

STEEL PROBERS SAY NO PAY HIKES

MP Strikers Stop Cotton Belt--Error

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 16 (AP)—Service on the Cotton Belt railroad's main line to the southwest was halted for several hours today by trainmen on strike against the Missouri Pacific railroad.

Union officials announced after a conference that interruption of Cotton Belt traffic resulted from a misunderstanding on the part of the strikers. They instructed strike directors to permit the Cotton Belt to resume full service.

Meanwhile traffic on the far-flung Missouri Pacific system came to a standstill. "We're not even trying to run a handcar," a spokesman for the road said. Five thousand trainmen were on strike and 22,500 other employees were laid off.

Trains Stopped

Several Cotton Belt trains were stopped by a picket line of Missouri Pacific strikers near Dupou, Ill., just southeast of St. Louis, early today.

The Cotton Belt uses Missouri Pacific tracks between Dupou and Illinois.

R. E. Davidson, speaking for the four brotherhoods on strike, said: "This thing that happened at Dupou was without a doubt caused by an error—a misunderstanding of what the trains consisted of. Our men presumed that was an attempt to run a Missouri Pacific train. That wasn't so."

A few Missouri Pacific trains completed their runs yesterday after the strike deadline passed, but all traffic was at a standstill today.

Bond Secure, Elliott Says; Lashes Foes

PORTLAND, Sept. 16 (AP)—Sheriff Marion LeRoy (Mike) Elliott of Multnomah county predicted today he would hold onto his office and unleash a vitriolic attack on his detractors.

In the midst of passage of a prepared statement he referred to the "fair weather friends" who now are attempting to oust him by (A) a recall and (B) having his surety bond cancelled.

Elliott predicted the \$10,000 bond would not be cancelled. He said he was just back from a talk with officials of the Maryland Casualty company in Baltimore and he announced:

Says Bond Safe

"I was assured there was no reason for my bond to be cancelled."

Then his statement went on to call his opponents "would-be tyrants, extremists and grafters... leeches and parasites... bigots." He asserted they were using "every foul, dirty, dictatorial method in an effort to smear me."

"I have tried to avoid sinking to the same level as my opponents, but I feel that the interests of the public can best be served by exposing these people and letting the public see the true facts of what is transpiring," the statement continued.

This he proposed to do by writing a series of articles. He did not say when the first would be issued, or how it would be published.

Meanwhile leaders of a recall movement said they had two-thirds of the 30,500 signatures necessary to bring a recall election. The opponents insist the democratic sheriff has demonstrated he is unfit for office.

No Names

Elliott referred to the democrats who first supported him, then changed their minds, but he mentioned no names.

"First on my list," he wrote, "is one of the would-be tyrants with governmental aspirations. This bond-pulling aspirer is a strong representative of 'machine politics' and not the type of person to be trusted with the reins of public office."

Most prominent of those who withdrew support of Elliott was Walter J. Pearson, democratic state treasurer. As an insurance agent, Pearson wrote the surety bond for Elliott. Recently, with support of other leading democrats, he recommended that the bond be cancelled.

Klamath Polio Case Reported

Another case of polio has been reported in Klamath county bringing the total this year to six for the area. While the number is larger than last year, there is no cause for fear or alarm, health officials say.

Latest case reported is 16-month-old Gail Putnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Putnam of the federal housing project on Washington way. The child was moved to Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene this week.

None of the cases has been severe. Dr. Seth Kerron, county health officer said.

Mrs. Paul Buck, chairman of the Klamath county chapter of the National Infantile Paralysis association, adds that help is offered from the chapter in all cases. In some, financial aid was given, and in others in which families did not wish financial help, assistance in hospitalization and transportation was given.

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Hungary Charges Overthrow Plot With Tito's 'Armed Help'

OC&E Strike Mediation Try Rumored

The national railway mediation board today was reportedly becoming interested in the strike which has tied up the Oregon, California and Eastern railway for two weeks.

An unverified report here was that a mediator was being assigned the job of trying to bring railroad unionists and the road management together to settle the strike.

Senators Guy Cordon and Wayne Morse both are said to have brought the strike on the 63-mile Klamath Falls-to-Bly road to the attention of the board, which is set up to mediate railroad labor disputes by the national railway act.

Conductors of the short road went on strike Monday, August 29, drawing with them all 13 operating employees of the road.

No Action

Since that time neither the strikers nor the road management has made a move toward settlement.

The OC&E is owned jointly by Southern Pacific and Great Northern, but management is vested in the Great Northern now.

The dispute regards for time pay claims, an injury compensation claim for an employee who was shot by a trespasser on the road several years ago, and a request for a rest period of at least 10 hours after duty of 12 hours or more.

J. E. Marmon, general manager of the Great Northern in Seattle, is president of the OC&E and GN officials here are apparently leaving the strike up to him.

Non-operating GN employees manned a locomotive to shunt some loaded cars onto a transfer track and distribute other box cars and tankers last week, but no action of that type has been reported since.

KF Farmer's Back Broken

Elmer Manning, 46-year-old Klamath Falls farmer, is in Klamath Valley hospital, suffering from a fractured back.

Manning is said to have been doing some building work on his farm when a framework fell, striking him across the back. He came by car to the Klamath Medical clinic and was moved from there Friday afternoon by Kaler's ambulance to the hospital. His condition is said to be fair.

Klamath Dogs Show Well

Three retriever dogs in the Klamath area were running high in the derby at noon today when the canines entered the third, and possibly the last, series.

Jet Captain, owned and handled by Hal Shidder, caught the judges' eyes as did Oakdreck's Sir Dorchester, owned and handled by Jim Stillwell, and Hudson Jet, owned by Mr. and Mrs. R. R. McNary and handled by L. P. Montgomery.

Jet Captain yesterday topped second place in the non-winners circle. The derby will be finished today followed by the open all-ages event which continues all day Sunday.

Public Invited To Dog Trials Tomorrow

The public is invited to visit Jim Kerner's ranch tomorrow when some of the top retrievers dogs in the country will wind up the Pacific coast A.K.C.-licensed trials. Starting time is 8 a.m. and continuous events will run throughout the day.

The ranch, ideal site for the trials, is five-and-a-half miles from the Weed-Ashland junction on the Keno road.

Sunday's trial is an open event for dogs of all ages. Brignall's Gringo, a national champion, will be among the performing canines tomorrow. The dog is owned by Cliff Brignall of Los Angeles.

Over 130 dogs have been entered in the retriever trials, the largest event of its kind ever staged in this area.



CROSSWALK DANGER—Three accidents injuring pedestrians at crosswalks were recorded here in Klamath Falls this week, causing Police Judge Leigh Ackerman this morning to decree that jail sentences would go along with fines for future violations of the pedestrian's right-of-way at intersections. Maximum penalty is 30 days in jail and a \$100 fine. This picture was taken at Mills school yesterday showing the danger to school youngsters on busy East Main. A child hit there yesterday was not seriously hurt but the driver, 16-year-old high school student, Sheldon Archie Abercrombie, had his automobile tied up this morning by the juvenile office. He was cited for failure to yield the right of way and for having inadequate brakes.

Little Nancy Tells Of Seeing Her Father Shot To Death By Charlie

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (AP)—In a small, trembling voice, 10-year-old Nancy Falletta spoke from the witness chair:

"I put my baby sister to bed and went to the window. I saw my father coming up the block. I saw Charlie coming up the block."

"I heard my father say 'Please, Charlie, don't shoot. Then Charlie shot my father. After he shot my father he went up the block. Then he came back and he shot my father two more times. Then he went up the block again."

Nancy stood up. She pointed at Carmine (Charlie) Petillo, 47, accused of killing her father, Frank Falletta, 35, in an argument about \$20.

"That's him," said Nancy.

That was all of Nancy's story.

Before Kings County Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz had permitted the little girl to tell in court yesterday, he had asked her if she knew what would happen if she did not tell the truth.

"I'd have a sin on my soul," Nancy replied.

Arizona Girl Favorite For Miss America

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J., Sept. 16 (AP)—Who is Miss America of 1949? That's the \$25,000 question tonight for 52 of the nation's most beautiful girls.

But the contestants, who have come through three grueling days of preliminaries, won't even know whether they've reached the finals until the curtain goes up on the huge convention hall stage at 8 p.m.

'Miss Arizona'

Eighteen-year-old Jacqueline Mercer, "Miss Arizona," can feel pretty hopeful about her chances at the \$50,000 Miss America scholarship and new automobile, or at least part of the \$20,000 in additional scholarships for the finalists.

The lovely brunette from Litchfield, Ariz., scored a second victory last night in the talent division. On Wednesday night Miss Mercer shared top honors in the bathing suit division with "Miss California."

About midnight, tonight, the new Miss America will be named.

Almost certain to be finalists by virtue of their previous preliminary wins are Misses Colorado, Minnesota, Canada, and California.

Strike Ends, Buses Roll

SEATTLE, Sept. 16 (AP)—North Coast Greyhound lines planned resumption of full north-south service in Washington state today following an agreement to end the 82-day-old strike reached last night.

Federal Conciliator William G. Hostie said the company and the Motor Coach Employees union (AME) agreed to start the buses rolling at midnight, standard time, last night and to arbitrate the differences.

Nighttime runs left Seattle and Portland at midnight with full service on local and long distance runs to be resumed today.

WEATHER

Klamath Falls and Vicinity—Partly cloudy today. Fair Sunday. High today 55. Low tonight 35. High Sunday 55. Low Sunday 35. Max. (Sept. 2) 64 Min. 37 Precipitation last 24 hours .00

Former Top Communists Are Accused

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Sept. 16 (AP)—The Hungarian government accused eight former high-ranking communists today of treason and of trying to overthrow the government "with the armed help of Tito and the other present leaders of Yugoslavia."

The eight men—including former Foreign Minister Laslo Rajk and Lieut. Gen. Gyorgy Palffy, former chief inspector of the Hungarian army—will go to trial on the indictment on September 16.

Copies of the indictment were handed to correspondents several hours after the Hungarian workers (communist) party issued a communique announcing the expulsion of three leading party members and their arrest on charges of spying "for foreign imperialist powers."

The powers were not named in the communique.

Three Principals

The three were Palffy, Zoltan Norvath, editor-in-chief of the Hungarian trade union newspaper, Nep Szava; and Paul Justus, former communist member of parliament.

Rajk's arrest on charges of "Trotzkism" and espionage for "imperialist powers" was announced June 15, along with others. Informal sources said next week's trial probably would be the first of a series of three. They said many other persons have been implicated and that a full list of these would be announced later.

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US Justice Has Relapse

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Tomorrow's Air Show Educational

Tomorrow will be aviation education day at the municipal airport when the air show, expected to draw a host of air-minded persons, is staged.

Starting time is 8:30 a.m. and will end at approximately 12:30 p.m. There will be no admission charge to the show.

The air show is sponsored jointly by the Klamath County chamber of commerce and the state board of aeronautics.

The show will differ from last year's extravaganza in that there will be no professional stunt flying but several educational features will spice the program.

Other features will include an exhibition of precision formation flying by navy pilots flying AT-6's, national guard formation flying, crop spraying and dusting demonstrations, a guessing contest with audience participation, a handicapped proficiency contest, a hangar display of airplanes, and free airplane rides.

Millage Rate Corrections Bring Klamath Tax Cuts

A reduction in property taxes amounting to over \$51,000 is coming to Klamath county property owners this fall as the result of a correction in previously announced millage rates.

Special levies voted by taxpayers are the basis of the error made in the originally-figured tax rates.

According to law, continuing levies are allowed to increase only 6 per cent over the previous year.

Levies affected are the special 3-mill levy for county roads, a 10-mill county school assessment and several fixed millages in the city of Klamath Falls, such as for recreation, cemetery and the like.

The total tax to be collected in the county this year is over \$3,000,000. Making the correction through the tax rolls will entail considerable expensive work for the assessor's office and might delay turning the rolls over to the tax collector as much as two weeks, Mettaker said.

The same mistake was made on the tax roll last year and was not caught until after the tax roll was in the hands of the collector.

The corrected Klamath Falls millage rate is 76.5, down from 77.4. Corrected general rural rate is 53.0, down from 54.2. The only district not benefiting greatly from the reduction is that suburban area to Klamath Falls where youngsters go to county elementary schools and come in to KUMHS for high school.

Taxpayers in that district were not paying on the 10-mill county high school levy which will stand most of the \$51,000 loss of revenue.

Combined Levies

	Listed	Correct
Klamath Falls	77.4	76.5
Bonanza	77.4	76.5
Chiloquin	71.5	70.2
Merrill	38.8	38.6
Malin	100.4	99.2
1-13-1	57.3	57.1
CU-12	62.5	61.3
CU-CUH	54.2	53.0

In other words, a special levy voted to raise \$100,000 one year can legally raise \$106,000 the next, notwithstanding any increase in valuation of the property assessed to raise the money.

This year the county assessor's office is making a complete reappraisal of property, particularly farm lands, and assessed valuation of all or virtually all tax areas has gone up.

Millage rates for special levies this year were figured on those increased valuations rather than on the valuations upon which they were voted. Consequently the



'SALESMAN' — Capt. Leroy Simpler of the navy public relations section tells navy inquiry court probing B-36 memo in Washington, that it was his job to "sell" naval aviation to congressmen. He said he and Cedric Worth, the B-36 memo author, agreed "no airplane could be" as good as the air force claimed its B-36 to be. Simpler said he arranged a meeting between Worth and Rep. Charles B. Deane (D-NC).

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The board recommended a pension and insurance system which it estimated would be the equivalent of about 10 cents an hour per employee in payroll costs.

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The union had wanted 12.5 cents an hour in added wages, 1.33 for pensions and 6.37 for insurance.

Union Reaction?

Whether the union would accept the recommendations of the fact-finding board set up by the president remained to be seen. The recommendations are not binding on either party.

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Girl Kidnap Victim Found 'Alive, Well'

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16 (AP)—A five-year-old girl reported kidnapped yesterday at Trenton, N.J., was found alive and well here today with a man companion, Lieut. Francis Deegan of the Fairmount Park guards reported.

Sergeant Morris Zweig said the man identified himself as Gerald A. Hunt, 35, of Bridgeport, Conn.

The girl and man arrived at park guard headquarters and police at once placed him in a cell. He was held without bail on charges of kidnapping and indecent assault.

'Exceedingly Nervous'

A small dark man of medium build, wearing a gabardine sport suit, he was smoking a cigarette and appeared exceedingly nervous.

In contrast the girl was bright and cheerful, chatting gaily with reporters and police.

Park Guard Phillip Cella said she "wolfed" a breakfast of corn flakes, milk and toast at the first police station stop. He added she had no supper the night before.

The federal "Lindbergh law" makes interstate transportation of a kidnapped person a federal crime from the maximum penalty at death in the electric chair.

Not Harmed?

Sergeant Zweig quoted Hunt as saying the little girl had been in his car throughout the night but was not harmed.

Jamie, only child of Mr. and Mrs. John Frank, of Trenton, was reported missing late yesterday. Two of her playmates told police a man dragged her into his shabby car on a Trenton street and drove away.

Police of 11 states were warned to be on the lookout for her.

Hunt told a reporter he is a "hair-brush salesman" and has a wife and two children in the Connecticut city.

'Thank God'

At Trenton, the girl's mother wept to speak. Mrs. Fitch said, but mumbled something about 11 persons—three of them children—struggling in the water. He placed the child in the sinking at about five o'clock last night.

As the rescue continued the sea was reported smoothing with winds dropping to 10 miles per hour. A blow last night brought gusts up to 45 miles per hour.

Several bodies were reported sighted by the coast guard.

The victims of the sinking, including a protestant minister and his family, were dumped into the sea during a blow after a day cruise from Falmouth.

Aid For Sterling Area Sought To Help Britain

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (AP)—The United States, Britain and Canada decided today that they should encourage World Bank and U.S. Export-Import bank financing in sterling area countries to help Britain overcome its economic crisis.

A committee report adopted by the three-power conference on Britain's problems said it felt that a "properly directed flow of productive investment" would help not only in meeting Britain's current dollar shortage but would also assist the attainment of a proper balance between the British-sterling area needed for dollars and its ability to get them.

Main Points

The committee report, which was released by U.S. Treasury Secretary Snyder, as spokesman for the conference, made three main points:

1. The United States, Britain and Canada should seek through continuing study and consultation to remove obstructions to the flow of private capital abroad—meaning that efforts are to be made to create opportunities and provide incentives for American investors to

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Boat Sinks; 7 Persons Feared Lost

NANTUCKET ISLAND, Mass., Sept. 16 (AP)—Three of 11 persons who floated in life jackets all night in choppy seas after a cabin cruiser sank were rescued by coast guards today.

A fourth, Russell Palmer, 24-year-old skipper of the 38-foot pleasure craft, washed ashore here.

The coast guard reported two bodies were picked up.

Palmer was carried to the home of Mrs. Stanley C. H. Fitch after he was found exhausted on the beach.

Mrs. Fitch quoted Palmer as saying he started the long swim to Nantucket after banding together other members of the party floating in lifejackets.

The yacht skipper was barely able to speak. Mrs. Fitch said, but mumbled something about 11 persons—three of them children—struggling in the water. He placed the child in the sinking at about five o'clock last night.

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Sports Bulletins

YANKS LOSE

NEW YORK, Sept. 16 (AP)—Ras Scarborough, working with only a day's rest, pitched the last place Washington Senators to a 4-3 triumph over the New York Yankees in the first half of a doubleheader today. The defeat cut the Yanks' lead over the Boston Red Sox to a half game.

RED SOX WIN

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16 (AP)—The Boston Red Sox hopped on Fitcher Dick Fowler for six runs in the first inning to defeat the Philadelphia Athletics, 9 to 1, today. Mel Parnell held the A's to three hits for his 22nd victory against seven losses.

BUMS WIN

BROOKLYN, Sept. 16 (AP)—Red Pitches Erv Fallica singled Bruce Edwards home from third in the ninth inning today to give the Brooklyn Dodgers a 5-4 victory over the New York Giants.