

# TRUMAN VETOS LABOR MEASURE

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### Police Check Mystery Girl Clue

#### Mississippi Threatening Record Flood

HANNIBAL, Mo., June 20 (AP)—The mighty Mississippi river, fed by rampaging streams in Iowa and Missouri, appeared headed for record crests today as flood waters threatened communities and farmlands in the Hannibal-Quincy (Ill.) area.

As hundreds remained homeless in Iowa, Missouri and Illinois from recent floods, other hundreds prepared to evacuate as the Mississippi continued to rise steadily, and flood waters, pounding water-soaked and weakened levees, spreading over thousands of acres of land.

With forecasts of new high marks today and tomorrow, workers fought desperately to save the 60-mile long Big Levee in Pike county, Ill. The water was expected to top or nearly top this barrier protecting 120,000 acres of land in three counties and several small communities.

**Town Evacuated**  
Most of the 600 residents in Hull, Ill., evacuated yesterday and took refuge in nearby Kinderhook where the Red Cross has set up a relief station. The Red Cross estimated about 3,000 persons have homes in the Big Levee district and all of them have been ordered to evacuate by Sheriff Clifford Windsor of Pike county.

Alexandria, Mo., remained inundated and all 600 residents have left. Canton, Mo., was half under water from earlier floods, but its levees are still sandbagged and no new damage was expected unless the river rises higher than predicted.

At Hannibal the Red Cross made preparations for caring for 1,000 persons expected to be made homeless. The Mississippi river had reached a stage of 22.9 feet last night, a foot under its high mark of the previous flood.

In Interior Missouri, the Missouri river was overflowing some lowlands between Lexington and Boonville.

#### Speed Asked In Europe Aid

LONDON, June 20 (AP)—British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin today said in launching a cooperative effort for European economic recovery under the Marshall plan he intends to brook no delays such as those which stymied the recent foreign ministers conference in Moscow.

Eagerly awaiting a response from Russia to a joint British-French request that the Soviet Union participate in drafting an aid-to-Europe program, Bevin declared in the house of commons last night that "the guiding principle I shall follow in any talks I have on this matter will be speed."

"I spent six weeks in Moscow trying to get a settlement," he asserted. "I shall not be a party to holding up the economic recovery of Europe by the mess of procedure, terms of reference or all the paraphernalia which may go with it."

**BULLETIN**  
The two city league softball games scheduled for tonight on Modoc field have been cancelled because of the wet and cold weather. Frank Drew, president of the league, announced this afternoon.



Ray Billings was too busy driving a nail in a new curb form to glance up at the 9 o'clock Special photographer who snapped him in front of the post office this morning.

#### Moving Day For Regatta Boat Display Saturday



This is just one of the boats which will be on display Saturday as one of the features of the week-end Junior Chamber of Commerce regatta, June 21 and 22. The display will attract hundreds of boating enthusiasts to the Baisiger show rooms. In the picture, Roger Westrom, John E. Adams and Clinton D. Roberts are toting in the boat and outboard motor.

#### Slain Woman Found In Field

FRESNO, Calif., June 20 (AP)—A slaying victim whose body was found in an alfalfa field south of Fresno Wednesday was identified today as Miss Myrtle Viola Lee, 38, a domestic of Calwa, Calif.

Chief criminal Deputy Sheriff Harold Emmick announced the identification was made by Miss Lee's brother, R. E. Lee of Fowler, Calif.

Emmick said Lee told him he last saw his sister alive June 9 when he let her out of a car in Fresno to pay a telephone bill. He said she had planned to leave that day to visit her parents in Corvallis, Ore., and he felt no alarm until he learned she had not reached her destination.

Miss Lee had been brutally beaten and partially disrobed before she was slain.

#### President Ponders Action On Rent Control Measures

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Truman, the labor bill off his chest, faces a new puzzle today—whether to let rent controls run out this month or sign an extension bill roundly denounced by his housing aides.

The senate completed congressional action late yesterday on the measure extending rent control through next February 29, with a proviso that ceilings can be lifted as much as 15 per cent if landlords and tenants agree on a lease running past December 31, 1948.

The bill also knocks out all construction curbs except in the case of recreational type buildings, such as theatres and bowling alleys. It was this provision which prompted Housing Expediter Frank R. Creedon to declare last week-end that enactment of the measure might wreck the housing program. Creedon said material shortages are still too critical in many sections to permit unrestricted construction to proceed without disastrous consequences to homebuilding.

However, in the brief debate which preceded senate passage of the measure by a voice vote, Senator Sparkman (D-Ala.) called the bill "better than no law at all." He said if it were not accepted, rent controls simply would end June 30. Senator Taylor (D-Idaho), a last ditch opponent of the measure, told his colleagues "You're setting a bomb with a time fuse on it under the tenants."

Taylor argued that every tenant who wanted to retain his accommodations would have to agree to a 15 per cent rent boost soon or "maybe 100 or 200 per cent after the controls go off."

**BULLETIN**  
WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Senate democratic and republican leaders were reported late today to be near agreement for a senate vote on a bill to extend the measure to August 1, p. m., PST tomorrow.

#### Truman May Visit Brazil

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Truman today received an official invitation to visit Brazil and the White House said he hopes to be able to do so.

The invitation was extended by Brazilian Ambassador Carlos Martins who told reporters upon leaving the executive mansion that Mr. Truman had accepted and hoped to make the trip "as soon as possible."

Martins said the invitation came from President Eurico Gaspar Dutra and that Mr. Truman accepted it with the remark that he was very pleased to go to Brazil.

But White House aides, checked for further details, gave reporters a different version. They said: "The president told the ambassador he was happy to receive the invitation and hoped he would be able to come."

#### Search For Fishermen Lost In Odell Lake Abandoned By Navy

Search at Odell lake for the two fishermen missing since May 24, has been temporarily discontinued by the navy, it was announced today, following a report of the two men conducting the search.

A detailed report thoroughly covering daily activities in the investigation at the lake was made by Charles R. Kay, GM 3/c, and M. J. Stover, SP 1/c. The report shows that no further clue or information regarding Leonard Callier and Harold Hadley who did not return from a fishing trip on Saturday, May 24, has come to light.

Wrappers from gun and candy bars similar to those which the men were known to have had when they set out upon the fatal trip were found along the lake shore, indicating the possibility they had

**WEATHER**  
Max. (June 19) 71 Min. 58  
Precipitation last 24 hours .00  
Last year 13.53 Normal 11.64  
Forecast: Partly cloudy today, Saturday.

#### Nominated



Ellis O. Briggs (above), of Maine was nominated by President Truman as ambassador to Uruguay. Briggs, a veteran foreign service officer, now is director of the state department office of American republic affairs. —AP wirephoto.

#### Fresno Tip Opens New Lead Today

By HALE SCARBROUGH  
One more seemingly good lead in the mystery of the little blonde girl still in a Yreka hospital, took a setback yesterday afternoon, but Klamath state police were busy tracking down another today in the thus-far fruitless search for the identity of the child.

Yesterday afternoon Deputy Sheriff Thorne West of Yreka and Police Chief Dan Bennett of Weed showed pictures of the little girl, taken at the hospital, to Dorothy Stewart and Miss Stewart promptly said that the pictures were not of the child she cared for on a bus between Bend and Chemult last Friday.

Previously passengers of the Trailways bus had told officers here that a man, woman and tiny girl got on the bus at Bend, the man and woman were drinking and they were put off the bus at Chemult. During the ride Miss Stewart cared for the child.

**Second Try**  
She could not identify Deputy West's pictures yesterday, but this morning city police, who had dug up that angle of the mystery, were not satisfied with the picture identification and Officers Bud Switzer and Jack Linkenbach are taking Miss Stewart to Yreka today to have a look at the girl and her clothing.

State police are working from another angle. Late last night a man who gave his name as Fred Hall went into the office of the (Continued on Page 7, Column 1)

#### Greece Agrees On US Policy

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—Greece formally guaranteed the United States a free hand today in supervising the \$300,000,000 American aid program and agreed to "full publicity" on the use of the money.

The guarantees are contained in an agreement announced here and in Athens after it was signed by Ambassador Lincoln MacVeagh for the United States and Foreign Minister Constantine Tsaldaris for Greece.

The agreement legally commits the Greek government to carry out a broad program of economic, financial, industrial and foreign investment reforms. The details were disclosed Wednesday with the publication of a note from Athens outlining what the Greeks propose to do for their own recovery.

#### Air Officials Probe Crash

DAMASCUS, June 20 (AP)—Capt. George Doole, Middle East director for Pan American World Airways, arrived here today with an assistant and two vice presidents of the firm to investigate the crash of one of its passenger planes yesterday in Eastern Syria in which 15 of 36 persons aboard were killed.

Circumstances were largely unknown here, but there were reports that the plane crashed shortly before the crash that one of its engines had blown a cylinder head and that it was attempting to make preparations for a forced landing. The crash occurred in desolate desert country near the Iraq border. The dead were buried at the scene and 16 injured passengers were hospitalized in Beirut.

#### Shooting Star Sets New Mark

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—The United States recaptured the world airplane speed record Thursday after 24 years of trying, a Lockheed Shooting Star averaged 623.8 miles an hour at the Muroc, Calif., course, exceeding the mark of 616 set by the British in a Gloster Meteor September 8, 1946.

#### Nagel To Be Arraigned Today

William Henry Nagel, Portland self-styled preacher under indictment for contributing to the delinquency of a minor, was due to appear in circuit court this afternoon for arraignment.

Nagel has been free on \$2500 cash bond since May 15 and in Portland. Circuit Judge Orval Millard of Grants Pass has been assigned to the case, after Judge David R. Vandenberg excused himself from the bench.

#### Firefighters In Hazardous Areas

FOREST GROVE, June 20 (AP)—Fire fighting crews were arriving today in the state's Northwest forest district—the hazardous four-county area in which lies the Tillamook burn.

#### Ankeny Takes Stand Today

Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg this morning ruled against a defense motion to have the indictment against Lewis H. Ankeny thrown out of court, and Ankeny took the stand to testify in his own behalf.

Late yesterday, when the prosecution rested, Ben Anderson, Ankeny's attorney, asked for a dismissal of the case on the grounds that the indictment accused his client of converting to his own use \$1333.87 in lawful money of the U. S. but that testimony showed that the \$1333.87 figure was the value of certain stocks, not cash.

District Attorney Clarence A. Humble, arguing against the motion, cited numerous cases in which the term "lawful money" was defined, including one Klamath county case of 1903.

Judge Vandenberg waited until this morning before ruling on the dismissal move.

Ankeny, former Klamath stockbroker, then went on the stand for what appears to be an all-day day. He spent the morning telling of his work as a securities broker, leading up until the time his office here closed last August.

Court officials indicate that the case may go to the jury late this afternoon or tomorrow.

#### Clark Urges Firm Policy

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20 (AP)—Gen. Mark W. Clark, new commander of the U. S. sixth army, says he feels there is no immediate danger of war—but that the United States should adopt a "firm and definite" policy to curb the spread of communism.

"The Russian soldiers certainly don't want a war any more than we do, and heaven knows we don't," the gaunt, four-star general told newsmen yesterday after assuming command from Maj. Gen. George Hays, who will serve as his deputy commander.

But twice in news conferences during the day and again at the brief residence ceremony he departed from the military man's usual "hands off" policy regarding political questions and delivered sharp warnings against foreign and domestic communism.

To newsmen he expressed fear that communists might succeed in Austria as they did in Hungary.

#### Tribal Council Meeting June 26

A general council meeting of the Klamath Indian tribe is called for Thursday, June 26, at the council house at Klamath Agency. It was announced today by Superintendent B. G. Courtright.

Tribal members will discuss loan board and enrollment matters. Courtright advised. A lunch will be served at 11:30 a. m. Due to the limited amount of funds left for council expenses only one day can be allotted to topics slated for discussion, the superintendent said. It is believed that another council will be called for some date in July and also in September.

#### Army Jet Plane Flashes Over Muroc For New Mark

MUROC, Calif., June 20 (AP)—An army jet plane, the P80-R, has regained the world speed record for the United States—623.8 miles per hour.

Striking but 50 feet above the Mojave desert, near Muroc Army Airfield, Col. Albert Boyd of Asheville, N. C., guided the Lockheed bullet fighter yesterday on four runs over a 1.86 mile (three kilometer) course. The average topped by 7.8 mph the 616 mph mark set by a British Gloster Meteor jet plane September 7, 1946.

## House Votes To Override

WASHINGTON, June 20 (AP)—President Truman today vetoed the Taft-Hartley bill to curb labor unions and the house promptly voted 331 to 83 to make it law over his veto.

That put up to the senate the issue of whether the measure is to become law despite the president's vigorous objections. The administration was battling desperately there to round up the votes to make the veto stand.

In the house ballot, 106 democrats joined 225 republicans in voting to override the president's wishes. Voting to uphold the president were 71 democrats, 11 republicans, and the one American-labor party member, Rep. Marcantonio (N.Y.).

The White House lent a hand to democrats trying to line up the senate votes to back up the president.

**CONFERENCE CALLED**  
Mr. Truman called in 10 democratic senators who originally voted for the bill for a luncheon conference. Also invited was Senator Young (R-N.D.), who voted for but is reported unenthusiastic about the bill, and Senator Overton (D-La.)

who was absent and did not vote. Senator Barkley of Kentucky, the democratic leader and foe of the bill, was a 13th guest.

The president also announced plans to go on the radio tonight and make directly to the people his arguments against the measure. He will speak on all networks beginning at 6 p. m. (PST).

Senator Taft (R-Ohio), one of the authors of the legislation, arranged to reply over MBS at 6:45 p. m. (PST).

In the late afternoon, the prospects as to the time for a senate vote were uncertain.

**Could Force Delay**  
It was clear that democrats would want to—and could by talking—force a delay until after the president's radio speech.

One republican leader said efforts were under way to get an informal agreement fixing a time for a senate vote tomorrow.

He said this hinged on whether the republicans would provide a "pair," a parliamentary device by which senators register their view, when they are absent, for Senator Elbert Thomas (D-Utah), who is in Geneva attending the world trade conference.

Democrats were reported willing to vote tomorrow if Thomas' absence could be matched by two absentees on the side of those supporting the bill. It requires two-thirds of those voting to override a veto.

The house acted on the bill swiftly and with little demonstration.

**Bellow Of Boos**  
A bellow of boos came from the republican side when reading of the president's message was ended. Some applause came from the democratic side.

Rep. Hartley (R-N.J.) moved that there be no debate and his motion carried.

The vote was taken. There were cheers and applause. That was all.

Republicans voting to uphold the veto were Representatives Angel of Oregon, Bishop of Illinois, Brophy of Wisconsin, Butler of New York, Hall of Wisconsin, Havits of New York, Jones of Washington, Lemke of North Dakota, Phillips of Tennessee, Tolleson of Washington, and Welch of California.

In a 550-word message to the house, Mr. Truman laid down four general and 32 specific points of opposition to the bill to check strikes and unions. He labelled it "unfair" and "unworkable." He said it would promote strikes.

The house listened while a clerk droned through the long message. Then came the vote which smothered the veto under a deluge of both republican and democratic votes.

That action did this:  
1. Propelled the labor issue directly into the 1948 political campaign.  
2. Erased whatever vestiges may have remained of White House-congress teamwork on domestic affairs.

Control Rees, republican national chairman, called the veto a "plain defiance of the will of the American people" and an "open bid for a fifth term for the new deal."

Mr. Truman summed up his displeasure of the labor bill in five terse sentences:

"The bill taken as a whole would reverse the basic direction of our national labor policy, inject the government into private economic affairs on an unprecedented scale, and conflict with important principles of our democratic society."  
"Its provisions would cause more strikes, not fewer."  
"It would contribute neither to industrial peace nor to economic stability and progress."  
"It would be a dangerous stride in the direction of a totally managed economy."  
"It contains the seeds of discord which would plague this nation for years to come."  
As for the measure's ban against recognition of unions with communist leaders, the president said that would play into the hands of the communists.