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FAIR TONIGHT and Sunday, except for fog in the morning. Little change in temperature. Lowest tonight, 38; highest Sunday, 60.

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Ching Breaks Off Conference With U.S. Steel

Strike Settlement Abandoned—Plant Seizure Studied

Cyrus S. Ching, chief federal labor mediator, broke off conferences with U. S. Steel today and Attorney General J. Howard McGrath revealed he is studying whether President Truman has power to seize the struck coal mines and steel mills.

Hardship and suffering threatened to spread across the nation as result of the twin walkouts. A railroad union official warned that coal-burning roads would be forced to cut operations another 25 per cent, as they did Tuesday, unless the coal strike is settled soon.

At Washington, the labor department reported that the steel and coal strikes had created the highest level of unemployment since the middle of July. A total of 236,000 new claims for unemployment compensation was received last week and the total claims for the week rose to 1,280,800.

The bureau of labor statistics said unemployment caused by strikes was higher in September than at any time since the month. The total of 510,000 strikers did not include the 500,000 CIO steel workers who walked out on October 1.

McGrath's statement that he was studying the president's rights of seizure came on a Mutual Broadcasting system program. He said he was studying whether Mr. Truman could seize the mines and mills but did not reveal whether he had reached a conclusion or submitted one to the president.

2 Youths Admit Robbery Guilt

Art Rusie and Dale Polston, both 19, pleaded guilty Saturday before Judge George R. Duncan to assisting in the armed robbery of William L. Graen's South 12th street grocery on September 20 with Joseph Mainella and a pre-sentence investigation by the parole board was ordered for the youths. The trio took \$75 from Graen. The two boys were captured at Gresham by state police and Mainella was picked up in Portland. Mainella already had pleaded guilty and he too is under present investigation.

Otto Skopli, Jr., appearing for the lads, said one of them is son of a captain in the Seattle fire department. Willard Pollard and Percy McCarthy, lads from the north end of the county and both under 20, were granted a hearing for parole with a number of witnesses, including pastors from two Woodburn churches, testified as to the reformation of the lads since they stole a cow and some tools for which they were indicted. Chris Kowitz appeared as their attorney.

They pleaded guilty previously to stealing a cow belonging to Mary Karvelis and also some tools belonging to George B. Hanley. Restitution had been made by the parents in both cases. Based on testimony developed at the hearing Judge Duncan suspended sentence in both cases and placed the defendants on probation for three years under supervision of the parole board. The boys are to make restitution to the parents for the money they spent in repayment for the loot taken. And the court imposed the further condition each of the lads is to dispose of his automobile and not drive a car during the period of probation unless with the special approval of the parole board.

Immunization Clinics Portland, Oct. 29 (AP)—Immunization clinics against diphtheria, whooping cough, and smallpox will open throughout Portland Nov. 1. The clinics, directed by the city health bureau will be for youngsters.

Murray Ready For CIO Purge Of Red Groups

To Tell Convention There Is No Room for Pro-Communists

Cleveland, Oct. 29 (AP)—CIO President Philip Murray indicated today he was ready to rid his labor union federation of all pro-communist groups.

Murray said so in a report prepared for the annual convention opening here Monday.

He used the most vigorous language in CIO record to describe his feeling toward communist and pro-communist unions in the CIO.

The CIO leader was reported ready to tell the 11th annual convention there is no room in his organization for pro-communist unions.

He also was said to have described the left-wing anti-Murray program as one of destruction.

To Disaffiliate "The CIO wants none of the communist program," Murray aides said the president's report would declare.

Persons in position to know said Murray would tell the convention: "We chartered the unions, and we can disaffiliate them."

Murray and other top CIO leaders have threatened to toss all left-wingers off the powerful executive board.

They also have laid plans to throw at least three unions led by leftists out of the organization. The left-wing unions scheduled to get the boot are the United Electrical Workers, the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, and the Farm Equipment Workers. The three have a combined membership of about a half million.

Reds Accuse Mukden Consul

San Francisco, Oct. 29 (AP)—The Chinese communists today accused U. S. Consul General Angus Ward and other members of the Mukden consulate of brutally beating a Chinese workman and declaring they must answer to a communist "people's court."

Ward and his staff of nine have been virtual prisoners since the communists captured Mukden last November. The state department last May ordered him to close the consulate, and he has been unable to get transportation. The charges today were aired by the communist radio in Peiping and heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press.

The broadcast said he beating occurred Oct. 10 and that the man beaten was a Chinese employe. Besides Ward, it named as participants "R. Rehberg," an Italian, "F. Clogna," a Japanese-American Shiro Yatsumi, and "A. Krista," not otherwise identified. Rehberg is Ralph C. Rehberg, a consular clerk from Rochester, N. Y.

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Climber Falls On Mt. Hood

Portland, Ore., Oct. 29 (AP)—A mountain climber plunged 1,500 feet down a precipitous slope on Mount Hood early today and a companion said he was unconscious or dead on a glacier.

A party of three Portland climbers was within 300 feet of the summit ridge on the 11,245-foot peak when Don Welk lost his footing in an icy chute and fell.

Bob Buscho, who was with Welk and his sister, Miss Alice Welk, reported the accident at Timberline Lodge this morning. Lodge Manager Jim Caswell said he gave this account:

The three started up the mountain from the Lodge at 12:30 a. m., climbing the south side which is the most popular route and frequently used at this time of year.

While nearing the top of a rocky, ice-covered chute—a narrow, deep "V"—Welk slipped. He slid swiftly down the chute and out onto the head of a glacier an estimated 1500 feet below.

Buscho said he climbed down to Welk, found him unconscious but could not say definitely that he was dead. He went to the Lodge for help while Miss Welk remained at the scene. Caswell dispatched Lodge employes up the mountain. He said it would be afternoon before they returned.

Printers Found Guilty Of Violating Labor Law

Washington, Oct. 29 (AP)—The International Typographical Union today weighed whether to appeal for its defeat in the first major newspaper case under the Taft-Hartley act.

The national labor relations board yesterday found the AFL Printer's Union guilty of violating the labor law. The board held that the ITU tried to force on publishers the outlawed closed shop, through a "continuing threat to strike."

Two unanimous decisions were handed down. In each, the NLRB directed the union to stop trying to compel employers to "discriminate" against any employes.

Permit Issued for Big Apartment House Here

Salem Gets Million-Dollar Apartment House—A building permit was issued Friday for this seven-story apartment house to be built by Victor N. Jones and Associates of Seattle at the southwest corner of North Winter and Union streets.

The definite announcement, which has been awaited with much interest here, was made Friday by Jones, who was here from Seattle. He was accompanied by Walter Hutchinson regional attorney for the federal housing administration. The project is under the FHA 608 program.

The building permit was issued Friday at the office of the city engineer, and gave the construction cost at \$500,000. However, the complete expenditure on building and furnishing the seven-story, 101-unit building will be practically \$1,000,000.

The owner is Salem Investment company, which is Victor N. Jones and Associates. Formation of a corporation was necessary to meet legal requirements. The building is to be financed by the National Life Insurance Company of Vermont, and the contractor is Republic Construction corporation of Los Angeles. The building was designed by Victor N. Jones and Associates, who are a firm of architects.

The building will have dimensions of 128 feet on North Winter street and 150 feet on Union, and will be of reinforced concrete construction. Of the 101 apartments 49 will be of the efficiency type, with living dining and bedrooms Pullman type kitchens bath and dressing rooms. There will be 49 one-bedroom and 12 two-bedroom apartments with baths.

A practical convenience will be 100 percent off-street parking for automobiles of tenants, some of the space covered. All apartments will have laundry facilities. The furnished apartments will rent at from \$65 to \$75 a month. The property where the building will be located was bought by Salem Investment company from Douglas Yeater.

Guilty Pleas Entered By Y Cafe Burglars

Dallas, Ore., Oct. 29—Pleas of guilty to charges of burglary not in a dwelling were entered before Circuit Judge Arlie G. Walker Friday afternoon by Lucius Charles Fenton and Elvin M. Ferrians. Lillian Ruth Fenton, wife of Lucius Fenton, was given time to consult an attorney and is expected to enter her plea Monday when the two men are scheduled to appear for sentence.

All three are former residents of Bakerfield, Calif., and were indicted by the Polk county grand jury for the attempted burglary of the "Y" cafe on the Salem-Dallas highway October 17, the two men being caught in the cafe by state police called by Ervin York, cafe owner. Mrs. Fenton was attested in Dallas the day after the arrest of the two men.

Cancel Flying Wing Plane Hawthorne, Calif., Oct. 29 (AP)—The air force has practically canceled its experiments with the radically designed flying wing bomber, Northrop Aircraft disclosed today.

Truman Signs Bill Providing Military Funds

President Impounds \$615 Million for 58 Air Force Group

Washington, Oct. 29 (AP)—President Truman signed the largest military appropriation in peacetime history today but impounded \$615,000,000 it carries to build the air force up to 58 groups.

The measure carries a total of \$13,585,863,498 for operation of the army, navy, air corps, and marines.

In a statement the president said that congress' action in increasing funds for the air force above his budget recommendations "could have a serious effect on our ability to maintain balanced military forces in subsequent years."

Declaring that the larger air force insisted upon by the house would be "inconsistent with a realistic and balanced security program which we can support in peacetime," the president added:

"I am therefore directing the secretary of defense to place in reserve the amounts provided by the congress in H.R. 4146 for increasing the structure of the air force."

The president said also: "Although these increased authorizations would have comparatively little effect upon military expenditures in the current fiscal year, the fact that they are largely for the procurement of aircraft would have a serious effect on expenditures in the future."

"As additional aircraft authorized by the act were delivered, we should have to make corresponding provision for additional personnel to man them, for high-

Czech Priests Given Freedom

Prague, Oct. 29 (AP)—Czechoslovakia's communist president, Klement Gottwald, today set free 127 Roman Catholic priests who had been imprisoned for opposing the government's new church control law.

An official announcement said these priests had repented their acts and promised loyalty to the communist-led government. The official version was that these priests had resisted the new legislation only "under pressure from the church hierarchy."

It added: "The priests, however, realized the results their conduct would have. They proclaimed they wanted to change their attitude, were sorry for their acts and promised loyalty to the Czechoslovak republic and asked the president for amnesty."

According to the Roman Catholic bishops, the priests who were imprisoned had voluntarily opposed the church legislation. Church sources also have said that between 200 and 300 priests have been jailed. The church control law was adopted unanimously by the national parliament Oct. 14 and became effective Nov. 1. It makes clergymen of all church civil servants paid by the state and gives the government control over all church appointments, finances and administrative affairs.

New Purge In Bulgaria; 200 Arrested

London, Oct. 29 (AP)—Premier Marshal Tito's communist party newspaper, Borba, reported today a new purge in Bulgaria to weed out communists who stray from the Moscow line.

The report broadcast by Tangu, the official Yugoslav news agency, said 200 already have been arrested, including three former government ministers.

The mass arrests "have provoked great bitterness among Bulgarian workers," the newspaper said.

Borba is the official newspaper of Yugoslav communism. It has been taking pot shots at Russia and her satellites since Yugoslavia was thrown out of the cominform in 1948 for refusing to give unquestioning obedience to Moscow.

Borba said Bulgarian leaders are putting so many people in jail the nation is having to build new concentration camps to house them.

Poland Ousts Relief Agency

Warsaw, Poland, Oct. 29 (AP)—Another nation in the Russian sphere, Poland, is closing her doors on a western relief agency.

CARE, a U. S. relief organization, has been told to leave the country by Dec. 1, a CARE official said. CARE last February withdrew from Hungary because, agency officials said, it was unable to renew its agreement with the Hungarian communist government.

Departure of CARE (cooperative for American remittances to Europe) would leave only two foreign relief agencies in Warsaw—the American Joint Distribution committee and American Relief for Poland. The international committee of the Red Cross has announced the Polish government has ordered closure of the Warsaw Red Cross office.

U. S. Reprisals Loom for Czechs

Washington, Oct. 29 (AP)—The state department disclosed today that it is considering taking "further steps" against communist Czechoslovakia government. It "does not realize the seriousness which with we view the action of the Czech government" in arresting Embassy Clerk Samuel Meryn and branding two American diplomats as spies.

"We are, therefore, considering what further steps should be taken by the government," the state department announcement said. Meryn was arrested by Czech authorities nine days ago, October 21. At the same time the communist regime denounced Isaac Patch, an attaché of the American embassy, and expelled him from the country on 24 hours' notice. Early this week the Czechs denounced another attaché, John G. Heyn, who was already out of the country.

Meanwhile American authorities in Prague pressed demands to be permitted to talk with Meryn.

Matthews to Pick Successor To Adm Denfeld

Navy Secretary Ignores Demands by Congressmen

Washington, Oct. 29 (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Matthews, calmly ignoring lawmakers' demands that he quit, combed through a list of admirals today seeking a successor to Louis Denfeld as chief of naval operations.

Matthews gave not the slightest indication that he intended to heed angry cries for his resignation from a least two members of congress. But he declined any comment on that or other statements from congressional quarters.

When reporters asked him if there was any chance he might change his mind about removing Adm. Denfeld and giving him some other job, Matthews said firmly:

"I asked the president for authority to make the transfer. I do not ask for things just to ask for them. Of course I intend to go through with it."

Denfeld's special assistant, Capt. Walter Karig, told reporters he expects the admiral to retire from the navy rather than take a lesser post.

Vehement assertions that Matthews should leave the defense department came from Senator Knowland (R., Calif.) and Rep. Gates (R., Mass.).

Bates is a member of the house armed services committee which heard Denfeld and most of the other high command of the three armed forces testify in the bitter military wrangle over unification.

Claims Matthews Unfit He said Matthews, who was named to his job last spring, "is absolutely unfit to hold the office; his naval experience is nil and he can't even row a boat."

Cordon Starts Home Monday

Washington, Oct. 29 (AP)—After devoting most of his time since last January to appropriation bills, Senator Cordon (R., Ore.) looks forward to hunting green sea and fishing for salmon in his home state.

A member of seven senate appropriations subcommittees, Cordon says he worked on more money bills than any other member of the senate. And he prides himself that he attended every session of the senate this year.

He is a member of the appropriations subcommittee on agriculture, armed services, deficiencies, army civil functions, independent offices, interior department and treasury-post office. He is the ranking republican on the latter group.

Day in and day out during most of the session he sat with subcommittees hearing requests for funds.

He plans to leave Monday for his home at Roseburg. Later he will go to the Klamath Falls area to hunt geese.

"But," he said, "I never did like to eat geese." He plans to fish for salmon and will visit Depoe Bay and Newport Congress appropriated funds for constructing a refuge harbor at Depoe Bay at Cordon's insistence. He succeeded in getting the money included in the army civil functions bill.

Identifying Victims Of Azores Crash

Ponta Delgada, Sao Miguel, The Azores, Oct. 29 (AP)—Rescue workers today began identifying the burned and broken bodies of 48 victims killed in the crash of an Air France Constellation.

The plane plunged into a mountainside yesterday. It was bound from Paris to New York. A French technical mission also was at work, trying to determine the cause of the crash. Boxer Marcel Cerdan, violinist Ginette Neveu and painter Bernard Buffet de Moutel were among those killed. There were no survivors.

The body of 28-year-old Miss Neveu, one of France's greatest women musicians, was one of those so far identified.



Express Regrets—Chief Boatswain's Mate Carl C. Ley (right) of Clay City, Ind., speaks for about 200 enlisted Navy and Marine personnel who visited Adm. Louis Denfeld, former chief of naval operations, in his office in Washington, D. C., to express their regrets at his removal from top navy command by President Truman. Denfeld told them there appeared nothing that can be done to prevent his removal. (AP Wirephoto)