

Strike Looms in Atomic Plant

Oak Ridge, Tenn., June 9 (AP)—Tense management and labor leaders continued their mediation marathon today, hoping to compromise before a threatened strike idles the Oak Ridge atomic energy plant.

Working doggedly without rest since 9 a. m. yesterday, company and union representatives said they hoped to have a key to the problem before the midnight strike deadline.

The chairman of the atomic energy labor relations panel, William H. Davis, said in New York he wanted management and labor to intensify their efforts to solve the dispute.

Although close observers do not consider Davis' action to be formal intervention in the dispute, it is hoped it will prompt the CIO United Chemical Workers union to cancel strike plans at the plant producing uranium-235 for atomic bombs.

The union has announced the strike threat to back up its demands for a 25-cent hourly wage increase for 2,000 workers at the plant.

Carbide and Carbon Chemicals corporation, operator of the plant for the atomic energy commission, has made a counterproposal calling for a six-cent reduction in wages. The present wage is \$1.59 under the contract which expires at midnight.

House Group Slashes Military Pay Bill

Washington, June 9 (AP)—A house armed services subcommittee approved the new military pay bill today after pairing another \$68,000,000 off of an already sharply sliced schedule for pay raises.

The subcommittee knocked out a proposed increase of \$3 a month in the \$42 subsistence al-

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Snow Plows Open Diamond Lake Road

Klamath Falls, June 9 (AP)—The state highway department officially opened the Diamond Lake highway this morning following a lengthy winter closure due to deep snow.

The road opened today extends from a junction with US 97 to Diamond Lake. The west road from the Rogue River valley is also open.

Fishing season opens at the lake on June 15. Summer homes at the lake are still blocked by snow.

Jr. C. of C. Picks Chicago Colorado Springs, Colo., June 9 (AP)—Chicago today was awarded the 1950 convention of the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. The dates will be June 15-18.

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In both instances the added money is expected to maintain the retirement of the oldest services and salaries threatened with curtailment or cancellation.

Oldest Judge to Retire Washington, June 9 (AP)—President Truman today approved the retirement of the oldest federal judge in the United States, District Judge Tillman D. Johnson of Salt Lake City, who was 81 last January 8. Judge Johnson has served as district judge for Utah since November 22, 1915.



Lucky to be Alive—John Gooden (left) and Carl Herker (right) help Van Halstead of Los Angeles, ashore, after he was saved from drowning. Halstead and four others were knocked off a Long Beach breakwater by a huge wave. His brother-in-law, William Smith, was drowned, the others swam to safety. Halstead was rescued by a fishing boat and revived. (AP Wirephoto).

Portland Office To Advance CVA

Portland, June 9 (AP)—Establishment of an office here to support a Columbia valley administration is planned by a new organization, "Businessmen for CVA."

Austin F. Fligel Jr., temporary chairman of the group, said the office would serve as a speakers' bureau and provide information on the CVA.

He said he believed "many business and professional men and women have been misled in forming their first opinion of CVA by speeches and material which play fast and loose with the facts."

Provisional directors of the group: E. B. Aldrich, publisher of the Pendleton East Oregonian; W. J. Seufert, The Dalles salmon and fruit packer; Alfred H. Corbett and Kenneth Kræmer, Portland attorneys, and Fligel, John C. Beatty was named temporary secretary.

Oregon State Sets Annual Field Day

The annual agronomy field day at Oregon State college will be held Tuesday, June 14, according to N. John Hansen, county extension agent. All persons interested are invited to participate in the field day, Hansen said.

The day will be spent in a

Teacher Resigns

Wheatland — The Wheatland school closed. A picnic was held at the Williamson state park. Mrs. Milo Canfield, the teacher, declined her position because she does not wish to teach 1949-50 term.

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