

AFL Claims Farm Tieup On Political Front; Blasts Taft, Dulles; Blesses Morse

ST. PAUL, Oct. 6 (AP)—American Federation of Labor leaders today claimed success in cementing labor-farmer political alliances for a joint drive in the 1950 congressional elections. They said they have worked out deals with farm groups in various sections of the country to cooperate in electing their friends and defeating "our enemies" in next year's important campaigns. George Meany, AFL secretary-treasurer, told the federation's annual convention that "in many cases

the problem of making our influence felt in predominantly rural districts has been solved by working out formal and informal alliances with farm groups."

Common Problem
Joseph D. Keenan, director of the AFL's labor league for political education, in winning convention endorsement of a multi-million dollar political war chest, said:

"There is one thing we have learned in our experience in the

political arena. The enemies of labor are also the enemies of the farmer. Since our enemies are in common, the individual farmer and the city worker have everything to gain through mutual, political action as voters."

Keenan told newsmen the AFL political league has worked out cooperative political arrangements with groups belonging to the National Farmers union, National Grange and American Farm Bureau.

Funds Sought
The convention unanimously approved a resolution authorizing a political fund raising drive. It contemplates collecting a \$2 contribution from each of the AFL's claimed 8,000,000 members. Keenan said he

hoped this would net several million dollars.

Speakers stressed that it would be voluntary with members.

Keenan singled out nine republican senators for defeat in 1950. Heading the list was Senator Taft (R-Ohio). Another was Senator Dulles, who is engaged in the present special New York state election race.

He also pledged special help next year toward the re-election of eight senators, including three republicans. These include Senator Morse (R-Ore).

DAM DEDICATION
PORTLAND, Oct. 6 (AP)—Dedication ceremonies for the \$14,000,000 Dorena dam on the Row river will

Portland Man Kidnaped, Later Freed

PORTLAND, Oct. 6 (AP)—An insurance executive here had a bullet hole in an overcoat sleeve to remind him today of a forced ride to Salem with a federal correction school parolee.

State police held Gordon S. Beck, 18, in the gunpoint abduction of R. M. Dooly, president of Dooly &

company. Beck was captured by state police after he damaged the car and fled near their headquarters at Milwaukie.

Stole Revolver
Dooly was reluctant to talk, but police told this story:

Beck, who admitted being released a few weeks ago from the federal correction institution at Littleton, Colo., had bummed around Portland a few days. Sometime Tuesday he hid under a furniture department bed in the Meier & Frank store. After closing hours he stole a revolver and shells and broke out of the store.

Later Beck accosted Dooly at his residence garage and forced him to enter Dooly's car and drive to Salem. Beck shoved Dooly out of the car at the state capital early yes-

Five Injured In GN Wreck

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 6 (AP)—The Great Northern railway's Empire Builder was en route to Seattle today after a two-car derailment near the St. Paul Union station in which six persons were injured.

Five persons remained in hospitals here, while the sixth, an army lieutenant, continued on his journey

Monday and then turned the car back toward Portland. Near Milwaukie he hit another car and hid nearby where police found him.

after treatment for a shoulder injury. None was seriously hurt.

Railroad spokesmen blamed a defective switch for the mishap. The 13-car train, westbound from Chicago, was leaving the Union station when its seventh and eighth cars left the rails. One of the cars, a sleeper, struck a concrete bridge pier and was split open.

Among the hospitalized victims were Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Blow of Olympia (cuts and bruises); Mrs. A. I. Oswaldston, 66, Vancouver, B. C. (bruised); Mrs. Nellie Fowler, 62, Vancouver, (leg injury), and Mrs. Elizabeth S. Taylor, Vancouver (leg injury). None was seriously injured.

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Navy Pilot In Dutch Over Fire

YREKA—Disciplinary action will be taken against a navy helicopter pilot who permitted several pistol shots to be fired at a coyote just before a 600-acre range fire started near Yreka late this past summer. Rear Admiral J. Perry, commanding officer of fleet air wing 4, said an investigation indicated the discharge of firearms was not the cause of the fire.

Admiral Perry replied to a request from John Callaghan, deputy state forester, represented by William M. Alexander, investigator.

August Blaze
The fire occurred on the Louis Foulke ranch four miles east of Grenada about 12:30 p. m. August 25. Foulke stated that just prior to the starting of the fire, a helicopter painted dark blue or dark green crossed his ranch from north to south.

He told State Ranger LeRoy Neil he saw this helicopter descend to within a few feet of the ground and then heard several shots. Immediately after the helicopter had risen, a fire broke out where the shots had been heard.

The fire was out of control by the time Foulke reached the place. The supposition was that the pilot or a passenger had fired at a coyote with tracer ammunition.

Firing Admitted
According to a letter from Admiral Perry, the pilot and his mechanic evidently admitted firing 10 to 12 rounds of .38 ammunition at a coyote.

Admiral Perry said this was the only ammunition remaining in the helicopter or in possession of the occupants on arrival at their destination. There was no tracer ammunition or any other fire creating ammunition in the helicopter.

The admiral said the pilot was at fault in permitting firearms to be discharged from his aircraft, thereby endangering private or public property. The pilot and his mechanic are non-smokers, both denying the use of tobacco.

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