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Republicans Oppose CVA for Columbia Basin Water Control Program Held Worlds Biggest

State Clubs for Development by Existing Federal Agencies

Development of the Columbia river valley by existing agencies rather than by a three-man CVA board appointed by the president...

This together with a sheaf of other resolutions were adopted without any opposition and followed the re-election of Leonard I. Lindas of Oregon City as president.

The CVA resolution pointed out that existing agencies have demonstrated their ability to prepare plans and carry forward projects integrated with consistent and orderly development of resources of the Columbia river valley.

Revision of Election Laws S. B. 1845, created a Columbia valley authority, now in congress, proposes to disregard and by-pass the present orderly processes, the resolution states, by creating a CVA consisting of a three man board, not elected by or responsible to the people of the region; only indirectly responsible to congress, but directly responsible to the president.

Revision of the state's election laws by providing for county conventions of each political party, following primary elections, was urged in one resolution. The same resolution also recommends district and state conventions to follow the county conventions.

The resolution provides that such conventions nominate candidates in all cases where a candidate in the primary election has not received 35 percent or more of the total vote of his party for the office sought.

The state convention, under the proposal, would elect delegates-at-large to the national convention and also elect the state national committeeman and committeewoman.

Let Contract for Molalla Levee

Portland, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—Lt. Col. D. A. Elliget, acting Portland district engineer, today announced award of three Oregon contracts totaling \$47,870.

Groesback and Hickspn, Eugene, was awarded a \$28,252 contract for construction of bank protection work along the right bank of the middle fork of the Willamette river at the A. C. Clearwater place.

Darby and Foster, Roseburg, was awarded a \$15,370 contract for repair of the revetment along the Molalla river at locations 8, 10 and 11, and along the Clackamas river at locations 12-1A, 14 and at Paradise park, all in Clackamas county.

Record High Prices At Coffee Auction

Guatemala, Nov. 5 (AP)—An alltime high price in Guatemalan coffee history was recorded yesterday as anxious bidders paid from \$49 to \$52 per hundred pounds, f.o.b. Puerto Barrios, for 22,000 bags of old crop coffee, sold at public auction.

Coffee experts believe the price may be highest ever paid anywhere, anytime, for green coffee.

The Guatemala government coffee office—acting for U. S. firms—said Orgeta and Umigh of San Francisco and J. A. Folger were the biggest buyers.

Prices at yesterday's auction—which ran late into the night—were \$15 above prices at the previous auction early in September.

Boise, Nov. 5 (AP)—The coordinated program of the bureau of reclamation and army engineers is "the biggest water control program on the face of the earth," national commissioner of reclamation Michael W. Straus said here today.

Development of the Columbia river basin, he added, will be in accord with the agreement between the two agencies "no matter what vehicle of government may be created."

The projects proposed in the agreement will be the physical development in any program. There will be the same dams, the same men, practically the same everything.

Of the total amount of \$387,000,000 made available for reclamation throughout the nation for the fiscal year 1951, Straus said \$110,833,000 has been earmarked for the Columbia river basin.

Silent on CVA In an interview, he had nothing to say regarding the proposed Columbia Valley administration. When asked his opinion of CVA, Straus said: "I am just operating our reclamation program."

Previously Straus announced that the bureau's construction program during this fiscal year will approach \$387,000,000 including a record-breaking \$333,961,638 in new funds.

Straus said the unprecedented appropriations is expediting work on 35 storage dams, nine power plants, more than 200 miles of canals and other facilities in the Missouri river basin, California's Central valley, the Colorado and Columbia basins and elsewhere throughout the west.

Typhoon Kills 644, Philipppines

Manila, Nov. 5 (AP)—The Philippine Red Cross called for international help tonight as mounting typhoon casualty reports listed 644 persons dead or missing and feared dead in the central islands.

Most of the casualties were reported from the Kabankalan area of Negros island 300 miles south of Manila. There the illog river, fed by torrential rains, overflowed and swept through Kabankalan, a city of more than 47,000 population.

The typhoon surged in to catch the central Philippines 12 hours ahead of schedule. It hit at night after the islanders had lighted candles to burn at graves of their relatives in All Souls day ceremonies Tuesday.

Former Justice Manuel Lim, chairman of the local Red Cross, cabled Geneva headquarters of the international Red Cross that at least 105 cities and municipalities were hit by the typhoon on eight islands. He estimated 450,000 persons were left destitute.

Salem Junior Patrol Members Police Guests

Members of the Salem junior patrol, guests of the police department at a noontime luncheon Saturday, were given a special treat when Chief Clyde A. Warren and Assistant Chief E. C. Charlton appeared in full uniform for the occasion.

It was the first time the two top officers of the department have been in uniform since Chief Warren took office last winter.

The occasion for the luncheon, attended by 26 junior patrolmen from six Salem schools as well as teachers from each institution, was to award badges and police identification cards to the school patrol. Among the group of students who guard street crossings for the schools were two girl patrol workers.

Alderman Albert Gilfe, representing Mayor R. L. Elfrstrom, told the youngsters that traffic problems were increasing, but he emphasized that if their work could save just one life during the year, the entire program would be worthwhile.



\$10 Million Loss Caracas Flood

Caracas, Venezuela, Nov. 5 (AP)—Homeless Venezuelans searched frantically today for members of their families missing since flash flood swept through Caracas suburbs.

At least 20 persons were reported dead and authorities feared the toll from yesterday's flood might run much higher. The flood, the worst in Venezuela's capital in many years, caused damage estimated unofficially at \$10,000,000.

It was Latin America's second major flood since Oct. 1. Heavy rains and floods in Guatemala during the first three weeks of October killed more than 500 persons and caused an estimated \$50,000,000 of damage.

A six-hour downpour yesterday brought a sudden rush of water here from the usually tiny Guaire river, which already was swollen by several days of heavy rains.

Roaring flood waters swept first through the rude huts of hundreds of poor families living along the river banks. Radio patrol cars rushed along the river, warning dwellers on the banks to flee. Many of the hundreds left homeless said they thought the warning was a trick to dislodge them from their homes.

CIO Reelects Philip Murray

Cleveland, Nov. 5 (AP)—Philip Murray, 62-year-old former Scottish miner, was elected Friday to his 10th term as president of the CIO.

Murray's name was placed before the convention, without opposition, by Jacob Potofsky, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. He referred to the CIO leader as "labor's No. 1 spokesman and No. 1 statesman."

Potofsky said Murray was "strong in character, vigorous in action, undaunted in courage, and a great spiritual force for good in our country."

The election came near the close of the CIO's 11th constitutional convention, in which the way was paved for riding the CIO of its left wing elements.

Members actually controlled traffic.

Chief Warren, urged the patrol members to act according to rules laid down on the back of their identification cards and to set a good example at all times.

Sgt. Ercel Mundinger acted as toastmaster for the meeting. Also in attendance from the police department were Juvenile Officer Allan McRae, Capt. Glenn Bowman and Patrolman O. O. White.

McKinley school was represented by Mrs. Dorothy Rea, Washington by Miss Gladys Tipton, Highland by Mrs. Annie Wolcott, Garfield by Mrs. Caroline Blake and St. Joseph's by Father Callahan. There was no representative other than junior patrolmen from Parrish junior high.

Republican Leaders Attend Club Banquet—Senator Guy Cordon was principal speaker at this banquet held at the Salem Chamber of Commerce and attended by hundreds of party leaders gathered here for their sixteenth annual convention. Shown at the head table are (from left): Dr. E. E. Boring, Leonard I. Lindas, Don Eva, Senator Guy Cordon, Representative Walter Norblad, Earl Newby, Mrs. Marshall Corbett, Helen Lamond and Sig Unander.

Malnutrition Kills 8 Crop Pickers Infants

Fresno, Calif., Nov. 5 (AP)—Eight infants were dead from malnutrition today as San Joaquin valley authorities probed labor conditions of migrant workers, living in conditions reminiscent of the depression years.

Dr. Donald Upp, Kings county health officer, uncovered two more infant deaths Oct. 28 and Oct. 30 as the investigation moved toward the end of the first week.

Officials of Fresno county said two children died from the same cause Oct. 30 and Nov. 2.

Health officials and social workers gave poignant examples of how some 150,000 agricultural migrants are living while harvesting the cotton, fruits and vegetables in the multi-million dollar farmland valley. A council of interested agencies in Tulare county found the following:

1—A workers' camp made of packing box houses. The camp is near a dump where families salvaged discarded household articles for their own use. Four members of the council said the children looked as if their hair had never been combed. The youngsters were using outdoor toilets as "playhouses."

2—A camp of 19 houses with only two toilets and six to 10 persons living in each house.

3—Camp managers said some of the "hands" were earning \$10 to \$20 per day but "only wanted to drink and gamble." They complained that the camps had been clean and decent three weeks ago, but the workers failed to take care of them.

4—Camp manager William Silvers said his efforts to clean up the camp had resulted in a fight in which he had been shot in the leg.

Lee A. Stones, Madera county health officer, said that malnutrition among children of farm workers was not unusual, but placed the blame on the parents and not county health and relief agencies.

"You would find the situation in any county in the San Joaquin valley," he said. "But it is not a question of want—the cause is carelessness or lack of knowledge among parents."

Says A Bomb Diverted River

Berlin, Nov. 5 (AP)—The Soviet-licensed newspaper Nacht Express declared today Russia has used blasts of atomic energy to reverse the flow of two rivers in a land reclamation project and implied it wasn't an A-bomb test.

This was "the first time in the history of mankind" that atomic energy was used for peaceful purposes, said the paper, which is edited by communists.

This overwhelming project has made it possible to reverse the directions of the Siberian rivers Ob and Yenisei by blasting with atomic energy large sections of rocks in the Urals and Caucasian mountains. It said.

Big 3 Hopes for Closer Unity

Washington, Nov. 5 (AP)—Plans for a Paris meeting of American, British and French foreign ministers stirred U. S. hopes today for greater economic and political unity in Europe.

The state department announced the first session will be held in the French capital on Wednesday.

American officials said the two-day conference might put new life into the movement toward that goal, in view of Secretary of State Acheson's apparent conviction that such unity is urgently needed now.

As a part of this issue, Acheson is prepared to press for inclusion of the new western German state in the European family of nations. He also is ready to discuss outstanding German issues—including the controversial plant dismantling program—in that light.

Acheson will fly to the French capital for the meeting with British Foreign Minister Bevin and French Foreign Minister Schumann.

In announcing the conference yesterday, the state department described it as a sequel to talks which the three western foreign policy chiefs held in Washington and New York a few weeks ago.

While the announcement did not list a specific program for the Paris meeting, it clearly indicated the nature of the talks.

It did so by linking them to the recent sessions of the council of Europe and the organization for European economic cooperation (OEEC) in Paris, and by pointing out that (a) the German federal republic is now in operation and (b) defense machinery under the Atlantic Pact has been set up and is functioning.

Portland, Nov. 5 (AP)—A collective bargaining election will be held November 9 among 400 office employees of Meter & Frank company to decide whether they wish to be represented by the AFL office employees union.

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All CIO Officers Major Break Forced to Sign In Steel Strike Non-Red Oaths Held Imminent

Executive Board Investigates Charges Against 10 Unions

Cleveland, Nov. 5 (AP)—The CIO executive board today set up committees to investigate charges of pro-communism against 10 left wing unions and nine of their leaders.

CIO President Philip Murray announced at a news conference that all CIO officers will now sign the non-communist affidavits required by the Taft-Hartley act, to gain access to the national labor relations board processes.

The officers, now 26 months after the Taft-Hartley act went into effect, will come into compliance for the first time.

Murray said the move was taken because the officers are responsible for the welfare of certain industrial union councils not part of international unions.

The action against the unions and individuals was taken at a post-convention session of the board. The nine union presidents under fire were allowed to take their seats as members of the executive board pending the outcome of hearings by the committees.

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Fitzgerald Fires Red UE Leaders

Pittsburgh, Nov. 5 (AP)—President Albert J. Fitzgerald's order reading right wing leaders out of his United Electrical Workers' union is being met today either with defiance or with silence.

The order, in the form of telegrams to individual officers, came yesterday, a result of the expulsion of the US by the National CIO earlier this week at its convention in Cleveland.

The expulsion, on the grounds of left wingism, immediately put the long-standing left-right fight into the open.

Officers of at least five big US locals throughout the country have received telegrams from Fitzgerald telling they are no longer officers or members of the union.

Some, like Clyde J. Bowman, executive board member of 13,700-member local 601 at the Westinghouse Electric Corp., in East Pittsburgh, have wired back defiant messages. Bowman, one of 24 officers "read out" at Pittsburgh, told Fitzgerald:

"Because you walked out of the CIO, I no longer recognize you as having any authority to tell me anything."

Others, like the 10 right-wingers tossed out at Westinghouse's turbine plant in Sharon, Pa., simply ignored the telegrams.

Unverified reports indicated all right wing UE officials have got Fitzgerald telegrams, which also are signed by Charles Newell, US international representative.

Denver Police Chief Commits Suicide

Denver, Nov. 5 (AP)—Denver Police Chief John F. O'Donnell was found shot, apparently with his own service revolver, today in a small washroom off his office. He died 20 minutes later.

O'Donnell's resignation was to have become effective Nov. 15. A custodian, Roger Smith, said he heard a shot and called Detective Richard Brown. They broke down the locked door. O'Donnell, 48, was slumped over a toilet. He was shot through the mouth. His revolver was nearby.

O'Donnell was rushed to Denver General hospital but died as attendants were trying to prepare him for surgery.

O'Donnell submitted his resignation two weeks ago. Mayor Quigg Newton, who named him chief in 1947, said the chief told him he needed a complete rest. Capt. Herbert Forsyth was named then to replace O'Donnell.

Washington, Nov. 5 (AP)—On four company fronts, the nationwide strike of steelworkers moved closer today to settlement.

And in Washington, Federal Mediation Director Cyrus S. Ching reported that his talk yesterday with John L. Lewis, chief of 400,000 striking coal miners, was "extremely pleasant and constructive."

Nevertheless coal peace moves marked time, pending the start of government talks with southern mine owners on Monday. There were no breaks in coal comparable to these developments in the 37-day strike of CIO's United Steelworkers.

Republic's Offer Weighed

1. Republic Steel's pension offer of yesterday was a weighed without comment at a policy huddle of CIO President Philip Murray and local leaders in Cleveland.

2. Jones & Laughlin Steel corporation, one of Pittsburgh's biggest, announced it will meet union spokesmen Monday in "preliminary" talks toward ending the strike in its operations.

3. Lukens Steel company settled with the union at Coatesville, Pa. Five thousand men started back to work.

4. Youngstown, O. Sheet and Tube company, fifth largest producer, scheduled talks with the steelworkers next Tuesday.

But the strike news was not uniformly so rosy. Ten thousand steelworkers quit at five plants of the Timken Roller Bearing company.

Ching Resumes Efforts

Mediator Ching said he will "explore all possible angles" with southern soft coal operators when he meets with them in his office here Monday.

A hint of possibly sterner federal action came from the White House party which returned with President Truman last night from his speechmaking trip into the chilly midwest.

Truman to Decide (Concluded on Page 5, Column 7)

Truman Backs Demos in N Y

Washington, Nov. 5 (AP)—President Truman jumps back into the political arena tonight with a brief radio appeal to the voters of New York to back democratic candidates in next Tuesday's special election.

The president returned last night from what he jokingly called a "bipartisan" speechmaking trip designed to be "entirely pleasing to Minnesota democrats."

In his five-minute talk to-night (8:30 p.m., EST) Mr. Truman will urge the election to the U. S. senate of former New York Governor Herbert H. Lehman, and the reelection of New York City's Mayor William O'Dwyer.

Lehman is fighting for the senate seat now held by Republican John Foster Dulles.

The presidential party for the "bipartisan" trip to Minnesota included Democratic National Chairman William Boyle. On the way back to Washington, Mr. Truman consulted political leaders on democratic candidate's prospects in the 1950 congressional campaign.

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