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Philly Braces For Transit Tie-Up

The New Look Worn By Fair Members Of Copco Office Force



Full, sweeping skirts topped by crisp white blouses of the Gibson Girl variety of another day, were worn today by quite a few women employees of the California Oregon Power company. The fashion was so widespread that The Herald and News photographer got wind of it and posed the New Look wearers along a Copco corridor. Left to right, Helen McClure, June Selstrom, Jacqueline Eittrich, Patsy Beck, Lona Martin, Eva Rae Briscoe, Nan Taylor and Violet Richard.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
TODAY is Chinese New Year—when an old year ends and a new one begins. Shanghai dispatches say "the troubled nation expelled its worries aside and celebrated noisily." The celebration includes fireworks, whistles, clamorous beating of drums and cymbals and lusty thumping of washbuds.
ALL in all, it is as it should be. One of the most fortunate things about this life is that "hope springs eternal in the human breast." If the time ever comes when hope is gone, ALL WILL BE GONE.
THERE is a sour note, however. WE STOPPED WORK and sat down to the best meal that could be afforded—"which," the dispatch adds, "wasn't much."
If people stop work at every opportunity, how are we going to GET MORE—which is what we all want?
ONE more on China, before we quit:
"This is the 'year of the rat.' We are told from Shanghai that 'the Chinese earnestly hope it will be better than the last, which was the year of the pig.'"
Nobody loves the rat. Still, he gets out and hustles. Taking cats, traps, 22 rifles and posing in his stride, he goes ahead and does business. The pig, by preference, eats everything that is fed to him and gets fat and lazy.
It's a fair guess that the rat will SURVIVE, no matter what happens.
SENATOR MORSE says in New York today (where, as frequently happens, he made a speech that (Continued on Page 2, Column 2)

Jesters Reign As New Orleans Cuts Loose With Mardi Gras Bender To Wind Up Fete

By KRIS KREEGER
NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 10 (AP)—New Orleans went on its annual Mardi Gras bender today, celebrating a modern version of the world's oldest surviving festival.
The people dressed in fantastic costumes, staged gaudy parades, clambered over one another to see the costumes and parades, danced in the streets.
The pre-Greek Shepherds who started the business 5000 years ago might have been a bit surprised if they had chanced upon the scene. But nobody would have noticed them—what with folks disguised as decks of cards and aspirin bottles, gypsies and convicts, apes and ballet dancers.
Those Shepherds used to cut a goat skin into strips and whip each other about this time of year. They figured it was a good way to make the pasture grow better.
By various twists and turns, their festival was changed into the orgies of European carnivals. The French carnival celebration of Mardi Gras, with the orgy strained out was imported into New Orleans about 120 years ago.
Today—Mardi Gras itself Shrove Tuesday, a day of fun before the Lenten austerity—winds up a carnival season that started on Twelfth night, January 6. The festivities thus far have included a dozen public parades and several dozen balls.
The thing became a general spree on this final day. With all business stopped, the people crowded the downtown streets for the last parade. Many thousands of men, women and children were in fancy costume.
Traditional climax of the affair was the parade of mule-drawn floats led by Rex, king of carnival.
Rex, this year, was Dr. Alton Tjensner, internationally known surgeon. His queen was Elizabeth Lee Nicholson, debutante daughter of Yorke P. Nicholson, first vice president of the Times-Picayune Publishing company, and Mrs. Nicholson.
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Paul Sanger, Kelso, Wash., area co-ordinator of the Washington search program, aided in direction of the hunt. Yesterday he flew through the Columbia gorge and another plane searched the area north of Oregon City. Two planes flew over the route from Kennewick to The Dalles.
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Agency Timber Goes On Block

Sealed bids on an estimated 10,000 board feet of timber, practically all pine, are being received at the office of the superintendent at Klamath Agency.
The timber stand is known as Kanot unit No. 6 and is located on approximately 1800 acres of land within the Klamath Indian reservation. It is a much smaller sale than several made by the tribe in the past year.
Bids will be opened at 2 p. m. March 2 at the Agency, and each bid submitted must be accompanied by a check for \$10,000, made payable to the special disbursing agent, Klamath Agency. The purchaser must agree to cut and remove the timber by April 1, 1948.
Minimum bids which will be considered are \$14.50 a thousand board feet for sugar and Ponderosa pine stumpage, \$10 for Douglas fir and incense cedar, and \$4.60 for other types of merchantable timber on the stand.

Soft Coal Operators Rap Government Work Proposal

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 (AP)—Cyrus S. Ching, chief federal labor conciliator, said last night the government won't permit a soft coal shutdown this spring.
Members of the Southern Coal Producers association were still yelling "foul" today.
They said Ching has practically handed John L. Lewis a loaded gun if a strike is what the United Mine Workers has in mind.
"Lewis comes into the negotiations with an ace in the hole," protested Raymond Salvati, a West Virginia mine official.
"If we cannot get together and his demands are such that we cannot concede them, the government would step in and grant Lewis what he wants."
"He knows that the only way the government can get coal is to give in."
Ching said flatly the nation "will not tolerate a coal stoppage."
If a strike develops, he told the Southern Producers at a dinner meeting, "the government will step in." He added:
"In that case, it will be settled

Lincoln Day Program Set

A brief program is planned for the Lincoln Day banquet at the Willard hotel Thursday evening honoring Governor and Mrs. John H. Hall. Those arranging the dinner meeting have made it possible for the governor, who pays his first visit to Klamath Falls since taking office last October, to give his address and meet with Klamath folks after the banquet.
Mrs. Don Zumwalt will lead group singing in "God Bless America," and the Rev. Frederick C. Wissenbach will give the invocation. While dinner is being served, the Barber Shop quartet will sing under the direction of John H. Houston. Immediately after dinner, Governor Hall will give his address, "Lincoln Day, 1948," and a guest book will later be presented to the governor and his wife containing names of those who attended the tea planned for Thursday at the Pelican party room, and those who were guests at the dinner.
Governor Hall will be available for appointments Thursday afternoon from 2 to 5 p. m., at his suite in the Willard, it was announced today.

Good Grief—What Relief

PORTLAND, Feb. 10 (AP)—The prices of several food items dropped in local retail stores today, but no one could predict whether the trend would last.
Flour was down about 2 cents a pound, lard 10 cents a pound, and some pork cuts 100 pounds, and some pork cuts 10 cents a pound in a number of stores.
Cheese and chicken prices, however, went up.

Search For Plane Grows

TROUTDALE, Ore., Feb. 10 (AP)—Military and civilian planes based here and at The Dalles today resumed search for a pilot missing on a flight from Kennewick, Wash., to Oregon City.
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Radio Workers Tie Up Cable

NEW YORK, Feb. 10 (AP)—Striking communications workers, employing "filibuster" tactics, tied up the counter of the Mackay Radio and Telegraph company in the basement concourse of Radio City for three hours yesterday.
Crowding around the counter, 19 strikers pushed bulky messages at the three clerks on duty. One offered a copy of the U. S. Constitution for transmission. Another handed over the Bill of Rights, and still another the Declaration of Independence.
The strikers were members of the American Communications association (CIO) and the All-America Cable Employees association, an independent union.

Drivers Set Midnight Deadline

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10 (AP)—Philadelphia's three million trolley, bus and subway travelers braced themselves today for a transit strike set for midnight.
The walkout—which would result in Philadelphia's third major transportation tieup in five years—was approved by a majority of the 11,000 members of Local 234, CIO-Transport Workers' union, employed by the Philadelphia Transportation Co.
The contract between the company and the union expires at the time set for the strike—midnight.
Door Still Open
Union President Joseph B. Dougherty, who announced the strike vote after a mass meeting of union members last night, said that negotiations with the company still might avert a walkout.
A PTC spokesman at the same time declared:
"The door is still open. A transit strike with its disastrous consequences to everyone must be avoided."
The strike vote came shortly after Clarence Tolson Jr., president of the Philadelphia chamber of commerce, urged the transit workers to reconsider their demands for a wage increase and remain on the job "in the interest of sound economics."
Negotiations broke down last Thursday when the company and the union failed to reach an agreement on the union's demand for a 40 cent per hour raise. Dougherty said the PTC countered with an offer of six more cents an hour.
Motormen and conductors at present are paid \$11.2 an hour on two-man cars and \$13.20 per hour on one-man operations. Maintenance workers receive from 91 cents to \$1.48 an hour.

Guerrillas Blast Salonika

SALONIKA, Greece, Feb. 10 (AP)—A large force of guerrillas fired 12 mountain artillery shells into this city this morning, killing four persons, an official announcement said.
The dead included a British soldier who died in his billet in the heart of the city, when a shell exploded. Two British soldiers in the same billet were wounded.
Two women and a man also were killed and nine other civilians were wounded.
City officials said the rebels fired on Salonika, which has a population of about 100,000, from a point five miles to the north.
Press reports reaching Athens said the air force had found the rebel band and had strafed it.
"These reports said one of the shells struck the Mediterranean hotel, headquarters of the U. N. special commission for the Balkans, cutting off communications and shattering windows."

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Jobs For Young—But Not Alone

James Chlumsky, 58, of Klamath Annex, who told police that jobs are for young people, is in jail today awaiting a court hearing on a charge of vagrancy.
City police arrested Chlumsky yesterday afternoon in a Main street tavern where he allegedly was tawndrinking, and the man told them he thought young persons should get first try at any available jobs, therefore he didn't look for one.
Police also said that Chlumsky was suspected of having the sideline of furnishing liquor to Indians. The arresting officer recommended 90 days in the hoosegow.

Ostendorf To File For State Post

Ed Ostendorf, mayor of Klamath Falls, today announced he would be a republican candidate for nomination as state representative from the 32nd district, Klamath county. The county has two seats in the lower house to be filled and Ostendorf is the second republican candidate to come forward.
The other is Carl Steinsieffer, who announced several weeks ago. So although there may not be a contest in the May primary, there will be one in the November general election.

Three In Race

Henry Semon, democrat, has already filed his petition of candidacy for representative, so there are now three persons officially in the running for the two posts, and possibly more to come.
Ostendorf is finishing off his four-year term as mayor this year and said he absolutely would not run for mayor again. He is a long-time resident of Klamath Falls, having come here in 1927. Ostendorf was a 1948 Dodge car dealer here until 1941 when he sold out to L. L. Lombard and planned to retire.
But the war came along to break up retirement plans. He was OPA director here for a time and then was elected mayor in 1944. He is a Shriner, Mason and Elk, chamber of commerce member, past president of Kiwanis and director of the League of Oregon Cities.
Ostendorf said today he has not formally filed his petition of candidacy, but was writing to Salem for his filing papers.

Two Ships In Distress

NEW YORK, Feb. 10 (AP)—Two freighters radioed today they were in serious trouble in extremely rough seas 800 miles east of Newfoundland. Rescue vessels sped to their aid.
The ships were the 7176-ton Pierre S. DuPont, operated by the U. S. lines under charter from the federal government, and the 3355-ton Clunepark, operated by the British ship, which has a crack in her hull and was taking water fast. Later she messaged she was holding her own.
The DuPont, a war-built Liberty ship with a crew of 44, sent an SOS saying she had a crack in her hull and was taking water fast. Later she messaged she was holding her own.
The freighter Henry Baldwin was rushing to the aid of the DuPont. Capt. Eric K. Erikson, 45, of Brooklyn, is skipper of the stricken ship.
The Clunepark radioed her rudder had been damaged in the heavy seas. The nearest rescue vessel was the freighter John Fiske.
Both rescue ships were expected to reach the damaged vessels in mid-day.

Biggest Birthday Party Blows Lid

SHANGHAI, Feb. 10 (AP)—Today marked the world's biggest birthday party.
More than 450,000,000 Chinese became a year older with the advent of the lunar new year. The troubled nation elbowed its worries aside and celebrated noisily.
In Shanghai, there were fireworks, whistles, clamorous beatings of cymbals and drums and lusty thumping of washbuds. Everyone stopped work. At home, the Chinese sat down to the best meal they could afford—which wasn't much.
The lunar holiday celebration lasts four days. On the fifth—the god of wealth days—Chinese shops will reopen.
This is the "year of the rat." Chinese hope earnestly that it will be better than the last, which was "the year of the pig."

Late Spud Bulletin

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10 (AP) (USDA)—Potatoes: 7 broken, 21 unbroken cars on track; arrivals, California 1, Oregon 2, Idaho 2, Maine 1; market firm; Klamath Russets No. 1-A, 5.75 to occasionally higher.
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10 (AP) (USDA)—Potatoes: 25 broken, 28 unbroken cars on track; arrivals, California 3, by truck 14; market slightly stronger; Idaho Russets No. 1-A, 5.50; Deschutes 5.65.

Announces



Mayor Ed Ostendorf today projected himself into the race for state representative from Klamath county, seeking the republican nomination.

Red Official To Be Ousted

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10 (AP)—The justice department today announced the arrest for deportation of John Williamson, labor secretary of the communist party in the United States.
A department official described Williamson as "the most important figure in the communist party against whom the justice department has taken action thus far."
The department said Williamson, a member of the communist party's national committee, "has been posing as an American citizen for many years, whereas he is an alien."
FBI records showed he was born in Scotland 45 years ago.
Immigration service officials and FBI agents took Williamson into custody this morning as he was leaving his home in New York City.
He was taken to Ellis island and held there without bond to await deportation proceedings.
Williamson has represented himself as a native of California, department officials said. He claimed, they added, that he was born there in 1902 or 1903 but that his birth records were destroyed in the San Francisco earthquake and fire.

No Change In Mill Set-Up

At 1 o'clock this afternoon The California Oregon Power company advised The Herald and News that no change in the existing off-peak schedule of sawmill operations here was in sight.
It was hoped that by today sawmill operators would be advised that sufficient power was now available to return all operations to a normal basis. Sam Ritchey, district manager of Copco, said early today that he had not been instructed to change the schedule in effect since last Wednesday when power supply from The Pacific Gas and Electric company in the south was cut off to Copco.
Considerable moisture has fallen in Northern California but weather would have to moderate in order to increase the flow which, in turn, would supply power from PG&E back through the transmissions lines from the south to Copco.

Slayer May Be Trapped

BEAUMONT, Calif., Feb. 10 (AP)—Possemen using walkie-talkie radio beat through the brush of the San Geronimo hills today in a search they hoped was closing in on the hoodlum-killer of pretty Marjorie Winn, 17, Redlands high school girl.
A hundred or more sheriff's deputies and special officers systematically searched hills and ravines, believing they had the fugitive blocked off in Lamb's canyon. They figured hunger might force the hunted man to attempt to break through the ring of searchers.
Miss Winn was killed early Sunday morning. She and James Sloan Jr., 18, of Redlands, University of Southern California freshman, were returning to Redlands from a rodeo in Palm Springs. They stopped briefly along a highway. Sloan said, when a thin-faced man suddenly opened the car door and demanded money, then fired one shot when Sloan started the car. The girl died a short time later at a nearby farmhouse.

President Truman Congratulates New Chief Of Staff



At ceremonies at the Pentagon building, Washington, D. C., President Truman (left), congratulates General Omar Bradley (right) after he took oath of office as army chief of staff. Retiring Commander General Dwight D. Eisenhower (center), wearing a third Oak Leaf Cluster for a Distinguished Service medal, presented him by the chief executive, looks on.

Livestock Hits Skids For 2nd Day

NEW YORK, Feb. 10 (AP)—Cotton and grains led a new and fast retreat on the price front today.
Grocery stores and wholesale markets gave wide recognition to the tumbling prices as the break became general, pulling stock market prices down to \$1 to \$3 a share.
Prices on the wholesale meat market in Chicago were down as much as \$4 a hundred pounds today in an unusually quick reaction to yesterday's livestock declines.
Cotton was down as much as \$9.95 a bale, only five cents below the daily allowable limit.

Grain Down

Grain slammed downward with the sharpness that characterized last week's drastic fall.
Livestock prices were at yesterday's lowest prices. Cotton was down \$2.55 a bale. Even butter, which had been at record high recently, skidded.
There were scattered reports of further declines in cost-of-living items.

Optimism Feared

Consumers were hopeful of meat bargains after yesterday's sharp drop in livestock prices, but economists warned them not to be too optimistic.
Bacon, ham and steaks were tagged a little lower in many stores. Retail prices on flour, lard, sugar and bread also were down in some shops.
But the entire movement was on a relatively small scale and there was no certainty that it was permanent.
Some chain stores began cutting retail prices yesterday when livestock nose-dived as the grain market rallied and got back on its feet after last week's break.
Hog prices fell to the top of \$22.25 a hundred pounds, a low since January 6, 1947. Cattle, skidded as much as \$3 a hundred pounds. Lamb dropped as much as \$1.