

OREGON TELEPHONE TIE-UP ENDS

In The Day's News

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If you have followed the news carefully, you are aware that Palestine is one of the world's hottest spots. Perhaps it might be just as well to outline REALISTICALLY the background of what is happening there.

Our side (meaning the free enterprise side, led by the United States and Britain) has at present the edge in the military strategic Holy Land, where Arabs and Jews are struggling with each other. We want to KEEP that edge, however slight it may be.

Russia wants to upset whatever advantage we may have there.

If you will keep that fundamental fact clear in your mind, you will find it easier to understand the international power politics jockeying that is going on from day to day.

PALESTINE is strategically important because it is close to the Dardanelles, close to Russia and close to the great Near and Middle East oil fields.

Our side, through the old League of Nations "mandate" of the Holy Land to Britain, has a toe-hold there. So we want to keep things "as is." Russia thinks Palestine would be more easily grabbed (by her) if set up as an independent state of some sort.

That is the long and the short of the wrangling.

THE house appropriations committee recommends an 11 per cent cut in the navy's 1946 budget. In dollars, the cut would amount to \$377,519,200—which is quite a lot of money. But the navy would still have more than THREE BILLIONS left after taking the recommended cut.

That is also quite a lot of money. There are hard-headed cynics who maintain that with careful business management the somewhat more than three billion dollars that would be left could be made to do an adequate job.

WE have just come through the costliest war in history. It was fought with utter disregard for money expense—as all great wars have to be. The natural result has been an attitude of carelessness where money is concerned.

But this is a peace time (at least theoretically). In time of peace, we can't afford to be too careless with money. We have to do our best to get a dollar's worth of results for each dollar expended.

Otherwise, our nation will go bankrupt. National bankruptcy is a calamity comparable with war.

NO sincere, patriotic American wants to cripple our navy or our army. Nothing could be more dangerous in these explosive times. But there was a lot of reckless spending during the war. Nearly everyone in America is firmly convinced that equal results could have been obtained at far less money cost.

If that is true, an 11 per cent cut in navy expenditures can be made without crippling results. In any event, if we find we have cut too deeply we can always ADD MORE ON.

Every business man knows that it is often possible to reduce cost and at the same time INCREASE efficiency. If that is possible in national affairs, we ought to DO IT.

We can cut on anything like that if we don't try.

A BULLETIN from the Western Office of the National Association of Manufacturers makes the startling statement that the average American NOW works one day out of every three for government.

The same mail that brings this bulletin brings also the annual financial statement of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. This document reveals that in 1946 Standard Oil of New Jersey paid \$113,000,000 in taxes and \$391,000,000 in wages, salaries and employee benefits. A few minutes with pencil and paper will prove to you that last year this particular enterprise paid out just about a third as much in taxes as it paid in total wages.

In other words, its people actually DID work about one day out of every three last year for government.

La Grande To Install Meters

LA GRANDE, May 16 (AP)—Installation of parking meters in the downtown area got under way here today as equipment to set up the meter standards arrived from Portland.

Work on installing the meters has been delayed by lack of tools to drill holes in concrete for the stands. Installation will probably take about two weeks.

WEATHER

Max. (May 15) 73 Min. 57
Precipitation last 24 hours .00
Stream year to date 7.54
Last year 11.77 Normal 10.60
Forecast: Fair tonight, Saturday.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Herald and News

CLAMATH FALLS, OREGON (Telephone 8111) May 16, 1947

Trio Captured After Wild Chase

Superforts "Bomb" New York City



WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—Senate republican leaders decided today they will try to bring up the \$4,000,000,000 tax reduction bill next week despite a democratic drive, with some GOP support, to delay action.

Chairman Millikan (R-Colo.) of the tax-writing finance committee, told reporters after a conference of 39 republican senators that he is confident he can put over a motion Monday to bring the bill before the senate.

Democrats are expected to counter this with a proposal to delay consideration until June 10. They are reported to have mustered all but one of their members—Senator O'Daniel of Texas, behind the delaying motion.

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NEW YORK CITY, May 16 (AP)—Twenty of the more than 100 Superfortresses that participated in the simulated bombing of New York are shown here as the huge skyships roar over New York's spectacular skyline. This picture, rushed to Klamath Falls by wirephoto, was taken from the top of the RCA building looking south. The tall building is the Empire State building.

Superfortresses Pinpoint New York In Mass Demonstration Of Bomb Raid

NEW YORK, May 16 (AP)—An armada of more than 100 B-29s, the most powerful bombing formation ever assembled in the United States, streaked over the skyscrapers of New York at noon today.

A total of 138 Superfortresses took off from dispersed and distant bases for the "target" run over New York and subsequent streaks over New York and Trenton, N. J., Philadelphia, Wilmington, Baltimore and Washington, D. C.

A communication plane reported, however, that 130 of the big four-engine bombers rendezvoused with split second timing over Cape May, N. J., at 11:56 a. m. (EDT), then laid a straight course of 130 miles to New York for the full-dress training review of the nation's heavy bomber strength.

Busy New York was hushed momentarily under the compounded roar of engines as millions of persons in noonday crowds gaped skyward through a slight haze.

The B-29s roared overhead in "stacked" formation, stepped from about 3500 to 4500 feet altitude and spanning a sky area about two miles long and one and one-half miles wide.

General George C. Kenney, commander of the army air forces strategic air command, led the formation which he designated "Operation Pacific." Its primary purpose, he said, was training.

KF Molders Stay On Job

Some 1200 members of the AFL molders and foundry workers union went on strike in Portland today, virtually halting foundry work in the Portland area, but on the local scene molders at Klamath Iron Works and Klamath Machine and Locomotive Works were on the job although affiliated with the Portland local.

Workers here said that they had not received any instructions from the Portland union headquarters to go on strike, and a press dispatch from Portland said that the strike did not apply to foundries in smaller Oregon towns.

The molders seek a 12½-cent hourly wage increase, bringing the minimum to \$1.62½ an hour, six paid holidays a year and seniority benefits as to vacations. Operators have offered a wage boost of 10 cents.

H. W. Sprague, secretary of the Portland local, said that negotiations had been broken off with the employer committee, but were still being carried on individually with a few firms.

Approximately 37 molders are employed at the two foundries here. Today's work will finish their week as they do not work on Saturday.

In Washington the strike situation is much more serious than in Oregon, as metal trades workers in general quit work today.

Wreck Of Plane Found

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., May 16 (AP)—The wrecked plane of J. E. Seales of Portland, Ore., has been sighted in the mountains high in Nevada county, officers of the army's search-rescue group said today.

Lt. Col. Prier and Capt. Robert Hagreen said they spotted the wrecked plane yesterday 14 miles southwest of Soda Springs on the south rim of a canyon, at an elevation of 5400 feet. Soda Springs is in the vicinity of Truckee.

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Lake 'O Woods Season Opens Weeks Early

Summer season at Lake o' the Woods opened the earliest in years, weeks ahead of schedule, in 1947. Jack Dutcher, co-owner of the resort, in town on his usual Friday trip for supplies, reported the weather excellent, warm and windless. The county road in both Jackson and Klamath counties is in very good shape, Dutcher advised, having been completely regraded. Although the state part of the road is in fair shape now, he said, it is not up to the standard of the county road and will probably be in an extremely poor condition by the end of the season unless work is done on it.

Youths Held On Charge Of Theft

A trio of local youths, all in their early 20's, was captured by two city police officers early this morning after an 18-mile chase from downtown Klamath Falls over highway 97 and over the California state line above Dorris. Several pistol shots were fired by Police Officers Bud Switzer and Bart Smith before the fleeing car was crowded off the road and the youths surrendered.

In the city jail booked for grand larceny are:

Donald Alvin Sauer, 23, of 4413 Freida, owner and driver of the convertible sedan used by the men in several car prowls last night.

Clifford William Zurbrugg, 22, of 4517 Bihee.

Charles Milton Spore, 21, of 4674 Bihee.

The arresting officers said that the young men gave up without argument when they were crowded off the road half a mile below the California line, and all three signed waivers of extradition enabling the local police to bring them back to Klamath Falls.

This morning all signed individual statements admitting breaking into one car last night and taking accessories off several more in the Hot Springs district last night.

Officers Smith and Switzer were (Continued on Page 16, Column 1)

Germans Get Food Warning

WEISBADEN, Germany, May 16 (AP)—Dr. James R. Newman, American military governor of Hesse, warned in a radio address tonight that American military power and the death penalty would be employed if necessary to curb German disturbances over their food shortage.

In his sternest language to date, Newman declared:

"There will be no strikes in Hesse nor will there be any tolerance of any other agitation against the policies of the military government, whether the purpose of such is political or otherwise, which in any way impede or tend to impede the occupational requirements or programs."

"Any person or group of persons so acting or doing will be punished, and remember that, under the laws relating to occupation armies and military government, the supreme penalty can be imposed against the offenders."

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—The vanguard of the great B-29 flying fleet passed over Washington today half an hour ahead of schedule. They were so high they made little noise and attracted little attention.

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—Two persons were shot to death and two others wounded today by a disgruntled negro lawyer who opened fire in the municipal court building when refused return of a \$100 bar application fee.

Sgt. Walter B. Perry of the homicide squad said the lawyer told him his name was Daniel Williams Jr., 40, of Jackson, Miss.

Police shot Williams four times before he was captured. He was seriously—but not critically injured.

The first shot was fired in the municipal building, five blocks from the capitol. Williams was seized at 6th and F streets, N. W., two blocks away, after a running battle with pursuing police.

The dead were identified by police as:

Hubert Estes, a patrolman.

Ray Devendorf, 65-year-old clerk for the District of Columbia Bar Association's committee on admissions and grievances.

The wounded reported by police: Attorney George W. Dalzell, of Chevy Chase, Md., 69, executive secretary of the grievance committee.

Cecil Clark, a guard on duty at one of the doors of the courthouse building about five blocks from the capitol.

FEDERAL FUNDS OUT

WASHINGTON, May 16 (AP)—The senate today rejected a 40 to 30 proposal to apportion among all the states 25 per cent of any federal funds going to support a proposed national science foundation.

Union Vote Heavy For Settlement

PORTLAND, May 16 (AP)—The Oregon telephone strike ended at 4 a. m. today after the United Telephone Employees of Oregon voted overwhelmingly to accept a pay increase averaging \$3 to \$4 weekly.

The union said that with almost all ballots counted from yesterday's vote the total was 2120 to 128 in favor of accepting the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company offer.

Klamath telephone workers who voted in the settlement ballot held here yesterday were unanimous in favor of the agreement between union negotiators and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company.

The vote was 39 to 6 for the settlement. Unionists said the vote was light because many employees were working elsewhere. Operations returned to normal at the company offices here today.

The executive board set 6 a. m. for termination of the strike, and told the 4700 union members to report for work within 48 hours.

Two hundred Western Electric employees remained on strike, but they lifted picket lines as a "courtesy move" to the returning workers.

Telephone service was rapidly returning to normal this morning, despite a few delays in locating vacationing strikers and issuing job orders. Telephone company officials said the service should be completely restored by Monday.

Balloting in all union locals was heavily in favor of settlement. (Continued on Page 16, Column 2)

Layman Contends Hymns Too Deep

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 16 (CP)—George Dawe, Okanagan layman delegate to the United Church conference here, says he thinks some hymns are too deep for the eight to 14 age group and cites a "sample hymn" of the boy, who, when asked which hymn he would like to sing replied: "The one about the kid who stole the old man's watch."

He was referring to a hymn which reads in part: "The old man meek and mild, the priest of Israel, slept; his watch the temple child, the little Levite kept."

Un-American Hearing In Hollywood Proves Dramatic

LOS ANGELES, May 16 (AP)—With a Russian ex-communist popping up suddenly in mid-investigation, the probe by a house subcommittee on un-American activities in Hollywood took on aspects of a movie spy thriller story.

After such prominent film folk as actor Adolphe Menjou, novelist Rupert Hughes and producer Jack Warner put the communist tag on various filmland persons and organizations, the subcommittee's inquiry hit a dramatic peak with the entry of Viktor A. Kravchenko, former Soviet official who renounced communism in 1944.

Hours earlier, a threat of Kravchenko's life was reported to police by his Beverly Hills host, Lee R. Brooks, businessman who may produce an anti-communist film based on Kravchenko's experiences.

Kravchenko's statement to the committee was not disclosed but Chairman J. Parnell Thomas (R-N.J.) said that the Russian, who left the Soviet purchasing commission in Washington to write the book "I Chose Freedom," was under subpoena to appear June 26 in Washington.

Thomas said he would ask the U. S. attorney general to place Kravchenko under 24-hour surveillance, "to give him the protection of the federal government."

Hughes declared he told the committee that the film capital is "lousy with communists, some of them making \$3000 to \$5000 weekly and whom you couldn't get to go to Russia in a million years."

Thomas said Hughes named specific screen writers and gave the serial number of their communist party cards. The committee chairman said these names will be made public "at the proper time."

Telephone Workers Back On Job Here



The switchboard at the Klamath plant of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company was back to normal today, with feminine voices answering operator calls. This picture taken this morning shows an interesting post-strike scene at the switchboard. These girls got a \$3 a week raise out of the tie-up.



Puffing away, this huge SP Mallet, (pronounced "mallet") waited at the government canal crossing as the 9 o'clock Special trainman cast his eagle eye around for a likely subject as the hands of the clock reached that hour.