

Hoffa Plays Top Role in Fiery Dispute Over Unions' Merger

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 12 (AP)—An AFL-CIO merger conference in metropolitan Wayne County failed to arrive at an understanding today after sometimes fiery dispute in which James R. Hoffa played a top role.

At one point in early discussions Hoffa, Teamsters Union vice president, shouted to the CIO men:

15-Year Pen Term Handed To Kidnapers

EUGENE, Aug. 12 (AP)— Circuit Judge A. T. Goodwin today sentenced James Adam Repp, 33, to a term up to 15 years in the state penitentiary for the kidnaping of two Jasper residents.

Repp's attorney, Douglas Spencer, appealed for leniency. He said Repp had served eight years honorably in the Navy.

Repp was convicted of being one of two men who held up a store at Jasper operated by Mrs. Lorene Wright on July 30, then kidnaping her and James Awbrey, who was visiting Mrs. Wright in the store.

William H. Eckles, accused of being Repp's companion, is being held on another charge in Tillamook.

Knife Killing Suspect Wins Plea Delay

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., Aug. 12 (AP)—A former Freeport, N. Y., girl, accused of murdering her roommate with a flatiron and kitchen knife, watched nervously today while her attorney got her plea delayed so she can undergo psychiatric examination. The plea was reset for Sept. 3.

The restless eyes of Elaine Soule, 19, strayed to the ceiling, down at the floor and all around the courtroom during the brief proceedings before Superior Judge Aylett R. Cotton.

Her attorney, John Cost, said Dr. Walter Rappaport, state director of mental health, has been retained to give her physical and sociological as well as psychological tests. These will help determine her plea to charges that she murdered Catherine Elvins of Seattle, Wash., July 24 in the Burlingame apartment they shared.

Cost, another attorney, G. Brooks Ice, and a police matron, were the only persons to accompany her from jail to court.

Her father, Frank Soule, left last night for his home at Freeport, on Long Island, after being here since shortly after the slaying.

Amphibious Jeep at Alaska In World Trip

COLD BAY, Alaska Peninsula, Aug. 12 (AP)— Two intrepid jeeps arrived in their amphibious jeep, Half Safe, today to complete another leg of their trip around the world.

Northwest Airlines offices reported the arrival of Ben Cahlin, 45, Australian adventurer, and Boyde de Mente, 28, of Phoenix at noon, Pacific Standard time. Northwest had no further information.

Cold Bay, on the western tip of the Alaska Peninsula, is more than 1,000 miles from Shemya where the two landed July 7 after a 1,300-mile voyage from Japan's Hokkaido Island. Northwest did not know whether they had put in at any other island enroute here.

Carl left Montreal seven years ago on his trans-world voyage in the little water jeep. DeMente joined him in Tokyo.

The two plan to travel to an anchorage, then down the Alaska highway to British Columbia to Seattle, San Francisco and Los Angeles and then across the continent to Montreal.

Shipwreck Victims Sought Off Leyte

MANILA, Aug. 12 (AP)—Twenty-one persons from a capsized sailboat are being hunted in south Philippine waters between Leyte and Mindanao islands, the Manila Rescue Center said Sunday.

A spokesman said three survivors reached shore Saturday and that the others apparently were drifting in the Leyte Gulf.

Pulitzer Winner Littledale Dies

NATICK, Mass., Aug. 12 (AP)— Harold A. Littledale, 72, second man to win a Pulitzer Prize for reporting died at a rest home Sunday after a long illness.

Littledale was a staff member of the New York Post in 1918 when he won the award for a series of articles on New Jersey prison conditions.

He also was assistant to the managing editor of the New York Times for several years.

Complaint Ill-Advised

TOKYO, Aug. 12 (AP)—A 17-year-old youth who complained to police that his bag was stolen in a station waiting room wishes he hadn't. Police caught the thief, recovered the bag and invited the youth to show up to claim his property. When he did, the youth was jailed. The bag was filled with women's lingerie shoplifted from department stores.

"Keep your trap shut outside," Hoffa said at one point.

"I'll do what I want. I'll take 'If that's what you call a merger, then we're going to have a divorce before the marriage."

Hoffa, now being hoisted for president of the Teamsters, made the statement in assailing CIO proposals for representation on the executive body for a proposed AFL-CIO merged group.

After a recess during which tempers cooled, both sides came out with a joint statement saying each had submitted proposals and that these would be given "future study."

AFL Outnumbered

In Wayne County, which includes industrial Detroit and environs, the CIO outnumbers the AFL by approximately 350,000 members to 250,000.

Under the AFL-CIO national merger of December, 1954, state and county mergers must be completed by Dec. 5 of this year.

Meeting today were an AFL 12-man delegation led by Hoffa and a similar group from the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor.

Hoffa wrangled with Mike Novak, president of the Wayne County CIO Council.

Greeting Novak with "Hi, Muscles, I see you've been making statements to the press." Hoffa got into an argument with the CIO man over a reputed agreement to issue only joint statements on the conference.

To Stymie Merger

Novak had previously predicted to Detroit reporters that Hoffa would try to stymie the merger.

Harney County D.A. Resigns

BURNS, Aug. 12 (AP)— Luther L. Jensen announced today he is resigning as district attorney for Harney County.

Jensen said he had been appointed assistant United States district attorney for the seventh district of California with headquarters in Los Angeles.

Jensen was appointed Harney district attorney by former Gov. Elmo Smith in November, 1936. His resignation will become effective Oct. 1.

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The SEC also announced that the partners of Elliott & Co. had agreed to an injunction enjoining them from selling securities in violation of the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

A spokesman for the commission said this injunction makes the partners liable to criminal contempt action if the registration requirements are not met, in addition to whatever administrative penalty the SEC might decide upon.

The debentures carried 5 per cent interest and were redeemable for common stock of Crowell-Collier at \$5 a share, a price below its market value.

Aluminum Panels For Insulation Ready to Market

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 12 (AP)— Aluminum Co. of America said today it is ready to market aluminum panels with foamed-plastic insulation for use in building, refrigeration, transportation and marine industries.

Alcoa said it will use a newly developed process to mass produce the panels. The process was developed jointly by Fred Robinson of Robinson Industries, Inc., Coleman, Mich., and Ralph Stolle of Stolle Corp., Cincinnati, Ohio.

The panels make available a multitude of choices in interior and exterior materials and finishes for buildings, appliances and other products, Alcoa said.

The new product will be sold in widths up to 48 inches and in thicknesses ranging up to six inches. The length of the panels will be limited only by available handling and packing equipment.

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Boston News Blackout Holds; Both Sides Firm

BOSTON, Aug. 12 (AP)—Representatives of the Mailers Union and publishers of six metropolitan newspapers met with labor conciliators at the State House today but neither side 'would give an inch' to break a three-day strike that has shut down the dailies.

Massachusetts Labor Commissioner Ernest A. Johnson, who reported the deadlock, said "We are trying to set up a joint meeting for Wednesday."

This would indicate that the papers—the morning and evening Globe, the morning Herald, evening Traveler, morning Record and evening American—would not be publishing at least until Thursday. The Christian Science Monitor, published in Boston, is not involved in the strike and has withdrawn public sale of its editions.

Johnson said the union still is standing by its request for an \$8 a week raise for this year with a wage reopening clause next January. Management has offered \$4.50 this year and \$3.50 next.

He said today's meetings were separate, that is, each party conferred separately with labor conciliators and did not meet each other.

"No doubt we will bring them together Wednesday," Johnson said. He added that the only thing that hasn't been resolved is salary. Both sides have agreed on a health and welfare fund.

There are fewer than 300 mailers—whose job is to bundle and distribute papers to the loading platforms—on strike. The walkout, has 5,000 newspaper men and women idle.

Just prior to the meetings the publishers issued a statement outlining their position. They said they had been attempting to negotiate a new contract since November. Their offer, management said, would mean a weekly wage of \$103.13, compared with an average of \$102.23 for the 20 largest cities throughout the country.

The union places the average nearer \$110, stepped up their newscasts. They vertising—much of it from retail wage throughout the nation as Boston radio stations have also have reported a jump in ad-stores and theaters.

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