

Mill Bosses Agree To Resume Talks

(Story also on page 1.) PORTLAND — A major group of employers agreed Thursday to resume negotiations next week in the Pacific Northwest lumber strike, now 18 days old.

House Votes to Up Coverage Of Unemployed

WASHINGTON — The House Thursday voted 309-96 for a bill expanding unemployment insurance coverage, after beating down a Democratic drive to increase weekly benefits.

The bill, which now goes to the Senate, would add about four million workers to the 6 million already covered by the federal-state jobless insurance program.

It adds about 2 1/2 million federal government employees for the first time, and extends coverage to firms hiring four or more employees for 30 days in a year. The present law, enacted in 1935, covers firms hiring eight or more employees for 30 weeks.

President Eisenhower had requested coverage for six million more persons, including firms with one or more workers without regard to length of service. The Ways and Means Committee trimmed down the President's proposal before bringing it to the House floor.

A determined band of Democrats denounced the House bill as inadequate and fought for amendments to increase payments to the jobless and extend payments for at least 36 weeks.

They were beaten on a roll call vote of 241-110. Supporting the move were 18 Republicans, 91 Democrats and 1 Independent. Against were 17 Republicans and 68 Democrats.

Benefits and payment periods now vary according to state laws, with the minimum in some states as low as \$5 a week for six weeks. The average is less than \$25.

An amendment by Rep. Forand (D-RI) would have set the minimum benefit at one-half the individual worker's weekly wage, and the maximum payment at two-thirds the average weekly wage in the state.

Final Rites for Mrs. Semerad Due Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Julia Semerad, 93, former resident of Salem, will be held at 10 a. m. Saturday in the W. T. Rigdon Chapel. She died Monday at her home in Sonoma, Calif.

Mrs. Semerad was born April 1, 1861, in Czechoslovakia and came to this country in 1906. After settling in Nebraska, she came to Salem in 1930 and remained here until 1946 when she moved to her California home. She was a member of the Catholic Church.

Mrs. Semerad is survived by one daughter, Lulu Reber, Sonoma, Calif.; sons, Karl Penny, Salem, Frank Pysny, Salem, and Ludwig Pysny, Portland; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Interment will be at Belcrest Memorial Park.

Polite Bandits Get \$42,755 From Bank

SOUTH GATE, Calif. — Two gunmen — so polite they suggested their men victims get up and give their chairs to the women — robbed a Bank of America branch of \$42,755 Thursday.

The unmasked robbers, described as about 30 years old and goodlooking, forced a teller to admit them to the bank when he returned from an early morning cup of coffee.

They sat employees in chairs behind the teller's cages as they arrived for work. Then, with all 10 present, they required eight to sit on the floor.

One bound their feet together with iron wire. His partner forced Manager Walter J. Behn and a stenographer, Mrs. Betty Oliver — each of whom know half the combination — to open the vault.

City to Start Air Attacks On Mosquitos

Salem's campaign to rid the area of mosquitos is scheduled to get under way this weekend when a BT13 aircraft from Kreitzberg Aviation will spray the insects' breeding places.

George Kreitzberg, owner of the company, said the job will take about four hours and areas along the river and in West Salem will be sprayed along with other low, wet areas. Two additional sprayings will follow at about two-week intervals.

Poison used this year will be a new chemical, adjuvaxet, mixed with DDT and oil. Kreitzberg said. The plane will work at altitudes from 50 to 100 feet, he explained, most likely during the morning hours when temperature and other atmospheric conditions are right.

House Stiffens Espionage, Sabotage Laws

WASHINGTON — The House voted Thursday to make peacetime spying punishable by death as it passed and sent to the Senate a bill drastically stiffening the espionage and sabotage laws.

Passage was unanimous by a 323-0 rollcall vote.

It was the third anti-subversive measure approved by the House in enactment of the administration's program for cracking down on Communist saboteurs and spies.

Three On Tap On tap are three other administration-sponsored measures which would bar suspected Reds and spies from defense plants, dissolve Communist-dominated labor unions and organizations, and strip citizenship from anyone convicted of conspiring to overthrow the government.

With a minimum of debate, the House approved the bill sent to Congress by Atty. Gen. Brownell to make peacetime as well as wartime espionage a capital offense subject to the death penalty.

It first beat down, 29 to 29, in a standing vote an amendment by Rep. Rogers (D-Texas) to apply the death penalty to sabotage as well as espionage.

For the first time in American history, death as well as imprisonment would be made the penalty for spying when the United States is not actively at war. It would also remove the existing legal time limit on prosecution, which is now 10 years.

The bill also broadens the espionage and sabotage laws by making them applicable to germ and atomic warfare, and other modern technological developments not in existence when the present statutes were written.

It likewise would require the registration of foreign-trained saboteurs, or anyone having knowledge of foreign espionage, counter-espionage or sabotage.

While the bill's sponsors do not expect saboteurs to come forward and register, they said it would be an invaluable aid to prosecution of subversives before actual sabotage is accomplished.

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Armas Heads Junta Ruling In Guatemala

By CARLOS R. ESCUDERO GUATEMALA — Col. Carlos Castillo Armas emerged Thursday as the head man of a three-man junta ruling Guatemala.

The leader of the recent anti-Communist revolt was elected to the junta's presidency Wednesday night but the action was announced only Thursday by the junta secretary, Rodrigo Robles.

Col. Efilego Monzon, head man of a five-man junta since last week, remains a member of the ruling committee along with Maj. Enrique Oliva.

2 Members Dropped — Two members were dropped — Lt. Col. Mauricio duBois and Jose Luis Cruz.

Robles said both resigned after Castillo Armas' election and refused to reconsider their action after being urged to do so. They were given a vote of recognition for their services since the junta was formed last Friday.

The third member of the new junta, Oliva, was defense minister in the provisional government which Castillo Armas set up soon after the invasion started.

Keenly Disappointed Castillo Armas' supporters were reportedly disappointed that he did not emerge as top man in the original fusion with Monzon. Tommygunners from among the exiles who shared the risks of invasion with Castillo Armas surrounded him whenever he appeared in public.

Even Thursday a half dozen men armed with submachineguns and rifles fanned out in front of him as he left his residence, apparently fearful their leader might be attacked.

Castillo Armas has not brought the bulk of his liberation troops into the capital, keeping them around the headquarters he set up early in the invasion at Chiquimula and at Zacapa in Southeastern Guatemala.

He visited both those places Wednesday as rumors grew the men were highly dissatisfied with political developments. Castillo Armas may have brought up their discontent when he attended the crucial junta meeting Wednesday night.

Announcement of changes in the government's top command came as the junta clamped a tight guard around foreign embassies in an effort to prevent the escape of Communists and other enemies of the new regime.

Half-Million Minus Bread In Two Cities

VANCOUVER — Half a million people in Vancouver and Nanaimo were out of Thursday morning bread supplies.

Bakers started a strike in one Vancouver plant and six other bakeries locked out their workers. Two bakeries enforced lockouts in Nanaimo. Affected were 459 union workers.

Breadlines formed in stores throughout Vancouver as housewives sought supplies. Most stores were sold out by noon as buyers left with armfuls of bread.

JET HELP TOKYO, (INS) — Modern American manufacturing techniques are helping Japan move back in to the big leagues of world jet aircraft production. Lockheed Aircraft Company technicians, and U. S. Air Force jet advisors are working alongside Japanese engineers in the recently rebuilt and re-equipped Kawasaki Aircraft Company plant near Gifu to aid the nation jet production by the end of the year.

At the Theaters Today

EL SINORE. "TANGANYIKA" with Van Heflin and Ruth Roman in Technicolor. "GO MAN GO" with Harlem Globetrotters and Dane Clark.

CAPITOL. "ARROW IN THE DUST" with Sterling Hayden and Coleen Gray. "THE BOWERY BOYS MEET THE MONSTERS".

GRAND. "APPOINTMENT WITH DANGER" starring Jack Webb and Alan Ladd. "DARK CITY" with Charlton Heston, Elizabeth Scott and Jack Webb.

HOLLYWOOD. "TAZA SON OF COCHISE" with Rock Hudson. "MR. POTTS GOES TO MOSCOW" with Oscar Homolka — a comedy hit.

NORTH SALEM DRIVE-IN. "BEND OF THE RIVER" with James Stewart. "PHANTOM OF THE RUE MORGUE" with Karl Malden and Patricia Medina.

Cherries Add Hazards for Area Drivers

A California driver may think twice before driving through Oregon again during cherry season, state police reported Thursday.

His troubles started, police said, when a pickup truck, loaded with 100 boxes of cherries, overturned on Wallace Road near Lincoln and scattered cherries over the highway. Truck driver Bruce Austin Wendt, 1980 Wallace Rd., was uninjured.

A few minutes later Billy Carl Phillips, Wilmington, Calif., lost control of his car on the cherry-slick stretch of pavement and crashed into a ditch. Both car and truck were towed from the accident, and police scooped cherries off the road.

Blaze Rages Out Of Control at Big Club in Spokane

SPOKANE — A fire was reported raging in the Brotherhood of Friends Lodge, one of the city's largest private clubs, late Thursday night.

First reports by police radio indicated the blaze was temporarily out of control and that one or more patrons may have been overcome by smoke.

The club is located in the downtown section of Spokane. Police were blocking off streets leading to the scene to aid firemen.

Puerto Ricans Get Maximum Prison Terms

WASHINGTON — Four Puerto Rican terrorists drew the maximum sentences Thursday for what a federal judge called the "atrocious" crime of shooting up the House of Representatives March 1.

The three men involved each were sentenced to serve from 25 to 75 years in prison, while fiery Lolita Lebron, 34-year-old brunette, was given a term ranging from 16 years and 8 months to 50 years.

Claim Patriotism The four insisted they were patriots, acting for the freedom of Puerto Rico, but U. S. District Judge Alexander Holtzoff declared their foray was "so heinous, so infamous, so atrocious" as to justify the severest possible penalty.

"But for the grace of God," said the U. S. Atty. Geo. A. Rover, the Puerto Ricans would be in court to hear the imposition of death sentences.

Five House members were felled by bullets fired by the Puerto Rican nationalists from the visitors' gallery. All have recovered and resumed their seats.

For "Great Ideal" Mrs. Lebron, who did more talking in the court room than the others, said she participated in the pistol attack "for a great ideal."

"We are not free," she told the judge.

Mrs. Lebron, who appeared on the verge of hysteria, said: "My dear Lord, I ask Him to come to you."

Judge Holtzoff, like everyone else in the courtroom, appeared to have difficulty understanding Mrs. Lebron. He leaned forward.

"I love you, I love the world, and I love God," she said. "I don't deserve this."

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