

AFL SCHEDULES STRIKE MONDAY

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
VERDUN (Delayed)—Verdun, the great fortress that broke the back of the German drive in the last war, was hardly an incident in this war. The Nazis flowed around it in their surge to Paris in 1940. On their way out they elected to hold at Metz—not far from it.

Verdun now is only a memory—and a huge American staging camp on the way back home. So also is Rheims, with its beautiful and impressive cathedral practically untouched by bombs or shells. Glis swam in both.

THE tiny duchy of Luxembourg, western Europe's Graustark, is a doll house country and its capital is a doll house city. The entire country is smaller than an average Oregon county. But its palace makes Oregon's statehouse look like something built for children to play with. In their day, which is PAST, dukes and princes and kings did themselves extremely well. Gazing on the Louvre and Versailles in Paris, you gain a faint understanding of why France is old and tired now. Too much of the youth and vigor of its people was spent in building such places.

LUXEMBOURG very nearly escaped the war. The Germans went around it on their way in, but on their way out they needed a short cut. But they were in flight all the way across, and the rear guard fighting left few scars on the country or the city. There were sharp little fights here and there, marked now by the rusty carcasses of smashed and burned-out tanks, with bomb and shell craters scattered around, but even so soon the tanks look like ancient war marks, survivors of something long past, and the lush vegetation is rapidly obliterating the craters. It's hard to believe the war was so recent. You find yourself thinking of it as already in the history books.

LUXEMBOURG, in sharp contrast to northeastern France, is neat and clean and painted and prosperous-looking. Less than a mile over the border a drove of hogs, herded by a Luxembourgian, crosses the road. You see them in nearly every farmyard. The cow population increases in density.

There is undoubtedly milk to drink around here. (Americans, however, would refuse to drink it, milk-hungry as they are after all these years of milk that comes from a can. European cows are generally infected with tuberculosis, Bang's disease, etc.)

THE northeast is France's poorest agricultural country, and mustn't be taken as typical of rural France as a whole. Its villages are ancient, the houses built generally of stone—their woodwork (doors, window frames, etc.) looking as if it had not seen paint since about the time of Clovis.

About the best you can say of them is that they are quaint. Quaintness is a word that looks nice in a book and sounds intriguing when used in conversation. This writer has a notion that one would tire of it if he lived in one of these quaint villages long. Americans would get to hankering for running water and bath rooms and cook-stoves that TURN ON instead of being started slowly and painfully fed with twigs and carried home in a pack on the back or hauled in a wheelbarrow. We'd much rather take our quaintness out in print and pictures.

IT must be borne in mind that these villages are not made up of rose-bowered single families. They are sound row houses, all run together along the narrow street. And the living quarters alternate with the STABLES, with only a wall separating the humans from the animals. And this is an agricultural country, where the animals are driven in from the fields every night and housed right in between.

IN Luxembourg, the villages are built on the same general plan as in France, with the cows (Continued on Page Ten)

Arriving In United States

By The Associated Press

Howard O. Crutchfield, M/ Sgt., Klamath Falls. Arrives on Ambrose E. Burnside due at Boston September 22.

Raymond D. Olson, Sgt., Klamath Falls. Arrives on Ambrose E. Burnside due at Boston September 22.

Ruben W. Esperson, Lt., Lake Shore Drive, Klamath Falls. Arrives on Ambrose E. Burnside due at New York September 24.

Holger F. Nelson, S/ Sgt., Klamath Falls. Arrives on Europa due at New York September 24.

Ronald E. Whitlatch, S/ Sgt., Klamath Falls. Arrives on Europa due at New York September 24.

Charles S. Lemire, Pvt., 3350 Almont, Klamath Falls. Arrived on Cranston Victory due at Boston September 21.

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MAC DEMANDS REPORTS OF JAP FINANCES

Royal Family Denies Abdication Rumors

TOKYO, Sept. 22 (AP)—General MacArthur today demanded an accounting of all Japanese financial dealings from Pearl Harbor Day to the present, including those of the imperial household whose chief tenant, the emperor, reportedly has no intention of abdicating.

A number of the royal family, Prince Fumimaro Konoye, said there was "absolutely nothing" to Washington's hints that Hirohito would quit the throne.

Two additional directives were passed on today to the Nipponese government, burdened with a heavy day of order-taking. One called for the arrest of Nobuyuki Abe, former governor-general of Korea, and the other demanded complete demobilization of the Japanese naval force before October 31.

Vice Premier Konoye told correspondents that the constitution prohibits the emperor from abdicating, but he added that Hirohito might step down from the throne in event of illness.

In that case, a regent would serve until Hirohito's death, then the crown prince would inherit the throne—the procedure (Continued on Page Two)

Ralph Smith To Sell Four Plants

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 22 (AP)—The Smith Wood Products company of Kansas City has agreed to sell two sawmills and plywood plants at Coquille, Ore., and timber holdings in two Oregon counties for approximately \$2,500,000, Ralph L. Smith, company president, said today.

The Coos Bay Lumber company of San Francisco is the buyer, he said, adding that "we have agreed on a sales contract although the contract has not been signed. I expect the deal to be consummated by October 1."

The timber lands being sold are in Coos and Curry counties. Additional timber lands owned by the company in Douglas county, Oregon, will not be sold at the time, he said.

The Ralph L. Smith Lumber company which was established here before the Smith Wood Products company, operates two sawmills near Canby, Calif., as well as a box factory at Alturas, Calif., and a moulding factory at Klamath Falls, Ore. It will retain its California factories.

5 Thursdays This November

Tangle Turkey-Day Plans

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (AP)—Here comes that Turkey Day tangle again.

Even Washington doesn't know whether Americans will celebrate their first peacetime Thanksgiving in four years once—or twice.

It seems there are five Thursdays this November. By federal law, Thanksgiving is the fourth one.

But sovereign states may pick their own dates. Last November—the five Thursdays—the nation was pretty well mixed up about its traditional day of thanks.

Capital Thanksgiving
In the capital, Thanksgiving was the fourth Thursday, but Virginians just across the Potomac saved their turkeys until the next week.

The question: Who's got the final say, congress or state governors?

And nobody can give the answer, it seems, except the nine



Doomed To Die

Doctors say 3-year-old Lynn Heath (above) is doomed to death by cancer. She is wasting away steadily, and can sit up in bed only a few minutes at a time. Her father, Charles W. Heath, an attorney in Hazelhurst, Ga., said the physicians told him there is no hope for the child. Her mother died of cancer six months ago. (AP wirephoto).

HEAVY SNOWS HIT SOUTHERN OREGON

Southern Oregon got a taste of winter today as reports came in from the mountain sections where heavy snows fell last night.

At Crater Lake national park, one of the heaviest of early season falls was reported. On the rim road, snow measured 18 to 20 inches with drifts up to four feet on the north side. Road barriers have been placed on the north and east entrance roads and at Annie Springs and careful driving was urged on those using the south and west entrances which remain open for through traffic.

Four to five inches of snow covered the Diamond lake country and a 10-inch fall was reported on the road summit. Cars were said to have been going through, however.

Fair and warmer was the forecast for the Klamath basin Sunday. The weatherman continued to serve a varied dish Saturday with rain squalls, chill winds and bright skies alternating throughout the day in town.

Snow was reported in the Medicine lake country today.

Some Frost
Some frost as well as rain was recorded but the rich agricultural area was apparently unharmed except as it affected gardens. Corn took a beating and some other truck garden stuff was hurt, but major crops suffered little damage.

Spotted rains were sufficient to bring small seed operations to a standstill, and grain, grass and clover harvests were hit.

Little harm is showing up in the potato patches as digging is (Continued on Page Two)

IWA OFFICIAL ASKS POLICE WITHDRAWAL

Low Says Governor's Action Justified By Road Trouble

A CIO-IWA official at Portland today sharply criticized Governor Earl Snell for sending state police here to aid Sheriff Lloyd Low in the Weyerhaeuser road situation, and Sheriff Low promptly declared that the governor's action was fully justified.

"Any criticism of the governor is unjust and ignored the true facts of the situation that

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 22 (AP)—Governor Earl Snell said today that state troopers, sent to Klamath Falls picket line, have been withdrawn.

In reply to a query from the Associated Press, Snell said that "no conference has been held, but following receipt of a telegram from the sheriff of Klamath county, state officers were withdrawn."

He did not disclose the contents of the telegram. The CIO International Woodworkers of America had protested use of the state troopers.

prompted my request," the sheriff said in commenting on a letter sent the governor by Virgil Eurtz, CIO-IWA vice president. The sheriff made public his request telegram to the governor in which he told the state chief that AFL machinists had informed him they would resort to firearms if not given adequate protection.

Burtz, in his sharply-worded letter to the governor, asked that state police be withdrawn.

He accused the governor of being "delinquent in duty." He said: "If you sent these troopers into the area knowing . . . that legitimate strike was being conducted, you should be fully criticized as a public servant." The union official also attacked the press, describing it as "always anxious to make things worse than they are." He blamed (Continued on Page Two)

Donald Rogers Dies After Lingering Illness

Friends were saddened today to learn of the death late Friday night of Donald Leslie Rogers, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rogers, 851 Pacific Terrace. Donald had been ill for some time and several days ago developed pneumonia. He died at 9:55 p. m., at Hillside hospital.

Donald was graduated from Klamath Union high school where he was active in athletics and student affairs. He later attended Oregon State college where he was a member of Phi Delta Theta. He entered the United States army October 18, 1941, training in various centers of this country for one year before going to England where he was assigned to the 8th air force, 452nd bomber squadron, 322nd bomber group, as a technical sergeant. While overseas a group citation was given his bomber outfit. During his duty in England, Donald was hospitalized and returned to the United States. He received a medical discharge from Winter General hospital, Topeka, Kan.

In addition to his parents, Donald is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Scott Warren and Mrs. Harry Ravizza, Alameda, and one brother, Capt. James E. Rogers, stationed with the 1st Marine division at Tientsin, China. Arrangements are under the direction of the Earl Whitlock Funeral home and services will be held Tuesday, September 25, at 2:30 p. m. from the chapel. Interment will take place at Linkville cemetery.

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
R. H. E.
St. Louis 0 4 0
Detroit 9 10 0
Muncie, Fannin (3), LaMacchia (5), Zoldak (8), and Mancuso; Newhouse and Richards.

Klamath Back Ploughs Through Grant Line For Short Gain



Herbert Barker, Pelican right halfback, breaks through the Grant forward wall before being pulled down by Armstrong, Grant back. This play occurred in last night's ball game at Modoc field which the Generals won, 20 to 7. Other players by number: 39, Eastman; 37, Vanderhoff; 13, Redkey; 45, Hickman. (For complete story see sports page).

STRIKES LEAP TO NEW HIGH; 230,000 IDLE

By The Associated Press
The nation's post-war labor disputes, most of them stemming from workers' demands for wage increases, hit a new high for the year today and the outlook for the immediate future was not bright.

The country's idle resulting from strikes and forced shutdowns for a varied line of industries and businesses mounted to around 230,000, high for 1945 and more than 100,000 above the number idled by disputes immediately preceding V-J Day.

Black Picture
Detroit found little encouragement of effecting settlement of the multiple disputes that have idled some 86,000 workers, mostly in the automotive industry. A complete shutdown in transportation threatened the motor city because of the spreading strike of CIO oil workers. Mayor Edward J. Jeffries urged President Truman to order federal labor officials to give highest priority to the critical situation.

Only 35 per cent of Detroit's gasoline service stations were opened and a gasoline dealers' association said the others (Continued on Page Two)

Truman Orders Stripping Of Jap War Industries

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (AP)—President Truman has instructed Gen. Douglas MacArthur to strip Japan of its war production industries and limit the rest of its heavy manufactures to strictly peaceful requirements.

The White House made public the instructions in releasing a broad statement of "United States initial post-surrender policy for Japan."

The program laid down provides what top officials here have called a stern but not ruthless set of plans—military, political and economic—for achieving the initial purpose which is "to insure that Japan will not again become a menace to the United States or to the peace and security of the world."

Too Late Now!

When Leslie Phillips Jr., was sentenced to three years in the Oregon state penitentiary by Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg this morning, the 27-year-old prisoner told the court he had seen the errors of his ways.

"Your honor, since I've been in jail this time I've been reading the Bible and I've discovered that since 1938 I've been doing things I shouldn't have done and I'm sorry," said Phillips.

Phillips was convicted on a grand larceny charge involving the theft of seven sacks of clover seed. The court was advised that Phillips has been involved in numerous altercations with the law since 1938.

Give The Vets A Break On Income Tax, Says George

By MAX HALL
WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (AP)—Less taxes for war veterans than for other people.

Senator Walter George swung behind that idea today. As chairman of the senate finance committee, the Georgian swings pretty hard.

Congress finished the second full week of its postwar session with a surprising amount of work done—a staggering amount yet to do. Not much was accomplished today, but members talked.

Senator George said: Veterans deserve special treatment on income taxes for the first year or two after their discharge. It might be "reasonably adequate and fair" to let them continue the \$1500 tax exemption they received while in uniform—in addition to the usual exemptions for dependents.

With congress in recess today, and many members relaxing, here is a summary of the situation on important bills:

Unemployment Pay—More financial help for the jobless: Passed by senate on September 20 without \$25-a-week maximum asked by President Truman. House ways and means committee will discuss it Monday.

"Full Employment"—To set up an annual federal procedure designed to assure jobs for all: Approved by senate banking committee. Senate will start debating it Tuesday. House expenditures committee will open hearings on the same day.

Reenlistments —To induce men to stay in army and navy: Passed by house on September 18. Approved by senate military and naval committees. Senate debate expected soon.

Surplus Property—To put one boss in charge. Passed by house on September 10, and by senate on September 12. Signed by president on September 18. The house expenditures committee plans to consider a further bill in a few weeks, sharply changing the surplus property disposal act.

Standard Time —To turn clocks back one hour on September 30: Passed by house on September 12, and by senate on September 20. Now awaiting president's signature.

Government Reorganization—To give the president broad powers in streamlining agencies: Approved by house expenditures committee. House debate expected to begin Wednesday. Senate judiciary committee still considering the subject.

Airports—To build thousands of them with federal-state funds: Passed by senate on September 12. House interstate commerce committee has approved a different version, and next week the house rules committee may decide if and when the house will debate the matter.

Highways—To get started on huge postwar federal-state program authorized last December: Approved by house roads committee. House debate expected in a week or so. Senate probably will wait for house to act.

Poll Taxes—To make them unlawful: Passed by house on Monday. (Continued on Page Two)

War On --- War Off --- Still No Gas In Toledo

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 22 (AP)—Gasoline rationing returned to Toledo today.

Consumers, who could prove they or their business was essential to the welfare of the community, received all the fuel they needed.

A voluntary rationing program was set up by city officials, oil company and labor union representatives. No quota on the amount of gasoline card holders could purchase from ten specified filling stations was set because union and industry repre-

BIG LAKES, TWO OTHER PLANTS HERE AFFECTED

Work Stoppage Grows From Demand For Wage Raise

Sixty thousand northwest AFL lumber and sawmill workers prepared today to launch a strike at 12:01 a. m. Monday, and the scheduled stoppage, threatened to shut down the Big Lakes Box company mill, Kalpine Plywood and Ralph L. Smith plants here, as well as 37 other operations in the jurisdiction of the Klamath basin district council (AFL).

The industry-wide strike in the AFL was called late yesterday after a three-man commission appointed by the secretary of labor failed in conciliation attempts at Portland. The AFL had previously voted approval of a strike in support of demands for a \$1.10 hourly minimum.

Only an eleventh hour understanding between the employers and unionists will prevent the shut-downs, it was declared today. The Klamath Basin district council is to hold a meeting at noon Sunday in connection with the situation, which has developed at a time when a widespread CIO strike among Klamath CIO lumber operations has been partially settled.

Big Lakes is the only major Klamath sawmill which has been operating through the CIO strike period. The AFL has been the bargaining agent there since 1941. In addition to the Kalpine and Ralph L. Smith (plywood and remanufacturing plants) operations here, the last minute today their scheduled morning meeting. Simultaneously a British official expressed deep concern over the disclosure of a Russian trade pact which, in the British view, would give Moscow control over half Hungary's economy.

BRITISH LOSE SLEEP OVER RUSSIAN PACT

LONDON, Sept. 22 (AP)—Foreign ministers of the Big Five cancelled at the last minute today their scheduled morning meeting. Simultaneously a British official expressed deep concern over the disclosure of a Russian trade pact which, in the British view, would give Moscow control over half Hungary's economy.

A tense, unhappy atmosphere prevailed at the conference. After 11 days of deliberation, the representatives of Russia, the United States, Britain, France and China still have not decided on a single big issue.

Treaty Scheduled
Today's meeting had been scheduled to take up the Hungarian peace treaty. No official explanation was given for the cancellation. It appeared the ministers would not meet until Monday.

Americans at the council meeting apparently shared Britain's interest in the Hungarian trade treaty. Official British sources declared the pact was considered another step in what appears to be a soviet campaign to hold a tight rein over the economic as well as the political life of all eastern Europe.

Earlier, a reliable source said that soviet foreign Commissar Vyacheslav M. Molotov had protested that the council's communiques had been too detailed and that too much information had leaked out of closed sessions.

Football Scores

By The Associated Press
Final Scores

Indiana 13, Michigan 7.
Purdue 14, Marquette 13.
Minnesota 34, Missouri 0.
Wisconsin 0, Great Lakes 0.
Villanova 21, Bucknell 7.
OREGON PREP
Medford 68, Albany 0.
Washington (Portland) 19, Corvallis 6.
Franklin (Portland) 7, Milwaukie 0.

Molalla 19, Estacada 0.
Hill Military (Portland) 6, Sandy 6.
Newberg 24, Canby 14.
Seaside 6, Tigard 0.
Columbia Prep (Portland) 24, Scappoose 6.
Pendleton 19, Mac HI (Milton Freewater) 6.
Hood River 71, Parkrose 0.
Lebanon 6, Salem 0.
Eugene 28, University Hg (Eugene) 9.
Springfield 7, Bend 6.
Grant Union 27, Richland 2.
Longview 19, Roosevelt (Portland) 7.

COLLEGE
Southern California 13, UCLA 6.
Fresno State 13, College of Pacific 0.
Mississippi 21, Kentucky 7.
Auburn 38, Howard 0.
Colorado college 12, Denver 1.