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ROKs May Reconsider Armistice Pledge

Reds Outlaw Work Strikes In E. Germany

By KENNETH BRODNEY
BERLIN, July 21 (AP) — Strikes were outlawed today in revolt-ridden Soviet-run East Germany. The hated woman minister of justice, "Red Hilde" Benjamin, branded strikes "fascist attempts to overthrow the government."

The East German Red regime attempted to sugar-coat this blow to hard-pressed East German labor with an announcement that Russia will help feed the food-short Soviet zone.

Russian Food Offered
Russia has extended 231,000,000 rubles about \$57,000,000 of credits for food. But the East Germans will be required to repay the Soviets with manufactured goods and labor.

"Red Hilde's" harsh order is designed to assure that East German labor stays on the job to meet the Soviet bill for its help.

In a speech, reported today in the official Communist press, Red Hilde warned that she awaits workers in Communist East Germany who use strikes to protest intolerable working conditions.

"Weakness" Corrected
The repudiated ruling made by her predecessor, former Justice Minister Max Fechner, that Communist workers have the right to strike. That, she said, was an evidence of "weakness which will be corrected."

Her action threw the threat of tough prison sentences over thousands of East German workers who participated in earlier strikes against Red industrial management.

A wave of flash strikes swept the Soviet Zone of Germany following Fechner's conciliatory gesture of three weeks ago.

Fechner now is in jail facing charges as an "enemy of the state." He was replaced by "Red Hilde."

Fechner's statement on strikes, she said, "surrenders to the enemy, gives leniency to provocateurs, spares criminals their just punishment and gives them the possibility to carry on with their criminal work."

Return to Work Petition Filed

PRINEVILLE, July 21 — It was indicated here late Monday by activities of members of the Sawmill Workers union of American Federation of Labor No. 2908, out on strike since June 17, that the 250 idled men of the Alexander-Stewart Lumber Co. would be back on the job within two weeks.

The walkout resulted from grievances of woods crews of around only 40 men, who were denied a request for travel time, which the company declared it could not recognize because it opposed the industry policy.

Under authority of the union by-laws, the following petition has been filed:

"We, the undersigned members of A. F. of L. local 2908, all in good standing, hereby petition R. R. Maupin, president of said union, to call a special meeting for 2 p.m., Sunday, July 26, 1953, for the purpose of ending the authority of the strike committee and for voting to return to work for the Alexander-Stewart Lumber Co., Prineville, Oregon, under terms of the union contract with the company."

The petition was signed by Bill Constant, James Baxter, Larry E. Brahm, Alfred Periera, E. A. Wilson and T. D. Windham.

Another petition is in general circulation, addressed merely to the American Federation of Labor union and asking that the strike be ended immediately in order that the men may return to work in order to support their families. The aggregate of signers reportedly reaches around 75 per cent of the men.

Chipping Work Near Completion

Chipping of cement joints in the new city reservoir on Awbury heights is nearing completion, it was reported today by W. Q. Cuthbertson, city manager.

Fred van Dyke, Portland contractor who is making the repairs, is expected to clean up debris from the chipping within the next day or so, then start repacking the joints with a plastic compound which, he has assured the city, will stop excessive leakage in the reservoir.

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WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson said today that draft calls might cut as much as 35 per cent after the Korean War ends.

Draft calls have been running at about 23,000 a month. Wilson also told a news conference that Korean truce prospects are "reasonably good." He said the outlook is "perhaps as good as it has been at any time in the past two years."

Wilson refused to answer a question as to whether there are atomic weapons available in the Far East command. He said he did not think he should answer that question for security reasons.

On the draft outlook, Wilson said that within approximately 90 days after a truce is signed, it should be possible to cut monthly calls to 15,000 to 18,000.

Inchoate Water Rights Hearing Due on Aug. 3

Supplemental findings and order of determination of inchoate rights on the Deschutes river and its tributaries, will come up for hearing in the Deschutes circuit court Monday, August 3, at 10 a.m.

Announcement of the hearing was made by State Engineer Charles E. Stricklin, who completed the findings and order late in May. Seventeen affected power companies and irrigation districts were to have been notified of it by registered mail.

Stricklin advised all claimants to inspect the findings and order of determination which are on file in the office of the county clerk here.

"Should any claimant deem that his water rights are not properly set forth by the supplemental order of determination, or are injured or impaired in any way, he should file exception in the circuit court as provided under state law," Stricklin wrote.

Exceptions in writing may be filed at any time prior to the date of hearing. If none are received, the court will enter a decree affirming the state engineer's determination. A hearing will be set for any exceptions which are filed, it was brought out. After final hearing, the court is to enter a decree in regard to the supplemental order.

The following claimants were to be informed of the hearing August 3: Arnold Irrigation district, Orval G. Butler, Central Oregon Irrigation district, Crook County Improvement district number one, Deschutes Reclamation and Irrigation company, Deschutes County Municipal Improvement district, Cline Falls Power company, Columbia Valley Power company, Deschutes Falls Power company, Odin Falls Land company, Pringle Falls Electric Power and Water company, North Canal company, Pacific Power and Light company, North Unit Irrigation district, City of Bend, and City of Redmond.

Inchoate rights are those granted temporarily while claimants put water to beneficial use. Permanent rights are adjudicated on the extent to which water has been put to this beneficial use.

Information was given by Stricklin on May 25 that the supplemental findings and order of determination were completed, following computation of a survey made in this area in 1949.

Northwest Power Engineer Says Power Pool Takes 'No Position' on Building of Dams

WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — A Northwest power engineer said today his organization took "no position" in determining which new dams should be built in the Northwest.

Lester P. Cowgill, a coordinating engineer of a power pool, said that even though those in the pool would prefer dams which are easy to fill with storage water, they consider any additional dam an asset. Cowgill was under cross-examination by a public power attorney, Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, on his statement yesterday that large "hard-to-fill" dams do not assure the pool of a constant water supply. Cowgill was testifying at a Federal Power Commission hearing on applications by Idaho Power Co. to build three dams on the Snake river at Hells Canyon, Brownlee and Oxbow. Mrs. Cooper represents public power intervenors who favor a federal dam at Hells Canyon.

Hoover Due For Top Post In New Study

WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — White House callers said today former President Herbert Hoover will head a new commission on government reorganization.

Mr. Hoover was a guest at a White House lunch where the make-up and operations of the new commission were discussed. Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.) and Rep. Clarence J. Brown (R-O.) later told reporters that President Eisenhower will name the 78-year-old former president as a member of the commission and the other 11 members are expected to elect him chairman.

First Commission
Mr. Hoover headed the first government reorganization commission which functioned in 1947-48. House Speaker Joseph W. Martin Jr. (R-Mass.) appointed him to the first commission.

After this body went out of existence, Mr. Hoover said that he expected it to be his last public service. But, Brown said, Mr. Hoover had acceded to the insistence of President Eisenhower, Vice President Richard M. Nixon, Sen. Robert A. Taft (R-O.) and other GOP leaders that he work on the new commission.

President Eisenhower, Nixon and Martin will name four members each to the new commission in the next week or 10 days, Brown said.

Recommendations Offered
The original Hoover Commission submitted a series of recommendations in 1949 which Mr. Hoover said would cut government costs by about \$5,000,000,000 a year. Some of them were approved in a series of reorganization plans but others were turned down by Congress.

Geologists Set Dinner Meeting

Final plans for participation in the 1953 convention of northwest mineral societies in Portland over the Labor day holidays will be made by members of the Deschutes Geology club at a meeting tomorrow night, John H. Eaton, club president, has announced. The meeting will be in connection with a potluck dinner at the H. S. Bowden residence, 245 Tierney avenue, with Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Chaney as hosts. The dinner, to be served near a fireplace on the Bowden lawn, will start at about 5:30.

The club members at a meeting last week tentatively outlined plans for entering displays at the Portland mineral show, but delayed final action until further information was received from the Oregon Agate and Mineral society, host group.

Two Hospitalized After Accident

Howard Moena, 212 E. Irving, and Bob Wilson, U. S. Marine Corps, who gave the same address, were admitted to St. Charles Memorial hospital early this morning, after the car in which they were riding overturned east of Bend near the junction of Butler road and the southeast fork of Deschutes road, at about 3 o'clock.

Moena reportedly told hospital attendants that he was driving, and apparently fell asleep at the wheel. The attending physician ordered X-rays and full extent of the injuries has not been determined. Neither was believed to be seriously hurt.

New National Guard Members Sworn In



Membership of Co. I, 162nd Infantry, Oregon National Guard, was increased by eight last night when recruits showed up for uniforms and assignments. They are pictured here with the Bend company's new commanding officer, First Lt. Jack E. Pierce, at right. Two of the new members of the Bend unit are transfers from other Oregon companies. The recruit guardsmen, first row from left, are Sgt. Dale A. McWilliams, who is reenlisting; Charles G. Tucker, James O. Wyatt and Earl H. Clausen. Back row, from left: Tyrrell T. Walker, Dennis E. Gates, Carroll E. Falter and Earl D. Wyatt. The Wyatt boys are brothers, and in the Bend guard unit they join another brother, Robert Wyatt.

Methodist Bishop Blasts Methods Of House Group

WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam charged the House Un-American Activities committee today with using methods that play "into Communist hands" and promote "a new and vicious expression of Ku-Kluxism."

In a blistering 2,000-word statement, the 61-year-old clergyman demanded that the committee "publicly announce the mistakes" it made in linking him to Communist front groups.

He also called on Rep. Donald L. Jackson (R-Calif.) "to apologize on the floor of the House for his unprecedented and untrue statements" against him. Jackson had charged Oxnam with serving "God on Sunday and the Communist on the rest of the week."

The vigorous Methodist leader made his statement as he began a dramatic appearance before the committee in a crowded caucus room in the House office building.

The hearing was billed as a showdown in Oxnam's running feud with the committee. It also marked the group's first public session involving alleged Communist infiltration of the clergy.

Charge Made
Jackson said recently the committee files showed that Oxnam's name appeared in connection with a number of organizations which have been labeled subversive by the attorney general or by state and federal Un-American Activities committees.

In reply, Oxnam said "loyalty to my family, my church and my country are fundamental to me and when any man or any committee questions loyalty, I doubt that I would be worthy of the name American if I took it lying down."

Cowgill said when demands are highest in the winter, the pool prefers to "gamble" and ignore its water supply forecasts so it might provide Northwest customers with a constant power supply. He said the pool prefers this "gamble" to going below estimated minimum requirements and counts on the reservoirs filling again the next summer.

Idaho Power got a boost, late yesterday from Idaho Reclamation Director Mark R. Kulp.

Kulp testified that the federal plan would not meet state irrigation requirements, while Idaho Power had obtained water permits after specifying that irrigation would get top priority in developing the river.

8 Recruits Bring Company Total To Near 40 Mark

Membership of Co. I, 162nd Infantry, Oregon National Guard, neared the 40 mark today, after eight recruits reported at last night's regular drill session, ready for training. On the Co. I roster today are the names of 39 men, highest of the year.

New members of the Bend unit include a navy veteran of World War II who later saw guard service. He is Sgt. Dale A. McWilliams, who has re-enlisted. Another transfer is J. T. Walker, a recent arrival in Bend from Cottage Grove who has joined the Cashman store staff here.

Last night, the recruits were greeted by the Bend company's new commander, First Lt. Jack E. Pierce.

In preparation for an active year, the Bend armory is receiving a general "face-lifting." Lt. Pierce has announced. The interior of the big building is being repainted, and walls of the spacious drill hall are being tinted, in green hues.

Also, quarters for a kitchen have been constructed, and fixtures are being installed. The kitchen is in the northeast corner of the drill hall.

Last night in their drill session, the guardsmen swung through downtown Bend, singing as they marched under the direction of Sec. Lt. Clifford Hutchins. The young soldiers drilled until dark, then moved into the armory.

Initial Summer Day Camp Set

The first in a series of summer day camps for children, sponsored by the City of Bend recreation department, will be held Thursday, July 23, in Shevlin park.

A school bus will leave from Harmon playground at 9 a.m., and the children will be returned there at 4 p.m. All youngsters between the ages of 6 and 12 will be welcome to attend. The outing is cost-free.

Each child must have written permission from a parent in order to make the trip, it was stressed. In addition, each youngster should take food and beverage for his own luncheon, and any sports equipment which he may wish to use.

The program in the park will include hikes and games, with four recreation department supervisors in charge. There will be no supervised activities either at Yew Lane school playground or Harmon playground that day, it was announced.

Day camps are to be held each Thursday for the rest of the summer.

CONFERENCE SET
WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — President Eisenhower will hold a news conference at 10:30 a.m. EDT tomorrow, the White House said today.

\$32 Million Sum Favored for Work On Dam at Dalles

WASHINGTON, July 21 (AP) — A congressional conference committee recommended \$32,000,000 today for work on the Dalles dam on the Oregon-Washington border in fiscal 1954. It said the dam should start producing power "not later than November, 1957."

The amount was \$2,000,000 less than the Senate voted, but \$2,750,000 more than the House had approved.

A conference committee report said the money "shall be obligated in such a manner as to place the first two power units on the line not later than November, 1957."

In Army Bill
In all, the conference committee recommended about \$109,000,000 for work on flood control and power projects in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Montana. The money is carried in an Army "civil functions" appropriation bill.

The conference report authorized spending of unspecified amounts on planning for Libby reservoir in Montana, for design of a second power plant at Fort Peck dam in Montana, for planning levee improvements on the lower Columbia river, and for planning for Eagle Gorge reservoir in Washington.

An appropriation for McNary dam, also on the Washington-Oregon border, was set at \$26,350,000, compared with \$27,700,000 allowed by the Senate and \$25,000,000 voted by the House.

The conference committee agreed with the Senate in allowing \$18,000,000 for Chief Joseph dam in Washington to \$23,350,000. The House had allowed \$23,000,000.

The conference committee agreed with the Senate in allowing \$6,840,000 for Albeni Falls dam in Idaho, but cut a Senate allowance of \$1,805,000 for Lucky Peak dam, also in Idaho, to \$1,500,000.

Those Little Men Didn't Show Up

BRUSH CREEK, July 21 (AP) — Miner John Q. Black said today he was "darn disappointed" that the little men from Mars didn't show up in their flying saucer with the retractable leg.

"I don't know why they didn't come," he said: "It's too deep for me, I'm just a miner."

Black and his partner, John Van Allen, had predicted the saucer would arrive at the junction of Marble and Jordan creeks at 6:30 p.m. yesterday.

New Snag Reported as Allied, Red Staff Officers Hammer Out Final Details for Truce

PANMUNJOM, July 21 (AP) — The Korean truce negotiations struck a new snag today when South Korea's foreign minister said his government "may reconsider" its promise not to obstruct an armistice.

As Allied and Communist staff officers hammered out the last details of a truce, Foreign Minister Pyun Yung Tai said the Republic of Korea has dispatched an urgent cable to Washington demanding "clarification" of U. N. command negotiators assurances to the Communists of implementation of an armistice.

ROK President Syngman Rhee kept an ominous silence himself. But Pyun's statement indicated strongly that South Korea was still far from satisfied with the arrangements for the armistice.

Roda Release News
Pyun said senior U. N. delegate Lt. Gen. William K. Harrison's assurance, as revealed in a statement released by the Communists, were in direct disagreement with the understanding reached at Seoul in the "little truce talks" between U. S. truce emissary Walter S. Robertson and Rhee.

The ROK foreign minister said following a meeting in Seoul with U. S. Ambassador Ellis O. Briggs: "Everything will be decided when we get the definite answer from Washington."

"We promised not to obstruct an armistice on terms of sufficient safeguards. When these safeguards looked impracticable in the light of armistice terms to which the United States means to adhere, it will be logical for us to reconsider our position."

Pyun, who attended many of the conferences between Rhee and Robertson, said those talks were "inconclusive" and that the ROK government agreed not to obstruct an armistice on two conditions:

1. That the U. S. government promised to protect South Korea against any future Communist aggression on or else make a mutual security pact.
2. That the U. S. government give definite assurances to help unify Korea if the political conference following an armistice failed to achieve the objective during a specific length of time.

Now, Pyun said, Harrison has told the Communists at Panmunjom that:

1. The U. N. would not interfere with "military action" taken by the Communists against South Korean forces if the ROK government resorted to unilateral action to unify Korea by force.
2. The U. N. promised that all supporting supplies and equipment to the ROK forces would be halted if the South Koreans "violated" an armistice agreement.

3. The U. N. agreed that there should be no time limit on an armistice in Korea.

If Gen. Harrison has agreed to the points as embodied in chief Red negotiator Nam Il's latest statements he certainly has helped to drown the real significance of some of the safeguards which we thought we had gained," Pyun said.

"We now cannot do anything for ourselves without being condemned for violation of the armistice terms."

Milk Goats Lost In Night Blaze

Ed Groff, 67-year-old World War I veteran, lost all his personal possessions and 25 milk goats, last night when fire of undetermined origin swept through a shed and adjoining living quarters, at the edge of Bend's east side industrial area.

Groff was not at home when the fire broke out, and the smoke clouds were unnoticed by residents of the area, because of the nearness of Groff's property to the burning grounds of the Leonard Lundgren Lumber company. The fire was spotted by a Lundgren watchman, when it was well advanced. The Bend fire department was summoned, but the shed was engulfed in flames when the apparatus arrived.

Firemen were able to save 11 of Groff's 36 older milk goats, and a number of kids, in a separate pen, were unhurt.

The loss included an electric refrigerator and a separator which Groff used in caring for the goat milk.

The fire department answered a still alarm at 6:40 p.m., under the rural fire district regulations.

Korean Fighting Dwindles Today Amid Truce Talk

By WARREN FRANKLIN
SEOUL, July 21 (AP) — Fighting along the Korean front dwindled today into two unseasonable Communist assaults as truce map makers hurried to plot a stable cease-fire line.

"The Chinese offensive is over," a high-ranking South Korean officer told United Press correspondent William Miller at the front.

A single Chinese battalion struck southeast of Lookout mountain near the junction of the Kumang and Pukhan rivers before midnight, but South Koreans repelled the thrust after almost two hours of fighting.

In the other abortive assault, two Red companies crossed the Kumang and hit a South Korean position on the south bank. The ROKs drove them back across the river.

Enemy casualties for the 24 hour period ending at 6 p.m. Monday were estimated at 1,500 killed and 900 wounded, a total of 2,400.

The Chinese attacks were regarded as final efforts to grab more property before staff officers at Panmunjom draw the cease-fire line and set up a 2 1/2 mile buffer zone separating the two armies.

The Reds' most important property grab of the new week was the capture of East Berlin and Berlin outposts on the Western Front. Only 14 of a group of 30 to 40 Marine defenders survived.

United Press correspondent Fredrick C. Panton reported from the western sector that the Marines who remained on the outposts had died or been captured because they had been taught to stay and fight.

Panton said three generals, after considerable debate, decided the outposts weren't worth recapturing. "The hills were just pipsqueaks," a colonel said.

Pfc. Horace Sawyer, an 18-year-old soldier who fought with his bare hands, said "East Berlin was a 'death trap'."

Bend Man Named To Interim Group

SALEM, July 21 (AP) — Six public members of an interim committee to study purchase or construction of a building for state-aided organizations collecting and preserving material relating to the history of Oregon and the Northwest were appointed today by Gov. Paul Patterson.

The 1953 Legislature deferred action on a request to coordinate the activities of all state-supported historical groups, declaring further study was required.

Members appointed were: David L. Davies, Portland; Phil F. Brown, Bend; Mrs. Claire Hanley, Medford; Robert B. Wilson, Madras; Miss Eleanor Stephens, Salem, and Fred Meek, Portland.

Already appointed from the Legislature were: Sen. John C. F. Merrill, Portland; Dean Walker, Independence; Reps. Carroll Loefer, Ironside; E. H. Mann, Medford, and Monroe Sweetland, Milwaukie.

CIO Woodworkers Counting Ballots

PORTLAND, July 21 (AP) — Counting of strike ballots by some 40,000 CIO woodworkers in the Pacific Northwest was underway today.

The vote was taken to determine if the union would call strike over wage increase demands. Union officials recommended they be given strike authority after some other employers refused to grant a five-cent an hour wage increase given by Weyerhaeuser Timber company. Officials said the strike vote might be tallied tomorrow.