

In The Day's News

WEATHER
Max (April 29) 44 Min. 41
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Speed For Peace Program Urged

Mass Picket Tactics Used By Unionists

Massed picketing was employed by telephone unionists this morning when non-striking workers went back on the job at the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company plant here.

About 25 pickets were on hand, 25 of them marching in close formation around the front door, and the others picketing a rear door and a nearby telephone company warehouse back of Penney's store. Most of the pickets were women.

Nineteen workers went through the picket lines. This was one less than on Monday, when altogether 20 employees were on the job, including 17 new returnees. One of the Monday returnees failed to show up on his job today.

No Disorder

There was no disorder at the doors. Pickets directed cat-calls at the returning workers, calling out the traditional "cats" as the men went into the building.

One of the girls in the line handed out mimeographed sheets denouncing San Francisco police attack against telephone pickets.

A union representative from Portland was here to help plan union resistance to any back-to-work movement at the Klamath plant.

Statement Made

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the group of returning employees left a statement with The Herald and News which hinted at charges of improper handling of the strike ballot which preceded the work tie-up. In addition, the statement said: "We telephone employees who supported the strike in good faith for three weeks have returned to work because we cannot be a part of sabotage and violence that is now sweeping the nation." It was signed: "A spokesman for the group."

By noon today, the number of persons in the picket line had dwindled to six.

Picketing incidents included:

One woman in the line called to observers that the "operators are still out 100 per cent."

Another woman in the line was stopped by a little girl, evidently her daughter, who obtained some small change from her and planted a big kiss on her cheek.

"She's after money—so am I," remarked the picket.

Marching Around And Around



Telephone unionists are shown in a mass picketing maneuver at the front of the Klamath office of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company this morning. Other pickets marched in an alley at the side of the building, and in the alley between 8th and 9th where the company has a warehouse. The picket line was increased after 17 new returnees went back on the job Monday. Sixteen of these showed up today. Three previously had gone to work, making a total of 19 back on the job.

Youths Escape Death In Wreck

Three youths miraculously escaped serious injury at 9:15 o'clock last night when their 1936 sedan crashed into the rear footboard of a Great Northern diesel switch engine at the Altamont drive crossing, overturned and landed on its wheels 50 feet away.

Treated in the emergency room at Hillside hospital were: Louis Young and his brother Bill, both of 243 Angle street, and a third passenger, "Bud" Stingham, 323 Front. They were dismissed shortly after 10 p.m. All three suffered abrasions and minor cuts.

According to Great Northern sources, the car was traveling north on Altamont drive toward Klamath Falls when the switch engine, No. 112, was hit. Engineer was J. F. Smith and switch foreman was J. M. Casey. Great Northern officials said the car was traveling at 30 m.p.h. at the crossing. The car was badly damaged. Driver of the machine was Louis Young, to whom the car is registered.

Church School Release Time Discussed At Meet

Release time of week-day church schools in the city school system was thoroughly discussed at a meeting of both boards of education in session last night at Klamath Union high school. Church organization representatives appearing before boards 1 and 2, representing elementary and high school respectively, were the Rev. David F. Barnett, the Rev. Victor Phillips, the Rev. S. M. Topness, Percy Murray and K. A. Moore.

Better integration of school and church activities were also discussed and an extended study program has been instituted to investigate the administrative aspect of such a program, according to Superintendent Arnold L. Gralapp.

Each member was given a pamphlet issued by the International Council of Religious Education on the week-day church schools, which sets forth a 10-point platform: a year of planning before launching the program, all religious groups working closely together, parents accepting their responsibility for the school and supporting it in every way, public school officials cooperating heartily without controlling, a representative and reliable week-day church school board continuing only on the job, a course of education in religion as well planned and implemented to its purpose as the courses in the public schools are to their teachers as well trained for teaching religion as the public school teachers are for their work in all relationships.

Stalin told him at their secret Kremlin meeting two weeks ago, Marshall said, that the Big Four powers might be able to compromise all their major differences, "after they had exhausted themselves in dispute."

Mother Beats Baby To Death

BELLAIRE, Kas., April 29 (AP)—The coroner's office today listed the death of a 34-year-old mother and her baby daughter as murder and suicide, and Sheriff Clarence Duntz said the woman also had attempted to slay her five other children.

Four of the children were hospitalized, one in critical condition. The mother, Mrs. Mabel Robinson, was found drowned in a creek near her home.

Thirteen-year-old Lewis Leroy Robinson, the eldest child, was credited with saving the lives of four of his sisters. Duntz said the youth awakened yesterday and found his mother beating his 10-year-old sister Shirley with a poker.

"The boy tried to stop her and she hit him twice. He pushed her against the stove and he and Shirley ran to a neighbor's house for aid," the sheriff said.

Tom Robinson, the father, was working at Abilene, Kas. He is a truck driver.

Price Slashes Gain In State

The 10 per cent price slash on retail merchandise was gaining favor among merchants of more Oregon communities today as the Multnomah group of 41 stores continued attracting crowds of shoppers.

In Portland, two neighborhood grocers and a downtown cafe positioned at general reductions of 10 per cent, and one book and gift store advertised a "President Truman sale."

Elsewhere in the Portland suburbs and nearby communities, others were joining in the price-cut plan. Willard Hardman's Tigar hardware, the Mathias store in Portland, and Penner's grocer at Mt. Angel announced the slash effective today.

Truax Final Rites Slated Thursday

Final rites for Dr. Lawson L. Truax, pioneer Klamath physician who died at Gold Beach early Sunday morning, will be held from the First Presbyterian church at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon with the Rev. David Barnett officiating.

Graveside services at Klamath Memorial park will be under the direction of Calvary Commandery, Knights Templar, and a honorary pallbearers will be Knights Templar in full uniform. Ward's Klamath Funeral home is in charge.

Truckers Agents Discuss Tie-Up

PORTLAND, April 29 (AP)—AFL Teamsters and Commercial Truckers' agents were in conference again today in an attempt to settle the wage dispute which has halted hauling here for over two weeks.

U. S. Labor Commissioner Guy V. Lintner reported after yesterday's four-hour discussion that the two groups were making progress.

Courtright To Study In Paris

George Courtright, at present a member of the faculty at Chilloguin high school, will leave soon for Paris where he will take work for a degree in philosophy from the University of Paris.

Courtright, son of Superintendent and Mrs. B. G. Courtright of Klamath Agency, is a graduate of St. Louis university.



Getting all polished up for the day, right on the nose at 9 o'clock, are Dave Beach's shoes with Johnny Finley on the business end of the job. Johnny appeared too occupied with his job to give the 9 o'clock Special a nod.

Proposed Up In Telephone Rate Outlined

Proposed changes in telephone rates, sought by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in a filing with the state public utilities commission, would raise most, but not all, rates in Klamath Falls and vicinity.

This table shows the principal proposed changes in monthly rates:

Present	Proposed
Business Individual	\$4.75
Business Two-Party	\$6.25
Residence Individual	3.25
Residence Two-Party	4.75
Residence Four-Party	6.25
Suburban Business	3.75
Suburban Residence	2.75
Farmer Line Business	4.75
Farmer Line Residence	3.75
Extensions-Business	1.99
Extensions-Residence	1.75

The company proposes to raise the rates for service connections; for a business connection, new telephone from \$2.50 at present to \$6; telephone already in place, from \$1.50 to \$2.50; for a home phone, new connection, \$3 to \$5; telephone already in but not working, \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Some intrastate long distance rates would be reduced. Station to station calls from Klamath Falls to Portland would be cut from \$1.20 to \$1.10.

Oil-Slick Seen Near River Mouth

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 29 (CP)—A large oil-slick, a quarter of a mile southwest of Steveston, B. C., at the mouth of the Fraser river in the Gulf of Georgia, has been spotted by searchers for the missing Trans-Canada Airlines plane which vanished last night with 15 persons aboard.

"We have spotted an oil-slick southwest of Steveston," said Geo. Williamson, an executive of the TCA.

It is a short distance from the Fraser river mouth, and extends over an area of one to two acres, searchers reported.

Rescue Squads

Land and sea rescue squads have been dispatched to the scene, 10 miles south of the Sea Island airport.

If the oil-slick marks the death-plunge of the big plane, carrying 15 passengers and a crew of three, the crash may have occurred within minutes of the last report received at the control tower at 11:13 p. m., PDT, last night, western time.

There is a possibility, however, that the oil may have been dumped by fish boats. Steveston is a former Japanese fishing village, and the home port of many fishermen. Earlier reports indicated the plane had flown over Vancouver Island districts, many residents awakened from their sleep, hearing a "pealing" sound from the engines, first loud and then fading "almost coming to a halt."

Others reported hearing a sound like "thunder" off the coast close to the island mining town of Nanaimo. It is approximately 60 miles across the straits from Steveston to Nanaimo.

"There is little we can say at this time," said William E. Powell, assistant-general manager, TCA, Winnipeg, shortly after his arrival here by special plane from the east.

He was accompanied by E. W. Stull, operations manager, western region, Leithbridge, and Herbert Seagrims, director of flight operations, Winnipeg.

"First searchers to return from the sea and land hunt earlier reported 'nothing sighted.'"

Vandenberg Backs U.S. Red Policy

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) declared today that the United States "cannot wait too long" for a final European peace program if it finds agreement is "beyond reasonable reach."

Vandenberg, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, said in a statement he agrees with Secretary of State Marshall's declaration in his radio report to the nation last night that this country cannot "surrender basic principles in payment for compromise and expediency."

Faced Realities

"Secretary Marshall has honestly faced realities," Vandenberg declared.

"He is right in frankly stating that we and the world cannot indefinitely permit disintegrating forces to threaten sound results we must still strive for a united program."

"But if it is beyond reasonable reach we cannot wait too long for a peace program which at least unites those who can agree."

Vandenberg apparently was lending support to the implication left by Marshall in his radio address that if Russia does not soon move toward some basic agreement with her western allies, the United States may seek to organize the peace without the Soviets.

Plane Missing On Flight

EUGENE, Ore., April 29 (AP)—A light plane with two men aboard, flying from Eugene to Portland, was missing today and a lifting ceiling was awaited by search planes.

La Verne Hughes, 21, Portland, a widely known ski enthusiast, was a passenger on the plane piloted by Thomas Miller, Milwaukie salesman.

The CAA reported the plane left Medford at 6 p. m. yesterday bound for Eugene. When it failed to arrive, all emergency landing fields were checked without result.

Low ceilings and light rain were reported along his route.

The plane, a yellow and red Aerona, was equipped with a radio according to John Inman of Hillsboro from whom Miller rented the plane for a business trip to Medford.

The CAA notified the air rescue service at McChord field, Tacoma. Hughes also a pilot, was twice the Pacific northwest junior four-way ski champion. In 1941 he won Oregon's outstanding junior ski speedster. Since then he has competed in senior events throughout the west.

Dr. Mahoney Dies At Home

Dr. William J. Mahoney, C. M., president of St. John's university in Brockton, N. Y., and brother of Justice of the Peace J. A. Mahoney of Klamath Falls, died suddenly at his home Monday morning. He was about 47 years old.

His death was reported this morning by plane for Brooklyn to attend his brother's funeral Thursday morning at St. John's church, Brooklyn. Lamm Townsend, attorney, Brooklyn, is expected to preside in justice court in Judge Mahoney's absence.

In June Dr. Mahoney would have been ordained 25 years. Before going to St. John's university he was dean of education at Niagara university, Rochester, N. Y.

The only survivors are Judge Mahoney and a sister, Mrs. Kate McLoughlin of Brooklyn, whom Judge Mahoney will visit while in the east.

May Mistrial Move Denied

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Federal Judge Henry A. Schweinhaut today rejected a defense request for a mistrial in the war fraud case against Andrew J. May, wartime chairman of the house military committee, and three others.

Charles J. Margiotti, defense counsel, sought the mistrial during testimony of George W. Franklin, Huntington, W. Va., wholesale dealer who had bought lumber from the Cumberland lumber company in which May was interested.

Government prosecutors asked Franklin whether May had told him who owned the Cumberland firm, a Kentucky concern. Franklin replied that the former Kentucky congressman himself had never spoken regarding Cumberland ownership but that May's nephew, A. J. (Little Jack) May, a former manager of the firm, had told him he and his uncle were the owners.

Atom Workers Demand Probe

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—Britain's chemical workers union demanded today a "most thorough-going" inquiry into cases of sexual impotence reported among workers at a secret atomic research station operated by the government in northern Ireland.

The union also called for government investigation of what it termed "all kinds of baffling sicknesses which are today plagues the lives of workers employed in plants using new solvents."

A spokesman said the union had reports of about twenty cases of sexual impotence. He said the union was not yet prepared to say the workers were "completely sterile."

"The loss of sexual power, he added, has had 'serious psychological effects' in the workers' homes.

Cool Weather Basin Prospect

More cool weather is in prospect for the basin area today as gray clouds hovering overhead gave a hint of rain. The mercury was in the 50's most of Monday with a maximum reading of 62 degrees in mid-afternoon.

Minimum temperature last night was 44, and the CAA weather station reported only a trace of precipitation for Monday. The state weather bureau forecast for Klamath Falls and vicinity indicated clouds and possible rain tonight and Wednesday.

Plane To Try Highway Takeoff

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 29 (AP)—Two Spokane fliers who ran out of gas and landed on the Pacific highway prepared today to attempt a take-off from the road north of here.

The private patrolmen said they would block off the highway a quarter-mile north of Ridgefield while the pair attempted the flight.

The fliers, Edwin D. Carlson and Lloyd J. Olson, were en route from Tacoma to Spokane, via Vancouver, when they ran out of gas yesterday afternoon. They came down low, spotted a clear section of highway, and landed.

The plane was pulled off the road into a service station over night. A truck carried aviation gasoline out to the plane this morning.

Oregon Town Razed By Fire

DETROIT, Ore., April 29 (AP)—A new theatre and three other buildings were destroyed by fire yesterday as flames swept through a third of the business district.

Forest service firemen, the only organized fire protection here, estimated damage in excess of \$75,000.

Frank Wilson, owner of the theatre, said the building was valued at \$15,000 and lost by the Baldwin dry goods store was placed at a similar figure. The Detroit Food market, owned by Raymond Scovley, and a bakery owned by two former Portland men, were leveled.

Origin of the fire was not determined immediately, forest service headquarters reported.

Ships Collide In Dutch River

FLUSHING, Holland, April 29 (AP)—The British freighter Merganser collided late last night with the 7000-ton U. S. steamer Norwalk in the Dutch coast guard area near Antwerp. The Dutch coast guard said today.

The 3200-ton British ship was beached with the help of other vessels off the village of Doel, near Antwerp, after first messages: "Ship sinking; crew safe."

One British seaman was killed and another injured seriously. Shipping circles said damage to the Norwalk Victory appeared to be slight and there was a fair chance of saving the Merganser.

Bevin In Middle About Conference

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin returned today from the foreign ministers conference in Moscow and told newsmen that "I am not unduly pessimistic, neither am I optimistic" about international affairs.

"I ask the British people to have patience," he said on landing at Heathrow airport. "We shall reconcile our differences."

Lewis Talks New Working Contract

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Accompanied by about a dozen of his top aides, John L. Lewis strode into a conference with coal operators today to begin negotiations looking to a new working contract for his United Mine Workers.

After meeting for about half an hour, the conferees recessed to resume discussions in the afternoon.

Copper Import Duty Gets Long Delay

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—President Truman signed today legislation suspending until March 31, 1948, the four-cents-a-pound import duty on copper.

Rep. Patterson (R-Conn.) who introduced the bill, said it is designed to attract imports and overcome a copper shortage which threatens closure of brass and copper fabricating plants.

Although conceding that domestic mining cannot at present supply the demand for copper, congressmen from western states sought to limit suspension of the import duty to one year with an extension only if the shortage continued.

WHENEVER Europe is nearly enough starved, when there is no longer any visible hope of any thing better, Russia is no longer likely to impose communism on Europe by FORCE.

When that time comes, Europe will turn to communism as individuals who are without hope for the future turn to suicide.

SO, you see, it may be that what Russia is up to is WAITING and STALLING until chaos is complete, anticipating that when this moment of communism will sweep through Europe as a prairie fire sweeps through dry grass.

SECRETARY MARSHALL makes it plain that in his opinion we must permit ourselves to be stalled until chaos has time to get here.

"I believe that action can not await compromise through exhaustion. Whatever action is necessary to meet these pressing problems must be taken without delay."

He adds: "The patient is sinking while the doctors deliberate."

THERE is an interesting and highly significant minor development in the news today. President Truman this morning signed a law suspending until July 31, 1949, the four-cents-per-pound import duty on COPPER.

Copper is one of the things we have always had plenty of. There have been times in the past when it almost seemed we had too much of it.

We are realizing now that we haven't ENOUGH copper to meet present needs. Hence this law to let it come in from abroad duty free.

THE statisticians tell us that in the future we must look increasingly to other sources for oil. Research scientists are working on processes to make oil out of coal. They know how already. What they are after is a cheaper way to do it.

The period in our history that created oil barons and timber barons and steel and copper principalities and that made lucky prospectors nigger-rich overnight is slowly passing.

Berkeley Fire Still Mystery

BERKELEY, Calif., April 29 (AP)—Fire of a mysterious origin, which apparently started in a street, caused damage estimated at \$200,000 in mid-town Berkeley last night.

Fire Chief William Meinheit, who provided the estimate, said the fire burned out the Santa Fe railway ticket office, quarters of a fur company, florist, and barber shop, and the Berkeley office of the Oakland Tribune.

The businesses were located in a flatiron building known as Shattuck square at Shattuck avenue and Addison street in the heart of the business area, two blocks from the edge of the University of California campus. Berkeley is across the bay from San Francisco.

Bicycle-Truck Accident Fatal

NEWARK, N. J., April 29 (AP)—A new bicycle had been bought for 7-year-old Alan Tabankin, but it was to remain carefully stored. His parents said, until he was listed on the school honor roll.

Alan rushed home yesterday to announce that he had made it. His name had been included on the honor roll. Jubilantly he rolled out the new red-and-white cycle and started down the street.

A lumber truck backing toward the curb struck the bicycle crushing its gleaming frame and killing the boy.

Nine-Year-Old In Murder Trial

PORT TALBOT, Wales, April 29 (AP)—A nine-year-old boy was committed for trial on a murder charge today in the drowning of a four-year-old playmate, Glyndwr Parfitt.

The name of the accused boy was not made public. Under British law children above the age of eight may be held accountable for crimes, although severe sentences have been imposed rarely on children in the last 100 years.

Senate Committee Approves \$350 Million Relief Bill

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The senate foreign relations committee unanimously approved today legislation authorizing \$350,000,000 relief for five European areas and China.

Chairman Vandenberg (R-Mich.) announced the committee had declined to specify where relief funds will be spent, but would include in a formal report a state department statement on this question.

He said the statement will indicate that relief will be provided for Italy (including also Trieste), Hungary, Austria, Poland, Greece, and China.

The senate group acted as the house resumed debate on the relief measure.

Test Votes

The house expected to settle in quick test votes whether the relief bill be curbed or cut, but Chairman Eaton (R-N.J.) of the foreign affairs committee expressed belief there was more vocal than voting opposition.