

# POLISH TROLLEY CREWS STRIKE

## Henley Boy Kills Companion, 11

### Body Placed Under Log; Talk of Gun Theft Said; Feared

### Youths Spend Night On 'Hunting Trip'

Klamath Falls — Bernie B. Kurtz, 13, Henley, admitted shooting his 11-year-old companion to death and placing the body under a log because he was afraid the boy would "talk" about their taking eight guns. Sheriff Murray Britton said today.

The body of Johnny Morris of Henley was found on the slopes of Bly mountain about 60 miles east of here Monday after Kurtz broke down and confessed in the sheriff's office, Britton said.

The young victim had been shot in the back and in the head, the sheriff said.

On "Hunting Trip" Britton said the shooting occurred after the two boys had gone on a runaway "hunting trip" to the mountain and the Morris boy had become homesick.

Sheriff Britton said Bernie told him this story.

The boys had planned to go hunting for some time and early Saturday they took eight guns from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Boyd in Henley. Then they headed along Highway 66 in a pickup truck taken from the Morris home.

Although neither had driven before Bernie said he managed to hold the truck on the road and drive it up a forest road on Bly mountain.

### Raccoon Eaten

On Saturday night they camped out, eating a raccoon they shot. They had food ready for the trip but had forgotten to take it.

On Sunday morning the Morris boy became homesick and cried. Bernie said he started to take him home but then was afraid he "would talk" and they would be blamed for taking the guns and truck. He suggested some "target practice" before returning home and they drove down a nearby mountain road.

When they got out of the truck, the Morris boy was shot and the body placed under a log, Britton said.

### Boy Said 'Bright'

Sheriff's deputies had been alerted to look for the boys Saturday. Bernie was taken into custody late Sunday near Bly, driving the pickup. Britton said that for several hours the Kurtz boy claimed young Morris had started for home, but that about noon Monday "he broke down."

He led a sheriff's party to the body.

The Kurtz boy was placed in the county jail to await action by juvenile authorities.

The sheriff described young Kurtz as very bright in school, approaching "quiz kid" caliber.

Henley is about 10 miles southwest of here.

### American Pair Said Behind Iron Curtain

New York — Martha Dodd Stern, daughter of the late U.S. ambassador to Germany, and her husband, Alfred K. Stern, have disappeared behind the Iron Curtain, the Daily News said today.

The News said Mexican sources had disclosed that the couple liquidated more than \$1 million in securities and fled to Prague, Czechoslovakia.

The Sterns have been sought by a federal grand jury here for questioning in connection with Soviet espionage. They had persistently refused to leave Mexico and were reported to be on the verge of deportation as undesirable.

### U. S. Protests Russian Closure of Siberia Area

Washington — The U. S. State Department delivered a "strong protest" to the Soviet Union over its "unlawful" move to close a large area of the high sea off Siberia to foreign ships, the State department disclosed today.

On July 20, Russia declared the Peter the Great bay, the sea approach to the huge naval and air base at Vladivostok, Soviet "internal waters."

Any ships or planes entering the Peter the Great bay area would have to obtain advance permission from Soviet authorities. No traffic would be permitted to Vladivostok.

### Postal Increase Approval Expected By Vote in House

#### Chance Seen Slim For Senate Passage

Washington — House approval today of the administration's request for a penny boost in letter rates was expected by Democratic and Republican supporters.

Even opponents of the increase said as they prepared to fight the bill they were "not too optimistic" over their chances of blocking it.

However, despite House approval, the bill was reported to have almost no chance of passage this year in the Senate.

### Designed to Cut Deficit

The one-cent boost in letter charges is the heart of the multi-million dollar postage rate bill before the House. It is designed to cut the huge postal service deficit, estimated at \$651 million for the current fiscal year.

—Raise the charge for regular letters from three to four cents an ounce.

—Increase airmail letters from six to seven cents an ounce.

—Boost the charge for regular postcards from two to three cents each and hike airmail postcards from four to five cents.

### Second Class Boost

—Provide four annual 15 per cent increases in second class rates for newspapers and magazines.

—Increase the individual piece rate on third class (advertising matter) rates 50 per cent. For bulk third class mail, the minimum rate would go up 66 per cent over a two-year period.

—Increase book rates 25 per cent.

—Boost rates for controlled circulation publications to 12 cents a pound. Rates now are 10 cents below eight ounces and 11 cents above that weight.

### Youths Due Warning On Red China Trip

Washington — The State Department has asked the American Embassy in Moscow to make last-minute efforts to warn American youths they may be in trouble if they travel to Red China.

Officials at the same time said the department is considering possible administrative and legal action if the group of Americans ignore government warnings and goes to Peiping from the Moscow Youth Festival.

Ambassador Llewellyn E. Thompson has warned a few of the more than 40 Americans planning the trip of possible consequences. He has said fines and legal action may follow and passports of those making the trip may not be renewed when they expire.

### Timber Slash Fires Are Extinguished

Two fires in timber slash were extinguished yesterday by crews from the southwestern Oregon district office, state department of forestry.

Both fires were discovered after logging operators had left the area. Forestry department officials said they were caused by power saws.

A crew went to a fire near the Rogue river below McLeod guard station about 4 p.m. Another was sent about 5:30 p.m. to a fire in the Moon Prairie vicinity on Dead Indian rd.

### Reclamation Projects Win Approval in House

Washington — The House today approved \$858,094,323 worth of rivers and harbors and reclamation projects but refused to give the green light to the controversial Bruce Eddy dam in the Pacific Northwest.

Among the projects approved was one for \$1 million for start of the John Day dam on the Columbia river.

### Civil Rights Bill Fails in Motions For House Action

Washington — Two attempts to get action in the House on the civil rights bill failed today. Neither was able to muster the required unanimous consent.

One motion proposed immediate House acceptance of the heavily amended Senate bill, with a single House-imposed modification.

### Moves Foredoomed

The other was an attempt to send the bill to a House-Senate conference committee for drafting a more complex compromise between the differing versions.

Both moves requiring unanimous consent had been anticipated and were foredoomed by opposition announced in advance.

### Contract Awarded For Work on PT&T Radio Relay System

Albert Vik and Son, Eugene contractors, have been awarded a contract for preliminary work on construction of a \$1,300,000 radio relay system between Medford and Klamath Falls, the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company has announced.

Low bid was \$188,616. Seven contractors were invited to bid. Howard Barnhart, Medford, was the only other bidder at \$217,227.

In addition to the basic bid, there will be a considerable amount of unit-price rock excavation work. PT&T Medford Manager Jack Creager said.

### Equipment Buildings

The contract calls for construction of one-story radio relay equipment buildings at Haymaker mountain, west of Klamath Falls, and at Chinquapin hill east of Ashland, and a one-story addition to the existing building at Mt. Baldy, southeast of Medford.

Other contract items include erection of 37½-foot steel towers at Mt. Baldy and Chinquapin and fencing of the building areas at Haymaker, Chinquapin and Mt. Baldy.

The construction schedule calls for start of the work immediately and completion by December, Creager said.

When the system is placed in service it will increase the number of long distance telephone circuits between Medford and Klamath Falls and certain California and Oregon points. The new system will tie in at first with the California-to-Oregon coaxial cable and later also with the San Francisco-to-Portland radio relay system, Creager noted.

### Water Storage Sites Discussed at Meeting

Rogue River—No Feasible alternative water storage site suggestions were made by interested persons at a meeting called by the Isaac Walton league to consider suggestions here last night.

The meeting was called to consider possible suggestions for sites which are not now being considered by the Army corps of engineers. Ross Hatch, who has been in the area gathering information for the engineers on water storage sites, attended the meeting.

A couple of suggestions were made, but were rejected as not feasible. One was a site on the Applegate river about six miles above the McKee bridge. Hatch said, however, if a dam was constructed there, a dam at Ruch would lose its advantage.

### Three-Dam Plan

He said the corps is seriously considering a three-dam flood control plan which would include storage sites at Lost creek, Elk Creek and Big Butte. These would be an alternate to Lewis creek, he added.

### Flood Spawning Grounds

The corps feels that any dams downstream would flood out the spawning grounds, Hatch said.

### Khrushchev, East Germany Sign Pact To Strengthen Ties

#### Economic, Political Problems Said Covered

Berlin — Soviet Communist boss Nikita Khrushchev signed an agreement with East German leaders today to tighten Soviet-East German economic and political ties.

The East German radio said the agreement covered "further cooperation" between the two nations, "problems of the international workers movement, and other economic and political problems.

### Provides for Mutual Aid

The broadcast said the agreement provided for "friendship, mutual aid, the strengthening of peace in Europe, and the welfare of the German people."

It was signed by Khrushchev, Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan, East German Premier Otto Grotewohl and East German Communist Leader Walter Ulbricht.

The agreement was believed to promise Soviet political, military and economic support for East Germany, and to rule out any hopes of unification in the foreseeable future.

### Western Proposals Rejected

Khrushchev has made it plain since he arrived in East Berlin last Wednesday that Germany can be reunited only on Communist terms.

He rejected western proposals for unity through free elections and said a unified Germany cannot be a member of the North Atlantic Organization.

It was considered certain the agreement indorsed the Stalinist leaders of East Germany and promised their Soviet aid if East Germans revolt against Red rule.

### Loyal Tribes Take Over Rebel Territory

Bahrain, Persian Gulf — Nine thousand Bedouins from the tribes loyal to the Sultan of Muscat and Oman moved in from the hills today like conquerors to take over territory wrested from rebel forces in the nearly ended war.

The sultan's troops were reported advancing from the east and west into the heart of rebel territory where only two forts are still firing the flag of the rebel Imam of Oman. They were Tanuf and Jabrin, some 20 miles west of Nizwa.

The loyal forces were reported to have linked up at the Birkat El-Mauz road in their drive toward the fleeing rebels.

### DEW Line Due First Official Defense Test

Point Barrow, Alaska — America's great Arctic venture, the \$500 million DEW line, was to get its first official test today through a friendly aircraft skims through its radar signals to send a warning to the Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs.

The DEW line (Distant Early Warning) has been completed on schedule in 32 months as a 20th century defense bulwark.

### Weather

FORECAST — Clear tonight. Cloudy Wednesday, clearing soon after sunrise. Low tonight 55. High Wednesday 88. Temp.

Highest Yesterday 88  
Lowest This Morning 52

### Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 5:16 a.m.  
Sunset 7:16 p.m.  
Moonrise 5:28 p.m.  
Moonset 11:18 p.m.  
Last Quarter Aug. 18

### PROMINENT STARS

Spica, sets 8:59 p.m.  
Arcturus, high above Spica.  
Venus, low in west 8:06 p.m.  
Jupiter, low in west 8:25 p.m.  
Saturn, low in southwest 10:14 p.m.

"The Drifting of the Boat Caused the Anchor To Rise"



### Commission Discusses Water Service Policy

A "hardship" water use case was brought before the city planning commission last night by the city water commission.

City Water Superintendent Robert Lee said the purpose of the move was to get a clarification of city policy on granting water service to residents outside city limits.

Considerable discussion followed a request for purchase of city water by William E. Brew, 1426 Lawnridge st.

Brew said his well water had been polluted, and there was no way for him to get water except through the city system. He has been borrowing drinking water from neighbors, he explained.

All houses adjoining his use water purchased from the city, Brew said.

Members of the commission acknowledged that for about 15 months it had been city policy not to sell water service to customers outside the city. Commissioner Don Root stated that persons wanting water service will work harder to be annexed to the city under such a policy.

Mayor John Snider, appearing in the audience as a citizen, commented that the city probably would have to suspend temporarily annexation of land, and during that time some cases would require extending water service outside the city.

He favored granting Brew's request.

The commission referred the matter back to the water commission for final decision.

### Military Construction Bill Given Approval

Washington — The Senate has passed the \$1,203,413,000 military construction bill to build new military bases and other facilities in this country and abroad.

The bill—passed—now goes back to the House which approved a bigger program. The House can accept the Senate changes or force the measure into a conference committee to work out a compromise.

The Senate figure was \$213,160,000 less than the House's and \$145,000,000 less than Eisenhower originally requested.

### Boxcar Shortage Will Be Discussed

Salem — An emergency session of the governor's new transportation committee will be held Wednesday to discuss a boxcar shortage in the Eugene-Roseburg area.

George Brown, committee chairman and legislative director of the Oregon State Labor Council, said the number of cars has been dwindling daily in the area for the past week or 10 days.

He said lumber and agricultural shipping via the Southern Pacific would soon come to a standstill unless more cars could be supplied soon.

Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan said a study made Aug. 8 indicated that 345 boxcars—about one-half the needed cars—were available.

### Survey Ship To Be Built on West Coast

Washington — The new Coast and Geodetic Survey ship Surveyor II, designed for Pacific Northwest and Alaska operations, will be constructed at a Pacific coast shipyard, Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) said today.

Salem — Gov. Robert D. Holme has appointed William I. Moon, Florence, to be justice of the peace for the Florence district of Lane county.

### Heavily-Armed Militia Defied In Pay Demands

#### Army Trucks Running Emergency Service

Lodz, Poland — Five-thousand striking streetcar workers occupied the main depot here today and defied heavily-armed militia to break their walkout. The atmosphere was tense and ugly.

The Communist regime posted machine gun carrying militiamen and secret police outside the "Tramway Owa," the main street depot where the strikers who bedded down there during the night refused to come out to work this morning.

A fleet of 200 army trucks was running emergency shuttle service along the deserted trolley tracks, and not a trolley was moving in this city of 600,000.

### Recall Freedom Riots

The walkout was the most serious defiance of Communist authority since the freedom riots at Pozan. Those bloody riots brought a "liberalized" regime to Poland and significant concessions to workers and other citizens.

Communist leader Wladyslaw Gomuak ordered in the troops and secret police when it became apparent new violence might flare in Lodz. Poland's second biggest city and its main textile center.

Workers, especially women, were angered after reading today's newspapers which called the strikers "hooligans" and accused them of attacking police with clubs.

The strikers said the stories in the Communist newspapers Azienicki Lodzki and Glos Robotniczy were "lies" and that the militia with fixed bayonets attacked them with tear gas in Monday's rioting.

### Five Women Injured

The strikers said five women were hospitalized after one clash.

They reported the trouble started when police and a party of Communist Party activists boarded one trolley and tried to get it moving. The strikers threw them off and the militia moved in.

Early today it appeared that only the use of force by the militia and police could dislodge the strikers from the main depot and that the strikers appeared to sit down until their demands are met.

The transport workers walked out Monday morning demanding a 50 per cent pay increase and the same 40-hour week. They now get a basic average of 800 zlotys a month—about enough to buy a medium-priced pair of shoes.

### Dupree Poe Denied Habeas Corpus

Salem — Dupree Poe, one of Oregon's more notorious convicts, appeared in Circuit Court here Monday, but officials were not taking any chances that last week's daylight break from the Marion county courthouse would be duplicated.

Poe presented his habeas corpus argument to Circuit Judge Victor Olliver with his left wrist handcuffed to his belt.

Before the escape of convicts Leonard Miller and Andrew Taylor last week, prisoners had been unshackled in the courtroom.

Judge Olliver discussed Poe's third attempt to gain his freedom by habeas corpus proceedings. Poe contended he should be freed because he was not allowed to appear in the courtroom during his trial in 1932 when he was convicted of slaying a Silverton policeman.

### Medford Policeman Stops Car; Gives Sister Citation

Medford Police Officer George L. Lucas, 23, says he still doesn't know whether to laugh or cry over a traffic ticket he gave yesterday to an attractive young woman driver.

She was his 19-year-old sister, Judith.

Officer Lucas said he had a "strong suspicion" it was his sister, when he motioned a driver over to the curb on Haven st. Monday afternoon.

"She was very friendly about it," Lucas said after he had presented her a citation for driving on a temporary permit without being accompanied by a licensed driver.

"I'd warned her before," he declared.

Judith is scheduled to appear Friday in municipal court.