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RAIL STRIKE SET

U. S. Seeks Open Door In Manchu

Note Sent To China, Russia; Reds Want Joint Control

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—The United States today called for an "open door" policy in Manchuria simultaneously with disclosure of a Russian proposal for joint Soviet-Chinese control of major industries there.

Secretary of State Byrnes made known this government's attitude by releasing a note which he sent to both Chungking and Moscow February 9. In this, he expressed concern about the possible establishment of exclusive Soviet-Chinese control over Manchurian enterprises.

Such a policy, Byrnes wrote, would be "contrary to the principle of the open door" and would constitute clear discrimination against Americans who wanted to join in Manchuria's industrial development.

Joint Control Sought
Along with releasing this communication, Byrnes disclosed the Chinese foreign office note had informed him of the Russian proposal for joint Soviet-Chinese control of specified coal mines, power plants, and other Manchurian industries. China rejected this proposition.

Byrnes said the United States would send a message to Moscow on the Manchurian situation. Preliminary signs indicated the American position would be in support of the Chinese government.

Manchuria is one of the major trouble spots in Russian-American relations. Earlier at a news conference, Byrnes said Gen. Douglas MacArthur's authority as supreme commander at Tokyo extends to the Manchurian area.

Soybeans Gone From Manchuria

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Agriculture Secretary Anderson said today normally we'd expect China to be able to go into Manchuria and take out soybeans for food, but we have reports that those soybeans have been liberated from the area.

Anderson did not elaborate on this reference and added that the reports still must be verified. He said if they are proven true, the result would be a setback to efforts to prevent widespread famine in Asia and Europe.

Russia has occupation troops in Manchuria and Chinese sources and newsmen have reported that the Russians have been removing industrial machinery. These reports have stressed industrial equipment rather than food. The state department has asked both China and Russia for information.

More Canning Sugar Predicted

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Housewives may get a little more sugar for canning this year than last season.

OPA revealed this today in announcing that spare stamp number nine will become valid next Monday for five pounds of sugar. It will be good through October 31.

Officers Seek Mine Shaft Resident After Gun - Point Robbery Of Merrill Store

MERRILL, March 5—Smacking of the old west's daylight holdups by armed bandits on horseback, an attempted robbery sent state police and local authorities to the hills near here Monday in search of a cave man.

George Harvey, about 60, who has lived in a shallow mine shaft for several years since his cabin burned, is being sought by officers. A man identified as Harvey is said to have ridden into town about 2:30 Monday afternoon, dismounting near the Safety store and crossing the street to the Valley Service station.

Warren Walker, about 23, and a returned veteran, was on duty alone. He operates the station with a brother, R. Walker and James Merrifield. The men had given cash to Harvey in the

Plane Delivers Food To Hungry Family In Hills

LA GRANDE, March 5 (AP)—Either John Dockweiler's family developed greater appetites or city officials' estimate of how much food four persons could eat in a winter was at fault.

Dockweiler, caretaker at the snowbound city water intake 32 miles back in the mountains called the city hall to report a critical shortage of everything.

Reaching the station by pack train is a big job; by auto or truck it is practically impossible. City Manager Ed Ford commissioned Eastern Oregon Airways to drop enough bacon, ham, butter, canned milk, beans, sugar and bread to last to mid-May.

This is the first winter the plan of having a man at the intake station all winter has been tried.

Dockweiler phoned he found all the food.

KF Plumbers Go On Strike

A wage dispute between plumbing shops, the plumbers union and the wage adjustment board resulted in a work stoppage starting at 10 a. m. today, affecting all shops in Klamath Falls.

Shops will continue to render emergency plumbing service to their customers during the work stoppage, shop managers stated, and a U. S. conciliator from San Francisco has been called in to help settle the dispute, which has survived settlement efforts.

It was learned that journeyman plumbers have refused to work at the wage rate established by the war labor board. The wage rate establishment was \$1.83 per hour.

On August 27, 1945, the plumbers struck all shops in Klamath Falls for a wage increase of 25 cents per hour. A representative of the U. S. conciliation service sat in at joint meetings when master plumbers and representatives of journeyman plumbers reached an agreement pending the approval of an application which had been submitted to the board for an increase in hourly wage. The men returned to work about September 4. The increase was never approved.

The rate of pay for master plumbers is \$2.50 per hour. Klamath Falls shops affected by the stoppage are, Davis Plumbing, Waters company, Charles B. Leib Plumbing and Heating company, G. C. Motley Plumbing and Heating company, Friesen and Wellman, Patten and Overeen, and Star Plumbing company.

Shop managers today said they hoped an adjustment could be made without extended stoppage of plumbing service.

Oregon Demos Lack Aspirant

PORTLAND, March 5 (AP)—Oregon democrats were without a candidate for the state gubernatorial primaries today as the deadline for filing in the May elections loomed three days ahead.

Three prospective candidates were being urged to seek the top state job, but no party member had announced after George Lavey, Multnomah county party chairman withdrew Sunday due to health.

KRUG OK'D

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—The senate today confirmed Julius A. Krug as secretary of the interior.

Orders On Walkout Reach Here

March 11 Start Seen; GM, Phone Settlements Sought

Orders have been received by rail union officials here, as elsewhere throughout the nation, for a railroad strike set to start at 6 a. m. next Monday, March 11.

The strike is expected to affect the Southern Pacific and Great Northern, the two railroads serving this area.

S. P. is slated to go out Monday and G. N. 24 hours later. A union official here said that official notice and instructions have been received, and unless something happens, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen will strike.

From Detroit, Mich., where first word of the strike was reported, it was stated that Alvanley Johnston, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, have signed the strike orders which have gone out to the workers.

Johnston, reached in Cleveland, said the Detroit News, "would neither confirm nor deny the strike report, but said a press conference has been called for Wednesday at which time an important statement will be issued."

Settlements Sought
Settlement of the long and costly General Motors strike and halting of a threatened nationwide walkout of telephone workers were major items of business on the labor front today.

The government was represented in conferences, in Detroit and in Washington, aimed to end the disputes. In Detroit, members of the National Federation of Telephone Workers to leave their jobs at 3 a. m. (PST) Thursday.

The CIO United Auto Workers' latest move was acceptance of a suggestion by General Motors that the 175,000 strikers take part in a secret ballot on the question of ending the walkout—but the union included a provision.

The union said it would agree to the GM proposal that rank and file workers vote whether they wish to return to their jobs under the company's latest 18 1/2-cent hourly wage increase offer, provided the ballot also included the alternative of submitting issues to a president-appointed arbitrator. The union has held out for 19 1/2 cents an hour boost, which was recommended by a fact-finding board.

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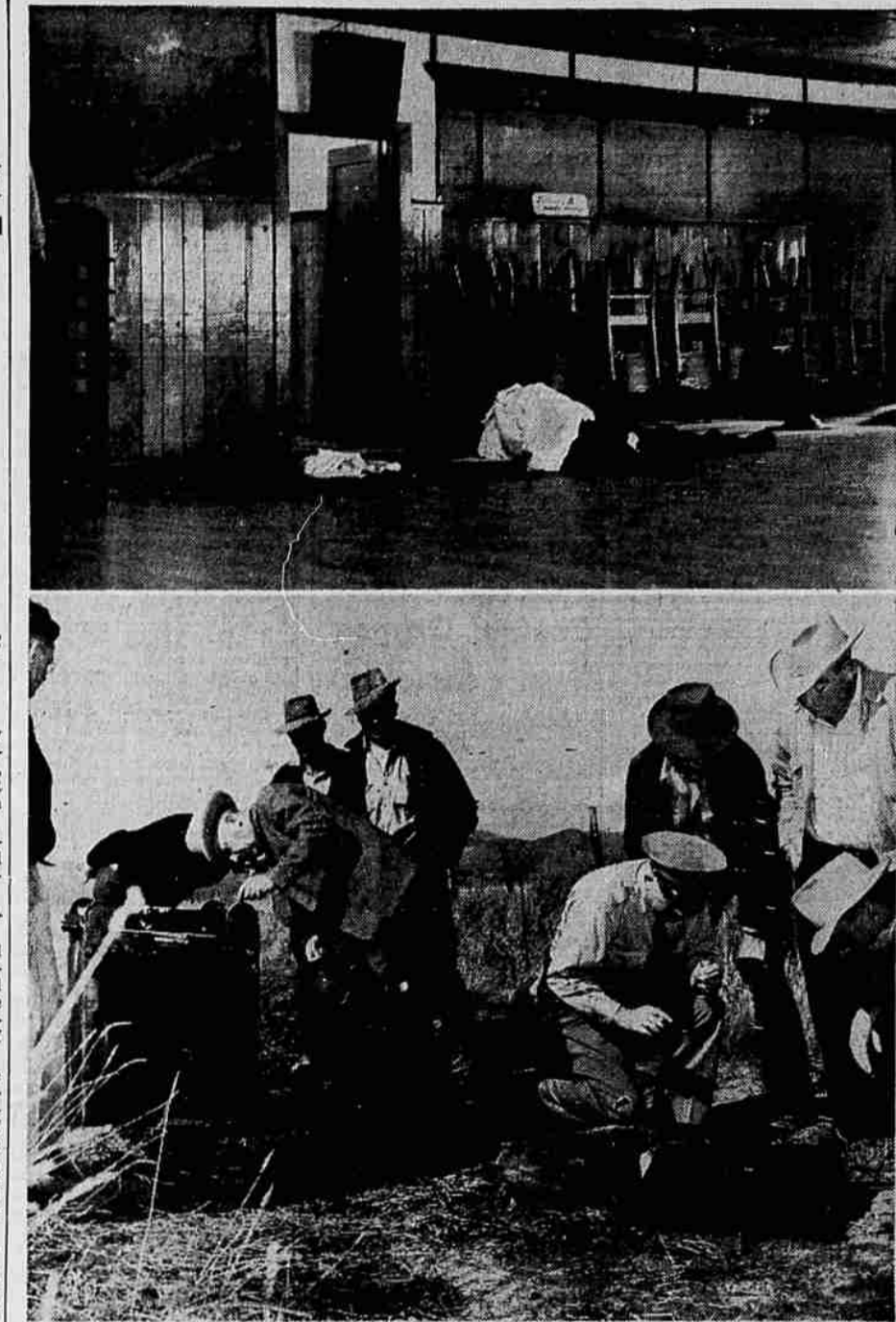
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Photo Aftermath Of Robbery, Killing



Upper picture shows the body of Charles Twigg, janitor, as it lay on the dance floor at El Rancho Tule yesterday for several hours after discovery of his brutal slaying and theft of \$10,000. Below, officers look for fingerprints on one of the two safes taken by the bandits and dumped in a ditch beside the highway. Learning over the safe is Sheriff Lloyd Low of Klamath county. Kneeling at extreme right is Sheriff Ben Richardson of Siskiyou county. Deputy Sheriff Dale Mattoon stands at right, and California State Officer Wilson is kneeling over safe door.

Officers Still Seek Clues In Tavern Killing, Robbery

California state law enforcement officers, aided by sheriff's officers from Klamath county, continued to question a number of persons in an effort to shed some light on the brutal slaying early Monday morning of Charles Twigg, El Rancho Tule janitor, at the northern California tavern.

Police said today that no arrests had been made and no clues were available which would shed suspicion on person or persons who bludgeoned the janitor to death and made off with two safes containing approximately \$10,000. Of that amount, \$2000 was said to be in silver dollars.

An autopsy was conducted at Whitlock's funeral home here at 9:30 this morning by Dr. F. E. Trotman of Merrill who found that Twigg died as the result of a fractured skull.

Dr. Trotman also revealed in examination that Twigg received contusions and abrasions of the right wrist, elbow and left hand, multiple contusions of the scalp and five perforating wounds on the scalp and forehead as well as lacerations of the nose.

A blow over the left ear might have been caused by a hammer although officers did not venture an opinion on just exactly what instrument was used to deal the death blows.

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GOP Offers Housing Bill

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—The house rejected today, 177 to 119, a republican substitute for the administration housing bill, then proceeded toward final action on the trimmed-down administration measure.

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—House Republicans, in complete charge of home building legislation because of a bloc of southern democrats—came forward today with their own substitute for the administration's battered down housing bill.

Ickes To Appear Again On Pauley

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Harold L. Ickes, former interior secretary who touched off the battle over Edwin W. Pauley's nomination as undersecretary of navy, was subpoenaed today to testify again tomorrow before the senate naval committee.

Committee attaches said the subpoena was issued at the request of Senator Tydings (D-Md.), who pledged in the senate earlier today for "fair play" towards Pauley. The committee resumes hearings on the Pauley appointment tomorrow.

Arriving In United States

By The Associated Press
Harold L. Chestnut, Sgt., Klamath Falls, arrived on Marine Adder due in Seattle March 4.

Francis E. Brown, Cpl., arrived on Admiral Eberle due in Seattle March 5.

Franco Says He'll Stay Put

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Generalissimo Franco of Spain has served notice on the United States that he has no intention of leaving office under allied pressure.

A state department official reported today that Franco, apparently anticipating the Anglo-American-French declaration against his government, set forth his stand in a note received here 24 hours before the three power statement was issued yesterday.

The note, containing vigorous assertions that Spain could run its own affairs without outside intervention, was delivered at the state department by Juan Francisco De Cardenas, Spanish ambassador.

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—American officials pinned their hopes today for overthrowing Spain's Franco government almost entirely on the possibility that the Spanish army might force the generalissimo to yield to a caretaker regime.

3 Yanks Punished For Rape In Korea

SEOUL, March 5 (AP)—Three U. S. soldiers have been sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor for the rape of Korean women, army headquarters announced today. A fourth was sentenced to 20 years.

Names were not announced. They will be confined in the federal penitentiary at McNeil Island, Wash.

Announcement of the recent convictions followed a message from General Hodge to his troops deploring the rising number of "incidents" involving Americans.

Morse Rebukes Proposers Of Case Bill Filibuster

WASHINGTON, March 5 (AP)—Senator Morse (R-Ore.) said today "certain senators, including myself" had been approached by "labor sources" on the idea of a filibuster against the Case strike control bill.

"I made very clear," Morse added to reporters, "that I consider a filibuster unconscionable and against the public interest whether applied to the Case bill or anything else."

The Oregon senator is strongly opposed to the Case bill, which labor leaders say would take away the right to strike under circumstances now considered legal. The bill, sponsored by Rep. Case (R-S. D.) already has been passed by the house.

Red Desire For Power Viewed

Understanding With Russia Held Vital To Prevent War

By ERNEST B. VACCARO
FULTON, Mo., March 5 (AP)—Winston Churchill called today for a virtual Anglo-American military alliance with a blunt warning against what he termed Russia's desire for "indefinite expansion" of its "power and doctrines."

Asserting that "a shadow has fallen upon the scenes so lately lighted by the allied victory," the former British prime minister declared in an address prepared for delivery at Westminster college here:

"Nobody knows what Soviet Russia and its communist international organization intends to do in the immediate future, or what are the limits, if any, to their expansive and proselyting tendencies."

Understanding Needed
Britain's war-time leader gravely declared that prevention of another great war "can only be achieved by reaching now, in 1946, a good understanding on all points with Russia under the general authority of the United Nations organization."

While he said he does not believe that the Soviet union desires war, Churchill attributed to the Russians a desire for "the fruits of war and the indefinite expansion of their power and doctrines."

"From what I have seen of our Russian friends and allies during the war, I am convinced that there is nothing they admire so much as strength, and there is nothing for which they have less respect than for military weakness," said the veteran statesman.

He cautioned against releasing the secret of the atomic bomb at this time.

"Only For Myself"
Churchill, introduced by President Truman who accompanied him here from Washington, said he wanted to make clear that he spoke "only for myself" and that he had no official mission.

Members of Churchill's party told reporters privately during the train trip westward, however, that Churchill had discussed his speech in advance with the Earl of Halifax, retiring British ambassador. They added that it was unlikely the former prime minister would speak out on so important a subject if he thought it might prove an irritant to British Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin. They said too that Mr. Truman was given an opportunity to look over the text last night.

Churchill, leader of the Atlee government's loyal opposition, asserted that the United States already has a permanent defense agreement with Canada and added that "this principle" should be "extended to all the British commonwealths with full reciprocity."

He advocated "continuance of the intimate relationships between our military advisers, leading to common study of potential dangers, similarity of weapons and manuals of instruction, and interchange of officers and personnel at colleges and joint use of all naval and air bases in the possession of either country all over the world."

Eventually, the eloquent Britisher continued, "there may come the principle of common citizenship, but that we may be content to leave to destiny, whose outstretched arm so many of us can clearly see."

Turning to the atomic bomb, Churchill said that in view of the uncertain world situation, it would be "wrong and imprudent" for the United States, Britain and Canada to confide the secret to the UNO while that agency is "still in its infancy."

"No one in any country," he observed, "has been less well in their beds because this knowledge and the method and the raw materials to apply are at present largely retained in American hands."

"I do not believe we should have slept so soundly had the positions been reversed and some communist or neo-fascist state monopolized, for the time being, these dread agencies."

WEATHER

March 5
Max. (March 4) 50. Min. 33
Precipitation last 24 hours. Trace
Stream year to date 10.28
Normal 8.25 Last 5.85
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The senate labor committee appointed a seven-man subcommittee yesterday to rewrite the measure and consider it along with other pending labor bills. Chairman Murray (D-Mont.) said most of the committee is opposed to any legislation that would "penalize or strait jacket" labor.