

Radical New Air Force Planes Said Certain To Be Mistaken for Flying Saucers

Independent Union Takes Up Strike On Westinghouse

Pittsburgh—(U.P.)—Some 11,000 members of the independent United Electrical Workers union joined CIO International union of Electrical Workers in a strike against the Westinghouse Electric Corp. today, jumping to 55,000 the number of employees on strike in a nation-wide walkout.

The UE members walked out at 10 plants at midnight after union officials accused the company of demanding a "five-year blackout on collective bargaining." Company spokesman said union members began picketing plants here and at Derry, Pa., at the strike deadline.

Already Off Job

When the company-wide strike call came, about 7,600 UE members already were off the job at South Philadelphia and Jersey City, N.J., plants. They had walked out Oct. 14 in protest against an alleged company plan to cut wages, reclassify jobs and demand incentive work at day work rates.

James J. Matles, UE director of organization who issued the strike call Tuesday said Westinghouse had refused "to move from its demand for a five-year blackout on collective bargaining with a three per cent wage increase."

The move came 10 days after the CIO union pulled its 44,000

Tooth Decay Reduction Seen

Portland — (U.P.) — Dr. Harold M. Erickson, state health officer, predicted yesterday that Oregon communities which have adopted fluoridation programs will reduce tooth decay in children 65 to 70 per cent.

Dr. Erickson told the 30th annual League of Oregon Cities convention here that surveys in four Oregon cities — Gearhart, Seaside, Astoria and Warrenton — backed up his figures.

The doctor said "we couldn't come to this conclusion on this limited basis, but the pattern follows almost identically the pattern of larger cities with longer experience."

He said three years of fluoridation in the Clatsop county towns had brought the tooth decay level in children down close to that of Aurora, Ill., a city with natural water fluoridation.

members out of 30 company plants also as a result of a wage dispute. Both unions had rejected a company offer of a five-year contract which graduated an annual pay increases totaling 23½ cents an hour.

The unions have demanded one-year contracts with a 15-cent hourly pay boost. A company time-study program also had been a subject of the negotiations.

Public Will Be Informed Within Security Limits

Washington — (U.P.) — The Air Force will send up at any time now radical new aircraft sure to be mistaken for flying saucers.

One day soon you may see a flame spouting jet craft zoom straight up from the ground and dart away at supersonic speed. It may be shaped like a disc or a triangle.

But it won't be a flying saucer — one of those weird objects that have been reported dancing across the skies for the past eight years.

The Air Force said in an exhaustive report Tuesday night that flying saucers are the bunk. The number that cannot be logically explained is approaching the vanishing point, the service said in making public a study of 5,000 saucer sightings since mid-1947.

Illusion of Saucers

At the same time the Air Force took some of the wraps from aircraft that "will be a new phenomenon in our skies and under certain conditions could give the illusion of the so-called flying saucer."

Apprehensive about public reaction, Air Secretary Donald A. Quarles said the new planes will not be "supra-natural or mysterious." They will be manned, if manned at all, by "normal" earthmen. They will obey natural laws. The public will be informed about them within security limits.

Two of the new planes are the Ryan vertical take-off and landing jet and the disc-shaped jet built by Avro of Canada. The Ryan plane, having delta or triangular wing, is due to fly at any time from Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. The Avro plane, long dubbed a flying saucer, is under development and no flight time is known.

No Runways Used

Quarles emphasized that other countries also can develop such planes, distinguished chiefly by their ability to rise and land without runways.

As for those mysterious saucers, the Air Force said in a 316-page scientific study that "no evidence" of the existence of such things was found. Investigating methods are so good now, it said, that only three per cent of this year's sightings are unexplained.

Quarles said that no objects like those popularly called saucers have flown over this country. None of the so-called saucers "were in fact aircraft of foreign origin." He was sure the unknown three per cent were conventional phenomena or illusions.



TEARS OF HAPPINESS—Mrs. Olga Cohen sobs as she reaches for her son, Andrew 14-months, as they are reunited in the Brooklyn home of her parents. The boy's father, Ivan, who has been separated from his wife for several months, had taken the child. He returned him after five days when he read newspaper account of his wife's anguish.

Talent Mill Gets Salvage Timber

Talent — Talent Saw Mills, Inc., was successful bidder this week on some 11,000,000 board feet of salvage timber in the Dutch Creek area of Klamath National Forest. The Talent Saw Mills bid was \$336,750.

It was the second time within the past two weeks that Talent Saw Mills had been successful bidder on northern California salvage timber.

The timber involved in this week's sale was damaged in the destructive forest fires which hit northern California and southern Oregon during September. It must be cut before Aug. 31, 1956, according to the sale agreement.

Talent's bid prices on individual species included ponderosa pine, \$19.85 per thousand board feet; sugar pine, \$47.75; white fir, \$13; douglas fir, \$27.50 and incense cedar, \$4.05.

Included in the sale were 100,000 board feet of ponderosa pine; 5,100,000 board feet of sugar pine; 2,000,000 of white fir; 3,000,000 of douglas fir, and 800,000 of incense cedar.

Pan American Strike Banned by Order

New York — (U.P.) — A temporary restraining order today banned a midnight strike of Pan American World Airways ground and flight service workers pending a show cause hearing today in New York Supreme Court.

The airline charged the CIO Transport Workers had made a binding agreement to arbitrate under the railway labor act and that a strike would be a violation of that agreement.

The order also restrained the union from continuing a "no overtime" protest begun Oct. 19.

Negotiations for a new contract began Aug. 15 and have continued since Aug. 31 under auspices of the National Mediation Board.

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No Price Boost For Steel Industry Seen During 1955

New York — (U.P.) — Roger M. Blough, chairman of U. S. Steel Corp., says 1955 will see record-breaking production in the steel industry, but no general price increase.

Blough made his forecast Tuesday after announcing "Big Steel's" record third quarter earnings. Company directors previously had increased the firm's common stock dividend.

Blough said 1955 production would break all previous records in the industry's history. He foresaw no general price boost in the near future although the price of certain specific products might go up.

Financing Need Seen

However, Blough said "a vital need" for expanded production facilities might require financing through higher prices unless the government resumes sufficient depreciation allowances. Federal authorities recently curtailed the program of rapid depreciation for new steel producing installations.

Blough said the 1955 output for the nation's steel mills would run 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 tons above the previous record of 111,600,000 tons set in 1953.

He anticipated no letup in steel demand (now a record) at least through the first quarter of 1956. He would make no comment beyond that point.

The dividend was boosted by 15 cents to 65 cents a share. That will bring dividends for 1955 to \$2.15 a share on common.

John C. Stockman Fined \$55 in Court

John Charles Stockman, 45, of 928 Boardman st., was fined \$55 in district court Monday, on a charge of using a vehicle without permission.

Stockman was charged with taking an auto owned by Arthur L. Haddock, 706 Victory st., but not with intent to steal.

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