

Damages Given To Timber Firm

Longshoremen Lose Case in High Court

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Supreme Court Monday unanimously upheld a \$750,000 Taft-Hartley Act damage award against Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's Union.

The judgment won by the Juneau, Alaska, Spruce Corp. was the largest to date and the first to reach the high court.

Jurisdictional Fight
It grew out of a suit charging that Bridges' union damaged the company's business by setting up picket lines and making "coercive" statements during a jurisdictional row between two rival labor organizations more than two years ago.

The firm had a contract with the CIO Woodworkers of America but the longshoremen tried to force the company to give large loading work to the Bridges men.

Expelled From CIO
Bridges' union has been expelled from the CIO on the grounds that its leadership followed the Communist Party line.

Bridges himself is free on bail after his conviction on charges that he lied in denying membership in the Communist Party when he obtained American citizenship. The Australian-born labor leader has appealed the conviction, but it has not yet reached the supreme court.

Student Admits Stealing \$3450

PORTLAND — (AP) — A 20-year-old former Linfield College student, object of a week-long search last month, has admitted stealing \$3450 in night burglaries of Portland homes, police said.

The youth, Harold Lawrence, walked into the police station with his pastor Saturday night and turned over \$2350 which he said was left from the burglaries.

Wrecked Car Found
Lawrence disappeared three weeks ago. His wrecked car was found on a road near Tigard. When he returned home his parents said he had run away because he had wrecked the family car.

Police said Lawrence told them he had stolen the money in a series of burglaries in the Grant High district of Portland. He bought a car with \$1100 of the money and then hid the rest under the floor of his room at Linfield College, McMinnville, police said he told them.

Guilty Conscience
Lawrence was reported to have had the money with him when he disappeared. Police said he told them Saturday that during his absence he went to Seattle then to San Francisco and finally returned home.

Lawrence said the thefts had preyed on his mind and he had fallen behind in his studies, police reported. He withdrew from school just before Christmas. He was charged with burglary and bail was set at \$3000.

Navigation Classes Set for Yacht Club

A ten-week course in offshore navigation, piloting and seamanship will begin Wednesday, Jan. 9, for Eugene Yacht Club members and their families.

The classes, to be given from 7:30 to 9:30 every Wednesday night at the Naval Armory, 1520 W. 13th Ave., will be taught by University of Oregon faculty members. The text will be Chapman's "Piloting, Seamanship and Small Boat Handling," already stocked by the club.

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Here's Some Proof

COOS BAY, Ore. — (AP) — The Chamber of Commerce here, which has been protesting delays in mail handling, had some evidence Monday.

R. R. M. McKewen, chamber president, received a letter Jan. 2 that was mailed Dec. 3 from North Bend, three miles away.

Morse Aide Scans NLRB

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Register-Guard Correspondent
WASHINGTON — Ivar H. Peterson, administrative assistant to Sen. Wayne Morse, is being prominently mentioned as the leading candidate for a \$15,000-a-year membership on the National Labor Relations Board.

Before taking a position on Morse's staff in 1948, Peterson was for seven and one-half years an NLRB attorney, serving as assistant general counsel the last three years.

Peterson was considered by President Truman for a post on the five-man board in 1949 but the appointment went to Paul Styles of Alabama, the candidate of one of the President's strongest supporters in the South, Sen. Lister Hill (D-Ala.).

The present vacancy is for the unexpired term ending in 1956 of James J. Reynolds, Jr., who resigned effective Jan. 1. A regular term is five years.

A native of Finland, Peterson grew up in Kettle Falls, Wash., was graduated from Washington State College in 1933 and the Duke University law school in 1938. He is 40 years old and married.

Peterson and Morse first teamed up in 1937 when Morse took leave as dean of the University of Oregon law school to head up the U.S. Attorney General's survey of prison release procedures, a study of state and federal laws pertaining to pardons, probations, paroles and prison administration.

The following year Wayne Morse returned to Eugene and Peterson joined the staff of the National Labor Relations Board. Morse returned to Washington in 1941 as chairman of President Roosevelt's railway emergency board, and a year later he was appointed the public member of the National War Labor Board, not to be confused with the NLRB.

Idaho Solons Called to Work

BOISE — (AP) — Gov. Len Jordan, in a surprise move, Monday called a special session of the Idaho legislature for 10 a.m. Jan. 15, to enact legislation authorizing reciprocal highway agreements with other states.

The special session call, contained in a proclamation, restricted the session only to the matter of reciprocity and nothing else. The governor told newsmen that he found it necessary to take this action, because the new ton-mile truck license bill, passed at the last session had eliminated the authority to negotiate reciprocal agreements.

As a result of this, the governor said, "Idaho has encountered a bad reaction" with neighboring states, with the result that people living along the border cannot conduct their normal interstate business operations.

"We don't want border warfare," the governor said.

Plane Production May Be Boosted

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Defense Mobilizer Charles E. Wilson warned Monday that the "pinch" on the civilian economy, just now being felt, will continue at least into 1953, six months longer than he had predicted previously.

He also disclosed, in his fourth quarterly report to President Truman, that a recent top-level review of the U.S. rearmament program may lead to higher production goals for planes, tanks and other weapons.

Wilson emphasized that things will get worse before they get better on the homefront. Cutbacks in civilian use of steel and other basic materials, which have already brought sharp protests from the automobile industry, will be even more severe beginning in April, he said.

Asks Stronger Controls
The defense mobilizer, who has overall supervision of the anti-inflation program, called for stronger price and credit controls to ride out the "difficult" year ahead. But all signs indicated that Congress will turn a deaf ear to those requests.

Wilson gave no details of the higher arms production goals now under consideration. But he said that, if approved, they will mean

that the rearmament effort will have to be prolonged beyond its present tentative tapering-off date of mid-1954.

Both Sides Critical
The former General Electric Co. president noted that he has been accused by the Senate preparedness subcommittee of failing to make sufficiently drastic cuts in the civilian economy. At the same time, he said, he has been under fire from civilian industries which consider his cuts too drastic.

Defending his middle-way, "guns and butter," program, he disclosed that the "objectives and philosophy of the mobilization program have been 're-examined' in recent weeks by his office and the National Security Council.

headed by President Truman. He said higher arms goals would not alter the "basic pattern" of the mobilization efforts, which is to expand productive capacity to

Washington State Coach Speaks Tuesday Noon

JACK FRIEL, Washington State College basketball coach, will be guest speaker Tuesday noon in Springfield Memorial Bldg. at the weekly Springfield Boosters Club lunch.

Al Brandt, acting chairman of the Boosters, has invited all interested persons to attend. Tickets will be available at the door at \$1 each.

take care of military needs and support a civilian economy at the same time.

Wilson said that the "major cause of most of our current production difficulties" is the decision by the armed forces to put into mass production only weapons of the most advanced design. He said this has caused many delays due to design changes.

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