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UAL Dispute With Union Settled

WASHINGTON (UPI)—A labor dispute between United Air Lines and the machinists union that threatened a strike of ground crews at the height of the Christmas rush was settled during the night, a reliable source said today. Terms of the settlement were not learned immediately. Up until the report of settlement both sides had said the negotiations were stalled but both said they were awaiting further calls from government mediators. The union sought a 43-cent hourly pay increase in a 42-month contract. United offered the 36-cent hourly raise recommended by the presidential board. Mechanics now earn about \$3.13 an hour.

'Winnie-the-Pooh' May Have Deep Significance

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI)—"Winnie-the-Pooh" may not have been a children's book after all, but rather a work of deep political and psychological significance. This tongue-in-cheek suggestion comes from Frederick C. Crews, an associate professor of English at the University of California. Crews feels that any literary critic who digs deeply enough will find complex and hidden meanings in the simplest of writings. To illustrate his point, Crews has written a parody of A. A. Milne's classic books for children—"Winnie-the-Pooh" and "The House at Pooh Corner." The parody, called "The Pooh Paradox," E. P. Dutton and Co. is illustrated with original drawings from Milne's books. Crews suggested that the ad-

ventures of Pooh, Christopher Robin, Piglet and their companions may be ripe and significant for humanity, the soul, the proletarian struggle and the understanding of neurotic tendencies. His parody is in the form of a series of essays written in the style of different critical schools, including Freudian, Marxist, New Critical and Humanist. Some examples from the book: Phantasy-Screen Freudian: "What is Milne's unconscious attitude to bears? The frequent presence on the illusory phantasy screen, or 'plot,' of these two books, of a bear, strongly points to an obsessive nosology." Marxist: "Rabbit is the capitalist manager par excellence, the 'captain of industry' who... artfully traps (Pooh) in the doorway and exploits him as an unsalaried towel rack for an entire week... the united efforts of a Marxist-Leninist band of workers succeed in extricating Pooh from his servitude." New Critic: "It is clear, I think, that Pooh must address us on an essentially subliminal level—that it must achieve its effects through sly manipulations and secret implications." Humanist: "The subject of the book is nothing other than the central drama of our faith: the Fall and Redemption of Man."

Foreign Aid Money Bill Scheduled for Senate Floor Action

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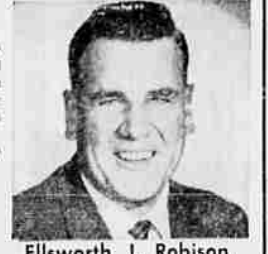
Senate bill and a scrap also loomed over the House-approved provision to forbid the export-import bank from underwriting credit for grain sales to Russia. Roll Call Showdown The grain restriction is not in the Senate bill. Sen. Karl E. Mundt, R-S.D., Senate sponsor of the proposal, said he would insist on a roll call showdown on the amendment. The Senate rejected a similar proposal last month. A wrap-up of some other appropriations bills also was on the congressional agenda. And the House hoped that the Senate, at last, would concede it was the

House's business if some House members wanted to send franked, unaddressed mail to everybody the postman can find in their districts. If the Senate accepts the House position on so-called "junk" mail, it will end a deadlock over the \$168 million money bill to run Congress for the current year. Still locked in controversy was a \$817 million authorization bill for continued or new work on a number of river basin construction projects, all now in jeopardy because of a House-Senate split over the proposed \$247 million Knowles dam project in Montana.

The Senate was expected to approve promptly the bill passed by the House Tuesday to authorize a new 50-cent piece bearing the likeness of John F. Kennedy. There also was a chance Congress could push through a bill to name the proposed cultural center here in honor of the late President. On foreign aid, both the House and the Senate committee agreed to re-appropriate \$209 million in leftover, unspent funds in addition to the "new money" appropriations. Besides the aid money, the bill also contains funds for the Peace Corps and for several lesser items.

The Senate committee voted to give the Peace Corps the full \$102 million authorized by Congress, although the total includes \$9.1 million in carryover money. The House had granted a total of only \$91.9, including re-appropriations.

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United States, USSR Near Equal Budget Parings

WASHINGTON (UPI)—With the test ban treaty as an example, the United States and Russia appear — at least on the surface — to be headed toward approximately equal reductions in military spending. Against a Soviet slash of \$666 million for the coming year, President Johnson and Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara have announced the U. S. military budget to be submitted to Congress next month will be "several hundred million dollars" below the 1963 spending rate.

Experts Cautious Pentagon experts were extremely cautious, however, in drawing conclusions from the Soviet budget figures announced this week. They cited hidden factors and differences which could be either higher or lower in the purchasing power of U.S. and Soviet money. The Soviets, they said, appeared to be able to keep 3.3 million men under arms on a budget substantially less than it costs the United States to keep 2.7 million men in uniform. On the other hand, reports indicate the Soviets are spending almost as much as the United States in the fields of space, military industry and research. In advanced technology, their costs in dollar equivalents may be equally high, or higher. The Soviet military budget was placed at \$34 billion including hidden factors, against approximately \$50 billion for the United States.

Higher Proportion But the Russian military budget is a much higher proportion of total Soviet output—16.1 per cent — as compared to 9 per cent in the United States. The Russians announced they were reducing their military spending by 4.4 per cent, but when the hidden factors are included this comes out as a cut of only 1.6 per cent, experts said. Because the U.S. budget proposals are subject to debate in Congress and are usually trimmed at least moderately, the U. S. defense reductions may be about the same percentage—around 2 per cent. President Johnson will be asking for about \$2.5 billion less than was asked by President Kennedy last January.

Policeman's Shot Halts Fleeing Man VANCOUVER, Wash. (UPI)—Harold W. Eggleston, 45, Ridgefield, Wash., was shot in the elbow and chest Tuesday after a short chase by Clark County Sheriff's officers some 10 miles north of here. Eggleston had been inside his house since Saturday when officers attempted to take him into custody on an assault warrant signed by his wife. Tear gas failed to dislodge him from his home Monday but shortly after 11 a. m. Tuesday he fled in his car, attempting to outrun officers along Washington Highway 18. He was taken to Vancouver Memorial Hospital where his wounds were described as not critical.

Wheeler To Lose Extension Agent FOSSIL, Ore. (UPI)—Wheeler County will be without a home economics extension agent effective about Feb. 1, county extension agent Les Marks has announced. The position, presently occupied by Mrs. Bunny Dyer, is being terminated to comply with budget cuts resulting from the Oct. 15 tax referendum. It is one of 19 county agent positions being terminated in the state, according to Gene M. Lear, associate director of the Oregon State University extension service. The action would leave the sparsely populated Eastern Oregon county without 4-H Adult education programs.

Vancouver-Camas Road Section Opens VANCOUVER, Wash. (UPI)—Gov. Albert Rosellini was to attend the opening of two more miles of freeway in Clark County at 3 p. m. today. It is an extension of Highway 30, the Lewis and Clark Highway. The new stretch of four-lane, limited access highway is part of the planned route between Vancouver and Camas.

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