

BUS SERVICE HALTED BY STRIKE

Oregon Telephone Employees Stay On Job; Others Join Walkout

COAST TO COAST SERVICE HALTED FOR STRIKE VOTE

Estimated 250,000 Leave Posts for Four Hours to Decide Strike Question.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 5—(U.P.)—The United Telephone Employees of Oregon, Inc., have decided not to join with 200,000 other telephone workers in a four-hour work stoppage, President Ed T. Healey of the executive board stating that such a meeting without a 30-day notice would constitute a strike, in the meeting of federal law. Healey said the 3,000 members in Oregon were in full sympathy with the other groups over the country who are meeting for the purpose of considering a national strike.

Long distance calls within Oregon were possible without interruption during the four-hour period, but calls to and from other states were interrupted during the national period of non-work.

Normal telephone service was cut off from coast to coast today by a walkout of operators and maintenance workers.

An estimated 250,000 telephone workers left their jobs to take a strike vote. The work stoppage was scheduled to last four hours from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. EST. During that period only dial phones were working in most areas.

At almost the same moment the telephone employees began leaving their posts, the CIO oil workers union at Washington ordered its members back to work in all refineries. The union asked the men to return to the 52 oil plants seized by the navy and to all other plants where they have been on strike.

Eisewhere, 469,000 workers were idle as a result of strikes. Reconversion of the automobile industry in Detroit was speeded by the ending of a strike at the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel company. The resumption of production by the wheel company will permit the Ford Motor Company to start building cars again. Ford was forced to shut down because of a shortage of parts made by Kelsey-Hayes.

At Washington the telephone walkout began shortly after noon, two hours before the 2 p. m. deadline. Long distance callers heard a recording which said "operators have left the switchboards in a work stoppage."

Service ceased shortly after 2 p. m. in New York City.

San Fran Silent

Skeleton crews handled emergency long distance calls at Seattle, but San Franciscans were dialing long distance got no answer.

FREAK ACCIDENT FRACTURES ARM

N. M. Kerr, Ashland executive employee of the Standard Oil company at Medford, suffered a fractured left arm in a freak accident which occurred last night as Kerr was driving from Medford to his home in Ashland. Kerr, driving with his left elbow extended over the side of the door, was struck by an empty pear lug box which fell from a truck proceeding north as the vehicle met Kerr's car, a company official reported this afternoon.

The injured man was taken to Sacred Heart hospital where the arm was treated by a Medford physician. It is thought he will have to remain in the hospital for six or seven days.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

LeRoy Williams pleased at making a good guess on a World Series game.

One of Jerry Jerome's friends reporting jealously how Jerry failed to bring down a deer even after the animal obligingly wandered into the Jerome's own back yard.

Frances Bulkin declaring that words failed her when it came to describing a dinner which the cast and company of "Canyon Passage" gave.

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JAPANESE TEST MAC'S TEMPER IN POLICE EDICT

Home Office Orders Chiefs to Keep Posts for While; Higashi-Kuni Cabinet Quits.

Tokyo, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—The Japanese home office today ordered provincial police chiefs to hold on for the time being to posts from which Gen. Douglas MacArthur had ordered them ousted by Oct. 10.

The home office's hint at potential defiance of MacArthur came as Japanese diplomats carried about in an effort to form a government to replace that of Prince Naruhiko Higashi-Kuni, which was overthrown by the supreme commander's sweeping reforms.

Yoshida Likely

Shigeru Yoshida, foreign minister in the fallen cabinet and leader of a peace movement for which he was arrested as early as last June, looked to be the most likely candidate for the leadership of the new government.

Amidst the government shakeup the home office instructed Japan's provincial police chiefs to disregard MacArthur's removal orders "pending decisions on future steps."

The home office directive told the police chiefs to stay on the job. It added that immediate dissolution of the police chief setup would have "a considerable bearing upon the domestic situation."

May Be Test

Lacking a time element to compare with MacArthur's ouster date of Oct. 10, the true significance of the home office order was uncertain. If it was designed as a feeler to test the temper of MacArthur's order, it left the way open for a full retreat if necessary.

Yoshida conferred with MacArthur's chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Richard K. Sutherland. He sought an audience with MacArthur but was referred to Sutherland. They talked for an hour, and Yoshida emerged showing evidence of emotional strain.

Yoshida also conferred with Emperor Hirohito and with Prince Fumimaro Konoye, four-time Premier before the war.

5 Warships Bring Pacific Veterans

San Francisco, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Five warships and six other vessels arrived here today, returning nearly 5,000 more Pacific veterans.

Among the vessels are the carrier Ticonderoga, with 2,240 service personnel, the cruisers Baltimore, 1,494 passengers, and Tucson, 232 passengers, the destroyer Blue with 114 returnees and the hospital ship Solace with 456 service men and women.

Admission Of Torture, Starvation Is Bombshell In Trial Of Germans

Lueneburg, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—The prosecution exploded a bombshell into the trial of 45 Nazi prison guards today with a series of signed confessions by the number-two defendant, Blonde Irma Grese, in which she admitted that thousands of prisoners were killed at Belsen and Oswiecim camps by gas, torture and starvation.

The statusque, icy-calm Irma bowed her head to avoid the eyes of her fellow-defendants as the prosecution began reading her confessions over vigorous objections from defense lawyers.

The confessions, many of them contradictory but all tending to brand Irma and the 44 guards on trial with her as mass murderers, were obtained by allied intelligence agents at various intervals since the 21-year-old Nazi SS girl was arrested last spring.

She admitted knowing that thousands of helpless inmates were murdered in the lethal gas chambers at the Oswiecim concentration camp and that the SS guards at Belsen were committing even worse atrocities.

Then the prosecutor read slowly the words in which Irma Grese condemned herself and her fellow-defendants.

"Himmler (Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler), was responsible for all that happened, but I suppose I have as much guilt as the others above me . . . everyone in the SS is as guilty as anybody else."

In the first of her confessions, the girl guard denied beating or otherwise mistreating any prisoners, but subsequently she admitted whipping men and women inmates.

Byrnes to Report On Conference In 6:30 Broadcast

Washington, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Secretary of State James F. Byrnes begins his report to President Truman today on the failure of the first peace conference of World War II.

Tonight, at 6:30 p. m., PST, Byrnes will report to the American people in a (CBS) radio address.

Byrnes arrived at the Washington National airport last night at 10 p. m., a few minutes after the "globe-trotter," making the first scheduled around-the-world flight, ended its inaugural trip. Byrnes and his party arrived almost unnoticed by the crowds who had come to see the end of the globe-trotter's flight. He and his party slipped off quietly after posing for a few pictures.

LAVAL INSISTS HE TRIED TO PROTECT FRENCH INTERESTS

Paris, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Pierre Laval, fighting craftily for his life, belabored a French high court jury today with an impassioned insistence that he never agreed to make France a vassal of Germany.

Laval, seizing the first opportunity in his treason trial to launch into a full dress defense, declared that he had tried to protect France from Nazi demands. He charged that Marshal Henri Philippe Petain—himself convicted of treason and serving a life term to which his death sentence was commuted—put France under the Vichy dictatorship.

Saturday Session

The second day of the trial ended at 6:15 p. m. Court will reconvene Saturday.

The drawn and haggard Laval plunged into his own defense after Judge Pierre Mongibeaux overruled urgent request both by Laval and his counsel for an indefinite postponement of the trial. They pleaded for more time to prepare their case.

Laval was permitted to return to court with a stern warning from Mongibeaux, who last night ordered him out for good because of his "insulting" behavior throughout the first hectic day of the trial.

Two Juvenile Boys Go to Reformatory

Two juvenile boys, aged 16 and 17, of Medford and Prospect, were given sentences to the state reformatory at Woodburn, Ore., yesterday following conviction in juvenile court, city police reported today.

The 16-year-old youth of Medford was arrested for robbery Saturday night of the Tubby Dean service station and the 17-year-old youth from Prospect was taken into custody following a car theft in San Jose, Calif.

PASSEAU TRIMS TIGERS' CLAWS TO TUNE OF 3-0

Shutout With But 1 Hit by Veteran Cub Hurler in Series

Briggs Stadium, Detroit, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Veteran Claude Passeau turned in a pitching masterpiece today when he shut out the Detroit Tigers on one hit to give the Chicago Cubs a 3 to 0 victory in the third game of the world series. The triumph gave the Cubs a 2 to 1 game edge.

The pitching wizardry with which Passeau set back the Tigers matched the best hurling performance in world series history—a one hitter with which Ed Ruelbach turned back the Chicago White Sox in 1906. And he did it for the Cubs, just as Passeau.

Two See First

So invincible was the gangling right hander that the Tigers got only two men on base—Rudy York who singled with two out in the second, and Bob Swift, who walked to lead off the sixth. He faced only 28 men, for Swift later was erased in a double play.

York's hit was a clean one, a line drive to left field. As Passeau, with his assortment of curve balls, fast balls and change of pace, was baffling the Tigers, the Cubs got to little Stubby Overmire, the Tiger left hander in the fourth inning for all the runs Passeau needed. They did not rest with the two they scored then, however, going out to get Big Claude another tally in the seventh off Al Benton.

Chicago (N)	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Hack 3b	5	0	2	1	1	0
Johnson 2b	5	0	0	1	1	0
Lowrey lf	4	1	2	4	0	0
Cavarretta 1b	2	0	1	1	0	0
Parko cf	2	1	0	3	0	0
Nichelson rf	4	0	1	3	0	0
Livingston c	4	1	1	3	0	0
Hughes ss	3	0	1	4	0	0
Passeau p	4	0	0	1	2	0
Totals	33	3	8	27	9	0

Detroit (A)	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Webb ss	3	0	0	2	1	0
Mayo 2b	3	0	2	1	1	0
Cramer cf	3	0	4	0	0	0
Greenberg lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Cullenbine rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
York lb	3	0	1	2	0	0
Overl 3b	3	0	0	3	0	0
Swift c	1	0	2	0	0	0
Richards e	1	0	0	3	0	0
Overmire p	1	0	0	1	0	0
Benton p	0	0	0	0	3	0
Z—Borom	1	0	0	0	0	0
A—Walker	1	0	0	0	0	0
B—Hostetter	1	0	0	0	0	0
C—McHale	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	0	12	11	2	0

Score by innings:
Chicago 000 200 100—3
Detroit 000 000 000—0

Runs batted in: Nicholson, Hughes, Passeau.
Two base hits: Lowrey, Livingston, Hack.
Sacrifices: Cavarretta, Hughes, Parko.
Left on bases: Chicago 3, Detroit 1.
Bases on balls off: Passeau 1, Overmire 2.
Struck out by: Passeau 1, Overmire 2, Benton 3.
Hits off: Overmire 4 in 6, Benton 4 in 3.
Double play: Johnson-Cavarretta.
Winning pitcher: Passeau; losing pitcher: Overmire.
Umpires: Passarella (A) plate, Conlan (N) first, Summers (A) second, Jorda (N) third.
Time: 1:55.
Attendance: 55,500.

Army Cargo Plane Crashes Mountain

San Bernardino, Cal., Oct. 5—(U.P.)—A C-46 army cargo plane from Reno, Nev., crashed and burned on the north slope of Mt. Baldy today. There were three men and an army nurse aboard.

Shoes Off Ration By Nov. 1 is Claim

Cincinnati Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Shoes will be off the ration list "By Nov. 1" an OPA spokesman, who refused permission to use his name, said here today.

Nimitz, 'Boss of Pacific,' Arrives in California



Fleet Adm. Nimitz, boss of the Pacific Fleet, is pictured with his wife and Governor Warren at Alameda Naval Air Station, where he landed today, ready to motor to San Francisco City Hall, where he will receive tribute for his Pacific victories against the Japs. Asked if he was going to settle down, Mrs. Nimitz replied: "We're waitin'."

Capital Welcomes Admiral Nimitz; Officer Urges Full Preparedness

Washington, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Amid thunderous cheers of acclaim for a job well done, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz came home to a hero's welcome today, and solemnly called on his countrymen to make certain that "no future war may ever again find us unprepared."

The white-haired man whose naval genius led America's mighty fleet in its victorious sweep across the Pacific stood before an applauding joint session of congress to urge that we eternally exercise "common sense and keep our fighting forces ready."

"If we fail in this," he said, "we will have betrayed those brave men who died to give us the privilege of living in friendship and decency with other enlightened nations for the present and the foreseeable future."

Out future forces, the admiral said, must include a strong navy, because it was sea power that brought Japan to her knees without a bloody and costly invasion of her main islands. It was sea power, he added, that forced Japan to sue for peace before the atomic bomb and Russian entry into the war.

Nimitz, accompanied by his wife, returned to Washington by plane and was welcomed first at Anacostia naval air station by high ranking naval and military leaders. After the brief ceremony there he proceeded to Capitol Hill to address congress and then rode through the streets of Washington at the head of a colorful military parade.

It was by far the greatest, most spectacular welcome home ever staged here, surpassing even those for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Jonathan M. Wainwright.

Permitting only studio police and a first aid worker to enter, the pickets halted movie making at Warners.

Three cars carrying workers to the studio were overturned by the demonstrators, who prevented police from righting the autos. Officers from Burbank and Glendale and Los Angeles deputy sheriffs and 30 auxiliary police patrolled the studio as strikers lined one side of the street and employees who wanted to go to work lined the other.

Both groups refused to disperse. Strike Leader Herb Sorrell said the pickets would remain until all studio workers went home. The workers said they would stick.

"These are our jobs and we're not going to stand by and see a lot of links come in and take them," Sorrell declared.

GLOBE GIRDLING BECOMES ROUTINE

Washington, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Flying around the world is now routine.

That became an established fact last night when a C-54 transport plane arrived at National airport here, completing the last leg of the first weekly round-the-world flight scheduled by the Army's Air Transport command.

The second flight takes off on schedule at 5 p. m. EST today, one week to the hour after the first epoch-making flight commenced Sept. 28.

Flash bulbs were popping and cameras whirring as the ATC's big four-motored "Globe-trotter" ended its historic journey at 9:42 p. m. last night. Actually five planes were used for the long haul, the passengers shifting from one to another at relay points across the world.

The average annual rainfall in Texas ranges from 51 to 55 inches on the Gulf Coast to 9.16 inches in the El Paso area.

Pioneers Of Jackson County Elect Miss McCall President

Jacksonville, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Nearly 200 sons and daughters of Jackson county pioneers gathered at the old courthouse in Jacksonville yesterday for the annual meeting of the Pioneer association, an event looked forward to each year by descendants of the county's oldest families. Speakers of the day were State Senator Earl Newberry, Ashland, and Prof. I. E. Vining, also of Ashland.

At the election which closed the meeting Miss Lydia McCall of Ashland was named president to succeed Mrs. Hattie Reames White, Medford. H. B. Gillette, Ashland, succeeds Mrs. Rose Buckley, Applegate, as vice-president; Miss Claire Hanley, Jacksonville, was re-elected secretary and Mrs. Elda Anderson, Ashland, was named treasurer to succeed Miss Mollie Britt, Jacksonville.

Rev. Belknap Oldest

Mrs. White opened the annual meeting at 11 a. m. and Mrs. Elsie Carleton Strang, Medford, led community singing. Mrs. E. M. Wilson of Medford gave the address of welcome, and the Rev. L. F. Belknap, Medford, offered prayer. The Rev. Belknap, 93, was judged the oldest pioneer present at the gathering.

25 PASSENGERS STRANDED HERE AFTER MIDNIGHT

Greyhound Employees In 7 Western States Quit to Enforce Pay Hike Demands.

About 25 Greyhound bus line passengers were stranded in Medford when drivers of the firm went on strike at midnight last night, a spokesman at the dispatcher's office stated this morning. Many of these were military personnel who immediately set out to hitchhike their way, it was said, while civilians are either securing transportation through private channels or are boarding trains.

Almost no passengers have appeared at the depot this morning for tickets, it was reported, everyone apparently having heard news of the strike.

The spokesman said that local staff members "have been given no information whatever," and added, "all we know is that the busses ceased to operate at midnight."

San Francisco, Oct. 5—(U.P.)—Pacific Greyhound employees in seven western states were on strike today in a demand for higher wages.

Approximately 2,700 bus drivers, baggage room workers and other employees left their jobs at midnight last night after negotiations for wage increases broke down. The workers are members of the AFL Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees.

Affected were Greyhound operations in California, Oregon, Utah, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. F. W. Ackerman, Greyhound vice president, said Pacific Greyhound carries more than 140,000 passengers a day.

No Picketing

The union said it did not plan to picket depots and bus terminals unless the company attempted to operate busses.

Both the 5th street and 7th street depots in San Francisco closed down within a few minutes after the strike started. In Portland, the bus terminal was open only to accommodate Oregon Motor Stages. No Greyhound busses were operating from Los Angeles, San Francisco or Portland, major west coast terminal points for the system.

Drivers operating busses on the road at the midnight deadline proceeded to the nearest terminal and left the busses. Stranded passengers—about 400 in Los Angeles and more than 50 in San Francisco—were forced to seek accommodations on already overcrowded trains.

Greyhound earlier had cancelled schedules of all busses leaving terminals after midnight. The union seeks an increase of from 5.13 cents a mile to 5 1/2 cents a mile for drivers and other increases for baggage room and station employees.

VFW BARS GIRLS TO PLACATE WIVES

Chicago, Oct. 5—The Veterans of Foreign Wars refused to let the WAVES and the WACS join their organization, but they hope the girls won't be angry about it.

"We ought to let them in. I guess, but the fellows just had to vote against it. Otherwise their wives would raise hell when they got home," explained a World War I veteran.

"You see, we don't get a chance to get away from home very often. Our wives don't mind letting us go to these veterans' conventions, because it is just a bunch of men. You let these WAVES and WACS and nurses in, and probably nobody would get to go to a convention without taking his wife along," he said.

Joseph M. Stack, Pittsburgh, was elected commander-in-chief by unanimous vote yesterday in the last order of business of the encampment.

Named to succeed Stack as senior vice-commander was Louis E. Sturr, Portland, Ore. Ray H. Brannaman, Denver, Colo., was elected junior vice-commander and Lyall T. Beggs, Madison, Wis., judge advocate general.