

Official 'Brass' Helps Launch First Production of Salem Tin Can Firm

Can line foreman Richard Wieland had plenty of help Wednesday as the big machines on his No. 1 production line joyfully punched out the first batch of cans made in the new Salem plant of American Can Co.

The cans were of high grade tinsplate metal; the first-day ceremonial help was high grade "brass"—Gov. Elmo Smith and other government and industry leaders who switched on the plant's initial production and who "inspected" the first run of cans.

Putting the first of three production lines into action called for the ceremony of the day at the nearly-completed million dollar industrial plant in North Salem near the Cascade Meats plant.

Experienced Nucleus
A nucleus of 18 experienced Canco men transferred from other plants started the Salem work Wednesday. Plant Superintendent J. G. Griffin said hiring of employees locally would begin next week.

By August the plant is to be in full production with a crew of 75 and an output of 240 million cans a year. Then an Open House for the public will be planned.

American Can officials and a Salem Chamber of Commerce delegation exchanged shouted greetings as 450 cans per minute formed on the production line, banged up and down around on the conveyor belt through the series of heating, welding, punching and other operations, then headed across the big, open manufacturing room ceiling, through can-size openings in the concrete wall to the storage area, then back without stopping through the wall and down to the hands of men packing them in large, square heavy-paper sacks for storage and shipment.

Machine Fed
They were the first hands to touch the cans since a workman fed stocks of tinsplate pieces into the machinery in the first place.

Since only one of three lines was complete and working and since nothing had yet been stored in the 240 by 300 foot warehouse, the cans "rattled around" the plant in more ways than one Wednesday.

American Can Vice President R. C. Stolk said the warehouse offers a feature new to American Can in its height—29½ feet, which permits can stacks half again as high as in most Canco plants.

Open Factory
Another new feature in the company's newest plant, he said, is the entirely open factory section—non partitioning of maintenance, supply or other production departments. The manufacturing room is 161 by 200 feet.

Among those visiting dignitaries who saw the first can-run, besides Gov. Smith, were Salem Mayor Robert F. White, Chamber Vice President Claude A. Miller and N. W. Merrill, Salem packer who is president of Northwest Cannery and Freezers Association.

Can company leaders present included, besides West Coast vice president Stolk, E. G. Gross of Portland, assistant Pacific sales manager, and R. K. Frederick, Portland plant manager.

In the Salem plant, headed by Griffin, the top men include Wieland as can line foreman, Robert Morley as warehouse foreman and Peter Pernosky as mechanical supervisor.



American Can Co. recruited this quintet of big names to throw the switches in an opening-production ceremony at the new Salem plant Wednesday morning. Plant Superintendent J. G. Griffin (left) calls the signal to (left to right) N. W. Merrill, president of Northwest Freezers and Cannery Assn.; Vice President Claude A. Miller of Salem Chamber of Commerce; Mayor Robert F. White; Gov. Elmo Smith; Canco Vice President R. C. Stolk. (Statesman Photo.)

Russ Claim U.S. Aircraft Buzzing Ships

LONDON (AP)—Moscow radio said Wednesday U.S. airplanes have been trailing Soviet warships en route to Red China on a good will mission and buzzing around them "like tiresome bumblebees."

"These unsolicited travel companions are the objects of sailors' wisecracks," the broadcast added. A Soviet cruiser and two destroyers left Vladivostok June 17

for Shanghai. They entered the Yangtze River this morning and will reach the great Chinese port later Wednesday.

Quoting a correspondent accompanying the Soviet naval unit for Izvestia, the Soviet government newspaper, Moscow radio said: "On behalf of the entire Soviet people the sailors will express ardent sentiments of affection and

respect to the great fraternal Chinese people. "Under these circumstances, the following fact seems extremely strange and out of place: American aircraft, like tiresome bumblebees, are constantly circling over the warships. These unsolicited travel companions are the objects of sailors' wisecracks." The broadcast gave no other details.

House Group Divided Over Civil Rights

WASHINGTON (AP)—Supporters of civil rights legislation argued Wednesday their proposals are "moderate" and "minimum" as the House Rules Committee neared a vote on clearing them for floor action.

But outnumbered Southern Democrats gave every sign of continuing their drumfire of criticism right up to the committee vote, scheduled for Thursday.

Rep. Colmer (D-Miss) said a strong effort is obviously being made to win the Negro vote in this election year. But he said such attempts might prove a "two-edged sword."

Raising the possibility the South might take unified and independent political action, Colmer said: "Suppose it became an organized minority group and said 'We are for sale too, we want to be

wood too, we don't want just to be kept.' That might put a different aspect on it."

Both Northern Democrats and Republicans hope to draw political advantage from a favorable House vote on the civil rights bill, though it is virtually certain to be doomed by Southern filibustering in the Senate if it gets that far. They want to establish a "record" on the issue.

Low Bridge Toll For Motorcycles

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—Motorcyclists rate no bargain price with the California toll bridge authority.

Norman C. Raab, chief of the division of bay toll crossings, urges that a proposed 25-cent motorcycle toll on the new Richmond-San Rafael bridge opening Sept. 1 be

raised to 75 cents—same as for passenger cars. "It takes longer to clear a motorcycle through the gates than an automobile," Raab said Wednesday. "Motorcycle drivers wear those tight pants. They can't get into their pockets to get change without getting off their machines."

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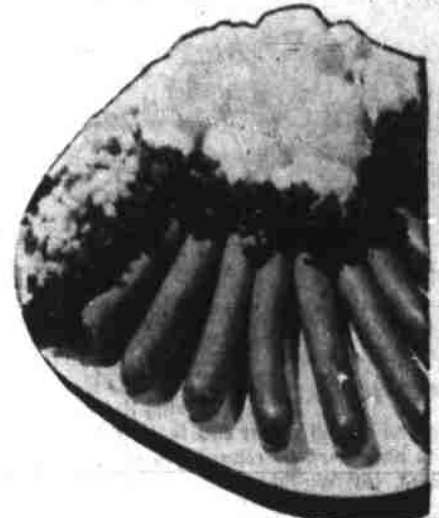
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Rebel Band Hits Town in North Africa

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP)—A rebel commando band sprayed death and terror through a downtown section of Algiers Wednesday at the peak of the home-bound rush hour. The raiders killed two persons and wounded 13 others.

All their victims were European civilians.

The French speculated that the raid may have been a reprisal for the beheading Tuesday of two convicted terrorists.

The wounded included two women and a 10-year old child. Gaston Taha, 35-year old reporter-photographer of The Daily Journal d'Alger, was shot down on a cafe terrace as he sought shelter from the raiders' bullets.

The other person the raiders killed was Leon Legras, one-time champion bicycle racer of Algeria.

Police and military patrols fought a running battle with the rebel band through the streets of the Babel Oued sector. They shot and killed two terrorists and captured two.

The rebel raid erupted after 6 pm along the Avenue Bouzarar, a main thoroughfare near the waterfront. At that hour the streets are jammed.

Sporadic fighting continued in other areas of Algeria and spilled over into Morocco.

Meantime, in political developments in Paris, there was a new plan about to give the Algerians more political freedom, accompanied by a threat to strengthen the forces in Algeria.

France's defense minister, Maurice Bourges-Maunoury, said in Paris that a half million French troops will be thrown into Algeria next year.

He said Algeria must be won back by a long, slow campaign of pacification. Otherwise, he told an Anglo-American Press Assn. luncheon, all defense plans of the Western world would have to be reshaped "because it is the future of the whole of Western Europe that is at stake in Algeria."

Quick action would end terrorism but the risk of new uprisings would remain, the defense chief said.