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Coalition



IUE Local Votes To End GE Strike At Schenectady

Schenectady, N. Y. - (UPI) - The executive board of Local 301 of the International Union of Electrical Workers last night recommended that its 9,500 members return to work at the strikebound General Electric plant here.

The move was foreshadowed yesterday when Leo Jan-dreau, business agent of the local, walked out of a meeting of the IUE's negotiating committee in New York. He charged that IUE President James Carey was "showing a complete disregard for the facts" in the nationwide strike against GE.

The walkout by 70,000 IUE members in 55 of GE's 166 plants began Oct. 2. The announcement by Local 301 last night said the board had recommended that the strikers return to their jobs with the first shift Monday morning.

Earlier this week, the 301 membership voted at a mass meeting to give the executive board power to recommend continuation of the strike, or a return to work.

Firmly Convinced The board said it was "firmly convinced" that the immediate cause of the strike in Schenectady has been resolved by the latest company offer.

The company has offered to continue all terms of the old contract except a cost-of-living escalator clause if the union returned to work while negotiations continued.

In New York, no negotiations are scheduled in the strike until Monday. Federal mediators said no progress was made in a meeting Friday.

Schenectady was one of several locals that originally voted against the strike. The local later voted to join the strike, an action that was reversed last night.

Merger Approved For Rogue Valley And Oregon Banks

Bank Established at Eagle Point in 1911

Directors of the Rogue Valley State Bank of Medford and The Oregon Bank, Portland, have voted to merge the two establishments.

The announcement was made by Clarence H. Young, president of the Rogue Valley State Bank, and Charles F. Adams, president of The Oregon Bank.

The Rogue Valley State Bank was established in 1911 as the First State Bank of Eagle Point. In December, 1954, it moved to Medford and changed its name to the present one. It has two branches, one on Court st. and the other near the Medford Shopping Center.

The Oregon Bank, which was formerly called the Portland Trust Bank, has been in business since 1887. It has the oldest trust service west of the Rockies.

Directors of both banks will present the merger proposal to their respective stockholders for approval.

Approval is also necessary from the superintendent of banks for the state and the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D. C.

If the merger is approved no change of personnel in either bank is planned, both presidents stated.

Deposits in Rogue Valley State Bank as of Oct. 3 totaled \$5,972,476.54, compared to deposits totaling \$5,355,242.92 on Oct. 6, 1959. Young said. Loans and discounts Oct. 3 this year were \$2,293,949.23, compared to \$1,892,247.72 on Oct. 6, 1959.

2 AMERICANS RECEIVE CUBAN DEATH PENALTY



PLANTS TREE—President Eisenhower is shown throwing the first few shovelfuls of dirt around the roots of a 20-foot red oak tree that was presented to him on his 70th birthday Friday by District of Columbia commissioners. The tree was planted on the south grounds of the White House. Part of a crowd of some 5,700 persons, who were admitted to the grounds to see the ceremony, are shown looking on. —(UPI Telephoto)

Both Men Guilty Of Taking Part In Invasion Try

Court Turns Down Last-Minute Appeal

Havana - (UPI) - Two Americans were sentenced to death by firing squad last night by a Cuban military court on charges of taking part in an invasion of Cuba. The execution was set for early morning.

An appeals court quickly approved the trial court sentence and set the execution for 4:30 a.m. EDT at the San Juan Valley, where another American was executed by a Castro firing squad Thursday.

Allen Dale Thompson, 36, of Queen City, Tex., and Robert Otis Fuller, 25, of Miami, were convicted of taking part in last week's invasion of Oriente Province.

They were the second and third Americans to receive the death sentence in a Castro court in the past week.

Part of Force Premier Fidel Castro's state prosecutor charged that the two men were part of the same 27-man invasion force that included Anthony Zarba, 28-year-old Somerville, Mass., man who became the first American executed by the Castro regime last Thursday.

Two Cubans who faced the same court at Santiago with Fuller and Thompson escaped the death sentence and were given terms of 30 years in prison.

The mother of Cuban-born Fuller was in the courtroom when sentence was passed. U.S. embassy observers also were present.

In the case of Zarba, the Cuban government ignored appeals by the U.S. embassy for a stay of execution.

The Americans' defense attorney, who once defended Castro in the early days of his revolution, pleaded with the court that neither of his clients had hurt anyone in Cuba because they had not fired their weapons.

Refused to Testify Thompson refused to testify. Fuller took the witness stand during the three-hour trial and said he believed Thompson had been "deceived" by Cubans in the invasion force.

He said he believed Thompson, whom he described as a Florida fisherman, was not aware he was landing the group in a foreign country.

Fuller spoke Spanish and described himself as a Cuban, although he was born of American parents and spent most of his adult life in the United States.

Bengtson Friends Plan To Petition For Court Appeal

Friends of O. H. Bengtson, Medford attorney found guilty of embezzlement, are circulating petitions and soliciting money to have Bengtson's case appealed to the Oregon supreme court, it was learned Friday.

"We realize the petitions have no legal bearing, but they will indicate public sentiment," one of the petition bearers said Friday. He refused to have his name mentioned.

As of late Friday afternoon 15 persons had signed a petition, he said. He did not know how much money was collected.

The petition heading reads, "We, the undersigned, having full faith in the innocence of O. H. Bengtson, do hereby donate the amount of money set opposite our respective names, for a fund to appeal said case to the supreme court."

Wednesday, Bengtson was found guilty by unanimous vote of a Jackson county circuit court jury. Circuit Judge Orval Millard, Grants Pass, is expected to pronounce sentence Monday. Maximum sentence for such a conviction is 10 years in the Oregon State penitentiary.

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Park rangers immediately declared an emergency and began moving people out of campgrounds. They also warned visitors at entrance stations that wind conditions were expected to make outings dangerous.

Those killed were Kenneth C. Miner, 19, Fresno, Calif., and Margaret Gnaill, 41, Roselle Park, N. J. They were killed while sleeping about 6 a.m. when a heavy gust buckled nearby trees.

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21 Cuban Escapees Seek Asylum in U.S.

Key West, Fla. - (UPI) - Twenty-one Cuban men, including 15 escapees from Havana's Morro Castle prison, crossed the Florida straits in a small motorboat Saturday to seek political freedom in the United States.

They ran out of fuel right in the middle of a U. S. Navy bombing and rocket range near Marquesas Key, 60 miles west of here.

The Coast Guard managed to get a call through to the Navy just in time to halt a scheduled rocket firing practice on the range. A Coast Guard vessel then towed the drifting refugees to safety.

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Drainage Problems Will Be Discussed

District Attorney Thomas J. Reeder said Friday he will confer with a representative of the area south and west of Medford before taking steps to prosecute those people with illegal septic tanks and drain fields.

Reeder said he also plans to confer with Medford Irrigation district officials. Septic tank effluent this summer was found draining into the MID system canals and laterals.

The district attorney said 11 people found in violation have responded to letters sent by his office by making improvements. Sheriff's deputies found that 23 had not. A few of the violators listed live in other districts. Main problem, however, seems to be in the area southwest of Medford.

"I intend to have a conference with Wally Brill, chairman of a citizens' committee, to ascertain whether his committee has made substantial progress in seeking a solution to the sewage problem in the area," Reeder said. "Most of the violators seem to live on Lozier lane."

"I anticipate that I'm going to confer with MID officials and will advise them that they may sign complaints against those who have done nothing to correct the problem," Reeder said.

A spokesman for the irrigation district personnel refuse to clean out ditches containing effluent. "It's been so bad we have even found toilet paper with raw excrement," the spokesman said.

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UMC Home Crusade Will Start Monday

Kickoff for the home crusade for the United Medford Crusade will be at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Red Cross building, according to Mrs. Margaret Rowan, home crusade chairman.

Workers will meet at that time in the Red Cross building to receive their materials and information about the UMC agencies. Calls will be made Monday and the Crusade finished by Friday, Mrs. Rowan added that one of the duties of the division this year will be to thank those people who have donated already.

"The home crusade this year will be thorough and fast in line with the policies of the general campaign," she said.

Assistant to Mrs. Rowan is Mrs. R. B. Thierolf. Area coordinators are the Mesdames Alvin

Edwards, George Joyce, Paul Haviland, Ralph McKay, Fred Sears and Ray Garnier.

Area captains are the mesdames Richard Pervorse, Russell DeForest, Robert Walker, A. E. Stoehr, Harold Hewlett, George Brennen, Ronald Hall, W. A. Scoville, Floyd Hart, Robert Root, John Dellenback, Thomas McFadden, James Dunlevy, John Snider, Robert Shepard, Netta Rector, E. R. Hoppe, Audrey Roberts, Frank Crews, Kenneth Pickens, Don Lawrence, Dwayne Richardson, Richard Ketchum, Lucille Lowman, Ward Lampdin and H. F. Griffiths.

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Football Scores

Table with 2 columns: Team and Score. Includes scores for Oregon Technical Institute, Oregon State, Idaho, Southern Cal, Washington, UCLA, San Jose St., Stanford, Wyoming, Colorado, Auburn, Georgia Tech, Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Miss., Michigan, North-western, Indiana, Marquette, Iowa, Wisconsin, Purdue, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Navy, Air Force, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas, Maryland, Clemson, Minnesota, Illinois, Syracuse, Penn St., Nebraska, Army, Yale, Cornell, Harvard, Columbia.

KL. FDY PROTESTS - Democratic Presidential candidate John F. Kennedy protested Friday when police tried to haul away an unidentified admirer who wanted to shake hands during a Kennedy parade in Grand Rapids, Mich. At Kennedy's insistence, she was later allowed to meet him. —(UPI Telephoto)

WEATHER FORECAST: Fair and warm through Monday. High today and Monday near 80. Low tonight near 38. Temp. Highest Yesterday 87. Lowest This Morning 54. Precipitation None. Our Skies Tonight: Sunset today 5:28 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 6:24 a.m. Moonrise tomorrow 1:22 a.m. The Great Square of Pegasus is high in the south at 8:59 p.m. The brightest star of the square is Alpheratz in the upper left-hand corner; the upper right-hand star is Scheat.