

Congressman Says Rate Hikes May Hurt Rails

By FRANK W. VAILLE
WASHINGTON (AP)—A Washington congressman told the Interstate Commerce Commission Tuesday that additional increases in a net loss of revenues to the carriers.

"It is entirely possible," contended Rep. Horan (R.-Wash.) in a letter to Commission Chairman John L. Rogers, "that less tonnage would move long distances because of the shorter hauls being featured by competing modes of transport."

In his letter, which he made public Tuesday, Horan flatly opposed the increase recently asked by the railroads.

Western lines are seeking a nine per cent increase and Eastern carriers want a six per cent boost. Hearings will open here Feb. 18 with oral arguments scheduled for Feb. 25.

Horan said the railroads have been granted 11 horizontal freight rate increases since June 30, 1946. It now costs \$693 to ship a carload of apples from Wenatchee, Wash., to New York, he said, as compared with but \$472.50 in June, 1946.

"If the pending petition is granted," he said, "our rate will be \$2.16 a hundred or \$753.37 per carload. This represents an increase of \$282.87 per carload in freight charges—or approximately 60 per cent."

WITHDRAWALS
The congressman said that the dependency of Western growers upon Eastern outlets means that each increase in the freight rates "places them at a greater disadvantage and, in effect, further removes them from their principal markets."

Horan suggested that should the commission find that certain lines are in need of additional revenue "such could be accomplished by revised division of the through applicable rates. In this way, the weaker lines could obtain the needed revenues."



MASKED WITNESS — A masked man testifies before a special house committee in Washington which is investigating the Katyn Forest massacre of World War II.

Actress Gets Contempt Fine

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Screen Actress Anne Sterling has until late Tuesday to pay a \$50 fine imposed Monday for failure to respond to a subpoena as the star witness in a grand theft trial.

Superior Judge Jesse J. Frampton held her in contempt Monday and informed her that she must serve one day in the county jail for every \$10 of the fine not paid.

Miss Sterling wept and said she had tried to be here for the trial but was grounded in San Francisco on a flight from Vancouver, Wash. She had accused Yolanda Ruth Elliott, fashion designer, of stealing a \$2,000 fur from her apartment.

Previously, the court had rebuked five film stars who did not appear as defense character witnesses. They are Victor Mature, Joan Crawford, Jimmy Durante, Lana Turner and Jane Russell.

The trial of Miss Elliott has been continued until Feb. 18.

S.P. Conductor's Rites Conducted

DUNSMUIR — Funeral services were held Saturday for Howard Ralph Adams, 66, retired Southern Pacific conductor who died at his home last Wednesday.

Adams had lived here since 1924. Survivors include the widow, Hazel; a daughter, Mrs. William Dick of Stockton; and a son, George H. of Dunsmuir.

Foreign Wool Curbs Sought

WASHINGTON (AP)—Rep. Berry, R.-D., would have Congress compel the Armed Services to buy their wool from American producers. He has introduced a bill designed to accomplish this.

His bill would permit purchase of foreign wool by the Armed Services only when no domestic wool is available.

Berry described to the House Monday what he called the "distressing" condition of the American sheep industry. There are many sheep ranches in his South Dakota district.

Berry said South Dakota growers were offered "prices ranging from \$1.40 to \$1.55 a pound" a year ago whereas now their wool "has a value not to exceed 60 cents a pound."

He blamed "dumping of foreign wool" on American markets for "depressing" prices and the "ruination" of the wool producer.

Stock, Rabbit Shows Set

PORTLAND (AP)—Dates of the 1952 Pacific International Livestock Exposition and the National Rabbit Show were announced Monday.

Walter A. Holt, exposition manager, said the livestock show would be Oct. 4-11 and the rabbit show Oct. 21-25. The American Rabbit and Cavy Breeders Association will hold its convention during the rabbit show.

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New Wildlife Funds Sought

CORVALLIS (AP)—The Oregon Wildlife Federation has endorsed a program which would set aside 10 per cent of national forest revenues for recreation and wildlife services.

The recommendation was made here Sunday at the close of the federation's convention.

A resolution calling for deer season to open Oct. 1 was tabled.

Among speakers was State Game Director Philip Schneider. He said 60,000 bucks were bagged in Oregon last year.

Ross Brown, Albany, federation president, will represent Oregon at the national convention in Miami, Fla., next month.

Taft Shuns Minnesota Race, Cites 'Enemies'

SPOKANE (AP)—Sen. Taft, R.-Ohio, said Monday he'll "disown the delegates" if his name is entered in the Minnesota Presidential primary March 18 against his will.

Taft said he doesn't have time to campaign in Minnesota and doesn't plan to enter the primary there.

A Minnesota rural editors' committee, however, announced Sunday that all candidates will be entered by petition unless they have already filed. This could pit Taft against former Gov. Stassen, a favorite son.

"I'd have to know more about it," Taft told a press conference. "If my 'enemies' would enter my name, I'll have nothing to do with it."

The Ohio Republican arrived in the Pacific Northwest at 3 a.m. Monday and was up early for a breakfast meeting with his supporters and civic leaders.

He told them the Republicans should make "no concessions of principle" to attract the "New Deal fringe" vote in '52 and he discounted the designation of so-called independent voters.

He described this segment as "the uninterested and uninformed who don't vote regularly."

"The support of 20 per cent of these would win any election," he said.

He told about 100 listeners that he doesn't have time to campaign in California's primary but will spend three weeks in Wisconsin "to test what we can do."

"The big names in New Hampshire are already for Gen. Eisenhower but we feel there is enough support for me to go in there, take a chance and see what we can do," he said.

Taft later told a press conference he is opposed to national Presidential primaries because it would cost \$2 1/2 million dollars to conduct such a campaign and would force any candidate to resign his job to devote the time to it.

He said he has never written any letter to Eisenhower or given him any written assurances on the European defense program.

He said, however, that he understands a letter to a friend on the matter had been shown the general.

"I have stated publicly that I feel the bulk of defense armaments must be furnished by the Europeans. If they can't defend themselves, we can't do it. Our troops there are an indication that we're on their side and will help them."

On domestic matters, he said he favors development of river valleys and thinks the present price support program for farmers is all right.



BRIDE-TO-BE — Mrs. Clarice E. Cook of Stockton, will become the bride of Joseph R. Knowland, publisher of the Oakland, Calif., Tribune, Sunday, April 6.

She is now a teacher at Edison High school at Stockton, Calif., and met her future husband 20 years ago through mutual interests in the Native Daughters and Native Sons of the Golden West. After their marriage they will live at the Knowland family home, in Piedmont, Calif.

Woman Postal Clerk Wounded

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP)—An "unloaded" .22 caliber rifle, presented at the parcel post window of the post office here Monday morning, discharged in the hands of a postal clerk. The bullet wounded another postal clerk.

Struck just under the left shoulder by the bullet was Miss Margaret Fanning, 33-year veteran of the postal service. She was not believed seriously wounded but probably will be confined to a hospital several days.

The bullet entered her back below the shoulder blade and coursed across to the other side, her physician said.

The gun was presented to parcel post Clerk Don Crossler by Mrs. Walter Roach. It was addressed to her son, Lawrence Roach at Myrtle Point, Ore.

The gun, a bolt-action rifle, was wrapped in heavy burlap. The trigger protruded from the wrapping.

"We ought to cover this trigger," Crossler said. He told Mrs. Roach he said he "just touched the trigger" as he spoke, and "the gun went off."

Miss Fanning, standing two feet west of Miss Roach, said, "I thought the gun was unloaded, of course," said Mrs. Roach. "I took it apart and did not see any bullet in it. I should have waited for my husband to do it."

Employee Aid Plans Get OK

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Salary Stabilization Board has ruled that employers may put into effect several types of health and welfare plans for their employees without obtaining the board's approval.

The board said Monday the employers could proceed pending issuance later of a general regulation covering such benefit plans.

The board said that the health and welfare programs may be put into effect without approval where they:

- 1. Cover both wage and salaried employees on the same general terms.
- 2. Require covered employees to pay at least 40 per cent of the gross cost of the benefits, provided they do not include benefits for employee dependents.
- 3. Extend benefits of an existing plan to additional employees within the same plant or to similar groups in other plants of the same employer.
- 4. Extend or renew a plan in effect Jan. 25, 1951, or a plan approved by the wage or salary board since.
- 5. Are new or amended plans required by law.

SILVERTON (AP)—Guy "Pop" DeLay, who for 21 years was athletic director of Silverton High school, died here Sunday.

DeLay, 70, had retired about five years ago.

So All May Know

Geo. N. Taylor
What kind of folks send out these Gospel Messages to the newspapers? Some of the families are in dairying; one is in marine insurance; others in the saw-mill business; one raises nursery stock and so it goes. They obey Christ's—"Go ye into all the world" and give the Good News to every man.

Two — God's part. It is for him to bear down on the unsaved who hear how God's Son died for them. Most folks who have been saved are on some-one's prayer list.

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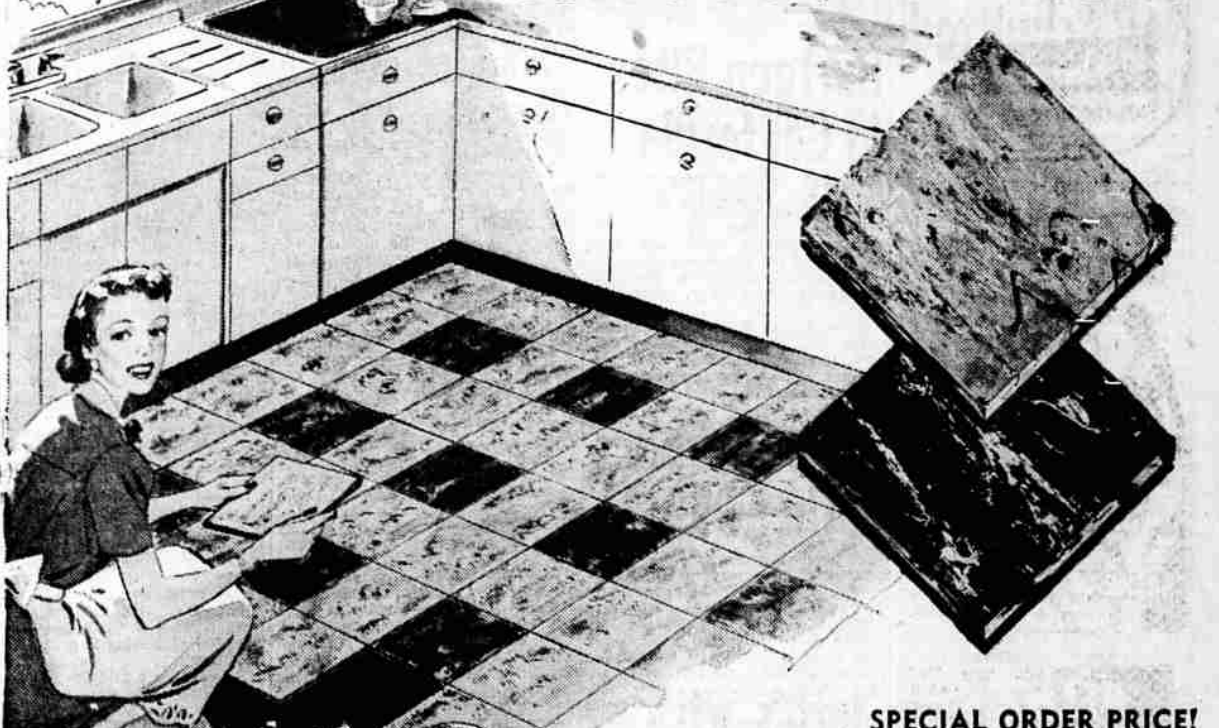
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