

Portland Bakers Will Resume Negotiations

Portland, Ore., May 17—(U.P.)—Negotiations with the Continental Baking company on a local bakers' strike will resume, the AFL Bakers and Confectionary Workers union said today.

The issue of local versus national negotiating recently threatened to start a national bakers' strike.

John Leffelman, business agent for local 114, said the company has agreed to enter nationwide negotiations next year. However, a local representative of the company said he had not received word of such a decision.

The company representative said the national labor relations board would rule as to whether employees at individual plants or those of the entire nation were the proper bargaining units.

The union bakers were asking for a 35-hour week of five consecutive days with no pay reduction. In the large machine plants their present schedule calls for 36 hours in a six-day week.

ONE A YEAR, ALL GIRLS
Pittsfield, Me. (U.P.)—Lloyd Brooks has 11 daughters, the oldest 12.

Freight Bureau Eyes Single Rate Charge

Portland, Ore., May 17—(U.P.)—The transcontinental freight bureau, composed of railroads serving the Pacific coast, today announced adoption of a resolution to absorb miscellaneous port charges into a single transcontinental, transpacific rate.

Frank S. Clay, secretary-manager of the Portland Freight association, said he received word of the action.

The bureau's resolution accepted the principal proposals of the Pacific westbound conference by a 50-50 absorption of wharfage, carloading or unloading charges by rail and steamer groups.

If adopted, the arrangement would eliminate a "nuisance" charge formerly paid by shippers because they were not absorbed by either railroads or steamship companies.

Clay said the proposal would stimulate Pacific coast shipping. Negotiations to eliminate the charges have been underway for three years.

TOO THOROUGH
Quincy, Mass. (U.P.)—Thomas Mulloy's landlady did a little too thorough spring housecleaning job. In a pair of his old shoes she threw out he had hidden \$340.

Pickin' Pears News, Gossip, Comment From Camp White

By L. J. "Tick" Malarkey

This writer struck out with the bases loaded in Sunday's report of an open VFW meeting held at the Center last week. He stated that auxiliary members from Eagle Point were present and for this he is in error. No VFW post at Eagle Point. The ladies were from Central Point. So apologies are in order.

A few words about Henry L. Williams who has been so active in affairs of VFW Post 6412 here at White. Greybeard Williams was in the old Third Oregon, Company M, Salem when the Big Rumpus was kicked up back in '17 and '18. Went over in December of 1917 right out of the mud of Camp Mills, N. Y. Sailed in the troop carrier Tuscania. Incidentally this ship was torpedoed and sunk on her next trip across.

When "The Third" was split up friend Williams was attached to the First Division and saw action plenty until he "stopped one." Out here the one time young man from up Salem way cares for a volunteer detail around the laboratory and between times look after VFW affairs in an office assigned the post by Manager Hatton.

Hans Sorenson, the Durable Dane of the hobby shop, heads the bow upstream this evening and tomorrow will check in at Portland VA high up on Marquam Hill, Sam Jackson Park, where he will undergo surgery. Hans assures us that he will be back at his hobby of making beautiful rings and neck pieces and lots of other gadgets from the stones he gathers from near and far.

This writer feels a debt of gratitude to Greybeard Hans for the "Doodad" he made for daughter Molly which she will wear when she stands up with her eighth grade classmates on June 2 and gets the diploma that means freshman in high school this coming fall.

Of interest is the fact that Sorenson served in the same outfit with President Truman and knew him when he was a second "loulie" back in '18 days.

Gladys Feagand, the lady bug, and Jewell Feagand, the scratch provoking cooties from Grants Pass—Jewell is the husband of Gladys—passed out cigarettes and luxuries to the boys who don't "draw" Thursday afternoon. This happy couple are from the VFW post Grants Pass, and this writer had the pleasure of meeting them, introductions by Chauncey Page—the crawling cootie of 'em all—in the coffee canteen.

Greybeard Jewell Feagand enlisted in Kansas, went over with the 88th division and saw enough to remember when Uncle Samuel got his dander up some 33 years ago. Got out of it good and now makes his home with Gladys in Caveman Town. The Feagands have a hobby. It is coming to the plains of Camp White and visiting with the Bamboos, Greybeards and Kids.

When the Knight of Columbus were putting on their Friday night Quiz Show there was a more than active miss, not a

teen-ager, going from table to table.

"What is your name, sis?" "Patricia Anne Meeker, and that's my mother and dad over there. And next year I start to school; because I'll be 6 then. Are you through school?"

Yes, Patricia Anne, we are through school. But somehow we would like to start all over just like you are going to begin when the pear leaves begin to fall and the autumn fog lies low in the Valley of the Rogue.

We saw her first snapping flash lights when the Gold Star Mothers were being installed as a Medford chapter some 10 days ago. An introduction followed. Then again the lady came to White and this time she was taking pictures of members, eight of them, and for free. Who is she?

Bonnie Conrad of the Memory Lane Studio in Ashland. With her sister, Mildred Ager, they come out to the plains of White once each month and take pictures, finish them and then they are given to the members as a gift.

Bonnie is alone now. Her husband, Warren, who was with the 104th Division, WW II, did not come home.

Over Town last Saturday afternoon the urge to talk in insurance with some of the local agents became so strong that I went shopping around looking for the people here that had some of the companies that we used to represent in Astoria.

That is how the office of Ray Marks got on my calling list.

We got to talking about Legion affairs. Ray has been a member of Medford Post 15 for 22 years. Came here with Beale Tank & Pipe company of Portland as a welder back in 1927 and following the completion of a contract for the Medford water system joined with the Shell Oil company and drove tank truck for a long, long time. Been at insurance and real estate since 1946. The Greybeard even drove a locomotive once, out at L Grande.

Ray is married and daughter Jeannette is attending Southern Oregon college.

As "Private M." was leaving PICKIN' PEARS—Continued—he noticed an election placard. The man is running for sheriff! And he grinned when I asked how and when and confessed it was his first fling at politics. Well "firsts" are always news. For the life of me I don't know whether he is a democrat, republican or independent. All that I do know is that Ray is fine to visit with and having lived in Medford all of this time must have a friend or two around Jackson county.

The air was not shattered by the force of Hatton's blow. Yes, he did better than mighty Casey of baseball lore. Camp White's manager hit, Pitcher Anderson, of the big league wind up, had the count at two and two while throwing to that great catcher Jake Olson, president of Eagle Point Boosters club. Just for one pitch did executive officer Anderson lose the hop on his fast ball.



(Acme Telephoto) SYMBOLIC—Low-angle photograph of the Parliament building in Winnipeg, Man., across a flood-covered street symbolizes the plight of the Canadian city. Eighty thousand of Winnipeg's 320,000 inhabitants have already left the city and more are leaving hourly as the Red River nears its flood crest.

Sewers, Water Mains Get City Council Consideration

The city council accepted a bid for construction of a section of storm sewer, authorized construction of a sewer and two water mains, set a hearing date on three other proposed sewers and referred four paving petitions to committee at a regular meeting last night.

Groesbeck and Hickson, Eugene, was successful bidder with a \$2,700.70 offer on the portion of south Medford storm sewer on Monroe street, Holly to Fir streets. Engineer's estimate on the work was \$3,182.25. Other bidders were W. H. Conrad, Erwin and Denslow and F. W. Scheffel.

Following hearings, a sanitary sewer in the Getchell tract and water lines on Second street between Columbus and Western avenues and on Western between Humphreys and Second streets were approved and calls for bids authorized.

Plans and specifications were accepted and June 8 set as hearing date for sewers on Winchester and Mr. Pitt avenues between Peach and Hamilton streets and on Peach between Mt. Pitt and Stewart avenues.

Petitions were referred to the streets and roads committee and city engineer's office for paving Winchester and Mt. Pitt avenues between Peach and Hamilton streets, Maple street between Riverside and Central avenues and the alley between Fourth and Fifth streets in block 23, original town, on which the city hall stands.

A petition for grading and graveling Woodlawn avenue between Keen Way and Highland drives was also handed to the committee.

The council authorized needed and extensive repair to a taxiway at the municipal airport. An estimated \$7,500 to \$10,000 is required for the work and will be taken from the airport reconstruction fund. City crews will do the work.

Sale of a lot to Richard J. and Florence L. Smith for \$1,200 was approved. The property is on the south side of Palm street about 235 feet from Columbus avenue.

An administrative code defining the duties and functions of department heads and departments under the city superintendent was adopted. Mason Eherman and company was allowed a loading platform on third street in block 34. (See story Page 1)

Chicago (U.P.)—Raymond Lof-fredi, 13, came home with a fish story and a fish to prove it. He was playing at a park lagoon when a big fish popped its nose out of the water. Ray grabbed a stick and whacked it over the head. It was a 10½ pound carp.

OUT OF ORDER—Municipal Judge Joseph M. Howard fined Harry Brooks, 25, for speeding. "But, Judge, I'm a race driver," Brooks exclaimed. "Well, don't do your racing on our streets," answered Judge Howard.

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