

# "DEAL" OFFER TOLD BY HUGHES

## In The Day's News

### U.S. Ready With Reply On Balkans

LAKE SUCCESS, Aug. 6 (AP)—The United States was reported today to suggest that the United Nations general assembly handle the Balkans situation if the security council cannot do so because of Russia's veto.

The council was called to meet at 3 p.m. (EDT) to continue debate on the Balkans, with the prospect of some of the plainest speaking yet heard in that group of eleven diplomats.

An authoritative source said that Herschel V. Johnson, United States deputy on the security council, was all set to make an important statement outlining the United States' position substantially this way:

1. The United States hopes that the security council will act to meet the situation. But, if the council cannot do that through the use of the veto, the United States is confident that the general assembly will handle the situation.
2. The United States feels strongly on the Soviet use of the veto. It does not like the implications in the Soviet action.
3. The United States has decided views toward what it feels has been the defiance of Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria in refusing to cooperate with the security council's subsidiary group left in the trouble area.
4. Finally, the United States, contrary to reports that it might try to achieve a solution outside the United Nations, is definitely and firmly committed to the United Nations and will exhaust all resources of the charter in trying to solve the question.

### Gilmer Off Butte Post

DORRIS, Aug. 6—Maurice Gilmer, secretary of the Butte Valley Irrigation district, was relieved of his duties by the board of directors of the district at a meeting at Macdoel Tuesday night.

A petition demanding Gilmer's removal was presented by the water users and land owners. A series of closed meetings have been held recently by the users and property owners, culminating in last night's action. Reasons for the removal were not listed in the petition.

The board also terminated the services of Dan Carlton, Redding attorney, as district legal representative. It is understood a Yreka legal firm will be employed.

After the action, Gilmer demanded a complete investigation of the affairs of the district. This matter was postponed by the board pending legal advice.

Gilmer has been a leading figure in the irrigation district's affairs for 25 years.

Mrs. Dan Griffin, a farmer's wife of Macdoel, was named temporary secretary by the board.

### Relief From Heat Forecast

The week's hot weather is expected to draw to a close late Thursday with a forecast of partly cloudy skies by the state weather bureau.

Meanwhile the temperature is running riot with clear skies and scorching afternoons. The GAA weather station recorded 85 as the high Tuesday afternoon, but an unofficial reading in town set the mercury at 93 in mid-afternoon.

At 12:30 today the thermometer recorded 84 degrees. Low early Wednesday morning was 49.

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WEATHER	
Max. (August 5) 85 Min. 49	Precipitation last 24 hours 0.00
Stream year to date 11.13	Last year 11.82 Normal 13.39
Forecast: Fair tonight, becoming partly cloudy Thursday.	

### Solon Says Charge Is Fabrication

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (AP)—With both under oath, Howard Hughes charged and Senator Brewster (R-Me.) denied today that the senator once offered a "deal" to call off a senatorial inquiry into Hughes war-plane contracts.

Brewster took the stand before a senate war investigation subcommittee a few minutes after Hughes had made the charge before the same group.

Hughes said the Maine senator made such a proposition to him in a Washington hotel the week of February 11, 1947.

Brewster offered, he declared, to have the hearings dropped if he, Hughes, would agree to merger of the Trans-World Airlines, which he controls, with Pan-American Airways.

Brewster, calling this "a proposition that sounds more like Hollywood than Washington," told the committee solemnly:

"I can assure you that I never did."

Brewster said he entertained Hughes at a luncheon in his hotel apartment and "paid \$8.80 out of my own pocket."

This remark as to the cost obviously was a reference to the testimony of John Meyer, Hughes' publicity man, that he spent large sums entertaining government officials.

Alluding to the Hughes' charges, Brewster said:

"It seems inconceivable to me that anyone could seriously contemplate that anyone who has been in public life as long as I have—in the state legislature, as governor, in the house and the senate—could, on such short acquaintance with Hughes... make so bald a proposition as he here describes."

"It sounds more like Hollywood than it does Washington."

Pausing for a few seconds, Brewster said:

"I can assure you that I never did."

### Car Lack Is Mill Threat

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 6 (AP)—A serious rail car shortage may force closure of some sawmills in this area, the West Coast Lumbermen's association reported today.

K. C. Batchelder, association traffic manager, said Oregon lumber shippers now are receiving only 40 per cent of their normal supply of cars.

He said that while some persons believe the shortage will be eased in a matter of weeks, there is some concern that it may exist as late as Thanksgiving—by which time the situation would be critical.

Contributing factors in the shortage are the bumper wheat crop, heavy coal movement and peak activities of several major industries. He said that in the first six months of this year, rail carriers placed 20,918 new cars in service and at the same time retired 25,918.

He said he would go to Washington to bring the situation to the attention of the ICC and the ODT.

### Cyclist Hurt In Crater Lake Fall

One of the party of cyclists of the youth hostel group touring Crater lake is in Hillside hospital today recovering from hurts received in a fall from her bicycle.

Elizabeth Nelson of East Boston, Mass., received numerous cuts and bruises when she fell from her bicycle Tuesday afternoon, and X-rays will be taken today to determine the extent of a foot injury. The cyclists are touring the United States and parts of Canada by train and bicycling to various scenic spots en route.

## Britain To Cut Down On Imports

### Situation In Netherlands Still Tense

BATAVIA, Java, Aug. 6 (AP)—The Netherlands army accused the Indonesian republic today of violating Monday night's cease fire order five times and at the same time denied Indonesian charges that the Dutch had committed such violations.

Indonesian Prime Minister Amir Sjarifoeddin had charged the Dutch with violating the cease fire order at Gombong, on the central front, 60 miles west of Jogjakarta, two and a half hours after the midnight deadline.

The Dutch declared today, however, that they actually occupied Gombong 30 minutes before the cease fire order became effective.

Leahy Rumor

Meanwhile rumors circulated in Batavia, without official confirmation, that Adm. William D. Leahy would come here from Washington to act as mediator in the Dutch-Indonesian dispute if the republican government accepts a United States offer of "good offices," as the Dutch already have.

In Washington, Charles G. Ross, White House press secretary, said he knew nothing of any plan for Leahy, President Truman's personal military chief of staff, to go to Indonesia. Ross said the Batavia report was the first he had heard of it.

### Tujung Canyon Cabin In Danger



LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6—Despite efforts of fire fighters to stop the roaring blaze, hopes were virtually abandoned today by fire fighters that they could save this house, and hundreds of others, in Big Tujung canyon as a raging brush fire swept over the hills. This picture was sent to Klamath Falls by AP wirephoto.

### Roaring Brush Fire Rages Through Tujung Canyon; Two Die In Flames

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6 (AP)—A roaring brush fire sweeping through Big Tujung canyon, 10 miles northwest of suburban Pasadena, killed two men, injured at least 14 others and was still out of control today.

Supervisor William V. Mendendall of the Angeles National forest, in which all of the burning area lies, issued a call for 400 volunteer and 100 professional fire fighters in addition to some 300 already battling the flames yesterday.

District Ranger M. W. Durham, actively directing the men, water pumps and bulldozers, said the flames might be checked shortly. He described it as the worst fire in this area in 24 years. It had scorched about 2000 acres.

The dead men, who were burned and suffocated when caught in a draw, were Carl Masterson, 37, a U. S. forest service employee, and Harry Duffy, 19, a volunteer working out of Deer Creek fire camp.

The fire started yesterday in a brush area timber-dry for weeks, and made more so by the recent siege of 90-plus weather. Southwest winds sent it racing along the south wall of Big Tujung canyon. By noon it jumped to the north wall. By nightfall the flames approached the summit of Mt. Lukens, crossing the ridge of Trail canyon.

All families in Trail canyon were evacuated, including Mrs. Bonnie Sparks, 23, and her six-day-old daughter, Beverly Dianna. Durham said more than 100 cabins, leased from the government, were endangered.

The Red Cross established a first aid station and a canteen with 30 women volunteers. Thousands of motorists were attracted toward the scene by mushrooming smoke. The California highway patrol then blocked off highways leading to the fire area.

### Meters Take In \$4669

Intake from parking meters for the month of July remained fairly steady as compared with the previous month of June. Approximately \$4669 was obtained from meters during July, \$65 under June's total of \$4734. Paul Otterbein, in charge of meter collections, believed that the small decrease was caused by the light use of meters during the 4th of July holidays.

Money from parking meters is collected on Mondays and Thursdays. Monday collections generally are larger because they include Saturday receipts, according to Otterbein. Use of two-hour meters is increasing slowly, especially those located between 10th and 11th on Pine and 9th and 11th on Klamath. Otterbein reported that damage to meters has decreased considerably since they were first installed.

### Heat Blamed For Walkouts

DETROIT, Aug. 6 (AP)—Approximately 27,000 auto workers in 10 Detroit plants were idled today by scattered walkouts attributed to the intense heat.

The temperature stood at 88 degrees at 11 a. m. and was climbing. An estimated 9500 employees were sent home when four Briggs Manufacturing Co. plants were closed by walkouts in key departments.

Chrysler Corp. laid off 5000 workers at Plymouth and 900 at DeSoto for lack of parts supplied by Briggs, and an additional 11,600 were idled in four other Chrysler plants by walkouts of a few employees.

It was the third successive day in which high temperatures affected thousands of Detroit production employees.

### Department Ponders Bill

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (AP)—The labor department is trying to decide whether to make public the information unions will file under the new Taft-Hartley labor law.

Secretary Schwelmbach has asked his labor department's legal division for an opinion on the question, an aide said today.

The issue arose when a group of newsmen sent a petition to the secretary, asking that the information required of unions be made available to the press when received.

Schwelmbach read the petition and commented, "I just don't know the answer."

The Taft-Hartley act says the national labor relations board shall not recognize any petitions by a union, unless the union has submitted to the labor department certain information about its finances, officers, and rules.

### Engine Does Tow Car Duties

MOORHEAD, Minn., Aug. 6 (AP)—D. W. King, Great Northern railway fireman, was off duty Tuesday. So he went motoring only to back his car off a raised crossing and stall it in the path of a soon due Great Northern mail train.

Then he had the engineer ease the big locomotive up to the crossing to nudge his auto loose from its precarious position. The train proceeded, only five minutes late as result of its tow car role.

### Troops To Be Called Home Again

LONDON, Aug. 6 (AP)—Prime Minister Attlee told parliament today that Great Britain would reduce her armed forces, impose a limited direction of labor and seek relaxation of clauses in the U. S. loan agreement to help ease her growing economic crisis.

He said also that workers "in the more essential industries" would have to work longer and that coal miners would be asked to labor half an hour a day additional.

Attlee said Great Britain also would cut down her imports in a manner that would mean "hardships for many people."

He said the United States, at Britain's entreaty, had agreed to discuss the sterling convertibility and non-discrimination in trade agreements in the \$3,750,000,000 loan, which Attlee said would be exhausted this year.

Denies Spending

He denied, as Winston Churchill had charged on Monday, that the labor government had "frittered away" the American billions, advanced after termination of lend-lease from which Great Britain received \$31,367,240,530 from the U. S. and gave back in reverse deals \$6,319,792,047.

Attlee said British armed strength would be reduced by 420,000 men by next March. The forces numbered 1,297,300 men on July 1.

"An exhaustive inquiry has been instituted into the whole future of our defense policy," he said.

### Smog Fogs Downtown LA

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6 (AP)—Industrial smoke, mixed with fog, rolled into downtown Los Angeles today, cutting visibility to three-quarters of a mile but the weather bureau voiced the typical California comment that it's "not unusual."

Fumes, however, made eyes smart more than usual and the air pollution engineer's office reported many residents were literally crying the blues.

Absence of wind to carry away the smoke output of factories frequently inflicts a smoke screen on the downtown district this time of year. The city council has scheduled an airplane flight to search out the chief offenders as part of an abatement campaign.

### Bleacher Fall Injures 33

GOSHEN, N. Y., Aug. 6 (AP)—At least 33 persons were injured today when three sections of the temporary bleachers crowded with spectators for the Hambletonian trotting stakes collapsed.

The Goshen hospital reported that 33 persons received first aid treatment. Identification of the injured and the extent of injuries were not immediately possible, hospital authorities said.

A record crowd of 20,000 or more jammed the track when the crash came near the head of the stretch.

Injured were rushed to Goshen hospital by ambulance and private auto and about a half hour after the collapse a hospital nurse reported that 33 had been treated.

### Tulelake Gets Storage Pears

TULELAKE, Aug. 6—The first shipment of Bartlett pears from the Rogue river valley to be stored in Tulelake was arriving today at the Tulelake cold storage plant.

An expected 225 car loads of pears will be handled at the storage plant this season, according to Ross Raglund, manager.

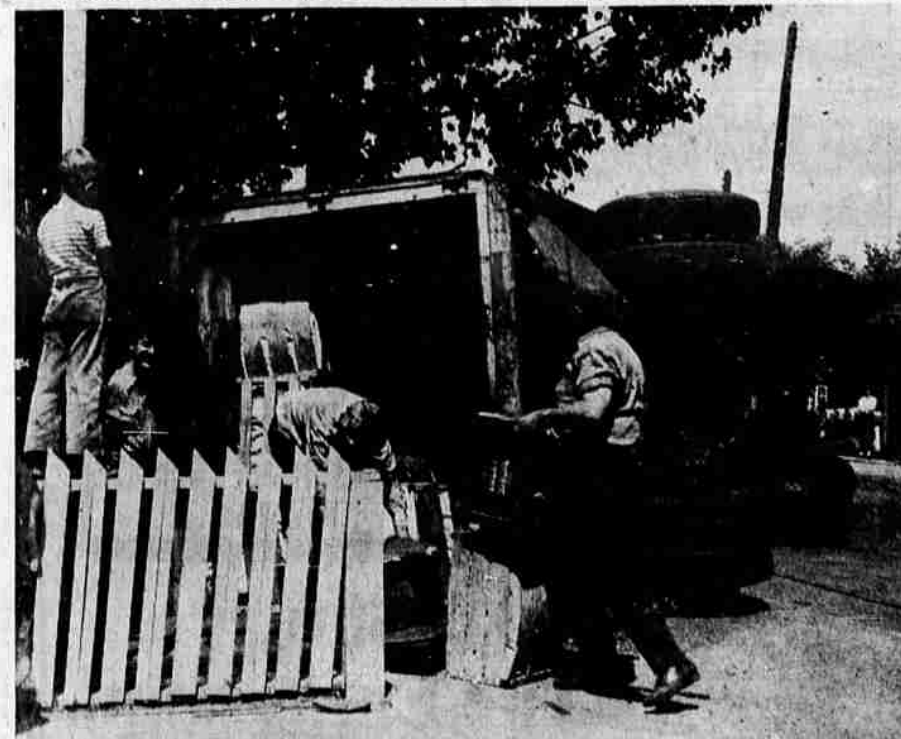
The first fall shipment of seed spuds from the Shasta area is expected in next week. The shipper will be D. W. Ferguson, prominent potato grower and buyer. The spuds will be held until next spring.

### Union Ad Asks Defeat Of Taft

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 6 (AP)—Challenging the constitutionality of the Taft-Hartley labor law, the Connecticut Federation of Labor and an AFL local union today, urged the political defeat of Senator Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) and Connecticut congressmen who voted for the act.

The advertisements, placed in a Hartford daily newspaper (Hartford Times), deliberately violated a section of the law restricting labor organizations from making expenditures in political campaigns.

### Cargo Of Fresh Peppers Unloaded From Overtaken Trailer



This big trailer, loaded with crates of peppers and northbound from Los Angeles, skidded and overturned at Oregon and Blehn streets shortly after noon yesterday, and the cargo had to be unloaded before the trailer could be set back on its wheels. The driver, Henry Sear, escaped injury and there was little damage.



Loading a hefty chunk of wood into a truck bright and early this morning was Red Berryman, seen through the eye of the 9 o'clock camera.