

'One Book Rule' Wanted by Beck

New York — (U.P.) — Dave Beck, president of the 1,300,000-member International Teamsters union, said yesterday his union would remain in the AFL-CIO as long as the merged group's industrial union department treats all unions "under one rule book."

At a press lunch, called to answer a report that the Teamsters might withdraw from the merged AFL-CIO over a dispute concerning membership in the industrial union department, Beck said, "The Teamsters never will walk out unless the AFL-CIO fails to treat them with the same degree of fairness given to everyone else."

George Meany, AFL-CIO president, said Monday that the industrial department would ad-

Paratyphoid Fever Outbreak, Pennsylvania

Lancaster, Pa. — (U.P.) — An outbreak of 38 cases of paratyphoid fever was reported here yesterday and a local milk bottling plant closed down temporarily at the request of health officials.

Several infants who contracted the disease were reported in critical condition.

The Bad Lands of South Dakota are called that because the land is too poor to farm and is extremely difficult to travel.

Only those members of the Teamsters who were organized on an industry-wide basis, Beck said this ruling was all right with him as long as it was applied to other unions. Under this ruling, he said, about 700,000 members of his union would be eligible for membership in the industrial department.

Horticultural Group Protests Tree Tax; Supports Sales Tax

Two resolutions, one protesting the taxation of fruit trees and another supporting a sales tax to be used to relieve property taxes were passed at a Corvallis meeting of the Oregon Horticultural society, last week.

About 1,500 growers, scientists, distributors and marketers attended the two-day meetings.

A standing committee was appointed to take the protest against taxation of fruit trees and a protest against agricultural projects being used as an Oregon tax base to the next session of the legislature.

Discriminating to Farmers
The society felt that proposed levying of taxes on berries, and other horticultural products, stimulated by the recent tax on fruit trees, is discriminatory to farmers according to Cliff B. Cordy, Jackson county agent.

Orville Hamilton, Central Point, was elected second vice-president of the society. David Lowry, Phoenix, was reelected as a trustee.

The society voted to purchase about 10 acres of land near the Oregon Horticultural experiment station north of Corvallis, and donate the use of it to the experiment station. The purchase was made with funds that the society has had in trust for several years.

Spatz Awarded
Ward Spatz, 1036 Reddy ave., was awarded a silver trophy cup for outstanding contributions to horticulture over a period of years. Spatz was one of the organizers and original members of the Oregon Agricultural advisory council. He has been interested in horticulture for 35 years, is now president of the Oregon fruit growers league and has been a director of the league for 20 years.

He re-organized and vitalized the Oregon Horticultural society when it was a dying organization and has aided the organization's growth.

The cup was presented to Spatz by F. E. Price, dean of the school of agriculture at Oregon State College. The cup was originally donated to the society by David Lowry.



RECEIVES AWARD—Ward Spatz of Medford, center, was awarded the Hartman trophy for outstanding service to Oregon horticulture at the 70th meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society at Oregon State college last week. Presenting the trophy to Spatz is F. E. Price, dean and director of agriculture at OSC. Looking on is Harold J. Bushue of Gresham, past president of the society.

About 40 per cent of all tire production in 1955 will be white sidewalls. This compares with 18.5 per cent in 1952, 27.5 per cent in 1953 and 32.6 per cent in 1954.

Taxis in Yellowknife, in Canada's far northern district of Mackenzie, do a thriving business. Because few people own cars, some cabs rack up 5,000 miles a month.

Equalization Board Discusses Recent Laws

Laws passed at the last session of the legislature to unify board practices throughout the state were discussed and clarified at a meeting in Salem, Dec. 5, County Judge Rodney Keating announced yesterday.

Keating and E. H. Singmaster, Ashland, returned Monday from the State Tax commission sponsored school for equalization board members. Arnold Bohnert, Central Point, third member of the Jackson county board of equalization, did not attend.

About 40 board members from Western Oregon counties attended the school, Keating said.

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Body Unearthed From Crude Tomb

Casper, Wyo. — (U.P.) — A body believed that of a young housewife missing for more than two years was unearthed from a crude concrete tomb in the basement of a home here yesterday.

Police Chief C. J. Carter said the body may be that of Mrs. Barbara Alexander, 27, who disappeared from her home here on July 13, 1953. The body was found in the basement of the house where she lived with her husband James Alexander about 50, at the time of her disappearance.

Alexander, a former high school teacher here and now a Worland, Wyo., subcontractor, was present when a team of police using pneumatic drills dug into the basement today.

Carter said at the time of his wife's disappearance, Alexander told friends and relatives that his wife had "gone on a trip."

Carter said that no charges had been filed but that he planned to question Alexander further.

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