

RAILROAD STRIKE HELD CERTAIN

In The Day's News

WEATHER
 Max. (July 19) 81 Min. 46
 Precipitation last 24 hours 0.0
 Stream year to date 10.53
 Last year 1947 Normal 11.11
 Forecast: Fair today, Sunday

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THE series of incidents culminating in two successful vetoes puts tax reduction in its intended place as the No. 1 domestic issue in the 1948 Presidential campaign. That is where it was headed for from the first.

A WASHINGTON dispatch says both sides are happy over the situation and willing to let the voters decide who was right.

Both sound off this morning. Rayburn of Texas, house Democratic leader, says: "If the Republicans want to throw this kind of tax bill into the campaign, we'll welcome the issue."

That is the line followed by President Truman in his veto message. He called the bill the "wrong kind" at the "wrong time," unsound and unsafe, premature and faulty.

Senator Millikin, Republican, from Colorado, who was floor manager for the bill, tells the reporters there are "40,000,000 taxpayers who would have had some relief except for two vetoes by a Democratic president and administration."

SO there you are. The Democrats next year will go gallantly into battle to save the country from the wicked Republicans who if given the chance will botch up the whole tax business.

The Republicans will point out how happy we might have been with our lower taxes and our greater "take home money" if the Democrats hadn't viciously kicked over the tax reduction apple cart.

SUCH is two-party government—which, after all, is the best form of government yet devised. The two parties battle it out in a free and open forum, and the voters listen and decide.

Under one-party government which is spreading rapidly in the world, somebody ISSUES AN EDICT and gets a blank check.

THIS writer believes we ought to have had tax reduction NOW, if we could have got it. Since we can't have it now, we ought to get it as soon as we can.

Reckless government spending is our greatest danger. If permitted to go on unchecked, it will fritter away our resources at the very time when we need them worst. Frittering away our resources by reckless spending will leave us weak at the time when we need (perhaps worse than we have ever needed it before) to be strong.

Reckless spending will continue as long as there is plenty of money to spend. Human nature just works that way. As long as the sack of OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY remains full, we'll go on dipping into it.

WE are thus assured of one good old familiar domestic issue. Our politicians have fought, bled and died over taxes since the time whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary.

This morning's dispatches report the start in Fresno yesterday of a "grass roots" campaign whose avowed aim is the winning of the 1948 Democratic Presidential nomination for Henry Wallace.

Wallace is a sincere sap. His supporters, generally speaking, are "left wingers." Left wingers, also generally speaking, are communists, communist sympathizers and head-in-the-rosy-clouds communist admirers.

COMMUNISM heads up in and takes its orders from MOSCOW. So, you see, we'll have a NEW issue next year.

IN England, Foreign Secretary Bevin, in an extemporaneous address to a coal miners picnic, says "there (Continued on Page 2, Column 6)

Burmese Ministers Shot Down

LONDON, July 19 (AP)—Aung San, deputy chairman of the Burma executive council, and five other Burmese council ministers were slain today in Rangoon by terrorists who sprayed the council chamber with machine-gun bullets, the British government's Burma office announced.

The announcement said five armed men sprang from a jeep this morning before the council building in Rangoon, ran up the steps to the chamber and loosed a hail of bullets.

Strict Censorship Rangoon itself apparently was under a censorship blackout.

Two other members of the executive council, the Burmese advisory body to Governor Sir Hubert Rance, were wounded.

The council has been busy preparing to implement Britain's promise of early independence.

News of the assassination was cabled here by Sir Hubert.

The Burma office statement said "there is nothing in the reports so far received to suggest that the situation is not fully under control. Further information will be made available."

Thief Hocks Hero's Camera

CHICAGO, July 19 (AP)—Walter Troy, 40-year-old city fireman, hailed for his heroic rescue of a three-year-old boy from the clutches of a bear at Brookfield zoo, was looking for his prewar camera today.

Troy handed his 87 camera to a stranger as he leaped a four-foot fence to rush to the rescue of Terry Lee Falk, who was seized by a 250-pound bear Wednesday after he went to the bars of its cage to feed it some popcorn.

The bear held the boy against the bars with his left paw and took the neck of his blouse in his teeth.

The fireman, who weighs 170 pounds and is five feet, eight inches tall, landed repeated blows to the bear's snout and the animal released his grip on Terry.

Troy, who was at the zoo with his wife and two young daughters, couldn't find the stranger to whom he had handed his camera. Terry's father, Ernest of nearby Joliet, said he would buy him the "best" camera he could find.

Sunny Skies Prospect Here

A clear, bright Sunday is in prospect for Klamath people, many of whom are already encamped near lakes and streams in an attempt to get a brief respite from city heat.

It was slightly cooler in town Friday following Thursday's season high of 90 degrees in the afternoon. The thermometer at the CAA weather station registered 84, the maximum Friday, but unofficial readings in town set the temperature in the high 80's.

At 12:30 p.m. today the mercury stood at 81.



9 o'clock Special
 Highlight of the week's entertainment for Klamath children in lots of cases is the fun show at the Pelican theatre Saturday morning at nine o'clock. The nine o'clock photo took his children this morning and while waiting for the show to open snapped this picture of the juvenile lineup.

Tax Issue Tossed Into Political Campaign Now

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—Failure of the senate to override President Truman's veto of the GOP tax-cutting bill tossed the issue into the 1948 political campaign today. Both sides expressed willingness to let the voters decide who was right.

Prospects for tax reductions at this session of congress died last night when backers of the bill

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—In the vote by which the senate today failed to muster a two-thirds majority required to override President Truman's veto of the \$4,500,000,000 income tax cut bill, Washington and Oregon senators voted as follows:

Cain (R-Wash.) and Cordon (R-Ore.), for overriding.
 Morse (R-Ore.) and Magnuson (D-Wash.) to sustain.

marshaled only 57 senate votes against 36 supporters of the president—five short of the necessary two-thirds majority.

Earlier the house had voted to override with 27 votes to spare, 299 to 108.

"I'm not unhappy," Senator Millikin (R-Colo.), floor manager for the bill, told reporters. "There are 49,000,000 taxpayers who would have had some relief except for

two vetoes by a democratic president and administration."
 House Majority Leader Halleck said tax relief apparently must wait until the country elects a republican president next year who will cooperate with the republican congress.

Rep. Rayburn of Texas, the house democratic leader, already had accepted the challenge. "If the republicans want to throw this kind of tax bill into the campaign," he said, "we'll welcome the issue."

Although the senate failure to override the veto was foreshadowed by its 60 to 32 vote on passage last week—which also was less than the necessary two-thirds—the actual test was a lively political show.

Galleries were packed as the bill reached the senate and house members crowded in the back of the chamber.

Millikin, bald and deep-voiced, made a point-by-point reply to the presidential veto which termed the tax cut the "wrong kind" at the "wrong time," "unsound and unsafe," and "premature and faulty."

Senator Taylor (D-Idaho) pointed out that the president had promised lower taxes at the "proper time."

"The people can't eat proper time," Millikin shot back.

Captain Of Refugee Ship Held

HAIFA, Palestine, July 19 (AP)—The American captain of the refugee ship Exodus 1947 was reported in jail today as a result of a shipboard battle between more than 4500 Jewish immigrants and 59 British marines which left three dead and more than 30 injured.

One of the dead was identified by a British officer as an American, First Mate Walter Bernstein of Los Angeles. The officer said Bernstein died in a Haifa hospital of head wounds. The other victims were Jewish immigrants.

John Stanley Grauel, 30, of Worcester, Mass., who sailed with the immigrants, said the skipper, Capt. Bernard Marks, 25, of Cincinnati, O., was imprisoned as the Jews were moved to troopships for deportation to Cyprus. There was no immediate confirmation from British sources.

At Camps The uninjured immigrants already have reached Cyprus detention camps, joining some 15,000 others who lacked certificates.

Latest reports said 28 refugees, including 17 women and a child and three British marines were injured in the shipboard fight. The ship, formerly the 1814-ton Chesapeake bay excursion vessel President Warfield, was intercepted off the southwest coast of Palestine yesterday by five British warships.

The refugee vessel was badly damaged by ramming during the boarding operation, and several British craft were damaged, but the Exodus steamed into Palestine under her own power.

12 Hurt, One Dies In Bus-Truck Crash

SUPERIOR, Ariz., July 19 (AP)—One man was killed and 12 persons were hospitalized as the result of a crash between a Greyhound bus and an ice truck three miles west of here this morning. None of the 10 bus passengers were critically hurt, although all suffered cuts and bruises. None was from the Northwest.

The car was driven by Neal McGinnis, who said that he did not see Mrs. Lubke in time to avoid the accident.

She had parked her car across the street from the clinic and started across the street, carrying her young daughter in her arms. Witnesses told police that Mrs. Lubke was looking down the street the other direction from McGinnis' approaching car. She was hit on the hip, thrown up into the air and landed on her back on the pavement, the baby still clutched in her arms. The child was not hurt.

McGinnis stopped immediately and he and clinic attendants took Mrs. Lubke and the baby into the clinic for examination.

Bulletin

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—The senate passed and sent to the White House today a bill permitting the veterans to cash \$1,800,000,000 worth of terminal leave pay bonds.

Passage was by a vote of 85 to 8. The bill was passed by the house 385 to 0 about two weeks ago.

The bill sent to the White House would permit—but not require—cashing of the bonds any time after September 1. At present the bonds have a maturity date five years from their issuance.

Engineers Set Monday Date For Work Halt

Apparently only a capitulation by the company to union wage and working condition demands will head off a complete shutdown of Southern Pacific railway traffic at 6 p. m. Monday, the deadline set by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers for its members to halt work.

President Truman's appointment of an emergency board to investigate the dispute was only an idle gesture as far as the union is concerned. P. O. Peterson, general chairman of the Brotherhood's SP unit, said last night in San Francisco that there was no change in the union's position. "Only acceptance by the company of our 19 demands for working condition changes will call off the walkout," Peterson declared.

President Roosevelt appointed a panel to solve the problem shortly before his death in 1945, and A. T. Mercier, SP president, said that the Roosevelt board had passed on every one of the demands and that the company had accepted the board's recommendations "in their entirety."

Force Compliance Mercier said that the Brotherhood had called the strike to force compliance with the demands and that "this attitude is a bar to fair and orderly settlement in the public interest."

Mercier said that the Brotherhood created the issue under dispute in the beginning and itself asked for an emergency board to pass on the issues. When the 1945 board did so "the Brotherhood rejected the board's report as a whole and sought to enforce only those recommendations that were outright in the Brotherhood's favor."

The railroad management is fully expecting the strike to come off at 6 p. m. Monday, already going so far as to give traffic away to other lines, the Union Pacific and Santa Fe, in Southern California.

The company here is making arrangements for the handling of freight halted in the Klamath Falls yards by the strike. Livestock will be unloaded and taken to corrals, perishable freight will be placed on ice and dead freight will probably remain in the cars where the trains stop.

Train Stuck Here Southern Pacific passenger train No. 19, the Klamath, will be due in here at 6:30 p. m. Monday and probably will be left on the track by the strike. The Klamath Monday will be southbound from Portland to San Francisco.

The SP ticket office is continuing to sell tickets, but with the tacit understanding on the part of the customer that the trip might be interrupted. Last winter, during the two-day railroad strike, No. 19 was halted here and some passengers were moved on by the Greyhound bus lines while others sat out the strike in the cars.

The SP company can not refuse to accept freight for shipment or sell tickets until the strike actually is under way, but the company probably will slap an embargo on freight and passengers immediately after the 6 p. m. Monday strike deadline.

This strike involves only locomotive engineers, both passenger and freight, but when they quit the whole of the rolling stock will cease rolling.

Plywood Stock Sale Told

A proposed public offering of stock by Plywood, Inc., of Detroit to raise about \$788,500 for purchase of all the outstanding common stock of the Kalpine Plywood company, was announced today in Philadelphia.

Kalpine is the Ralph L. Smith enterprise on the Weed highway. The proposal was registered with the securities and exchange commission. Plywood, Inc., holds an option to purchase the Kalpine stock, and if the sale of Plywood, Inc., stock is okayed by the SEC, will exercise that option.

The Detroit corporation registered \$600,000 of 5 per cent sinking fund debentures and 200,000 shares of \$1 par value common stock.

Funds not needed for the Kalpine purchase will be used to retire bank indebtedness and for additional working capital.

The debentures will be offered for sale at 100 per cent plus accrued interest from next August 1, and the common stocks will be offered for \$2 a share with 30 cents a share underwriting commission.

YMCA To Open On Monday

Although the YMCA headquarters in the Klamath Armory are not completely finished, the offices will be opened Monday morning for registration of individuals wishing to join the YMCA. One room is ready for use and a partial program will be started. Activities to be sponsored at the headquarters include tumbling, shuffle board, ping pong and trampolines.

Volunteers to assist on various group activities are needed, according to Cecil Kallenberg, YMCA director. Someone to handle the checking and information desk is especially needed at this time. A few people have signed up to assist with night groups but more are required.

Membership fee for a year is \$8 and anyone is eligible to join from eight years of age on up. Members will be entitled to use YMCA facilities at the scheduled times.

Neat Farms, Well-Kept Ranches Feature On Trip

By J. B.

Our travelogue this week takes a diverting loop through a cross-section of the rich farm lands of the Klamath basin. It calls for a jaunt down the Klamath valley to Malin, across the hill and back to Klamath Falls via Poe Valley and Oleno. It covers 75 miles on paved and graveled highway.

Leaving Klamath Falls you go out S. 6th, and turning right at the Lakeview junction onto the Merrill highway you pass well-cultivated acres of grain and potatoes, gradually replacing timber as the main backbone of this county.

Neat farm houses, well-kept fences and progressive improvements along the entire trip show the prosperity of the country. Passing Mac's store, a pumice kiln building under construction looms on the right. This is a new slaughter house which will probably be operating in another month.

Merrill, a farming community just beyond, boasts two good brick schools, the usual post office, chain stores, telegraph office and drug store of every small American township as well as a community hall where lively "hoe-downs" are held of a Saturday night.

A short stretch beyond is a large quarter-horse ranch on the left and a little farther down the line, Winema farms' large, concrete grain storage bins loom on the right at the Malone siding.

Huge stacks of hay, some piled loose and some in bales, fields of sun-curing hay in windrows and bales standing on end, bring you to Malin, the prosperous pioneer Bohemian community. An ancient flour mill across Main street from the old theatre building gives a

flavor of earlier days particularly noticeable beside the modern structure of an oil station and a cafe.

Turn back at this point up the road toward Merrill, past the cheese factory at the crossroads, backed by a sage-studded hill. Continue past potato and barley fields to the Poe valley road, a good graveled highway on the right. The land starts to rise here, the road traversing rugged hills dotted with scrub brush and evergreens, swinging over to Poe valley. A good view of this valley reclaimed from alkali land, now supporting luxuriant, irrigated crops, can be seen from the top of the rise.

Down into the valley, off the gravel road and onto a newly paved and oiled stretch to the Barton spread, one of the more spectacular basin ranches, known as the "Black and White." Here Chet Barton, owner, has his own menagerie, with several varieties of deer, herds of elk and buffalo. He raises "Blond" potatoes and runs about 450 head of black Angus cattle and is a genial host to those who wish to spend a few minutes looking around.

Farming Centers, Good Roads, Prosperous Ranches Seen On Two-Hour Trip



1. Car line Merrill's busy main street. 2. The road on this week's flour mill still stands on the main thoroughfare in Malin, old Bohemian community. 3. Ancient ranch. 4. Time out to feed a friendly deer on the Chet Barton ranch. 5. Karakul sheep browse peacefully on the Black and White ranch. 6. Newly paved road through Poe valley.