (3-4) and Surr (2-3) or Shaver (2-3) vs. Porterfield (3-3) and Moreno (2-7). Detroit at Philadelphia (3)—Trout (4-11) and White (0-1) or Gray (3-10) vs. Shantz (2-3) and Zolner (3-4). Chicago at New York (2)—Rogovin (5-5) and Kretlow (2-3) vs. Kuzma (5-4) and Rasm (14-4). Cleveland at Boston (2)—Garda (12-7) vs. Kieley (3-9).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York at Cincinnati (3)—Magle (11-4) and Koza (5-4) or Corbin (3-4) vs. Sams (4-9) and Weismann (1-4). Philadelphia at Chicago (3)—Roberts (12-4) and Thompson (3-4) vs. Miller (10-10) and Rush (5-4). Brooklyn at St. Louis (3)—Boe (14-3) vs. Brechen (6-1) or Lauer (6-7) or Lauer (6-7). Pittsburgh at St. Paul (3)—Saw (4-11) and Wilson (2-3) vs. Friend (3-4) and LaPalm (11-4).

3 Valley Men to Return from Korea

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28—(AP)—The transport ship Sgt. Howard E. Woodford is to dock here Monday with 141st army men from Korea. Among those returning on rotation are three from the mid-Willamette valley area of Oregon. They are: Cpl. Floyd D. Bryant, route 3, Corvallis; Sgt. Alvin J. Henry, box 3905, Sweet Home; Cpl. Ernest A. Weisman, route 1, box 65, Aumsville.

Smugglers Use Burma Road as Entry to China

By Seymour Topping
RANGOON, Burma, July 28—(AP)—The Burma road — which fed Chiang Kai-shek's armies with American supplies for war against Japan — has become the principal overland route for smuggling to Red China.

Chinese truck convoys pick up petroleum products, rubber tires and other contraband at the northeast Burma frontier and transport them over the tortuous Burma road to Kinning, 275 airline miles eastward. The illegal traffic in these priority goods is steady and significant.

An authoritative survey made early this month said the current traffic over the Burma road averages around three convoys a week with 50 to 60 trucks in each convoy. Most of this trade is in legitimate items such as cotton but plenty of strategic material is also carried.

One official survey conservatively estimated that about 200 to 300 truck tires a month — or about 10 per cent of Burma's monthly imports of tires from western countries — are smuggled into Red China by this route.

It is almost impossible to estimate correctly the quantity of smuggled petroleum products but it's believed to be relatively small. Prior to last September when the Burmese government clamped down with a licensing system for shipment of petroleum products to dealers north of Mandalay, there was a booming traffic. It has been smaller since then but it picked up again last March when Peiping began to feel the bite of the Korean war and the subsequent embargo.

Burmese and Chinese traders in the Mandalay area report that the contraband goods are passed by Burmese army, police and customs stations after payment of bribes. One reliable survey said a merchant will pay about 3,500 rupees (over \$700) in illegal toll charges to pass a single truck from Mandalay to Kyuchok.

Astronomical prices paid for the contraband goods at Kyuchok easily cover the bribe money paid to get them there.

Fire Starts in Area East of Klamath Falls

By the Associated Press
Another fire broke out in the Fremont National forest, 60 miles east of Klamath Falls yesterday (Saturday) as the fire danger remained critical for most of the state.

Only in the northwest corner were conditions eased. There clouds moved in, keeping temperatures low and raising humidity.

The size of the Fremont fire was not determined at once. A forester reported it was moving fast in a White Pine Lumber Co. operation near Dog Lake. Recently another fire, since controlled, destroyed 3200 acres of timber in that forest.

Several other small fires were brought under control in the state yesterday. One was a 250-acre blaze in the Siuslaw timber area, 45 miles west of Eugene. Two were on Lookout mountain, 10 miles north of Durkee in eastern Oregon. They destroyed 25 acres of timber.

Hayesville Korean Vet Due to Dock At Seattle Today

Statesman News Service
HAYESVILLE, July 28—Sgt. Paul Andersen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andersen, is scheduled to dock at Seattle tomorrow following a year of service in Korea, the family reports.

Andersen left Ft. Lewis for the war zone Aug. 3, 1950. His wife, the former Kitty Mowry of Hayesville, plans to be at the dock to greet him. She and their four children now live at Vancouver, Wash. They plan to visit here very soon.

Vandals Mar Allsup Dwelling at Cervais

Statesman News Service
GERVAIS—Mrs. W. W. Allsup reported to the Marion county sheriff's office Friday that vandals had been committed in her home during a two-week absence. Locks had been broken to gain admittance and several rooms had been marred, she said. Mrs. Allsup has been staying at the home of a daughter.

Storm Spreads Destruction In North Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, July 28—(AP)—A new storm spread destruction over a portion of northern Utah tonight bringing floods and blackouts to Salt Lake, Davis and Utah counties.

Thunder and lightning lashed out of the new storm, just as it did the assault last night. The damage area ranged from Salt Lake City on the north to Provo on the south and from Vernal on the east to Tooele on the west.

Bulldozers were rushed to clear the blocked Salt Lake City-Corpus highway which was blocked by tons of dirt and rock, carried by a flash flood.

Scio Leads in 'Sokol Slet' Gym Contest

SCIO—Lead in the annual Sokol Slet, coastwide gymnastic and athletic competitions, was taken Friday by the host group here.

Scio has won the traditional Czech festival competitions the past two years in San Francisco and Los Angeles, Calif. The folk festival will continue today.

Competition was reported very keen in the events with less than 20 score points separating the four teams. Scores at the end of the first day follow:

Team competition, apparatus and athletic division—Scio, 279.13; San Francisco, 263.23; Los Angeles, 261.57; Fresno, Calif., 260.65.

Men's individual scores — William Bartram, Scio, 99.99; Stanley Besek, San Francisco, 98.05; Edward Krotman, Scio, 97.23.

Women's individual scores—Emilie Fulkicki, Los Angeles, 92.95; Janet Stulick, Los Angeles, 92.95; Mary Janota, 91.90.

Competitions for men were in four apparatus events, three athletic events and callisthenics. Women competed in three apparatus events, three athletic events and callisthenics.

The events are a copy, on a smaller scale, of a folk festival produced as a national event every six years at Prague, Czechoslovakia until the present governmental regime there.

Lightning Sets Million-Gallon Tank Ablaze

CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 28—(AP)—Lightning set fire to a million-gallon methyl-alcohol tank at a huge Kanawha valley chemical plant tonight.

No casualties were reported. Two hours after flames enveloped the big storage tank, the fire still raged out of control and threatened other inflammable installations.

Flames leaped high into the air and were visible for several miles. The scene of the fire is the institute plant of the carbide and carbon chemicals division, 10 miles west of Charleston.

Located nearby is the synthetic rubber plant of the Goodrich Rubber company. This installation, which was operated during the last war for the production of synthetic rubber, recently was reactivated under government contract.

Mrs. Braden Hurt in Wreck

Mrs. Hillis R. Braden, 1438 N. Cottage st., was injured, apparently not seriously, in a two-car collision at Hubbard Saturday evening. She was taken to Salem General hospital for treatment and released.

State police said that a car driven by her husband and an auto driven by William Dloyd, Portland, collided when Braden pulled off a side road near Hubbard school onto highway 99-E. Dloyd was travelling north on 99-E, police said, with four members of his family. No other injuries were reported.

McKay's Aide to Head Freedom Fund Drive

PORTLAND, July 28—(AP)—The fund-raising campaign for the crusade for freedom will be headed in Oregon by T. Lawson McCall, Governor McKay's secretary.

As chairman, McCall named Jack M. Chesbro, Portland, state director to organize regional and county committees. The funds are used for radio broadcasts into iron curtain countries.

Jury Trial Proves Sad Experiment for Cabbie

PORTLAND, July 28—(AP)—A cab driver, charged with jay walking, decided against paying a \$3 penalty. He asked for a trial.

A municipal court jury convicted Harley Phelps, 53. He was fined \$18, ordered to pay \$12 in jury fees and \$10 in court reporter fees. The total was \$40.

Ridgway Allowed to Make Only Small Changes in U.N. Policy

WASHINGTON, July 28—(AP)—General Matthew B. Ridgway's true instructions will permit him to make minor adjustments but no concessions in the U.N. demand that an armistice buffer zone in Korea follow the present battle line.

Informed officials said today that the United States intends to stand absolutely firm on this issue, which has produced a head-on clash with the communist negotiators at Kaesong, and on the question of an adequate system for inspection of all troops in Korea after an armistice is established.

Ridgway's instructions were described as covering a wide range of possible moves and counter moves for use as negotiations developed. But in the state department there was strong belief today that long, hard sessions around the conference table will now have to precede any really significant break in the situation.

Assistant Secretary of State Dean Rusk, reportedly holding this view, prepared today to leave on a week's vacation this weekend. Aides said that he would be back a week from Monday. He is planning to motor with his family to California.

Rusk has been Secretary of State Acheson's chief advisor for the Kaesong meetings. Ever since the Russians put forward a month ago their proposal for efforts to end the Korean fighting Rusk has worked seven days a week in consultation with the White House and defense leaders on arrangements for the negotiations and on the orders to be given Ridgway.

Although the original Russian suggestion and the attitude of the United States and its U.N. allies is that the present talks are concerned with strictly military and non-political matters, there is considerable suspicion here that the communists will make political gains where they can. This is one of the considerations behind the U.S. attitude toward a buffer zone.

The communists position, re-stated at Kaesong last night (Washington time), is that the zone must be set up along the line of the 38th parallel which divided north and south Korea before the war.

Home Casualty Of Ball Games

He didn't mind so much when the raucous westside Salem ball players rattled the walls of his house with their yelling.

But long-ball hitting youngsters have broken several windows now, a homeowner near a westside city park at Plaza street and Rosemont avenue reported Saturday to City Manager J. L. Franzen.

The homeowner said he didn't want to cause any ill feelings or stop the games. But he appealed to the city manager for relief from the hazard. Franzen suggested that the ball players move their evening game to a nearby school ground.

City police said they would carry the suggestion to the players.

Health Laws 'Unenforced' In Tillamook

EUGENE, July 28—(AP)—The state board of health charged today that Tillamook county is not enforcing health laws. The board warned that it "can no longer be responsible for any outbreak of disease which might occur."

The board said that sanitation grade cards now displayed in Tillamook county restaurants will be picked up immediately. The county does not employ a health officer or a sanitarian and cards may not show the restaurant's actual condition, the board reported.

In the past Tillamook and Lincoln counties have maintained a joint district health department. Voters refused last year to authorize funds for its continued operation.

Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, said he has met with George Neuner, state attorney general, to discuss possibility of taking legal action against the county.

City police said they would

CIO Predicts Try To Push Sales Tax

HOQUAM, Wash., July 28—(AP)—Special interests will make a concerted effort to "put over the sales tax" in Oregon, George Brown, secretary of the Oregon CIO, said here today.

In an address to a district union convention here, he said the only alternative voters may have is "an oppressive" income tax.

Brown proposed that the Oregon legislature plug tax law loopholes which he said favor corporations.

Miss Oregon Contest Today

SEASIDE, Ore., July 28—(AP)—Miss Oregon of 1951 will be selected tomorrow from among the 13 pretty girls who paraded here tonight in a bathing beauty contest.

The parade was the second event in the Miss Oregon pageant. Last night the girls competed in a talent show.

Five finalists will be selected tomorrow. After another talent contest, the winner will be announced. She will represent Oregon in the Atlantic City Miss America contest.

Dr. John Nash, Dentist, Dies of Heart Attack

Dr. John G. Nash, 65, Salem dentist for 30 years, died suddenly Saturday afternoon of a heart attack while playing golf.

He complained of pains in his chest while playing at Oak Knoll golf course, west of Salem. Returning to the clubhouse, he died while lying down to rest.

Dr. Nash had been in apparent good health, practicing actively until his death.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Essie M. Nash, at the residence, 2737 N. River rd.; a son, Gordon Nash, Salem, and a niece, Gloria Jean Gay, in the WAVES, at Great Lakes, Ill., who had lived in the home for many years.

Funeral services will be in charge of Virgil T. Golden company.

SPOKANE WIN FINALE

SPOKANE, July 28—(AP)—Second game: Vancouver 110 010 003—5 11 3 Spokane — 000 008 340—13 12 1 Nicholas, Baris, Beasley and Ritehey; Bishop and Nulty.

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