

Union spokesman claims public misled on dispute

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A rail union spokesman said today that the railroad dispute is not nearly as hopeless as the public has been led to believe.

Roy E. Davidson, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, urged Congress to allow union and management to proceed with collective bargaining and to reject President Kennedy's proposal for solving the controversy.

Davidson insisted that collective bargaining had been "virtually unused" during the four-year-old dispute.

"To the small extent that it has been used," he told the House Commerce Committee, "it has brought this dispute close to peaceful negotiated resolution."

Practically No Dispute

The rail industry, which supports the Kennedy plan to turn over the dispute to the Interstate Commerce Commission, has said practically no progress has been made in talks on the key issues.

Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz continued mediation efforts in the snarl during the weekend without any reported break in the stalemate. The renewed mediation efforts were suspended after sessions Sunday.

Davidson testified at the fourth day of House hearings on the President's proposal to resolve the problem.

Denouncing the administration plan as have the other rail union leaders, Davidson said:

"...it would be hard to conceive a proposal more unsatisfactory to railway labor, more fraught with danger to our freedom, or less likely to result in ultimate harmony and cooperation between railway management and railway labor."

Asks Alternative

AFL-CIO President George Meany has urged Congress to adopt an alternative to the Kennedy proposal. Meany has suggested that a special committee of House and Senate members be set up to oversee a new round of "glass bowl" negotiations to work out the tangle on rail work rules.

Meany was expected to testify this afternoon on his plan before the Senate Commerce Committee.

Davidson stressed several times his belief that full-fledged collective bargaining had not been fully utilized and was the only proper solution to the problem.

"Despite the carriers' public utterances to the contrary," he said, "there has been considerable progress toward the settlement of this dispute and—under the surface—the dispute is not nearly so hopeless as it might seem to the public."



NASH VISITS AREA — Philleo Nash, commissioner of Indian Affairs, flew into Madras Saturday morning from Pendleton for his first visit to the nearby Warm Springs Indian reservation. Here he chats with Warm Springs dignitaries at the Madras airport. From left, Edwin Scott, chairman of the tribal council; Nelson Wallulatum, chief of the Wasco tribe; Nathan Heath, chief of the Warm Springs tribe; Commissioner Nash; and A. W. Galbraith, superintendent of the Warm Springs Indian reservation.

Both Portugal, Africans oppose American plan

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (UPI)—A U.S. proposal for negotiated independence for Portuguese Africa encountered opposition from both Portugal and the Africans today.

U.S. and British rejection of a resolution backed by all the African countries — except boycotted South Africa — brought resentment among the African leaders, but moves were underway to seek a compromise that would meet Western approval.

The United States and Britain both held that the resolution, sponsored by Ghana, Morocco and the Philippines, was couched in terms of orders and council is empowered to issue against threats to the peace or aggression.

Foreign Minister John Karef-Smith of Sierra Leone planned to deal with that contention when he addresses the council today.

Karef-Smith told the council Friday he would present "irrefutable evidence of present and continuing acts of war which are being perpetrated in the Portuguese colonies, including wholesale bombings of defenseless villages with planes which, since Portugal does not make planes, we can only assume are gifts of her NATO friends."

U.S. Ambassador Adlai Stevenson suggested that instead of demanding immediate independence for Portugal's African territories, the Security Council should appoint a diplomat to conduct negotiations for freeing the areas.

Initial reaction of diplomats acquainted with Portuguese thinking was negative.

The Lisbon government holds that its African territories are an integral part of its country. It is not ready to accept Security Council intervention in their affairs.

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Few persons thought Khrushchev serious when he proposed partial ban on nuclear testing

By William D. Laffler

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On Dec. 30, 1959, Premier Nikita Khrushchev said the Soviet Union had suspended nuclear tests and would not resume them unless the Western powers did so. But in September, 1961, the Russians began a series of tests that was concluded with the detonation of a 50 megaton device.

So on March 2 President Kennedy announced in a nationwide radio-television speech that the United States regrettably was forced to resume nuclear testing.

And from that day forward the United States began searching for ways to achieve some kind of a ban.

The moratorium between the United States and the Soviet Union which was violated was an unwritten agreement.

Russians Blame West

And when the Russians broke it, Khrushchev blamed the West. France, for instance, had set off its first bomb in the Sahara Desert and De Gaulle made no bones about his future intentions.

Not so many days ago, after Kennedy had said in a speech that the two major nations should seek to lessen tension, Khrushchev came forth with a plan for a partial test ban. He had talked so much out of both sides of his mouth so often that few persons paid much attention to what he had to say. But on this occasion President Kennedy was listening.

It seemed as though it would be a fruitless mission, because the United States and Russia had failed to reach any agreements in years of negotiating at Geneva, but Kennedy sent Averell Harriman to Moscow by way of London, where he picked up Britain's Lord Hailsham.

This time the atmosphere was cordial and in 10 days an agree-

ment was reached, calling for a partial ban—no testing in the water, in the atmosphere and in space beyond the atmosphere.

Needs Approval

And this time the understanding was on paper. It was initiated this week but must be approved by the legislative houses of the three powers.

Friday night Kennedy urged the American people to accept the pact as "an important first step toward peace."

He made note that the pact had its limitations and would not stop nuclear stockpiling.

"It will not resolve all conflicts, or cause the Communists to forego their ambitions, or eliminate the dangers of war."

All nations were invited to sign the pact. It was not deemed likely that De Gaulle would sign because he is determined to build his own nuclear deterrent. And it was certain that Red China, which is working on a bomb, would not. It bitterly criticized the Soviet Union for signing the agreement.

Rail Strike Ban

Another moratorium was agreed upon, temporarily, this week. Both sides in the years-long railroad dispute over work rules promised there would be no strike for 30 days or more.

A strike had been set for next week in the event the railroads posted rule changes that would eliminate certain jobs that are considered unneeded.

After President Kennedy asked Congress to authorize the Interstate Commerce Commission to force a final settlement within two years, the railroads agreed not to post the rule changes, at least not before Aug. 29. By that time Congress is expected to work out strike-preventing legislation.

Around the World Around the Clock

Cape Canaveral — America launched its second Syncom communications satellite with the aim of putting it in "hanging orbit," almost 23,000 miles above earth. It would travel at the same rotating speed of the earth and thus appear to be stationary. Syncom-2 is designed to permit telephone, telegraph and facsimile transmis-

Rescue crews busy combing ruins in Skopje

SKOPJE, Yugoslavia (UPI)—Rescue crews today used French sound detection equipment to search the earthquake rubble of this city for possible survivors following Sunday's rescue of a couple trapped 55 hours.

Little hope was held out that others remained alive under the debris, but French disaster squads working with the Yugoslavs were using equipment of the type that located survivors buried in the 1900 earthquake in Agadir, Morocco, in which 12,000 died.

The toll of the quake that struck this city of 200,000 persons has been placed unofficially at 2,000. At least 1,000 bodies have been recovered and an equal number are feared buried.

A Belgian woman and her husband were brought alive from the ruins of the Macedonia Hotel Sunday after having been trapped under its shattered walls since the quake struck before dawn Friday.

Husband Loses Leg

The woman, identified as Mrs. Sissie or Suzzie Zamker, was reported in fair condition, but a witness who watched the rescue operation said her husband's leg had to be amputated.

The rescue of the couple was carried out after their voices were heard underneath the ruins.

Today, Yugoslavs who had lived and worked in the city when it was a model provincial capital were streaming out to find new homes. It was estimated that half the population of 200,000 had left. Some said they would settle permanently in other towns and try to start anew. Others planned to return to rebuild their homes.

Portland man victim in Texas

GALVESTON, Tex. (UPI)—Stanley N. Trelawny, 43, of Portland, Ore., Sunday became the second Galveston Bay drowning victim in a week.

He was discovered floating in the water by a bather.

Mrs. Trelawny, who had been changing clothes in the family car nearby, came upon rescue workers trying to revive her husband.

Negroes, whites arrested in Sunday demonstrations

By United Press International

About 125 Negroes and whites protesting segregation were arrested Sunday in demonstrations in California and Virginia.

It was a relatively quiet Sunday on the racial front with arrest-producing protests reported only in Danville, Va.; Farmville, Va.; and Torrance, Calif. Demonstrations also were staged in Denver, Colo., and Pine Bluff, Ark., but no arrests were reported in those cities.

Danville police, sweltering in 102-degree heat, intercepted 77 Negroes marching on city hall and loaded them into paddy wagons and a tractor-trailer when they sprawled out on the pavement.

Negroes had promised to defy a city anti-march injunction with a march by thousands but the demonstration fell far short of the promise.

Interfere with Worship

At Farmville, Va., about 50 miles from Danville, 22 Negroes who attempted to attend services at a white-only church were arrested on charges of "interfering with church worship."

Torrance, Calif., police, aided by mounted deputies, arrested 24 pickets protesting alleged racial discrimination at an all-white housing tract. The pickets, members of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), were charged with aiding, abetting and consoling other demonstrators who staged sit-down protests the day before.

At Denver, heavyweight boxing champion Sonny Liston appeared briefly at a civil rights march urging support of President Kennedy's civil rights legislation and about 25 Negroes were chased outside a segregated hamburger

stand in Pine Bluff, Ark., when a white youth tossed ammonia into the small building.

Other Action

There were these other racial developments:

Ocala, Fla.—Police sought two white men witnesses said fired shotgun blasts into the home of integration leader Dr. L. R. Hampton. No one was injured.

Philadelphia — Postmaster Anthony I. Lambert warned that picketing threatened by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) could lead to federal violations. The NAACP has threatened to picket Philadelphia's main post office today to protest alleged promotion discrimination against Negro postal employees.

Vicksburg, Miss.—An official of the Louisiana Mississippi Arkansas Ku Klux Klan called for mass demonstrations and outdoor rallies by segregationists to counter Negro civil rights demonstrations.

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Plane strikes power line

BATTLE GROUND, Wash. (UPI)—Two Vancouver, Wash., men escaped injury when their light plane struck a power line seven miles northeast of here Sunday.

They were William Hoppa, 41, the pilot, and Don Gorman, 25. The landing gear of the single-engine Cessna aircraft snagged the line and it flipped over. The plane was demolished.

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