

SECOND STRIKE AT PLY PLANT SOON SETTLED

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charges against Kalpine which were filed with the National Labor Relations board some time ago, claiming the company refused to bargain on proof of a CIO majority.

The Kalpine plant on March 4 was closed down by a CIO strike which prevented operations for four weeks. On April 1 work was again started when approximately 40 men, some of whom were said to be members of the AFL, walked through CIO picket lines. On April 22, the CIO withdrew their pickets and called off the strike.

Charges Pending
The company on April 2 offered to recognize the CIO as holding a majority of workers "until legal means proved otherwise" and sporadic meetings were held from that date between the CIO and Kalpine.

Still pending before the labor board are unfair labor practice charges filed by both unions claiming the firm refused to bargain on alleged proof of majorities held by each. Boyd said Wednesday the AFL would withdraw its charges.

Also before the NLRB is a company petition for a board-sponsored election to determine which union holds a majority.

Meanwhile two more Klamath district lumber mills announced five cent horizontal wage increases to all employees, following the lead of four large mills Tuesday.

The sprawling Lamm Lumber company mill at Modoc Point and the Klamath Long-Bell plant both revealed their increases would be retroactive to May 1, as were the other boosts.

Pelican Bay Lumber company Wednesday posted notices to employees that the firm was planning a wage change to correspond with the average wage prevailing in the basin and that the new scale would be effective as of May 1.

Chiloquin Lumber company at Chiloquin and the Shaw Lumber company were still working on wage revisions. It was understood that the Ivory Pine company was working a 48-hour week, thereby paying time and one-half for eight hours which would bring Ivory's scale considerably above the old 65 cent

minimum. Executives of several other mills were out of town but it was presumed the wage increase would soon be general for all lumber firms.

Joe Boyd, of the AFL, stated Wednesday the union looks on the pay boosts as merely an appeasement to employees and contends that the workers should be consulted on every wage revision, either up or down. An arbitrary change robs men of their self-respect, Boyd said.

GLEE CLUB TO BID FOR HONORS AGAIN

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Klamath's Business and Professional Women's Glee club, winner of last year's state glee club contest and also winner in 1938, will make another bid at the state BPW convention in Portland May 16, 17 and 18.

Headed by Flo Ann Eaton, retiring president of the local club, a large group of Klamath women will go to the convention. Three local women are state officers. They are: Ruth Bathiany, state finance chairman; Isabelle Brixner, second vice president, and Dena Backes, southern Oregon district chairman.

Official delegates from here are Lillie Darby, Eleanor Weatherford, Nedra Hunt, Hilda Park, Claudia Lorenz, Lela Laurensen. Alternates are Martha McCollum, May Conradi, Dena Backes, Leta Beers, Willie Uhlig and Claire Ellis.

Miss Darby, supervisor of music in the city schools, directs the glee club which has made an outstanding success at the conventions.

Eleanor Weatherford is new president of the Klamath BPW group.

JACKSON PUTS LID ON ALIEN SEAMEN

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Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Kansas City under an agreement permitting their freedom after deportation orders were completed but could not be executed for lack of machinery.

The department also said that 125 Italian seamen were taken from Ellis Island last night to Fort Missoula, Mont., to be held in an army camp taken over there for detention of aliens.

House Passes Ship Transfer Defense Bill

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present emergency ended before that date.

The maritime commission would be given authority to purchase or charter foreign-owned ships—a power it does not now have.

At the last minute, the house approved provisions to permit the government to waive any existing laws relating to masters, officers and crew and crew quarters. Two attempts were made—and were defeated—to make certain that those sections would not lead to changes in wages, hours and working conditions that might be detrimental to labor.

While the legislation still was before the house reconvening of 28 axis ships found damaged when taken into custody continued apace.

At the present, the United States has 20,000 planes other than airline craft.

HOT CRITICISM BY WORLD WAR LEADER HEARD

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Denis Prit and Dr. Arthur Salter, a laborite.

As the prime minister made his way out of the crowded chamber after the vote, groups of members collected around him and cheered him enthusiastically. He paused and bowed.

No Retirement

The prime minister proclaimed, too, a halt to the British retreat in the Mediterranean basin with the flat declaration: "We intend to defend to the death and without thought of retirement Crete and Tobruk."

It is on Crete, big island to the south of the Greek mainland, that the British and Greeks are making their final stand as allies; it is in Tobruk, Libya, 80 miles from the Egyptian border, that a British garrison is holding out behind the axis advanced lines.

Strong Points

Confidentially, Churchill declared, "We have every reason to believe we shall be successful" in holding the valley of the Nile, Suez and the mid-Mediterranean island bastion of Malta.

With a touch of acrimony, Churchill declared that Lloyd George's speech was not "particularly helpful at this period and not the speech one would have expected from a great war leader."

The prime minister disclosed that General Sir Archibald Wavell, British middle east commander, "has under his orders at the present moment nearly half a million men."

Churchill said he has "received assurances of the construction of merchant ships by the United States which, added to our own large program of new building and repair, should see us through 1942."

After Lloyd George criticized Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden for withholding the fact "that Turkey allowed German ships to pass through Bosphorus into the Dardanelles" to seize Greek islands, Churchill said "Turkey not being a belligerent had no right to prevent mer-

chant vessels from going through the Dardanelles."

"So far as German invasion of the Balkans is concerned," Churchill told the house, "we had long and ample forewarning of what was in prospect. It is three months since it was stated publicly on the broadcast that the Bulgarian airfields were being occupied with the knowledge of the Bulgarian government by advance parties and agents of the German air force."

Iraq Revolt
Churchill told the house "we need a great deal more help from the United States and I expect we shall get it."

"It might be that the Germans will arrive in Iraq before we have crushed the revolt, in which case our task would be greater," Churchill warned, "or it might be that the revolt went off in half cock in consequence of our landing troops at Basra."

"We intend to assist the Iraqis to get rid of their military dictator as soon as possible."

More Tanks
Churchill met former War Secretary Leslie Hore-Belisha's criticism of production with this assertion:

"We are making every month now as many heavy tanks as there existed in the British army at the time Mr. Hore-Belisha left the war office and we shall very soon, before the end of this year, be producing double that."

"This takes no account of the immense production on foot in the United States."

Churchill defended Eden's reticence about British dealings with Spain and Russia, asserting:

"I am not sure how these things that could be said about Spain could be touched on in a way which would be helpful to our affairs. Much might be said about Russia but I am not quite sure that we should gain any advantage by saying it and I am not quite certain we should receive any thanks from the Russian soviet government."

He declared, likewise, that he saw no possible profit in dilating "at length upon the sad, sorry and squalid tale of what is going on at Vichy."

Churchill appeared restive under Lloyd George's prodding. The little, white-haired Welshman lacked his old fire and his voice sometimes faded to inaudible whispers but he turned on the heat in demanding a "real cabinet."

"I thank God for Mr. Stimson's speech," Lloyd George de-

clared, "but it is most important not to exaggerate what you are going to get or, rather, how quickly you are going to get it."

"America can do more. If she is going to enable us to catch up and then overtake Germany she has got to do infinitely more than any indication I have heard of up to the present moment."

AIR-BORNE CANNON REPEL IRAQ FORCE

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yet appeared in Iraq and it was difficult to see how they could arrive in time for effective assistance.

Oil Recovered

It was authoritatively reported in London that 26 Iraq officers and 408 men had been taken prisoners in action while Iraq casualties so far totaled about 1000.

Besides breaking the Iraqis' encircling front at Habbaniyah on the fifth day of siege, the British reported they had wrested control of the vital Mosul-Haifa oil pipeline from the troops of Rashid Ali Al Gailani.

The general headquarters communique reported that Iraq troops under the British colors helped in the assault on a plateau from which anti British Iraqis had been lobbing shells into the British base.

In the Libyan fighting around beleaguered Tobruk, the British claimed a successful attack on axis posts, but said operations again were hampered by a severe sandstorm.

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KNOX DECLARES NAVY READY TO GUARD VESSELS

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permit these munitions to be sunk in the Atlantic ocean.

Stating that "we have taken our place definitely behind the warring democracies and against the aggressors in defense of our freedom," he declared:

"If today that (U. S.) navy should make secure the seas for the delivery of our munitions to Great Britain, it will render as great a service to our own country and to the preservation of American freedom as it has ever rendered in all its glorious history."

Germany, he said, has confronted the world, including the United States, "with the alternative of abject surrender or uncompromising resistance," adding that "I cannot recall that the United States throughout its history has yielded to such a demand."

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Mr. and Mrs. Levi Walker and Family.

Mediators Rush For Settlement Of Four Strikes

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renewal of a contract agreement but postponed the walkout at request of the mediation board.

Officials of the Continental Rubber Works, Erie, Pa., and of United Rubber Workers (CIO) union were asked to meet a mediation board panel here Friday to try to end the five-week old tie-up of the plant, which was making synthetic rubber for airplane engines. The union asked wage increases, a union shop, and vacations with pay, for the 840 plant employees.

Mediation was started in Washington, after direct efforts had failed, to settle the strike called April 4 by a CIO union at the J. Sklar Manufacturing company, Long Island City, which was making surgical instruments for defense use. There were 495 workers affected. The union asked wage increases, better working conditions and renewal of a contract agreement.

A house judiciary committee at Washington heard William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, denounce any compulsory anti-strike legislation. Green said CIO unions were responsible for 90 per cent of the strikes in defense industry.

The mediation board announced it had averted a threatened strike at the Minneapolis Honeywell Regulator company, working on \$3,000,000 defense contracts.

Editorials On News

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ish way is infinitely the better way. Patriotic FREE critics feel better after they get it out of their systems.

If and when we get into it, this writer hopes our own congress retains its constitutional right to criticize.

LOCAL POSTAL RECEIPTS SET PAGE UPWARD

Despite the loss of for small revenue which has dwindled to "practically nothing," the Klamath Falls city postoffice reports an increase in receipts for the month of April over that month of a year ago, and an exceptionally gratifying increase for the year thus far over the same period of 1940.

Following is the statement given out by Postmaster Burt E. Hawkins who commented the increase was due to growth of business in the town itself:

April, 1941, \$13,140.01; April, 1940, \$11,433.71; increase this year, \$1707.21.

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