

CIO Expels Electricians' Union In Purge of Communist Leaners

Strike Peace Hopes High Talks Today

By The Associated Press
John L. Lewis told the governor of Indiana today that he is ready to negotiate a prompt coal peace pact with Indiana mine operators or those of "any other state."

The declaration from the United Mine Workers leader was in response to an appeal from Governor Henry F. Schricker for an "immediate" strike settlement.

The governor declared a state of emergency in Indiana as a result of the coal cut-off and advised Lewis that the situation was "acute and tragic."

Good Sign
The Lewis offer of negotiations on a single-state basis was one more in a series of indications that the UMW chief might be angling for a quick peace.

Less than a day after CIO President Philip Murray signed a precedent-setting welfare plan with Bethlehem Steel, Lewis made a move. He suddenly called a miners union policy meeting for next Monday in Chicago.

Meantime negotiations to end the strike at a second major steel firm, Jones & Laughlin, were resumed today at Cleveland with a settlement believed near.

At the same time "exploratory talks" began between officials of Republic Steel, the nation's third largest producer, and the CIO steelworkers.

Hopes
Meanwhile, government officials expected other steel companies soon to sign up with Murray on the same employer-paid \$100 monthly pensions and employer-worker financed insurance plan as Bethlehem did.

Cyrus S. Ching, federal mediation service director, was reported as having played a big part in getting Murray and John Larkin, Bethlehem vice president, into secret negotiations.

W. E. Beck Dies From Wreck Wounds



WILLIAM BECK

William E. Beck, 69-year-old retired telephone company employee, died at 3:30 a.m. today from injuries received in an accident Sunday morning.

This was Klamath county's 15th traffic fatality of the year and the fifth death attributed to motor vehicle accidents in nine days.

Mr. Beck suffered multiple injuries shortly after 9 a.m. Sunday morning in front of Henley school on the Merrill highway when his car was allegedly sideswiped by one driven by Jack Barbour, Klamath farmer.

Although his condition remained critical, there was a time late Tuesday when Mr. Beck was thought improving.

He was a native of Pennsylvania and in his early boyhood had a narrow escape for life in the famous Johnstown flood of 1889. Mr. Beck started his telephone career in Pennsylvania in 1904, and in 1907 moved to Cottage Grove, Ore., where he was with the phone company there for a number of years. He spent a short time in Vancouver, British Columbia, before moving to Klamath Falls and affiliating with The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in 1920.

Retired
Mr. Beck was retired from active service August 21, 1945, and at that time was installation supervisor for the local telephone company, according to Manager Charles Seavey. A banquet was given in his honor by telephone officials and employees at the time of retirement. He was a member of Telephone Pioneers of America and the IOOF lodge.

Mrs. Nina Beck survives her husband, and there is also one sister, Mary Coach of Baltimore, Md. There were no children.

Final rites for Mr. Beck, who leaves a host of friends throughout the Klamath basin area, will be announced by Whitlock's.

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Indonesian Republic Born



CRUNCH, CRASH AND BANG—A Great Northern box car went the wrong way last night and crashed through the locker room of the Kalpine Plywood plant on the Weed highway. There were no injuries but a sprinkler system was set off and the plant operations halted for the remainder of the night.

Taxes-vs-Spending Battle Shaping Up For Next Congress

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (AP)—President Truman's forecast that the government will run \$5½ billion further into the red this fiscal year set the stage today for a rousing taxes-vs.-spending battle in congress.

The president now figures:
1. Federal spending will soar to a peacetime record of \$43,500,000,000 (B) in this fiscal year, which ends next June 30. This is equivalent to \$290 for each man, woman and child in the country, or nearly one-fourth of the national income.

2. The government will be plunged \$5,500,000,000 (B) in the red because its income will total only \$38,000,000,000 (B) with tax rates what they are now. This would place the federal debt next June at approximately \$260,000,000,000 (B).

Truman's new spending forecast was made yesterday in a revision of his estimates last January on Federal financial operations in the 12 months ending next June 30.

The forecast anticipates that the 81st congress will add \$4,000,000,000 in spending authorizations between next January and July to supplement the billions it authorized at its recently concluded sessions.

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Typhoon Kills 11

MANILA, Nov. 2 (AP)—The Red Cross reported today 60 per cent of the homes in Cebu City, with a population of 140,000, were damaged or destroyed today by a typhoon with winds up to 100 miles an hour.

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GN Engine, Car Smash Locker Room

A Great Northern switching engine and crew wound up in the locker room of the Kalpine Plywood company early last night, demolishing the building but causing no personal injuries.

The crew was operating on what it thought was the main spur line by Kalpine on the Weed highway, but apparently a wrong switch was thrown and a box car being propelled by the engine was pushed into the locker room, adjacent to the mill drying room.

Crushed
The big car crushed the room and its contents as it was propelled through the building, and a sprinkler system was set off in that section of the Kalpine plant.

Considerable damage was also done to the box car. The set of trucks had been torn off and the car came to rest at an angle on the concrete floor of the locker room.

Andrew Honzel, Kalpine manager, gave no estimate as to damage done but remarked it was extremely fortunate that the locker room was unoccupied at the time.

Collapse Danger
No attempt had been made last night to remove the damaged car until the roof could be shored up with timbers. Honzel said there was danger of a roof collapse if this were not done.

It was apparent that the force of impact had caused drying room supporting timbers to shift several degrees from a perpendicular position.

All but a few members of the night shift were sent home and production ceased. The few remaining men went to work in cleaning up the wreckage.

Honzel said he expected the mill would operate on schedule Wednesday.

BULLETINS
CRITICAL
ALTURAS — The condition of Tommy Jess Rightmire, 18-month-old boy who was allegedly stabbed by his 12-year-old cousin, Dale Jennings, remained "very critical" here this afternoon at Alturas General hospital.

The child was found abandoned in a haystack one-half mile from his home with a deep butcher knife wound in the abdomen Saturday night at 10 o'clock. He had been missing since 10 o'clock that morning.

Dale is held in custody pending the outcome of the Rightmire child's condition.

6 DIE IN FLAMES
CINCINNATI, Nov. 2 (AP)—Six persons died today in a fire which swept through hallways of a three-story apartment building at the edge of the downtown district and left them trapped in their rooms. Seven others were burned or hurt in leaps from second and third story windows.

Murray Blisters Bridges

CLEVELAND, Nov. 2 (AP)—The CIO convention today expelled the United Electrical Workers, largest of its so-called left wing unions.

The action came on a resolution sponsored by Walter P. Reuther and after an impassioned speech by CIO President Philip Murray, who shouted:

"There is no room within the CIO for communists."

Murray traced his efforts of the past two years to reconcile the U. E. leaders to disavow the communist party line, which he said they followed, and adopt the CIO policy.

The move was opposed by Harry Bridges, West coast longshoreman, Abram Flaxer, of the United Public Workers, and Pietro Lucchi, secretary-treasurer of the Fur and Leather Workers. All three claimed that U. E. was being dumped without a hearing.

But Murray insisted that "U. E. has been given its trial."

Bolted
The U. E. delegates bolted the convention yesterday.

Murray said "they ran like skulking cowards and after they did run, they left these apostles of hate behind to defend them."

The three unions represented by Bridges, Flaxer and Lucchi also are threatened with removal, possibly before the end of the convention.

Another resolution calling for the expulsion of the farm equipment workers will be acted on later today. U. E. and F. E. announced they had merged last week.

Red Bars Set
The convention also amended the CIO constitution to bar communists and party line followers from holding top office in the CIO and to authorize the executive board to throw out any union under communist domination.

Warm Weather In North, Cold in South

Mother Nature continued smiling warmly on Oregon today while she blew her chilly breath into the deep South.

By noon today, the mercury had climbed to 70 here and was expected to scale a few more degrees before sunset; meanwhile, Southerners were shivering — way down in Rome, Ga., for instance, public buildings were thrown open when sub-freezing temperatures hit and many families were caught with coal piles depleted because of the coal strike.

High Pressure
A high and steady barometer was credited today for our balmy weather. The CAA communications office at Municipal airport said the reading had hovered between 26.10 and 26.20 for the past several days; that's unusually high for this time of year.

In Portland, the U. S. weatherman said this high pressure was forcing warm air in from the South. He termed our weather "California weather"; you may take that or leave it, depending on your patriotism!

The weatherman said further that the good weather was expected to prevail until around Sunday, when a falling barometer will probably bring rain.

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BRITISH ELECTION
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High Spirits Mark
Chest Kick-off Meet

An excellent spirit prevailed last night at the kick-off session of the 1949 Klamath Community Chest when enthusiastic workers gathered in the Klamath Union high school auditorium as the big step in garnering in a goal of \$65,541—this year's quota.

Workers were issued supplies early and in a thorough manner that Klamath reach the goal which benefits so many worthwhile agencies.

Campaign Chairman Chief Hamaker opened the session, outlining the activities of the Chest and the work of the past year. He then introduced Chest President Al McDonald who thanked the 150 persons present and remarked:

Thanks
"We have 23 good reasons for thanking the workers, and the reasons are the 23 agencies which will share in funds raised during the Chest campaign of the next several weeks."

"Virtually all funds raised will provide for the programs of youth activities, including in Klamath county the Salvation Army, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, YMCA, the Klamath Falls

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PLANE WRECKAGE SEARCHED—Firemen search the wreckage of an Eastern Air Lines plane which crashed yesterday in Washington, D. C., following a mid-air collision with a Bolivian military plane. All the 55 persons aboard the big airliner were killed in the worst air disaster in the nation's history.

Crash Brings Demands For Tighter Rules

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (AP)—The fighter plane-airliner collision that plummeted 55 men, women and children to death near the Washington airport brought insistent demands from congress members today for tighter regulations on military planes flying in commercial air lanes.

Spadework for formal government hearings went ahead even while boatmen still grappled in the muddy waters of the Potomac river for the bodies of victims in civilian aviation's worst tragedy.

46 Bodies
Working through the night under floodlights, the boatmen had recovered 46 bodies by mid-morning.

A navy barge, equipped with a crane, was sent to the scene. The hope was that it could lift the forepart of the airlines from the water and that bodies still missing would be found in it.

The Eastern Air Lines DC-4, carrying 51 passengers and a crew of four, was cut in two when the Bolivian P-38 fighter plane rammed it 300 feet in the air just before noon yesterday. The tail section fell at the river's edge. The forepart landed in deep water.

Both planes were coming in for a landing at the airport. The control tower frantically called for the P-38 to circle off, but the pilot gave no sign of hearing those radioed instructions.

The P-38 also went into the river, but the pilot, Erick Rios Brindoux, 28, was pulled out by an air force crash boat from Bolling field, across the river from the national airport.

Rios Brindoux was the sole survivor. All aboard the big plane died.

Slow, Difficult
Identification of the bodies taken from the river and wreckage was a slow and difficult business. But Alexandria police said at noon that they had tentative identifications of 36.

There was no fog or visibility difficulty to contribute to yesterday's collision.

Witnesses who saw the crash were horrified. Captain Joe Anderson of American Airlines said "it was an awful thing to watch."

What the English of that be-nighted time wanted was to take our raw materials, in the RAWEST POSSIBLE FORM, process them in England and sell them back to us in their COMPLETED form. Thus they could leave us living scantily on the skim milk while they lived fatly on the cream.

Our founding fathers saw the point and broke loose from the system, even though the cost of breaking loose was war. It paid off. From the ending of the Revolutionary War on, we processed our own raw materials into their final, completed form and sold them first to ourselves and when we had enough to meet our own needs we sold them to other people all over the world.

Following that policy persistently (Continued on Page 2)

Old Time Religion Sweeps Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2 (AP)—Style religion is sweeping the city of the angels with an evangelistic show overshadowing even Billy Sunday.

Since it started six weeks ago, more than 200,000 from the city's 2,000,000 population have filed into a circus tent on the fringe of downtown Los Angeles. And they're still pouring in at the rate of 10,000 every night.

They come to hear the preachments of a dynamic, handsome young college president named Billy Graham. Churchmen say he's started the greatest religious revival in the history of Southern California.

Home-Spun Eloquence
Graham's oratory is eloquent; his doctrines are home-spun. From the singing, shouting multitudes, thousands have hit the savdest trail and announced publicly their decision to return to Christ.

One of them was a brilliant track star at the University of Southern California before the war. His name is Lou Zamperini. An air force captain, he crashed in the Pacific, spent 47 days on a raft, then lived through months in a Japanese prison camp.

"It is difficult for anyone who came through the things I did to forget God, but I did," Zamperini testified.

Another convert is Stuart Hamblen, popular cowboy crooner and sportsman, son of a Methodist minister. He stepped to the pulpit to announce that he'll sell his racing stable.

"I will keep El Lobo, but only for sentimental reasons," Hamblen said. "I will never race him again." El Lobo, dubbed "the people's choice," won the \$50,000 Santa Anita stakes at Santa Anita in 1947.

Hamblen's sentiments are typical: "I've done practically everything everybody else has done. I've been a sinner."

Portrait
Graham is 30, nephew of North Carolina's Senator Frank Graham and president of little Northwestern Bible college in Indianapolis. He wears garish ties, argyle socks and an irresistible grin. He has toured this country and England, once drew 75,000 to Soldier Field, Chicago.