

Senate to Pay Attorney's Fee McCarthy to Get Counsel for Probe

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) won Friday in his appeal for the Senate to pay the salary of an attorney to represent him in an investigation of his official conduct.

Sen. Watkins (R-Utah), chairman of the special committee which will conduct hearings on a censure move aimed at McCarthy, announced the decision. He said McCarthy will be allowed to select the lawyer.

Watkins said the arrangement has the approval of Sen. Knowland of California, the Senate Republican leader; Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Senate Democratic leader; and Sen. Jenner (R-Ind.), chairman of the Senate Rules Committee.

REPORT DRAFTED

The development came as members of the subcommittee which investigated McCarthy's bitter row with high Army officials said they hoped to release their report next Wednesday or Thursday.

Sen. Mundt (R-SD), who presided over those 36-day hearings, and Senators Jackson (D-Wash) and Dirksen (R-Ill), who are serving as a committee to draft a tentative report of findings, declined to give any hint of the "verdict."

Meanwhile it was learned McCarthy has been gathering ammunition for a resumption of his investigations of the Army, as soon as he can get them started. Informants said this will be after the Mundt subcommittee reports and Watkins' six-man committee get through with its hearings, due to start Aug. 20.

SOME PRECEDENT

McCarthy had announced he was asking the legislative reference service to survey precedents for his appeal to the Watkins committee to provide him with counsel.

Watkins said the house often provides counsel for a member involved in an election contest, and that he believes there is some Senate precedent in contests against the seating of an elected senator.

The Senate Wednesday voted Watkins' committee a \$30,000 fund to finance its inquiry, and Watkins said the committee was "in agreement" that part of the money should be spent to hire a lawyer to be named by McCarthy.

Strike Closes Rubber Plants

CLEVELAND (AP)—The rubber industry's second major strike erupted across the nation Friday as 25,500 CIO United Rubber Workers walked off their jobs at Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. plants in eight cities.

Union officials, who called a strike of 23,000 Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. workers last July 7, triggered the action against Firestone to coincide with their contract's midnight deadline.

Together the two actions put more than 48,000 rubber workers—a third of the industry's union members—on strike.

Talks between company and union negotiators continued until almost the last minute.

The union posted pickets around entrances to Firestone plants in Akron, Los Angeles, Noblesville and New Castle, Ind., Fall River, Mass., Memphis, Des Moines and Pottstown, Pa.

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SALLY WED — At Las Vegas, Nev., Sally Rand of the fans, whose estimated age is 52, wed Fred Lalla, 35, Los Angeles contractor. (NEA)

Daredevil Airman Still in Doghouse

LONDON (AP)—The aerial exploits along the Thames of a dare-devil Texan apparently haven't smoothed his troubled path toward romance.

AFL Irons Out No-Raid Pact

NEW YORK (AP)—AFL President George Meany Friday announced completion of the final draft of a no-raiding pact designed to end jurisdictional disputes among AFL unions.

Meany said he expected overwhelming approval when the pact is submitted to delegates at the AFL annual convention in Los Angeles, beginning Aug. 20.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

The draft, with a few minor exceptions, is the one proposed by the AFL executive council at its meeting in Chicago a year ago. Meany's announcement of completion of the final draft came after the council concluded four days of executive sessions here Thursday.

The plan becomes effective as individual unions subscribe to it on a voluntary basis. In addition to the no-raiding pledge it includes specific steps for settlement of any disputes that may arise.

In reply to a question, Meany said one of the largest AFL unions involved in jurisdictional disputes—the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, headed by Dave Beck—had not changed its decision against signing the pact. He said only Beck failed to approve the draft at the executive council sessions.

JOINT CONFERENCE

The plan provides that parties involved in jurisdictional disputes shall confer jointly in an effort to reach agreement. Should that fail, either party is to call on the AFL president to appoint a federation representative to try to reach a settlement.

If the matter still is unsettled 10 days after the AFL representative enters the case—unless the time limit is extended—the parties to the dispute shall submit to binding arbitration. The arbitrator, who would rule only on the particular dispute submitted to him, would be named by the AFL president from a panel of impartial and disinterested persons approved in advance by the federation's executive council.

Studebaker Worker Thinks He Can Plant Flowers Now

By REILMAN MORIN

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)—Robert Milner thinks he can afford to put in the flower beds now.

Robert Milner is a Studebaker automotive worker.

He is one of the 5,300-odd employees who voted Thursday to accept a cut in his hourly wages. Along with more than 7,000 other workers he went to a high school football stadium in South Bend, heard the arguments on both sides, and then made his decision.

UNIQUE EVENT

It was a unique event in the history of industrial relations in America.

People in South Bend like to point out that the first sit-down strike took place here more than 20 years ago. They say that the result Thursday also sets a precedent. Local 5 of the CIO United Auto Workers agreed by an overwhelming 8-1 vote to accept the wage reductions in order to put Studebaker in a better competi-

tive position by lowering production costs.

The company has reported a loss of nearly nine million dollars for the first six months of 1954. Its sales dropped from 349 million dollars in the first half of last year to 121 million this year.

WAGE SCALE HIGH

Its wage scale, an executive said, was more than 30 cents an hour above the rest of the industry. Officials told the union the company could no longer pay such wages.

The pinch began to be felt some nine months ago. This is what it meant to Robert Milner.

He is 28, married, with two small children—a son, Wayne, 4, and a daughter, Jan, 10 months. When he got out of the Navy in 1946 he went to work in the Studebaker plant.

At his peak, as a metal finisher, his take-home pay was \$350 a month.

A year later he married the girl he has known since his high school days.

BUILT A HOME

They built a handsome, five-room house, and bought a new car every year. It was a Studebaker. They also bought a TV set, an expensive refrigerator, and good furnishings for their home.

Robert Milner went in debt, but he didn't mind. There were no clouds that he couldn't brush away with his own hands.

Then the change came. These things happened:

• The automobile market

State Jobless Funds Shrink

SALEM (AP)—Oregon's unemployment compensation trust fund, out of which benefits to the jobless are paid, is shrinking under the heavy impact of unemployment.

The fund now totals 62 million dollars, compared with the all-time high of 86 millions six years ago. By the time the Legislature meets next January, it probably will be down to around 50 millions.

The fund is shrinking because the amount of benefits is running about double the amount being paid in through payroll taxes on employers.

Last year, the Unemployment Compensation Commission paid out \$19,275,204 in jobless benefits, and took in only \$10,901,355 in payroll taxes.

Benefit payments this year are expected to be at an all-time high. The previous record of \$20,427,106 was set in 1950.

The payroll tax payments are dropping. Last year's receipts from this source were \$2,100,000 less than in 1951.

changed to a "buyer's market." People began shopping for bargains.

• A fierce, claw-and-fang sales war opened between Studebaker's principal competitors. The company was caught in the middle.

• Defense contracts leveled off so that government millions no longer offset operational costs. The "most plus" contracts began to disappear.

Almost over night Robert Milner found himself working an average of eight days a month. His take-home pay dropped to \$120 a month. Even with \$27 a week in unemployment compensation, he began going into debt.

The payments on the mortgage on his home, plus the monthly bills for groceries takes up his total earned income and his unemployment compensation. He sold his car and bought an 8-year-old car so that he can get to work. He said that neither he nor his wife have bought any clothes in more than a year. They never go out of the house at night.

DIDN'T PLAN TO QUIT

Milner said, however, he has not considered leaving the company.

"I never thought things would go as bad as they did so quickly. But I like the work there and I like the people and I like the product."

The new wage scale, for which he voted, will mean a potential loss of \$14.40 a week in his earnings.

"But if I get steady work, as they say we will, I'm going to be ahead in the long run," he said. "I'll be tickled to pieces with a steady 40 hours a week even if I don't get so much per hour."



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