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Wednesday; warmer Wednesday.  
Temperature:  
Highest yesterday 44  
Lowest this morning 45

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# END OF 'FRISCO STRIKE RUMORED



Paul Mallon, whose signature usually appears over this dispatch, is on a brief vacation. During his absence the column will be composed of contributions from leading Washington correspondents.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17.—Certain government officials who are conversant with the history of the strike in San Francisco and other Pacific coast points are watching developments there from an angle quite different from that from which most strikes are viewed.

In their opinion it may prove to be not just a strike which involves union recognition, wages and the usual clash of interests in which one side or the other may be beaten. These questions do, of course, enter into the controversy, along with others of the same sort, but what gives the situation peculiar interest, in their opinion, is that it contains the germs of unusual consequences.

Because of the existence in California and in other coast states of labor unrest, along with the springing up there of several new economic cults, these observers see the possibility of the strike, especially if it should be prolonged, eventuating in some kind of economic experiment in that region which has not before been tried.

This is not to say that the officials believe that such a thing will happen, but merely that, on account of the unstable equilibrium present in the situation, many things may happen and they are curious to see how it will turn out.

As an indication of the ferment working in California alone, the bitter labor clash in the Imperial valley is recalled. The trouble has not yet been fully composed.

In the line of agitation for new economic methods there may be cited the rise of the so-called Utopian society in the Los Angeles region. The purposes of this group, from such reports as have been had of it, do not appear to be very clear, but it seems to aim at correction of the faults in the present economic system, as seen by its promoters, by the better distribution of the existing surpluses of commodities of all kinds.

The exact purposes of the society, even if it is itself aware of them, are not important at the moment; the pertinence of its existence being that it represents dissatisfaction with the present state of things. And, if established, it would be a large element in the population. It was organized only late in February of this year and its membership is calculated at 100,000 to 200,000.

## CALIFORNIA PLANS INTENSIVE ACTION AGAINST RADICALS

Mass Strike Due to 'Element Whose Main Purpose Is Revolution' Declares Acting Governor Merriam

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—(AP)—Western offices of the "Daily Worker," communist organ, were raided today by a group of men armed with baseball bats. Meeting with no resistance they smashed furniture and equipment while a crowd of 700 curious grouped around. The raiders disappeared before police arrived.

SACRAMENTO, Calif., July 17.—(AP)—An intensified drive to rid California of "professional agitators" was urged today by acting Governor Frank Merriam who promised to "act with the utmost vigor" to maintain order in the strike-torn San Francisco metropolitan area.

In a coastwide broadcast last night he blamed the mass strike on an element "whose actual purpose is revolution, violent, bloody and destructive."

Questioned today concerning his promise to do anything necessary for the general good of the afflicted area, and particularly to see that women and children did not suffer, the governor said he had not contemplated declaring martial law. He hesitated to do so, he explained, because it would stop the courts.

Those close to him, however, felt he would enforce military rule in San Francisco, where he has already sent 6000 National Guardsmen. If he felt it would speed settlement of the strike, last night he said, "anything that I can do to bring this unfortunate dispute to a speedy, equitable conclusion will be done."

Blaming the present situation on radicals, Governor Merriam said that throughout the six-week-old longshore strike it has been "increasingly evident that destructive and subversive influences have been working against an agreement on any basis whatsoever."

"Fully as much as the employers of this state, the workers have been handicapped and exploited by known communists and professional agitators, men and women who cloak their sinister purpose under hypocritical appeals for human rights, but whose actual purpose is revolution, violent, bloody and destructive."

BERLIN, July 17.—(AP)—The three trustees of the Dawes loan to Germany today served notice that they are trying to fund aid for interest payments, a step which brought threat of retaliatory measures from the reichsbank.

## First Strikers Never Returned Bible Asserts

By the Associated Press  
The strikers in the first great walkout on record never did go back to their jobs.

They were the Israelites who worked in Egyptian brick factories. The Bible tells that Pharaoh ordered them to furnish the straw for the bricks instead of getting it from their taskmasters.

They objected. Having found a leader in Moses, they walked out—toward the promised land—and never returned.

Orators, said by authorities to be transients, last night addressed a crowd of about 100 persons at the old P. & E. depot east of the Bear creek bridge upon the general labor situation and proposed wage schedules for orchard workers. Friday night at Phoenix a man by the name of Kluster, who said he formerly operated a fruit orchard in Douglas county, addressed a gathering and urged 40 cents per hour for workers. No action was reported taken at either meeting.

C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, is scheduled to hold a hearing here Thursday, on orchard wages. He was requested to hold the hearing by local packers, orchardists and orchard workers.

Packers and orchardists have announced they would employ local labor. There is a desire in the county among all concerned to settle all labor issues, through the legal channels, instead of through the oratory of transients.

The district attorney's office today received copies of inflammatory handbills, circulated in Josephine and Klamath counties. As far as known none have circulated in this county.

If so, the distribution has been guarded. The handbills "urge brothers and sisters to put the communist party on the ballot" and vote accordingly. In Portland last week arrests were made for circulation of the same handbills.

OTTO DeJarnette, chairman of the program committee for the state convention of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks and the National Association of Letter Carriers and their auxiliaries, extended thanks on behalf of the local union to the business men of the city and the chamber of commerce for support given the convention. He also thanked the various participants in the programs of the social meetings of the convalescence.

## ELKS URGED TO GIRD FOR FIGHT ON COMMUNISM

'Pro-America' Advanced As Watchword by New Ruler—Menace to Nation Is Stressed in Address

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 17.—(AP)—Michael F. Shannon, Los Angeles attorney, today was raised to the office of grand exalted ruler of the B. P. O. Elks' meeting here in their 70th annual convention, and in accepting the honor exhorted his more than half a million fellow members to rally solidly behind a new watchword, "Pro-America."

His clarion call was to mobilize the full strength of 1400 lodges into "shock troops to combat and exterminate those who would destroy the business of this country, disrupt foreign family relations, abolish religion, liquidate institutions and tear down the flag."

The red forces of communism and its allies received the full broadside of the new ruler's vocal attack, which pictured a vicious menace gravely threatening the nation.

Pointing out that the Elks always have stood for and fostered love of flag and country, Ruler Shannon stated that the time to "merely talk our devotion" has passed and that the anti-red legion were now called by deputy and committed to active and relentless warfare.

An important phase of this, he declared will be the Elks' youth movement.

Classification and use of man power in a year of concentrated patriotism, removal of teachers of subversive doctrine in schools; strong support of public officials; acts of friendship and good fellowship were among the courses of action outlined for the order by its new grand exalted ruler.

This is not a question of capital against labor, but a question of organized versus unorganized labor; it is not a question of Democratic party against a Republican party; but it is a question the answer to which some are willing to write in letters of blood.

CHICAGO, July 17.—(AP)—Authorities studied today a possible link between the recovery of stolen jewels worth \$65,200, a \$250,000 mail robbery and the \$200,000 Edward G. Bremer kidnaping.



Adamant  
Harry R. Bridges, chairman of the International Longshoremen's Association strike committee in San Francisco, told President Roosevelt's longshoremen's board that he would not return to work until the union wanted to run hiring halls and asserted demands of other maritime unions must be met before his men return to work. (Associated Press Photo)

## STRANGE TRAVEL METHODS USED AS CARS ARE HALTED

By HERBERT LUNDY  
United Press Staff Correspondent.  
SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—(UP)—A peanut wagon drawn by a gaunt, pop-eyed horse rolled up Geary street away from the business section this morning. A man wearing a derby hat clung to the fender. Two men balanced on the rear seat.

The scene was typical of San Francisco in the grip of a general strike. Those who had jobs to go to work somehow, and got home the same way. With street cars and taxicabs inactive, John Citizen walked, or borrowed Willie's bicycle, or balanced precariously on Johnny's roller skates.

Fifty thousand non-union craftsmen, their jobs wiped out by the strike of 50,000 union men in basic trades, remained at home. They were visited by flying squadrons of union men who asked them to become members at bargain fees.

The independent workmen said they were not threatened, but organized labor revealed it is determined to make or break in this bitter fight.

Thousands of automobiles were in the streets during the day, running on gasoline obtained outside San Francisco county. The absence of commercial vehicles and street cars was striking, however.

Pedestrian traffic was heavy during the day. Swollen feet were no excuse.

SALEM, July 17.—(AP)—Immediate remedy of the alleged "putrid odor and taste of city water making it unfit for human consumption" was ordered by the public utilities commissioner today to the Oregon-Washington Water Service corporation at Salem, and a request was forwarded to the state board of health to make a test of the water.

## Unions To Vote On Arbitration Of Controversy

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17.—(AP)—Discussion of the effective date of any general strike that might be called in Portland has been postponed, it was announced here today, until the strikers' "strategy" committee has had a chance to discuss the situation with Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York, father of the original labor bill.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17.—(AP)—Sensing the culmination of days and days of bitter labor strife, Portland today looked fearfully into the future as a crushing general strike and probably bloody rioting threatened.

In the absence of any formal statement from union leaders, there was indirect information that 5 p. m. tomorrow might be the "zero hour" for the smashing attempt of united labor to correct the reputed wrongs of maritime workers at the hands of their employers.

Car Men Ready  
Street car operators, it was said, were to vote today on whether to stage a general walkout at 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Labor leaders said the public would be "permitted" 24 hours' warning in advance of a general strike.

Representatives of 85 unions last night authorized the strike "strategy" committee of the Central Labor Council to "use its best judgment in such matters as may come before it in connection with the performance of its duties."

Storm Red Quarters  
A group of about 2 unidentified men last night stormed the office of the "Marine Workers' Industrial Union," reputed communist party affiliate, smashed fixtures and took records. Police said that in branch quarters of this union they confiscated a revolver, several clubs and much radical literature.

A new tragedy of the waterfront controversy occurred today when 1,400 workmen of the Doornbecher Furniture company here were thrown out of employment because the big company could not obtain warehouse facilities or obtain access to the great California market.

Have Orders  
The tragedy of it, said H. A. Green, president, is that we have bona fide orders to keep our 1400 men busy until late in the fall.

SEATTLE—Labor leaders declared doubt any general strike would be declared in Seattle. Non-union labor loaded ships at Smith's Cove and a citizens' committee said further port opening would be attempted.

## Coast Strike Summary

By the Associated Press.  
SAN FRANCISCO—The second day of the general strike found relaxation of union restrictions upon distribution of food and ice, and re-establishment of limited street car transportation schedules.

OAKLAND—Fifteen thousand striking building trades workers were to be joined by 27,000 central trades workers in an extension of the general strike to the east bay area.

PORTLAND—This Oregon metropolis appeared drifting toward a general strike as dwindling gasoline supplies forced prices as high as 40 cents a gallon, with no "gas" available for U. S. mail trucks or planes.

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VANCOUVER, B. C.—Longshoremen voted down an arbitration board's decision in a wage dispute and agreed not to unload any ships which had been loaded in United States ports by "unfair" labor.

KETCHIKAN—Fearing another tieup of Alaska shipping, now being loaded in the port of Tacoma, union longshoremen refused to work on the tanker Alaska Standard, listed as an "unfair" ship.

SACRAMENTO—While no strikes in sympathy with the San Francisco emergency are planned, President R. L. Ennis of the Sacramento Federated Trades Council said freight non-union drivers bring to Sacramento would not be rehandled by union teamsters here.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—(AP)—A member of President Roosevelt's labor disputes board revealed today that a definite proposal is under way to end the general strike by submitting the entire controversy to arbitration, with the immediate return to work of all men involved.

The arbitration resolution was to be discussed and voted upon by the strike committee representing all the unions on the walkout.

"If we can get labor to pass the resolution, we can settle the strike," the labor disputes board member declared.

Employers Will Agree  
He stated he was positive the employers would agree to arbitration of the entire controversy if the labor leaders would do likewise.

Meanwhile an air of keen anticipation prevailed about the labor temple, where the general strike committee was to go in session. Rumors that an all-night meeting of the committee had drafted a resolution to submit all differences to arbitration were heard.

Associated Press staff men were unable to verify these reports. It was learned, however, there had been an all-night session of the committee.

One labor leader said adoption of such a resolution would point to immediate and peaceful settlement of the general strike estimated now to involve a hundred thousand men.

Means Long Debate  
A resolution of great significance to labor, that probably would bring an end to the strike, would be presented to the strategy committee.

## BASEBALL

American

Washington	3	6	2
Detroit	5	10	1
Stewart, Thomas and Sewell; Fletcher and Hayworth, VCochrane.			

National

Boston	6	9	1
Chicago	5	6	0
Warneke and Hartnett; Parmelee and Manauco.			

First game:

Chicago	5	7	0
New York	5	6	0
Warneke and Hartnett; Parmelee and Manauco.			

Second game:

Chicago	2	6	1
New York	1	7	0
Lee and Hartnett; Hubbell, Salvo and Manauco.			

St. Louis

St. Louis	6	14	2
Brooklyn	7	10	0
Hallahan, Haines, Vance and Delancy; Mungo, Leonard and Lopez.			

## G. G. SMITH UNHURT WHEN AUTO UPSETS

C. G. Smith, manager of the Lake o. the Woods resort, reports today that while driving at 35 miles an hour on the Butte Falls-Lake of the Woods road, about three miles above Mosquito ranger station, his car skidded in loose rock and turned completely over, leaving him unhurt aside from slight scratches. Smith stated his Nash sedan would have been undamaged in the turn-over, had it not been for huge boulders along the side of the road, which dented the auto's fenders and body.

## MISSING INFANT IS FOUND ALIVE

HARTSDALE, N. Y., July 17.—(AP)—Robert Connor was found alive and smiling this afternoon in the woods behind his house by state troopers.

Mrs. Charles H. Connor fainting when a trooper came in the door of her Hartsdale manor with 21-month-old Robert in his arms.

The child's face was badly scratched by brambles after nearly five days in the woods.

POSTAL MEN THANK CONCLAVE BOOSTERS  
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## WATER IN SALEM DECLARED PUTRID

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These actions resulted from a formal complaint filed today with Commissioner Charles M. Thomas by K. P. Thompson of Salem in which he declared that the past five days the water served Salem residents was "unfit for human consumption."

SALEM, July 17.—(AP)—The application of Bird Loosley of Klamath Falls to erect a service station in the triangle at the junction of The Dalles-California and Diamond Lake highways in Klamath county, was rejected by the state highway commission as contrary to policy.

ROOMMATE, Dorothy Jacobs, 27; Robert Vesali, 29, and his wife, Helen, 32. Police said Weinberg, saloon and cafe operator, was under indictment as the result of a \$250,000 mail robbery in Chicago's loop on December 6, 1932. Among others named in the charge was John J. (Boss) McLaughlin, former state assemblyman, later indicted for possessing ransom money paid for the release of Bremer, wealthy St. Paul brewer. This, police said, indicated a possible connection between the three crimes.

## ROGERS SENT BY LOS ANGELES TO CHEER STRIKERS

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—(AP)—Will Rogers, gum-chewing comedian, who will be around where things are happening, arrived here today.

"Did you come up here to settle the strike?" Mayor Angelo Rossi asked when Rogers dropped into his office.

"Not much," came the answer, with the familiar grin. "Los Angeles sent me up here to cheer it on and wipe your industry."

From Honolulu, the comedian said he will go to Japan, and then to Siberia and Russia, where he will tour by plane.

## LA GRANDE LEAVES GAS FOR VISITORS

LA GRANDE, Ore., July 17.—(AP)—Preparing to welcome at least 10,000 outside visitors to an unique celebration marking 50 years of railroad progress in eastern Oregon, citizens and businesses here generally are pledged today to curtailment of gasoline in their local uses.

This was done, though a good supply of the fuel still exists in this territory, to be doubly certain that all who visit LaGrande July 19, 20 and 21, the days of the celebration, are amply cared for in their travel needs in and out of the city during festival days.

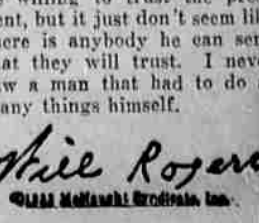
NAVY PLANES HOP OFF FOR ALASKA  
SAN DIEGO, Cal., July 17.—(AP)—The flight of 12 navy seaplanes to Alaska started at 2:30 p. m. today when plane No. 6 of VP-7 squadron took to the air from San Diego bay. It was followed by plane No. 3 of that squadron and planes 3 and 4 were ready in the water to take off.

## WILL ROGERS SAYS

SANTA MONICA, Cal., July 16.—It would be pretty tough to ask Mr. Roosevelt to give up his well-earned vacation and come to San Francisco and stop this strike, but it looks like he is the only man can do it.

The trouble is that both sides have negotiated so much that they are sick and tired looking at each other. It would be a great thing for him to do.

That's the tough part about our affairs, everybody seems to be willing to trust the president, but it just don't seem like there is anybody he can send that they will trust. I never saw a man that had to do as many things himself.



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