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3 Convicts Escape Prison Camp

Phone Tie-up Enters Sixth Week Today

NEW YORK, May 12 (AP)—The coast-to-coast telephone strike entered its sixth week today with an estimated 185,000 members of unions affiliated with the National Federation of Telephone Workers still on strike.

Their refusal to cross picket lines of still striking unions kept many thousands away from their jobs, but in San Francisco the CIO American Communications association, declaring the NFWW strike "has been broken" announced that its 12,000 members in Northern California and Nevada would return to work.

Latest Demand

At St. Louis the Southwestern Bell Telephone company announced the latest demand of the Southwestern Telephone Workers' union (Ind.) was "not acceptable." The union last night asked for a \$5 weekly increase, with allowances bringing it to approximately \$6, plus action on 20 of its original 86 contract demands.

The company early yesterday had rejected the union's demand for an across-the-board hike of \$6, with other adjustments, saying it would cost \$11.65 per week for employers to meet the demand.

The 15,000-member Ohio Federation of Telephone Workers declined a company offer of a \$4 across-the-board increase.

Negotiations Resume

Negotiations will be resumed in Washington late today between Western Electric company and the National Association of Telephone Equipment Workers.

While picket lines maintained by the equipment workers kept many thousands off the job in many places, the New York local announced it was removing pickets today from the Bell Telephone laboratories in Manhattan, where 1000 members of the telephone laborers' union are returning to work under a \$4 weekly increase wage agreement.

Winnie Judd Recaptured

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 12 (AP)—Mad trunk murderer Winnie Ruth Judd was captured today about 12 hours after she escaped from the state hospital for the insane.

The sheriff's office said she was seized near the exclusive Arizona Biltmore hotel, luxurious winter resort on the edge of the desert north of the city.

She was being brought to the sheriff's office in a patrol car.

This was the third escape for the woman who killed two women friends in 1931 and shipped their dismembered bodies to Los Angeles in a trunk.

Her escape from a second floor cell-room was discovered by an attendant at 12:30 a. m. She was last seen at 9 p. m.

Dr. Larson used the word "convivances" in explaining escape of the 41-year-old murderer.

He said she was believed to have used a key which opened two doors, one on the second floor—which allowed her to descend a stairway—and another on the ground level.

A gate on the north side of the hospital grounds was found open, Dr. Larson said.



This is a common sight up and down Main street, washing off the windows in preparation for the day's business. The 9 o'clock Special picture man snapped Marvin Furlow welding the brush at Dick Reeder's this morning.

Helicopter Crashes, Burns During Demonstration



A helicopter, damaged while making a dive during a demonstration for high school pupils at Floyd Bennett field, New York, burst into flames on airport apron. Craft lost tail assembly when it hit ground during a dive. Lt. (jg) David Gershwin, of Brooklyn, managed to get the craft into the air after crash and pulled it away from the pupils before this crash. He was unhurt.

No Accidents Over Week-End

With hundreds of cars on the highways and roads of this area over the week-end, state police reported no major accidents and few arrests.

Three persons were lodged in the county jail, two charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, Karl August List, Washington state resident, was arrested on highway 97 near Worden, late Sunday night, and charged with drunk driving, his wife Sadie charged with being drunk on a public highway. Both were slated to appear in justice court Monday afternoon. Also facing a drunk driving charge this afternoon is Ben Hamilton, crane operator living at 5721 Independence. He was arrested on St. 6th near the city limits at 1 a. m. Sunday. Hamilton posted \$150 bail.

A lumber truck overturned near the junction at the Highway cafe and lost its load but no personal injuries.

Acheson Quits; Lovett Named

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Dean Acheson resigned today as undersecretary of state and President Truman appointed Robert A. Lovett to replace him June 30.

Lovett, a New York banker, is a former assistant secretary of war.

In disclosing the changes, the White House made public a letter in which Mr. Truman wrote Acheson of his "great regret" that "I can not again ask you to put aside your desire to return to private life."

Acheson has long sought to resign and return to private law practice.

Presidential Press Secy. Charles G. Rose announced Mr. Truman's selection of Lovett as Acheson's successor.

Lovett's nomination will be sent to the senate some time this week.

Preacher Held On Charge Of Indecent Exposure

William Henry Nagel, 40, who gave his occupation as preacher and funds solicitor for European war relief, is held in the county jail after being charged with indecent exposure before a 10-year-old local girl on High street yesterday afternoon.

Nagel was located by Circuit Judge David H. Vandenberg, after he had been described by Ewanna Box company.

He said that he had stopped the little girl on High street, a little more than a block from her home, and asked her what street he was on. She told him and he asked if she had been to a picture show, and she said "yes."

Then, according to the statement, he opened the overcoat he was wearing and exposed himself to the girl. He asked her where she lived and learning that her house was only a block away, buttoned his overcoat and left, walking back toward the business district.

The girl, thoroughly frightened at almost hysterical, ran up the street to the Vandenberg residence, and told the judge of the encounter.

The judge came down the hill and in company of DeLoes Mills went looking for the man answering the girl's description. They spotted him at 7th and Main and saw him go into Louis Polin's store.

In the store Judge Vandenberg approached the man and asked him what he was doing a few moments before up on the hill.

The Rev. Nagel answered that he was a stranger in town and he did not know of any hill. He also said that he was a preacher and had to get to a certain church here in town to preach a sermon in 15 minutes.

Judge Vandenberg insisted that Nagel go to the police station, saying that if he wasn't the man he was looking for he would get to his church in plenty of time for his sermon.

At the station Rev. Nagel was confronted by the little girl and at first denied having seen her, but she positively identified him and Rev. Nagel asked the officers if "it would go any easier on him if he made a statement."

Al Brandt, the court reporter, was called in and took down the preacher's statement.

The little girl had been to a movie with another girl her own age, and the children had separated just before the encounter with Nagel.

Booked at the county jail for investigation, the minister gave his home residence as 1423 NE 60th street, Portland, and said that he had come to Klamath Falls last Tuesday to solicit funds for European war relief. He was supposed to preach at Immanuel Baptist church last night, coming from the Portland office of the United Evangelical action.

Rev. Nagel said that he was a native of Cassel, Germany. He was well-dressed and apparently well educated.

The district attorney's office today said that no specific charge had been placed against Rev. Nagel, pending a thorough investigation of the man.

Kootenai River Floods Recede

BONNERS FERRY, Idaho, May 12 (AP)—The swollen Kootenai river, which crested yesterday afternoon without spilling over 32-foot dikes protecting the city of Bonners Ferry last night, coming from the Portland office of the United Evangelical action.

Observers said the threat that the river might top the dikes is past but there is still danger of added seepage flooding as the dikes soften.

The stream crested at 31.31 feet.

QUAKE

ROME, May 12 (AP)—Calabria and other parts of southern Italy were recovering today from the effects of an earthquake which rocked the area yesterday, killing three persons, injuring 40 and causing wide damage.

Sidney King Quits Director Job

SALEM, May 12 (AP)—Sidney King, director of the safety division of the state motor vehicle department, has resigned effective June 1 to become public relations director for the Oregon State Motor association, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrel, Jr., announced today.

King, who has been employed in the state department for eight years, will edit the Oregon Motorists, publication of the motor association. He is a former Eugene newspaperman.

WEATHER		
Max. (May 11)	87	Min. 40
Precipitation last 24 hours	0.0	
Stream run to date	7.24	
Last year	11.37	Normal 19.47
Forecast	Partly cloudy.	

Three California convicts, one of them a lifer, escaped from the Goose Lake prison camp south of Lakeview at 11 o'clock last night, kidnapping a civilian California highway worker and stealing his car, according to the sheriff's office at Alturas.

The kidnaped man, Jack Means, was released in Reno early today, and his car abandoned there.

The three escapees are Russell Hays, 39, serving a life sentence as a habitual criminal; William H. Evans, 33, serving 1 to 14 years for forgery, and Frank H. Schultz, 34, serving 10 years for attempted robbery.

Means, after his release, told Reno police that they told him they were headed for Los Angeles. The men are believed to be unarmed except for a piece of lead pipe and some rocks with which they threatened Means.

Means was unhurt and his car, a 1947 sedan, undamaged.

The three convicts came into Means' dormitory room at the camp about 11 o'clock last night, according to the Alturas officer, and threatened Means with the pipe. They forced him to go with them and took his car, one of the men driving.

They rammed the car through the gate of a heavy fence around the prison camp and are believed to have headed directly over rural roads into northern Nevada.

The Alturas-Lakeview highway was blocked both above and below the break-out, and all law enforcement agencies in the area notified.

State police here got a radio message about the escape, along with descriptions of the men.

Prisoners at the Goose Lake camp are engaged in road work, and are not locked in cells at night, but sleep in dormitory rooms inside a fence. Guards control the prisoners at half-hour intervals. It was between 10:30 p. m. and the 11 p. m. check that the three men left their rooms and went to Means' room.

After Means was released he drove the car to the Reno police station and informed police that the three escapees were on foot in Reno.

Butte Valley Gym Approved

Construction of a new gymnasium, completely athletic school, and auditorium for Butte Valley high school, Dorris, Calif., has been authorized by the office of housing expediter of California, Howard Perrin, Klamath Falls.

Bids for the construction will be called for at an early date Perrin said and his office is proceeding with plans and specifications for the building which will be a single-story structure with a full complement of lockers and showers as required by the student body.

A full-size basketball floor is included in the plans and seating capacity for the gym is 300 spectators. Provision is also being made for a large stage and a full complement of lockers and showers as required by the student body.

"Laugh" Case Gets Retrial

PAWTUCKET, R. I., May 12 (AP)—Samuel Hyder heard—without a smile—today that he's going to have a new trial for the laugh which brought him a court fine of \$4.50.

The 57-year-old mill worker, whose friends described his laugh as "heartily and peeling off in high-pitched waves," was grin-faced as he told Judge William M. Connell before a crowded courtroom that he didn't understand why he was arrested.

Hyder was fined on a charge of "revelling" after his arrest last week by Police Chief Leonard Mills who said Hyder kept laughing on a downtown street when "there was nothing to laugh about." Mills said the laughter was "raucous and disturbing."

The judge ordered a reopening of the case on May 22 after Hyder's counsel, argued that Hyder does not read English and "was unaware of the meaning or the consequences of his plea of guilt."

Shanghai Fights Inflation Move

NANKING, May 12 (AP)—Government circles predicted today that the executive Yuan, meeting tomorrow, would restore the cost of living index in Shanghai.

Three circles said the restoration would be retroactive to May 1 and would go into effect immediately it was approved.

Thousands of Shanghai Chinese have demonstrated against soaring prices and frozen wage levels by storming rice shops and walking off their jobs. Restoration of the cost of living index, suspended in February in an effort to check inflation, would adjust wages in line with price rises.

Marines Leave China Stations

PEIPING, May 12 (AP)—The U. S. marines' fifth regiment completed its withdrawal today from Peiping, which 19 months ago greeted the first division leathernecks with almost hysterical excitement.

The last group of 500 men left for the port of Chinwangtao by special train and road convoy.

There was little ceremony as the marines boarded antiquated, uncomfortable coaches. American Consul Myrl Myers, a few members of the consulate and Peiping's mayor, Ho Su-yuan, were the only persons to say goodbye to Frisbie.

Grange Acts On Freight Rates, Tax

Klamath Pomona grangers, in session at Shasta school Saturday, voted support of the efforts of the Klamath Basin rates bureau to fight freight rate inequities. On other important matters, Pomona grange in effect re-affirmed its stand favorable to a sales tax, opposed a four-lane highway development from Grants Pass to the coast, and favored a boost in the salary of State Grange Master Morton Tompkins.

The Pomona grange some time ago took action asking the state grange to reverse its traditional opposition to the sales tax. At Saturday's meeting, the Pomona tabled a proposal to reverse itself on this question. That left the Pomona grange on record as favoring a change in state grange attitude toward the sales tax.

Inequities Told

Action in support of the Klamath Basin rates bureau was taken after Margaret Santo of the bureau made a talk telling of the bureau program and describing some of the freight rate inequities which prevail in the area. The Shasta View grange suggested the Pomona action, and it was also decided to send the resolution up to the state grange for consideration.

Mr. Santo pointed out several examples of inequities in freight rates. For instance, she said, eggs can be shipped here from Iowa and as cheaply as from various points in Oregon. It costs 24 per hundred to ship tires from Sacramento to Klamath Falls, and it costs \$2.43 to ship tires from Klamath Falls to Seneca, Ore., or about the same distance. She cited several other examples.

High Cost

Because of the high cost involved, the grange went on record as favoring a proposal from Josephine county that support be given to a plan to develop a four-lane highway from Grants Pass to the coast.

State Grange Master Morton Tompkins now gets \$2400 a year. The Pomona went on record favoring a boost to \$4000.

Mr. Anderson was elected as alternate delegate to the state grange in Bend, June 2.

C. A. Henderson talked on the agricultural outlook for Klamath Basin and on the state grange on the acts of the state legislature.

George J. Kunzman, Shasta View master introduced a proposal which was adopted by the Pomona grange to send to the state grange asking more equal distribution of committee appointments.

Pair Held For Robbery

Thomas Arthur Blanchard, 21, and Herbert Wawter, 21, both transients believed to be from California, are held in the city jail for investigation while police probe a report of a robbery.

St. 5th and Shasta way last night. Jesus Jara, Mexican living at 1928 Wantland, reported that two men answering the descriptions of Blanchard and Wawter held him up and took a watch and \$5 cents.

The men were arrested near the Klamath Heating company at 2:50 a. m. in possession of a 1940 Ford coach with a cleverly altered Oregon license plate.

The plate, originally numbered 281-045, was defaced and the "S" beaten out and repainted so the number read 201-045. The change could be noticed only at a few feet.

Wawter, who also uses the name of Marsh, was also booked for defacing the license plate, having a valid license plate and for not having a driver's license.

Police said that the men are believed to have come into town from Bend.

No Damage To Crops Seen

No serious damage was reported to crops in the Klamath basin, from recent low temperatures, but considerable grain and flax was nipped, the county agent's office advised today.

Farmers were warned Friday that the mercury was on the way down and it reached 28 degrees at 5 a. m. Saturday. Ice formed on water in the Henley district Saturday, residents said.

Such temperatures can be expected this time of year, C. A. Henderson, county agent, said, the usual spring rains did not come this season and due to the unusual dryness damage was more extensive than it would ordinarily be. Crops lacking moisture are more susceptible to frost and other damaging agencies, Henderson said.

Early plantings of vegetables in a tender state, were also affected to some extent as well as the dry land grain, some fruit crops and small fruits and berries caught in bloom.

Farmers are facing the usual uncertainty of the outcome of harvest, which is a yearly occurrence during the planting season. Potatoes are being planted in dry soil and grain is being irrigated, neither practice considered good.

Grasshoppers are hatching out and control action should be put into practice without delay to prevent fairly serious damage, the agricultural agent warned.

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They were led to the spot by a rancher, who saw Mahoney on the fourth day after Robert Fox, Rogue River fishing camp owner, died at his isolated cabin scrawling a note naming Mahoney as his slayer.

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Rate Chief



This is C. F. Reynolds, new manager of the Klamath Basin Rates bureau.

Rates Bureau Head Named

C. F. Reynolds, chief of transportation for the public utilities commission, state of Idaho, has accepted the position of manager of the Klamath Basin Rates bureau, it was announced by the bureau today.

He succeeds Paul D. Taylor, who resigned recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds and their small daughter will arrive the first part of June, and he will take over his duties at the rate bureau June 15.

Reynolds has had extensive experience in the rates and transportation field, having acted as traffic manager at the Port of San Diego, rate expert for the San Diego chamber of commerce, traffic manager for the El Centro chamber of commerce, and chief of transportation for the Idaho PUC.

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Paine Denies Car Theft

Sheriff Lloyd Low said today that he had learned from an FBI agent that Alfred Paine, ex-convict, Quentin Hiler now held in Russellville, Ark., denied stealing a car here or at Fort Klamath the night he got away from Klamath Falls police after a gun fight on Jefferson street.

Officers here believe Paine stole a car here and drove to Fort Klamath, where he abandoned that machine and took a car belonging to Harold Wimer.

Sheriff Low said that Paine had told the FBI that he jumped over the fence into the canal at Jefferson street, and ran up the canal bed for about two blocks before climbing out. He said that he walked to the highway, probably Oregon avenue, and caught a ride on a freight truck to O'Brien, Ida.

The Wimer car was stolen from Wimer's commercial garage and a warrant charging Paine with the theft is on the books.

The sheriff said that the registration papers to the car were in the vehicle and surmised that Paine could have easily disposed of it in favor of another vehicle, or sold it outright, forging Wimer's name on the papers.

The car has not been located, nor has Paine told how he got from Klamath Falls or Boise to Arkansas, where he was wounded in another gun battle and arrested.

Paine was accompanied from San Quentin prison farm with Norman A. Jacklin, who was captured here and is now back in San Quentin.

MB Remodel Plans Made

Remodeling plans and specifications on buildings at the Marine Barracks are being worked on by Howard R. Perrin's office and are expected to be ready by Thursday, May 15, when bid forms will be available.

Bids will probably be opened for construction on the remodeling jobs, May 29 or 31, Perrin advised, as work will be rushed to completion for the opening of the technical school classes July 15.

The work includes remodeling of two barracks for installation of living quarters for married students, also making a two-story ward building into 19 apartments for instructors and their families.

Travel Request Figure Hits Peak

SALEM, May 12 (AP)—The state highway commission's tourist bureau has received a record total of 90,000 requests for information about Oregon's recreational and scenic attractions in the past seven months, with most of the inquiries coming from the east and middle west, the bureau said today.

The total is about 15,000 greater than for any similar period in the history of the bureau, and the bureau predicted Oregon's tourist business this year would set a new record.

Most of the requests came from persons who said they would travel by automobile, and that they also would visit California and Washington.

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Taft Calls On Solons For Action

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) called today for a senate-bolting budget trimming decision ahead of scheduled senate action next week on the \$4,600,000,000 tax cut bill.

Taft said he will ask leaders from both sides of the capitol to get together on a compromise of the economy pledge which has been hanging fire since March 2.

The senate voted 64 to 20 then to attach \$4,600,000,000 of President Truman's proposed \$37,500,000,000 outlay for the year beginning July 1. It tacked on a provision earmarking \$2,500,000 of any surplus for debt reduction.

No Promises

The house earlier had pledged a \$6,000,000,000 spending cut without any specific debt payment promises.

While the Ohio senator was silent on the particular point, he obviously hopes to be armed with an agreement on spending cuts before the republicans undergo a democratic barrage—intensified by pot shots from some GOP members—on the tax reduction bill.

Senators Aiken (R-Vt.) a frequent dissenter on party policy matters, and Senator Wilson (R-Iowa), who goes off the reservation occasionally, said they want to know the spending totals before they vote on taxes.

Democrats have lost no opportunity to point out that for more than two months the republicans haven't been able to agree on how deep the pruning knife shall go.

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