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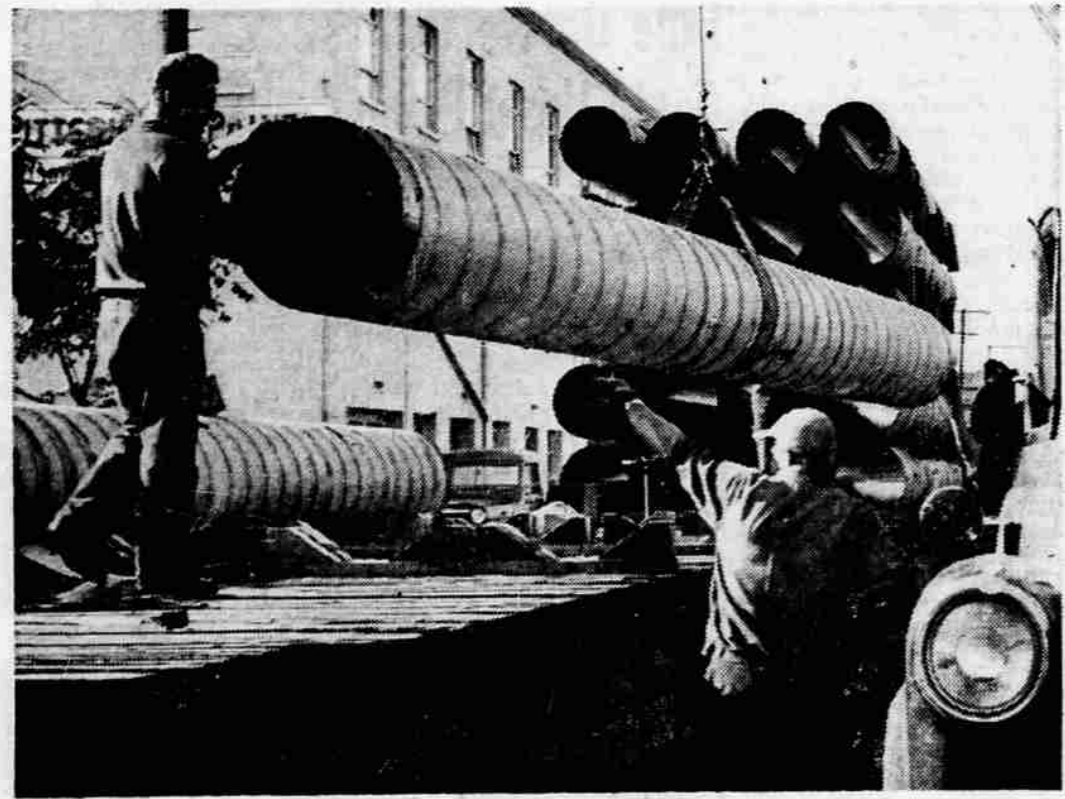
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Auto Strike Pondered



PIPE SCHEME—Eighteen hundred feet of 24-inch pipe has arrived via Southern Pacific for use by the Medford Water department in installing a water main along Black Oak dr. from Walden pl. to Barnett rd. Work on the project is scheduled to begin next spring, with the expect-

ation of its being completed in time to carry the heavy summer sprinkling load. The pipe is to be stored for the winter beside Black Oak dr. south of Barnett rd., according to City Water Superintendent Robert Lee.

'Baby' Blast Kicks Off Last In Series of Nuclear Tests

Atomic Test Site, Nev.—UPI—The U. S. fired the first of possibly its last series of nuclear tests today, a comparatively puny one-kiloton device dangling from a tethered balloon 500 feet over Yucca Flat. The shot, estimated as less than the equivalent of 1,000 tons of TNT, glowed in the daylight sky at 5:59 a.m. (p.s.t.) but because of its size apparently was not seen beyond Las Vegas, 75 miles southeast of the test site. The flash lasted less than a second, and then the cloud

boiled up in a ball, other than the traditional mushroom. Newsmen stationed about 10 1/2 miles from ground zero said it "looked like a piece of cotton candy or a ball of yarn sitting up there over the desert."

There was no wind to disperse the cloud immediately as it hovered in the sky with the sun giving it a dull salmon color. A small amount of dust was sucked up from the desert floor, but the stem did not reach the ground.

"It was a real little baby," watchers agreed.

Paving Completed on Two Medford Projects

Paving of East Jackson st. between Barneburg rd. and Sunrise ave. and of Eastwood dr. has been completed, according to Vernon Thorpe, Medford public works director.

The streets are open to traffic but may be closed temporarily for finishing touches, Thorpe said. The Jackson st. paving was accomplished by county work crews over a roadbed prepared by the city. City crews did the work on Eastwood dr.

Red China Recognition Issue in Election Race

The question of the recognition of Red China, and its admission to the United Nations, today appeared to be emerging as an issue in the election race for congress from this district.

Paul Geddes, Roseburg attorney who is the Republican candidate and who has just concluded a visit to Jackson and Josephine counties, said he and his opponent, Congressman Charles O. Porter, Eugene, "stand at opposite poles on this matter." His statement was contained in a press release mailed from his Medford campaign headquarters.

Meanwhile, in Eugene, Porter stated his bid for reelection is based on his record as congressman for the past two years, and on "what I've been able to accomplish for my district," as well as his activities on behalf of freedom and peace.

Welcomes Opportunity
However, he said he welcomes the opportunity to discuss such vital issues as "our woeful and dangerous policy toward Red China."

He declared he has favored recognition of Red China in the past, and pointed out that "it is a nation with a stable government and 600,000,000 people. Hiding our head in the sand won't make China less a reality. Recognition is not appeasement; recognition does not imply approval. It

means that we will deal with them directly as we do with Russia, Saudi Arabia, Dominican Republic and other police states.

"The fact is that we have been negotiating with Red China, and we are doing so now, so we have to a large extent 'recognized' their existence," he stated.

Geddes' press release said he wholeheartedly opposes recognition of Red China, trade with Red China, and Red Chinese membership in the U. N.

Word Relied Upon
"Recognition would mean that our government acknowledges Red China as an honorable government whose word can be relied upon, and which honors the fundamental law," Geddes' statement said.

It added, "I believe that the Chinese people are crushed under barbaric dictatorship, that the Red Chinese government has constantly violated international law, that it is responsible for the deaths of thousands of American boys in Korea, and is still holding Americans and others captive in filthy oriental penitentiaries."

"I, for one, will not condone or approve of that government by seeking to have it recognized. I find it strange that my opponent so ardently favors its recognition," he concluded.

There will be 10 shots in all during the seventh and most concentrated series conducted within the continental United States since 1951.

Five of the tests, according to the AEC, will be exploded underground deep inside a honeycomb-type tunnel at the north end of the test site, including one huge blast of 20 kilotons (nominal) later this month or in October when the final series ends.

Cora Lee Ottosen Dies of Injuries Suffered in Crash

Cora Lee Ottosen, 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ottosen, Eagle Point, died in a Medford hospital yesterday afternoon of injuries received in an accident Wednesday afternoon on Highway 62 near the junction of Highway 234.

She was one of four children injured in the accident. Mrs. Ottosen also was injured.

The fatality was the ninth in Jackson county this year, compared to 21 at this time last year. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Conger-Morris Funeral home.

Other children injured were Robert Harvey, 10; Charles Floyd, 6; and Beverly Sue Ottosen, 1. Elizabeth Ruth Ottosen, 4, escaped injury, according to state police records. The three children and Mrs. Ottosen were reported in satisfactory condition in Medford Osteopathic hospital.

The accident happened when a log truck operated by Lee Jasper Thompson, 54, of route 1, Trail, started making a left turn into a market. The truck and station wagon driven by Mrs. Ottosen collided, according to police.

Thompson was not injured. Mrs. Ottosen's husband is city marshal at Eagle Point.

West Coast Agents Postpone Strike

Portland—UPI—A threatened noon strike of passenger service employees against West Coast Airlines was postponed today at request of the National Mediation Board, a union official here reported.

The Air Line Agents association earlier had set a strike deadline for noon today of about 200 passenger service employees.

William Schneider, ALAA regional representative here, said no date had been set for the mediation session but that it probably would be within a week or 10 days.

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General Motors, Chrysler Possible Deadline Targets

Progress in Talks Claimed Not Enough

Detroit—UPI—The United Auto Workers union was to decide today whether it will set a deadline for a strike against either General Motors or Chrysler.

A union spokesman said the question will be considered at a meeting of the UAW's executive board.

The official notice of the meeting said the board would review the agreement the union reached Wednesday with Ford and the "status of negotiations with the other two major auto producers, General Motors and Chrysler."

It was at a similar meeting on Sept. 10 that the union set a Wednesday deadline for a strike at Ford. A settlement with Ford was reached only six hours after the deadline passed.

Progress Not Enough
Ford still was crippled by the strike, however, as workers were slow to return to their jobs and the strikes were continued wherever there were local grievances to be solved. A company spokesman said most of the workers were expected to be back on the job by Monday.

Both GM and Chrysler reported some progress in talks with the union Thursday but not enough to avoid a strike threat.

Douglas Fraser, administrative assistant to UAW president Walter P. Reuther and top union negotiator at Chrysler, warned the company negotiators he would ask Chrysler be named as a strike target if progress didn't pick up.

Makes Similar Threat
UAW vice president Leonard Woodcock, chief union negotiator at GM, indicated he would ask the board to make GM the target if progress didn't increase.

"It is time for us to quit fooling around," he said. Negotiators for both companies appeared to be waiting until they could obtain copies of the Ford settlement before making any similar offers.

But the negotiators emphasized contracts with General Motors and Chrysler would not be carbon copies of the Ford pact.

District 6C Schools Note Student Rise

Central Point—An increase of about 7 per cent was noted in the first week's enrollment in district 6C schools, Superintendent H. P. Jewett said today.

Total district enrollment is 2,157, compared to 2,021 at this time last year. Crater High school in Central Point has an enrollment of 664 to date and an increase is expected early next week, he said. Last year at this time there were 608 students registered at Crater.

Grades one through eight in Central Point have an enrollment of 1,134 compared to 1,078 last year, Jewett said. At Sams Valley, 84 students are registered, compared to 80 last year. A total of 277 are enrolled at Gold Hill compared to about 270 last year.

Jewett said the new wing at Crater High school has been completed and all classrooms are in use.

Stage Set Tooust Rebel Steel Group

Atlantic City, N. J.—UPI—The stage was set today for expulsion of a rebel union group branded as "traitors" by an angry convention of the United Steelworkers of America.

Delegates Thursday roared their approval of a resolution which set in motion the machinery to cast from its ranks the dissident group which has opposed the leadership of President David J. McDonald.

Potential Buyers For Old Hospital Building Found

Duff Reports to Council on Site

A definition of what constitutes "professional and vocational offices" may determine the immediate fate of the old Rogue Valley Memorial hospital building on East Main st.

City Manager Robert A. Duff reported to the city council last night that the hospital board has found potential buyers for the now-deserted building provided it can be used for the type of offices they desire.

The site is in a multiple-family zone, which permits "professional and vocational offices" only. If too narrow a definition is given to this phrase, the buyers may lose interest, it is understood.

Decline to Name Group
Local sources today declined to name the interested group. But T. J. Hight, Medford real estate agent who represents it, stated the money being put up was "not local."

Hight said the group was "in a position to spend money in modernizing" the structure, and that "much more money would be spent in revamping it than in purchasing it."

Space for regional offices of insurance companies is one use contemplated, Hight reported. He said "some professional men" such as doctors and dentists would also occupy offices in the building.

The council referred the matter to the planning commission, which according to Duff is expected to hold a special meeting within a week.

The council itself called for a specially-adjourning meeting next Thursday evening to hear the planning commission's recommendation and also to consider further several other matters which came before it last night.

These include the City Sanitary service's request for increased garbage rates, and granting of emergency funds to the library to allow reconstruction of the juvenile department's flooring.

Another item brought before the council last night which might be considered again next week is a request by St. Mary's academy to erect a non-conforming 6-foot wire fence around the school playground at South Holly and West 12th sts. with a 10-foot backdrop at the corner.

Still a fourth item is the request by Charles Bateman that he be permitted to erect a non-conforming sign atop his restaurant at 2392 North Pacific highway.

To Hide Ducts
Bateman said his sign was designed to hide unsightly ducts on the roof and would thus add to the general appearance of the north entrance to the city along Highway 99. The subject was referred to executive committee.

Mayor John W. Snider stated in the course of discussion on the sign, "We are getting ready to do something about the appearance of the city."

He said after the meeting that he would release details of this project in the near future.

HURT IN COLLISION

City police said that three persons suffered injuries about 11:05 a.m. today in a two-car collision at Oregon ave. and Keene Way dr. The injured were listed as Donald Chadwick Green, 17, 1410 Euclid ave., and Mrs. Vida Starkey, 44, of 1992 Table Rock rd., drivers of the cars involved, and Mrs. Starkey's daughter, Retha LaVonna, 3. Officers said they were taken from the scene by private car for treatment.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 42. High Saturday 75. Temp. Highest Yesterday 52. Lowest this Morning 46.

Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 6:15 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:36 a.m. Moonset tonight 10:39 p.m. First Quarter tonight 7:17 p.m. The Moon rises low as usual with all First Quarter moons occurring near the time of the Autumnal Equinox; the Moon rises high at First Quarter at or near the Vernal Equinox.

Some Portions of Talent Project to Be Finished Soon

Other Work on Job Delayed Until 1959

Although certain portions of the Talent project construction are behind schedule, others will be completed this fall, according to James Callan, project engineer, bureau of reclamation.

Howard Prairie dam should be completed by Dec. 1, Callan said. The dam still must be increased in height about 12 feet, the engineer said. The fish-screen structure and the control house for the outlet-works has yet to be completed.

The access road into the Howard Prairie reservoir is also expected to be completed by this fall. Jackson county road department crews are scheduled to do part of the job, Callan said. The bureau of reclamation will construct the road from the Hiatt Prairie dam junction to Howard Prairie dam, a distance of three miles.

Dam Work Starting
Emigrant dam work is just starting, the engineer said, with work on the tunnel and downstream clearing and excavation. Part of the work on raising the present Emigrant dam will be delayed until next fall since the reservoir must now be used to store water. Engineers had planned originally to store water in the Howard Prairie reservoir when completed this fall and continue work on Emigrant dam after the reservoir was drained. However the operating engineers' strike and lock-out this summer delayed overall project construction.

Shifting of graves from the old pioneer cemetery at the expanded Emigrant reservoir site was completed two weeks ago by the contractor, William Gross company, Auburn, Calif.

Contractors are working on the Conde-Dead Indian collection canal system and work should be completed this fall. Work on the South Fork collection canal should be completed some time next summer, Callan said.

The Cascade tunnel is being lined now with concrete. About 1,000 feet needs to be excavated in the Green Springs tunnel, then lining work will start in about a month, Callan said.

Hoover, High School to Open

Students of Medford High and Hoover elementary schools will start classes Monday, the last of the schools in district 549C to open. Other schools opened last Monday.

Both schools will operate on regular schedule for the school day, but cafeterias will not be in operation in either school for the first week, officials said. Students are asked to bring sack lunches, and milk and ice cream will be available.

High school will be in session between 8:25 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. Hoover school students will register starting at 9 a.m. Monday, and will remain for a full day of school.

Seven routes have been set up to transport high school students, school officials said. No bus transportation will be provided for Hoover students. High school student transportation is in addition to buses provided by Howard, Lones Pine and Griffin Creek students.

Students have been encouraged to use school buses for transportation in preference to driving personal cars because of inadequate parking facilities and the congestion of school pedestrian traffic in the area. Officials said unnecessary driving of personal cars by high school students will be carefully controlled to protect elementary and secondary students en route to schools in the area.

Bus schedules for high school students and for parochial school students attending St. Mary's school will be published Sunday.

Voter Registration Booths Are Announced

Mobile voter registration units will be stationed in Medford and Ashland this evening and Saturday, Democratic party headquarters announced today.

The non-partisan unit will be at the Grandview market on Crater Lake ave. between 5 and 9 o'clock tonight. A mobile unit will be at Ideal Drugs on Siskiyou blvd., Ashland, between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday. Units in Medford will be at the Safeway store, Main and Oakdale ave., between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. and at the Big Y between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Ashland Chamber Asks Hearing on Phone Rise

Ashland — The Ashland Chamber of Commerce, through its board of directors, has requested Public Utilities Commissioner Howard Morgan to hold a hearing in Ashland on the Pacific Telephone company's proposal to increase its rates for the extended area service in Jackson county.

If a hearing can not be held in Ashland, the Chamber requested an opportunity to be heard at any hearing in Salem at which the proposed increase would be heard.

Far East Briefs

London—UPI—Communist China has offered a cease fire in the Formosa Strait in return for immediate evacuation of the off-shore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, informed diplomatic sources reported today.

The sources said the United States has told Communist China a cease fire must come first. In return, the diplomats said, the off-shore islands might be neutralized.

Taipei, Formosa—UPI—Three Nationalist cargo ships cracked the crumbling Communist blockade of Quemoy today and delivered their supplies under heavy fire.

The United States meanwhile disclosed it is sending new guided missiles to Formosa.

Taipei, Formosa—UPI—The first American casualty of the Red Chinese bombardment of Quemoy was flown to Formosa today aboard a Nationalist transport plane through a hail of Communist artillery shells.

He was Army Sp4 George W. Johnston, of Springdale, Pa. Johnston, who was hit by a shell fragment during a Communist bombardment, walked off the plane with his left arm in a bloody sling.

Convoy



Cost of Living Dips .2 of One Per Cent

Washington—UPI—The cost of living dipped 0.2 of 1 per cent last month, the government reported today. The August drop was the first in two years.

The Labor Department's monthly report said seasonal declines in food prices and small declines in clothing costs outweighed price rises for other basic family goods and services.

The consumer price index, based on the 1947-49 price average slipped from 123.9 in July to 123.7 in August. Though lower than July, the August figure was 2.2 per cent higher than a year ago.

Doubts Further Drop
Ewan Clague, commissioner of labor statistics, said the August drop did not herald any continuing drop in living costs. He emphasized that the August drop reflected heavy seasonal marketing of meats, fruits and vegetables.

"This is no downward trend," Clague said. "The index is now tending to stabilize." Clague said food prices probably would decline somewhat further this month and then level off.

The report said food prices dropped 0.8 of 1 per cent from July to August as lower prices

of fresh fruits and vegetables, meats and poultry more than offset mark-ups for eggs, milk and restaurant meals.

Clothing costs slipped 0.1 of 1 per cent, reflecting widespread reductions for men's and boys' sports shirts, men's socks, slacks, shorts and suits, and women's nylon hose.

Transportation costs rose 0.6 of 1 per cent, mainly because of increased prices for used cars and gasoline.

Woman Admits Setting 4th Fire

Shirley Ann Kosse, 24, transient fruit worker from Michigan, has admitted setting a fourth fire in 401 orchards, northeast of Medford, Chief Criminal Deputy Joe Walsh said today.

She told sheriff's officers, following interrogation Thursday, that she caused a cabin containing six apartments to burn on Aug. 16 at the orchards. This brings the total damage estimate from the series of fires at the orchards in August to \$9,400, Walsh said.

The fruit worker pleaded guilty in circuit court Sept. 11 to charges of first degree arson. A pre-sentence report is being awaited.

The charges covered setting fires which destroyed an outbuilding, a cabin, five acres of grass and brush, a truck, and clothing, authorities said.

Marriage Counseling Service Formed in Area

A temporary volunteer family marriage counseling service has been set up and now ready to function, according to the Mental Health committee of Jackson county. Miss Celia Walker is chairman of the latter group.

Counselors who have volunteered to give their services for a six month period met this week with Dr. Harry Danielson, psychiatrist, for a discussion of procedures and methods. Dr. Danielson will supervise the work of the counselors.

Arrange Appointments
Couples who wish to make use of the marriage counseling service may arrange appointments by telephoning the office of the Child Guidance clinic, Spring 3-3174. Staff members pointed out that in most cases effective marriage counseling will involve consultations with both marriage partners.

The committee said fees for the service will be based on ability to pay and none of the counselors will receive remuneration. Those who already are employed in social work will do their counseling on their own time, committee members said.

Debate Over Seat Out for Duration of Current Talks

Steering Committee Votes 12-7 on Issue

United Nations, N. Y. — UPI—The United Nations today shelved for the duration of the current General Assembly session any debate on the question of replacing the Nationalists with the Communists in China's U.N. seat.

The decision was made when the assembly's Steering Committee voted 12 to 7 with two abstentions to approve a resolution to that effect offered by U.S. Ambassador Henry Cabot Lodge.

The decision taken by the Steering Committee followed similar action taken by the world parliament three times in the past three years. **Wound Upset Foundations**

Nationalist China had said that such a debate would "upset the moral foundations" of the U.N. because the Communist regime "has not been accepted" by the Chinese people.

The assembly's steering committee called a mid-morning meeting to decide on one of three courses:

1. An Indian demand backed by Russia for a full debate later in the assembly session on whether China's U.N. seat rightfully belongs to the Chiang Kai-shek or the Mao Tse-tung government. The seat carries with it the right of veto in the Security Council.

Compromise Proposal
2. An American proposal backed by Britain and most of the other Western powers that the issue be shelved for the duration of this assembly.

3. A compromise proposal fostered by Ireland and several other countries that neither India nor the United States push its proposals to a vote as long as the Warsaw negotiations are in progress.

A showdown session originally was scheduled for Thursday afternoon, and Assembly President Charles Malik of Lebanon cancelled it. The Americans were reported annoyed because they were not informed in advance.

The explanation of Malik's action was that a speech by Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko attacking the U.S. position on Formosa ran so long it was impractical for the general committee to meet.

Opposing Stands Clarified
Speeches by Gromyko and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles Thursday clarified further the opposing Russian-American stands on seating Communist China.

Dulles said the behavior of Red China in the Formosa Strait disqualified Peiping from membership under the U.N. charter. Only "peace-loving" nations are to be admitted.

Gromyko called Chiang a "masquerade figure" and said the Peiping government represented one-quarter of the world's inhabitants.

Salem — UPI — Banner news for hay fever sufferers: The ragweed season in Oregon is over.