

POWER SHUT OFF BY AFL STRIKE

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Shutdown Hits 16 Texas Towns, 25,000 People

By The Associated Press
A strike of AFL electrical workers shut off hydroelectric power to 16 large Texas towns and about 25,000 rural customers today.

The dispute involved a comparatively small number of employees. Approximately 140, as the national total of persons away from jobs because of labor controversies fell to about 352,000, lowest in more than a week.

New Threats

But there were threats of new stoppages within the near future.

The power strike was at the four generating units of the lower Colorado river authority in central Texas. Harry Bernhard, union business agent, said the dispute had been in progress for five years and the strike was called because the authority refused to recognize the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively.

Settlement Told

In Washington, the CIO Oil Workers union announced settlement of strikes at two small Detroit plants. The union called this a "first break" as conciliation conferences were resumed with management in an effort to settle the eight-state oil refinery strikes involving more than 36,000 workers.

The Detroit plants are the Keystone and Aurora refineries. The workers will return at 17 1/2 cents an hour more pay and on November 1, when the refineries shift from a 48-hour to a 40-hour week, the employees will receive an additional increase of 35 cents an hour.

O. A. Knight, union president, said the 35-cent boost would provide the 30 cent wage rate increase which the union seeks nationally.

Mining Deadlock
The Pennsylvania-West Virginia coal mining dispute, in which 35,000 are off the job, remained deadlocked. The negotiating committee of the national bituminous coal operators repeated its demand that the strikers resume work before the committee would discuss the dispute.

Directly involved in the controversy are mine foremen and supervisory employees who organized into a branch of the unaffiliated United Mine Workers of America and demanded collective bargaining rights.

Another new strike kept 13,000 workers from their posts in five General Motors corporations Frigidair plants in Dayton, Ohio, where production of refrigerators, halted by the war, was resumed July 25.

A CIO union spokesman said the strike was a protest against "unjustified indefinite suspension of four workers." The company declined to comment.

Elsewhere the picture was: Ended—38,000 white collar workers of the Westinghouse Electric company, who struck September 9 in a demand for bonus of incentive pay plans and which spread to 14 plants in six states; 15,000 building (Continued on Page Three)

AFL UNIONISTS WILL WORK IN SPUD HARVEST

No new developments were reported today on the strike front in the Klamath Falls area as far as settlement is concerned, but the Klamath basin district council, AFL, has recommended to its members that they give all assistance possible to the farmers in the Klamath basin in order that the potato harvest may be successfully completed.

This assistance is recommended so that there will be no loss of available foods in this area.

Local AFL officials requested that the struck workers take no jobs in the lumber industry but urged the men to accept farming and other jobs, not associated with the lumber industry.

They asked the workers out on strike in this area to clear through the local AFL and through the agency who has the (Continued on Page Three)

Spud Dehydration Report Expected

Further reports on the strong demand of the congressional committee that surplus potatoes be dehydrated in accordance with original contracts, are expected this week from Washington according to a wire received Monday by C. A. Henderson, county agent, from Senators Guy Cordon and Wayne Morse.

Cordon advised that he was present at a conference between the committee, Governor Lehman of UNRRA, the department of agriculture and the army. These three agencies are slated to meet again this week.

In the wire from Senator Morse, Henderson was advised that Governor Lehman agreed to take \$5,000,000 worth of potatoes for UNRRA.

No Deer Hunting Accidents Reported In Klamath County

No hunting accidents or fatalities were reported in southern Oregon today, although there are more hunters in the forests than ever before.

The deer kill appeared to be heavy and was still rising. Bratton Packing company reported 45 carcasses, already in storage and more coming in on an average of about every 10 minutes.

Approximately 15 were in lockers at the Klamath Falls creamery.

Glenn Yapple of Klamath Falls bagged the first registered black-tail deer of the current season in this area Saturday at 8:15 a. m. Yapple killed the animal at Eagle Ridge on Upper Klamath lake and the deer weighed 185 pounds with a wide three-point spread.

Bob Clark of Bly had a disturbing experience when he fell asleep Sunday while hunting near Silver lake and was awakened by a large bear. Clark dived; the animal and was proudly displaying it today.

The two-day deer hunting season had claimed three lives in other parts of the state Monday, and authorities feared a steadily rising toll among the record army of nimrods.

Two hunters near Magoon lake in eastern Oregon heard a shot yesterday, and found their companion, Clint Looney, 55-year-old Estacada lumber contractor, with a rifle bullet through his heart. A coroner's inquest was scheduled today at John Day.

Harry James White, 65, Salem, was fatally wounded yesterday by another hunter who mistook him for a deer in the deep brush. State police said John J. Schmitz—on whose Willamette valley ranch the accident occurred—fired the shot.

The first hunting fatality occurred Friday night, when Mrs. Frank Lovely of La Grande was shot as she sat with her husband and friends around a campfire in preparation for the hunting season. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Murchison of La Grande.

Still a fourth hunter was in serious condition today. Everett Fry, 50, was hospitalized at Canyon City with a broken back suffered when his horse reared and fell upon him. He was hunting in eastern Oregon.

VINSON URGES FIVE BILLION TAX CUT IN '46

12,000,000 Would Be Erased From Tax Rolls

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1 (AP)—A \$5,000,000 tax reduction for individuals and business in 1946 was proposed to congress today by Secretary of the Treasury Vinson.

In the first tax-cutting legislation to hit Capitol Hill in 18 years, Vinson laid before the house ways and means committee the administration's plan for easing wartime burdens on personal and corporate pocketbooks. He recommended:

1. Repeal of the three per cent normal tax on individuals, effective January 1, thus erasing 12,000,000 low-income persons from the tax rolls completely and reducing the tax liability for all individuals by \$2,065,000,000.
2. Elimination of the 95 per cent war-impoverished excess profits tax on corporations, reducing 1946 corporate burdens by 2,555,000,000.
3. An end on July 1, 1946, (Continued on Page Three)

JAP BANK OFFICERS STALL FOR TIME

By Associated Press
Bank officers pleaded last night that they had insufficient time to produce the requested assets and records. They had received instructions from the finance ministry earlier, however, to have the requested material on hand by last night.

American troops on guard around the bank assured depositors, many of them women sobbing in fear that they might lose their life savings, that their funds were safe.

Two other banks closed by MacArthur—the Yokohama Specie bank and the Hypotek bank—reopened today with allied permission after a check of their records.

Allied headquarters said no trace was found in the three institutions of "hard money" removed from the Philippines and the Netherlands East Indies during the Japanese occupation.

Some gold and gold stocks ear- (Continued on Page Three)

Flames Destroy Scriven Home

Fire thought to have started from an oil stove destroyed a small house in the rear of the O. D. Weaver residence, 2100 Hope, at 7 p. m. Sunday while occupants of the place were at church.

The county fire department responded but the flames had progressed too far to save the structure. Occupants are Mrs. Delbert Scriven and three children, and Mrs. Bonnie Leahy and infant. The women, sisters-in-law, are wives of servicemen. They are being cared for at the Weaver home. Mrs. Scriven is Mrs. Weaver's daughter. The entire contents of the house were destroyed.

80,000 Jews Gassed At Belsen, Physician Says

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN
LUENEBURG, Germany, Oct. 1 (AP)—A Jewish physician testifying at the Belsen war crimes trial today said 80,000 Jews, representing the entire ghetto of Lodz, Poland, were gassed or burned to death in one night at the concentration camp.

Dr. Sigismund Charles Bendell, the witness, said the Germans had designed a system of trenches with a capacity for the burning of 1000 human bodies an hour. He said he was ordered to work in crematorium No. 4 in August, 1944.

Herded Into Rooms
Testifying that prisoners were herded unknowingly into the gas chambers, Bendell said: "After the gas arrived, doors open leading to two rooms with low ceilings and for the first

time victims in the waiting rooms realize they are going to death.

"They were crowded into the rooms by guards with sticks. The doors close. There are shouts, screams, cries and knocking on the wall. This lasts for two minutes—then complete silence. Five minutes later the doors open, but only after 20 minutes can special workers get near to remove the bodies.

"The bodies fall out and are almost impossible to separate from each other.

"They fought horribly against death.

Bodies Cremated
"The workers begin removing bodies—still warm covered with blood, human excrements. Then the bodies must go to the (Continued on Page Three)



A policeman (center) clubs a rioter on St. Catherine street in Montreal in a clash between law enforcement officers and roving gangs protesting the nation's 16-day-old meat rationing program. (AP Wirephoto).

FIGHTERS SUBDUED MARIN COUNTY FIRES

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1 (AP)—Begrimed servicemen and civilians gained headway today in their fight against widespread timber and brush fires which threatened half a dozen Marin county communities over the weekend.

Rising humidity, a heavy ground fog and slanting winds combined to subdue the flames which has denuded more than 15,000 acres of rolling forest and range land since the first serious outbreaks last Wednesday.

For a time yesterday it appeared that the four small settlements of Lagunitas, Forest Knoll, Woodacre and San Geronimo would be wiped out and many of the 3000 inhabitants evacuated their homes. But the blaze was checked by the 1500 firefighters along the 15-mile front after sweeping within a quarter-mile of the towns' outskirts.

More than 1000 civilians battling the flames were aided by 300 fresh coast guardsmen and 150 soldiers from Hamilton field yesterday.

The navy's plan to use eight torpedo bombers from Alameda based to spread a fire-quenching mist of sulphuric acid compound over the area was abandoned temporarily when fog reduced visibility and made it impossible for the planes to fly within 100 feet of the ground, as they must for the acid to be effective.

Red Point Value On Waste Fats Gets Increase

Oh, girls! More red points! The two red points per pound for waste fats have been upped for four red points, effective today, Monday.

All homemakers in the county are especially urged to save fats from venison and to continue in support of the fats salvage drive.

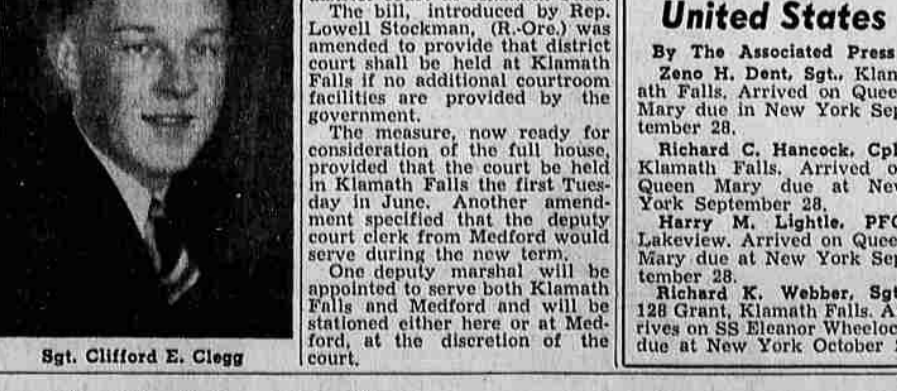
Sgt. Clegg Freed From Jap Prison

Sgt. Clifford E. Clegg, held prisoner of the Japanese since the fall of Bataan, has been liberated from a camp in Japan and is en route home on the hospital ship, Rescue, due to arrive in San Francisco October 5.

A message to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clegg, formerly of 2459 Orchard and now living in Portland, advised of his liberation August 21. The message was sent from Guam.

The message said his physical condition was good and that he had gained 35 pounds since he was freed.

Homeward Bound



Sgt. Clifford E. Clegg

Two Injured In Auto Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Taylor of Bly were slightly injured in an automobile accident early Sunday about a mile out of Bly. The two were taken to Klamath Valley hospital and Mrs. Taylor was dismissed Sunday.

Taylor is still receiving treatment.

Klamath May Get Federal Court

The house judiciary committee has approved an amended bill to fix a term of the U. S. district court at Klamath Falls.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Lowell Stockman, (R-Ore.) was amended to provide that district court shall be held at Klamath Falls if no additional courtroom facilities are provided by the government.

The measure, now ready for consideration of the full house, provided that the court be held in Klamath Falls the first Tuesday in June. Another amendment specified that the deputy court clerk from Medford would serve during the new term.

One deputy marshal will be appointed to serve both Klamath Falls and Medford and will be stationed either here or at Medford, at the discretion of the court.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

OFF for Liverpool, to take ship for home. About all that is known of the ship is that it is a new British-built freighter, making its maiden trip. You have visions of yourself sleeping in a hammock slung in the hold or between decks.

Even at that, you are thankful. With two million Americans clamoring to get home, the demand for shipping space is fabulous.

The boat train for Liverpool leaves Euston station in London at 11 p. m. The sailing hour is set for 9 the next morning. It appears that all the Pullman space is taken—which is a chronic condition here.

That means not only that you will have to sit up; experience tells you that unless you are plastered with luck you will STAND UP—or possibly sit on your luggage in the passageway. There will be no hotel rooms in Liverpool. That goes without saying.

So, as always in a jam, you fall back on the Red Cross. "Yes," a smiling girl tells you, "there is an American billet in Liverpool, and your papers will admit you."

The sun shines again, and you take the day train up—carefully arriving at the station an hour before starting time and by reason of this foresight getting a bit.

OUR compartment—all passenger cars over here are divided into compartments, open either on a passage or out to the platform—is shared by RAF flier going HOME to ORIDA and a couple of British majors who have been in Washington on special duty after long go in Africa. They came at Southampton and their ones are in Liverpool.

They are half Americanized and—smoke American cigarettes, speak a passable version of American slang and are pleasantly impressed by the American way of life.

You meet a surprising number of young Englishmen who have seen to America in one way and another, living there long enough to get acquainted with INDIVIDUAL Americans. They like us, and like our ways. Several million young Americans who have been in England long enough to get to know INDIVIDUAL English people like and respect the English.

INTOLERANCE among peoples arises almost invariably out of thinking of nations AS A WHOLE and endowing them with supposedly typical national characteristics that are apt to be unpleasant.

You can't know nations as a whole. You can only KNOW individuals.

If we are ever to get rid of the intolerance that lies at the ROOT OF WAR, people are going to have to travel widely enough and leisurely enough to come to know INDIVIDUALS of other nations. If travel on such a scale can be made possible for ALL kinds of people, there is a (Continued on Page Three)

Yankee Nurse Aids In Rescue of 500 Persons

PORT SAID, Egypt, Oct. 1 (AP)—A 27-year-old American nurse, one of the last persons to leave the flaming refugee ship Empire Patrol, today told of an eight-hour battle to transfer nearly 500 children and elderly persons to a British aircraft carrier in a rolling sea.

Second Lt. Ariene M. Waldhaus, 314 Coleridge road, Cleveland, O., of the U. S. public health service, modestly underplayed her own role in the rescue work when the 3300-ton ship caught fire Saturday off Port Said while returning refugees to the Dodecanese islands. But officers of the British baby flattop Trouncer praised her efforts.

Heard Screams
Lt. Waldhaus, the only nurse aboard, said fire broke out about noon. Hearing screams from the cabin, one deck below the promenade deck, she ran down and helped take out women and children.

She took one badly-burned woman to the dining room and smeared her body with butter. The woman and her baby later were taken over the side on a stretcher.

The nurse said she was "reasonably sure" all children were rescued. Many passengers jumped overboard before all the life-

BUS DRIVERS GO ON STRIKE: TRAILWAYS HIT

Entire Northwest Feels Effects Of Walkout

Bus drivers for Pacific Trailways went on strike here today in a walkout affecting the entire northwest and travel to The Dalles, Portland, and Boise handled by Pacific Trailways stages was stopped. Bend is the headquarters for Pacific Trailways in the sector of Oregon.

However, Pacific Greyhound lines were still in operation to Portland, El Paso, Salt Lake City, Medford, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Red Ball stages to Lakeview and Burns were still running and the Oregon, California, and Nevada line remained in operation, according to Greyhound officials here.

Trips Cancelled
Bus travelers were forced to cancel planned journeys in a large section of the northwest, as drivers of the two stage companies walked out in a wage dispute.

The 192 drivers of Overland Greyhound's northwest division (Union Pacific) and the 45 drivers of Pacific Trailways (Mount Hood Stages) refused to work under reduced mileage rates.

The companies restored pre-war pay rates today, pending (Continued on Page Three)

LABOR SHORTAGE IN SPUD FIELDS ACUTE

An acute labor shortage in the potato fields was reported Monday as Klamath basin growers faced a dearth of hands for the harvesting of this year's potato crop.

A small number of prisoners of war and Mexican nationals are working in the harvest but the number is not sufficient to materially affect the labor demand, C. A. Henderson, Klamath county agricultural agent, reported.

The acreage is the largest in the history of the basin and late frost has delayed time of starting the harvest, making necessary a greater amount of labor than ever before for the month of October.

A number of Mexicans have been returned to Mexico, further reducing the limited supply of labor. Recent lumber strikes provided some relief but with the resumption of lumber operations this source of help is no longer available. All applicants for work in the farm labor office are immediately taken and this office is swamped with requests that cannot be filled. The direct- (Continued on Page Three)

KLAMATH COMMUNITY FUND - - \$75,000 IS YOUR GOAL - - DIG DEEP!