

CONFLICTING UNION CLAIMS MARK DISPUTE

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It is pledged to get recognition of the union for the employees at Kalpine and to negotiate a contract that will bring the local plant up to the standards prevailing in the industry.

The following Thursday was handed The Herald and News by members of the CIO union:

"Despite all efforts of the IWA union to deal with the management of Kalpine in an orderly, legal, peaceful manner it appears that the company in collusion with the organizers of the Carpenters and Joiners are going to force this labor dispute into a major issue.

"At the beginning of the strike the CIO union met and kept every stipulation laid down by the company. After the company went back on its signed agreement to bargain with the union the union struck.

"The Carpenters and Joiners at this time had no membership in Kalpine nor did they have a valid claim to any worker of Kalpine.

"Immediately after the strike was voted and the picket lines were on, Mr. Don Drury stated before the negotiating committee of Local 9-243, IWA, that Mr. C. D. Long had called him (Drury) up and offered to assist him in any way on the strike.

"This is not meant as an attack on the honest AFL local unions and membership in Klamath Falls. They will probably be surprised that Mr. Long has offered his services to an employer at a strike bound plant.

"After the company had explored every possibility to get their men back to work without dealing with them around the table in honest negotiations, they then turned to the nearest strike breaking agency, in this case the organizers of the Sawmill and Timber Workers Council Class B union under the Carpenters and Joiners.

"Six good witnesses saw the company officials, namely, Don Drury, William Constans, Bill Marander, Don Blackley, pay a visit to the apartment house of Reverend Joe Boyd. This was before these organizers of the Carpenters and Joiners had entered the picture with any claims whatever.

"The company of course, will claim, probably that they were merely on a good will tour.

"After leaving Rev. Boyd's apartment house Mr. Don Drury, after looking up and down the street to see that he was not observed, took out of his car, a strike banner of the CIO that had been cut down and pilfered from the IWA picket lines. He handed the banner, which is the property of Local 9-243 IWA, to Mr. Bill Marander, the superintendent of Kalpine Co. The Local Union 9-243 immediately sent a committee to Mr. Marander's house to demand their property back. Mr. Marander denied flat footed that he knew anything about the banner. This was in the face of the fact that six reliable witnesses saw him receive the banner and put it in his car.

"The next night our pilfered banner was tacked back on its standard as stealthily as it had been taken. This act is in direct violation of not only civil law but the U. S. Labor Relation act.

"The Carpenters and Joiners now claim a majority in Kalpine plant. They have filed charges against the company for refusal to bargain. These charges are a blind because we will bring proof before the labor board that the company has already bargained with

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the organizers of the Carpenters and Joiners in a strike breaking attempt.

"The membership of Local 9-243 is determined. We have been more than considerate of the company. In answer to the conviction of the company to evade bargaining with their own men, the IWA reluctantly lays down the gage for all out battle. A major labor battle in Klamath Falls will not help the community. We know this and it is not our will that it be so.

"The company asked for it and the IWA and CIO will give them the sweetest little fight that they were ever in.

"The Kalpine company will not operate at a profit again until they have signed a contract with IWA.

"Signed
"PERCY MULVANEY, Pres.
"Strike Committee of Local No. 9-243."

Don Drury, manager of the company, made public this statement:

"Our company is now in the position where both unions claim a majority of our 70 employees has designated them as bargaining agent.

"From the beginning of this controversy the company has offered to have the majority question determined by an election. The CIO, which struck the plant on March 4, has refused to consent to an election.

"Now that this unexpected demand comes to us from the AFL we have no alternative except to reject their claim on the same basis we had rejected the CIO claim.

"There is no way except by election that this matter can be determined to keep the company clear of the charge of discrimination. Under the labor law, the company must not discriminate between unions.

"The company today has filed a petition for an election by the labor relations board.

"The company feels the interests of all concerned would best be served if the plant resumes operation while this matter is being settled. We are ready to operate at once. There will be no discrimination against any employee because of participation in the strike."

Since the strike started, there have been several meetings between the management and CIO union, but it has been understood they have deadlocked. The union has claimed it had established a clear majority through a count of union cards, and that the company should proceed to negotiate with the union for a contract. The company has not agreed with the union on the majority issue, and has suggested an NLRB election.

As late as Tuesday, O. M. Orton, international president of the CIO, repeated the claim the CIO had a majority at Kalpine, to be followed by Favolka's unexpected announcement last night that the AFL claims a majority.

FIRST CHANCE

WASHINGTON, March 27 (AP)—Secretary Perkins gave the new national defense mobilization board its first chance to settle labor disputes today by formally handing over to it the cases of four protracted strikes in defense industries, including the International Harvester strike at Chicago.

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ARMY ORDERED INTO FIELD AS REGENCY FAILS

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thrown cabinet were under arrest.

Gen. Dusan Simovic, chief of Yugoslav air corps, took over as premier and formed a cabinet.

Many persons were killed and wounded in demonstrations throughout the night, the Belgrade reports said. Fourteen were said to have been killed in Banjaluka alone.

Rioting took place in the main streets of Belgrade all night.

The Belgrade radio broadcast an appeal to army garrisons throughout the kingdom to support the new king and government and help to preserve order.

At the same time all reserve officers were ordered to report to their garrisons at once.

The Belgrade radio said the new cabinet was sworn in by King Peter.

Troubles similar to those in Belgrade also occurred in Bitolj in southern Yugoslavia.

In demonstrations in the capital and provinces crowds carried British and Russian flags and shouted, "Long live Britain and Russia! Down with Germany and Italy!"

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after shouting against the axis Greek-Yugoslav frontier at the pact.

Police Intervene
In the afternoon one Belgrade high school started a demonstration, but police intervened. The students then joined those from several other high schools who had assembled in Kalebogdan park and attempted again to demonstrate. Police interfered again.

Police last night dispersed a group of students at Sarajevo—where the assassination of an Austrian archduke in 1914 touched off the World war—when they demonstrated against the pact.

The University of Lubjana was closed after student demonstrations.

Heavy forces of police, armed with machine guns and tear gas bombs, were on the alert to quell demonstrations as Premier Dragisa Cvetkovitch and Foreign Minister Alexander Cincar-Markovitch returned from Vienna, where they made Yugoslavia a satellite of the axis.

They arrived by special train at the Topcider suburban station and were met by fellow members of the cabinet and diplomatic representatives of the axis powers.

It was reported in diplomatic quarters the cabinet which took the country into the axis camp against widespread opposition would soon be replaced by one of "greater strength" to act during the coming months. General belief seemed to be the government was in control of the situation and opposition was not sufficiently organized to become effective.

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ABNER M'NAIR DIES; WILBUR HIXSON JAILED

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Nair, and the latter accused him of fighting with Ward. He claimed Abner grabbed a gun from the corner of the room, they scuffled over it, and Hixson drew his pistol, shooting McNair.

They continued to scuffle, going outside the house, and there Hixson said he managed to get the rifle away from McNair and left him at the door.

Ward McNair found his father dying there when he returned to the house. He went to the Lawrence Griffin house, they drove to Bly and officers were notified.

Officer Wilson then went to the house of Hixson's mother at Bly and arrested the young Indian without trouble.

Sheriff Low, who had gone with Dr. George H. Adler, cornered to Beaty and Bly returned with Hixson and placed him in the county jail at 4 a. m. Thursday.

The shooting occurred on the Klamath Indian reservation and it is expected federal authorities will handle the case.

McNair is a Smith River Indian, but has lived in the Bly district for several years.

He was formerly married to the mother of Wilbur Hixson.

Both McNair and Hixson have a record at the Klamath county jail.

OSTENDORF SELLS MOTOR FIRM HERE

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handle details of the transaction from the factory end.

George H. Braley, of Braley and Graham in Portland, was also here at the time the sale was completed. Braley has been Ostendorf's silent partner.

Shipley was accompanied by Merle Brown, his assistant manager.

Going Fishing
Ostendorf, who has been in the automobile business here 14 years, made no definite announcement of his future plans.

"I'm going to do some fishing," said Ostendorf.

He has been active in civic and fraternal affairs here for many years, and is a member of the Kiwanis club.

Woman in a west coast town stole to get her husband out of jail. He isn't out—but, at least, they're together.

The ocean is a lonely place these days.—Capt. W. W. Kuhne, master of the Excambion, just in from Lisbon.

Worth Millions, Gets \$18 a Week



Willie Taylor, 24-year-old Seminole Indian, is in the bucks to the extent of about \$8 million, but works as an attendant in a Tulsa, Okla., filling station because, says he, he wants to "set an example for my tribe."

UNION REFUSES TO END ALLIS STRIKE

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to work) now will lose their jobs."

"Only one group in the nation can call off this strike," Christoffel declared. "Only the Allis-Chalmers workers can do it. They will be given the opportunity and until then nobody goes to work."

"Of course, the company has the gates open. If any worker wants to go to work, he can do so. But when we, the union members, go back to work, those men who go now will lose their jobs. That is the rule of our international constitution."

WASHINGTON, March 27 (UP)—Government commanding of the Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing company, Milwaukee, Wis., under plant seizure provisions of the Selective Service act became a possibility today when defense chiefs called for a quick end of the 64-day-old strike there.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox and OPM Director General William S. Knudsen telegraphed Max W. Barb, president of the company, and Harold Cristoffel, head of CIO local union 248 of the United Automobile workers, asking they notify "your entire force to report for work and start operations immediately."

Can't Wait Longer
"We can no longer wait for settlement of the strike by ordinary means," the message said.

The company has \$45,000,000 in defense contracts, chiefly involved naval weapons. Navy officials had stated earlier that the strike had delayed work on 25 destroyers.

"Public interest demands that our national defense program not be handicapped by unnecessary strikes in defense industries," the message from Knox and Knudsen said. "The strike called by the CIO in your plant—now in its 10th week—is vitally affecting the delivery of navy orders."

"We can no longer wait for settlement of the strike by ordinary means."

"We must ask you to notify your entire force to report for work and start operations immediately. We are sure the patriotic spirit of your workers to return to work on vitally needed defense orders without delay."

"Negotiations can be continued while all men are at work."

This line was added to the message to the union leader:

"We expect your full cooperation in carrying out the above program."

Matsuoka Calls On Hitler for Axis Conference

BERLIN, March 27 (AP)—Japanese Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka called on Adolf Hitler today and they were reported to have engaged in "thoroughgoing conversations" covering questions confronting the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis.

The Japanese statesman saw Hitler after conferring for several hours with Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop, which an official announcement said produced "full understanding on all problems of the three-power pact."

Von Ribbentrop spoke in English, in contrast to his use of German in his talk with Sumner Welles, United States under-secretary of state, on the latter's visit here in March, 1940.

The explanation was that, in the case of an intimate friend, one can use English even in wartime.

When it was pointed out that Von Ribbentrop declined to address Welles in English, an authorized source rejoined: "One can hardly claim Mr. Welles as a special friend."

The whole question of the position of the axis powers in world affairs was carefully considered by Matsuoka and von Ribbentrop, authorized sources intimated.

When these quarters were asked if military questions were included in the discussions, an answer at first was declined on the grounds of military secrecy. Then it was pointed out that, in times like the present, diplomacy and military strategy can not be separated.

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