

TRUMAN SEIZES U.S. RAILROADS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
 AT 9 o'clock this morning, President Truman seizes the railroads (again.) He is trying to head off stoppage of rail service in the United States at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Secretary of the Army Royall names General Edmund H. Levey to run the roads for the army. President Truman says: "I call upon every railroad worker to co-operate with the government by remaining on duty."

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THE general run of us to whom railroad service is probably more important than anything except gasoline to run our cars and trucks will, sit tight and say nothing. We'll see what we'll see.

STRIKES are bad. There is no getting around that. They are industrial war, and war of any kind is costly.

Still, they are our way of settling labor-management disagreements that have gone too far to be settled any other way. If—over the long pull, in a clash of systems—it should turn out that the Russian system is stronger than ours and RUSSIA TAKES US OVER, there will be no more strike trouble.

THERE will be no more strike trouble then because communism doesn't tolerate strikes. Under communist totalitarianism, AUTHORITY AT THE TOP tells the people DOWN AT THE BOTTOM what to do and the people do it.

They do it OR ELSE.

They have a choice, of course. They can obey, or they can face the firing squads or go to concentration camps.

But, in the end, the orders of authority at the top prevail.

MAYBE it will turn out that the communist system is more efficient. In that event, we will be taken over by communism. This writer, speaking as one small American, prefers our way. If, under our way, we have to have strikes, let's have them, get them over as soon as possible, with as little ill will as possible, and get back to work as soon as possible.

ANYTHING is better than having to take orders from the top and being able to do nothing about it except to say humbly: "Yes, Master, so it shall be."

Units Hold V-E Day Rites

Floral wreaths on the memorial shaft at the court house marked Klamath's observance of the third anniversary of V-E Day Saturday afternoon. County veterans organizations placed wreaths in memory of World War II dead in simple ceremonies sponsored by the allied veterans council.

A small crowd paid tribute to the occasion as services opened with the invocation by Rev. Godfrey Matthews, Master of ceremonies was Mark Smith.

Uniformed representatives of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and auxiliary, the American Legion and auxiliary, the Disabled American Veterans and auxiliary, the Marine Corps League and its auxiliary, and the Reserve Officers Association placed the wreaths.

An American Legion firing squad fired a salute, and taps were played, concluding the service.

Rail Wages As Given By Union:

NEW YORK, May 10 (AP)—Here are the minimum wages received by railroad engineers, firemen and switchmen who are scheduled to strike tomorrow morning, as listed in a union pamphlet:

Engineers, \$10.00 for an eight-hour day; firemen, \$9.21; switchmen, \$10.02; switch foremen, listed as a job involving executive responsibility, \$10.54.

Union demands were listed in the pamphlet as an increase of 30 per cent or a minimum of \$3 a day for an eight-hour day across the board. The railroads' counter offer is 15% cents an hour or \$1.24 a day, the pamphlet said.

Man-Made Lakes Seen Threat To Prehistoric Culture Link

By VERN HAUGLAND
WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—Man-made lakes threaten to blot out important links with America's prehistoric culture.

Dr. Frank H. H. Roberts Jr., of the Smithsonian Institution said so today. He told the national park service advisory board swift action must be taken to prevent the nation's system of river basin developments from destroying important archeological sites.

The threat is especially serious in five areas, including the Pacific Northwest, Roberts said. One—Bugs Island in the Roanoke river between Virginia and North Carolina—is the only known site in the eastern part of the United States of the folium type of culture which extends an estimated 15,000 years into the past. This is the earliest known form of man on the North American continent.

"Eighty per cent of the prehistoric peoples lived in the river valleys where land was fertile and water transportation was available, even as people do today," Roberts said in his report.

"Now, with the large scale construction of multiple-purpose dams and reservoirs, the only way we can save the remains of those ancient valley settlements is to carry on a salvage program in advance of the flooding of the lands."

"The sites constitute the library of archeology. Their contents must be saved."

Besides the Bugs Island site, Roberts listed the other proposed reservoir sites where research work is most urgently needed, including: Various Columbia river projects in Washington and Oregon such as the McNary dam. The sites include village pits containing volcanic ash which links the civilizations with geologic periods of 4000 years ago.

WEATHER
 Max. 54, Min. 36
 Precipitation last 24 hours .00
 Stream year to date 10.82
 Last year 1.74 Normal 16.41
 Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight, clearing Tuesday.

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Above, left, view of the Willard hotel banquet room Saturday noon as Governor Dewey of New York addressed Klamath people in his presidential preference campaign. Right, Dewey and Mayor Ed Ostendorf in conceivable. Below, part of the big crowd that heard Dewey speak from the courthouse steps Saturday noon. Arrow points to the candidate.

Travel Expert Says Oregon Tourist Trade May Triple

LAKEVIEW, May 10 (AP)—An indication that tourist travel in Oregon may be three times that of 1947 was given here Saturday night by Manley F. Robinson, director of the travel and information bureau for the Oregon highway department, in a talk before members of the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association.

The indication was based on the number of inquiries from potential tourists, made in response to highway department's national tourist advertising, that have been answered by his office. He said that so far this year, he has answered 110,000 inquiries, while in 1947 they answered 116,500.

Robinson said further that in the past six weeks, these inquiries have averaged 6000 per week. He compared these figures with the peak year, 1939, when the office answered 55,000 inquiries.

The tourist business already ranks third with lumber and agriculture in Oregon income, Robinson stated, but pointed out that income from tourists is "new money" brought in from far points and distributed here

UMT-Draft Bill Favored

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—Chairman Gurney (R-S.D.) today announced general acceptance by the senate armed services committee of a temporary draft and a military training program.

Gurney told reporters he expects the bill to be completed tomorrow. The measure as it stands authorizes a two-year draft of men 19 through 25 and a year's military training for 18-year-olds.

It also requires registration of all men 18 through 25 and of doctors up to age 45.

Most veterans would be exempt from the draft.

Gurney emphasized that all of these provisions are subject to change before the final committee vote, but he said "there is quite complete agreement on the bill."

He added that the group has "about three more things" to decide, including an amendment by Senator Russell (D-Ga.) to require industrial plants to accept war production orders.

Gurney said that when the vote has been taken, it will be introduced in the senate as a committee bill. It is slated for early action.

The chairman said the section dealing with doctors will assure that no community will be "denuded" of physicians.

Long Buys Up Apartments

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas E. Long have purchased the Roosevelt apartments from Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Roskamp, it was announced today.

The apartments were built by Roskamp in 1933, and are located on LeRoy street in Hot Springs.

Long came to Klamath Falls from Portland in 1939 and has operated the Long's apparel shop since that time. The family lived on Lakeshore drive for the past eight years and will now occupy the owner's apartment in the Roosevelt.

Mr. and Mrs. Roskamp have not announced their future plans, but are leaving to spend some time with their daughter, Barbara, student at the University of California.

The transaction was handled by the Barnhill agency. The consideration was not announced.

Short Haircuts Postpone Trial

PITTSBURGH, May 10 (AP)—The trial of three men on charges of slaying a policeman was postponed today because their hair is too short.

A barber at Western penitentiary, where the three are serving long terms for burglary and larceny, gave them the regulation convict haircut when they were admitted 10 days ago.

The district attorney's office decided on the postponement until their hair grows back. Prosecutors felt that defense attorneys might object to having the three men in court with their heads bald-bright.

The men are Edward Dipofi, 23, John Wilson, 26, and Henry Knice, 26. The state charges them with killing Patrolman Joseph Chmelnyski.



Lost Couple Found Safe

A six-year-old girl and her 50-year-old hiking companion, missing for several hours last night on Hogback mountain southwest of town, were the object of a four-hour search which brought out a crew of state police, members of the family and neighbors.

The child, Mona Dale Cheneweth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Cheneweth of 226 Garden, and Otto Lloyd, 113 N. 10th, were found around 10:30 last night following a search which started shortly after 6 o'clock.

Went Ahead

The two had gone to the Hogback area with Mona Dale's mother and Mr. and Mrs. John Sellars of Klamath Falls. The little girl asked to go on beyond the point where the party had stopped, and hike to the lookout on the fire road.

Floyd volunteered to accompany Mona.

Mrs. Cheneweth and the Sellars waited for quite some time before they became alarmed and sought the help of state police. That was around 9:30 p. m.

Officers were rounded up and dispatched to the scene where they, too, searched for an hour.

The two were located as they walked down a road, the child cold and tired, her body in light summer clothing protected from the cold and wind by Lloyd's coat and shirt which he had put on the child during their wandering.

Both were moved to state police headquarters where Lloyd was questioned. He said they "got lost," wandered around for a time and then built a fire.

"They finally started down a road and met the search party."

Outside of being chilled in the 38-degree night air and footsore as well as hungry, Mona Dale was little the worse for her experience.

Anderson Out As USDA Head

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—President Truman formally accepted the resignation of Secretary of Agriculture Anderson today with an endorsement of his candidacy for the democratic nomination for the senate from New Mexico.

"In consenting to your release at this time," the president wrote, "I do so in the hope that the period immediately ahead is but the preliminary to your reentry to the halls of congress—next time as a member of the senate."

Anderson formerly was a member of the house of representatives.

There still was no word from the White House on Anderson's successor.

Boeing Strike End Sought

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—The government continued efforts to end the strike of 14,500 machinists at the Boeing Airplane company bomber plant, Seattle, Wash., despite management refusal to attend Washington meetings.

The conciliation service received its third turn-down from the company today after inviting the parties to talk over the strike with mediators here. The company contends the Aeronautical Mechanics union (and) violated a no-strike provision in the contract.

Howard Colvin, associate director of the conciliation service, said "we're going to continue to explore the matter and try to find some method of settlement."

"We're not giving up hope," he added.

Chamber To Hear Walker Tonight

Senator Dean Walker of Independence will be the featured speaker at tonight's annual meeting of the Klamath county chamber of commerce.

The dinner is scheduled to start at 6:30 p. m. at the Willard hotel dining room. Tickets were still available this afternoon at the chamber.

Walker, former president of the senate and long on the ways and means committee, will discuss the state's financial affairs.

Brotherhoods Undecided On Strike Issue

WASHINGTON, May 10 (AP)—President Truman seized the railroads today in a move to head off a strike which he said would be "a nationwide tragedy with world-wide repercussions."

He put the lines under the army. But it was not certain that even this would stop the walkout called by three big railroad brotherhoods for 6 a. m. (local railroad time) tomorrow. Their chiefs said they would have to talk with strike committees.

The president signed a seizure order two minutes before 1 o'clock (EDT) in an effort to bar a strike. The order places operation of the trains under direction of the U. S. army.

Mr. Truman appealed to all railroad workers to stay on their jobs. "I call upon every railroad worker to cooperate with the government by remaining on duty," the seizure statement said.

"I call upon the officers of the railroad labor organizations to take appropriate action to keep their members at work."

Mr. Truman's statement added: "It is essential to the public health and to the public welfare generally that every possible step be taken by the government to assure to the fullest possible extent continuous and uninterrupted transportation service."

"A strike on our railroads would be a nationwide tragedy, with world-wide repercussions."

Rail Strike Effects At A Glance

By The Associated Press
 Here is the rail strike situation at a glance:

Washington—President Truman seizes nation's railroads at 9 a. m. (PST), but Thomas J. Harkins, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, says "my orders are that a strike goes into effect at six o'clock tomorrow," more conferences between conciliators and disputants scheduled.

New York—Emergency transportation mobilized; extra bus and airline equipment sought; Mayor O'Dwyer says city faces "one of worst food gouges in history."

Chicago—Survey of nation shows threatened mass unemployment, crop losses, and inflated food prices if strike goes through tomorrow morning.

Buffalo—Steel making and blast furnace operations expected to halt in Bethlehem Steel company's Lackawanna plant if strike takes effect.

Cleveland—Unions involved in the dispute over wages and working rules are the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Railway Car and Equipment Men, and the Switchmen's Union of North America.

Youngster On Night Prowl, But Found OK

Little Harold Swisher, aged 3, was away from home all Saturday night but was reunited with his parents after a few frantic hours Sunday morning.

Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Swisher, 1633 Austin, tucked the youngster in bed and retired themselves. Apparently Harold wasn't quite ready to go to sleep, so he slipped out of bed and took a walk.

At 10:45 p. m. he was found sitting on the doorstep of the Dr. Richard Currin residence, 3043 Shasta way. The night was chilly and the boy was clad only in a diaper.

Dr. Currin took the boy to Hillside hospital for examination and keeping overnight, and reported the incident to city police. No report of a lost or strayed child came in all night.

About 6 a. m. Sunday the Swishers awoke to find that Harold was not in bed. Getting more panicky by the moment, they looked around all the accustomed places where the boy might have wandered, then about 9 o'clock called police.

Deskman Jim Brown at the city police station took the call and put two and two together. The youngster at Hillside was the missing child.

Strike May Halt Freedom Train

NEW YORK, May 10 (AP)—The fate of the Freedom train in event rail workers quit their jobs was uncertain today.

However the American Heritage foundation, which operates the train, said it is confident the unions will make an exception and permit it to run.

Union officials could not be reached immediately for comment.

The train was in Willmar, Minn., today for servicing. The train carries a permanent five-man supervisory crew, but while traveling it is operated by crewmen from the railroad on which it is moving.

Falling Stones Kill Pilgrims

NAPLES, Italy, May 10 (AP)—Marble blocks toppling from a truck fell on a group of sightseeing pilgrims near here today, killing 13 and injuring four.

The sightseers were returning from Pompei sanctuary when they halted on the Calore river bridge in Mirabella to admire the view.

Shasta-Cascadians Hold Session at Lakeview



View of the head table at Saturday night's Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association banquet at Lakeview. Left to right: Mrs. Norman Rowbotham, Redding; President Rowbotham of the association; Arlys Cole, Portland advertising man; Manley F. Robinson, director of the travel and information bureau of the state highway department; Ray Harland, Lakeview, dinner chairman; Mrs. J. R. Heckman, Lakeview; County Judge Heckman of Lake county; Tom Stanley, manager, Wonderland association.