

Coal Strike Threatened As WSB Cuts Pay Raise

Howard and News

Board Says Increase Is Inflationary

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Wage Stabilization Board (WSB) Saturday chopped 21 per cent off the \$1.50 daily wage boost won from coal operators by John L. Lewis.

It was taken for granted the refusal to approve the full amount would set off a general mine strike.

Public members of the board, joined by industry members in knocking 46 cents off the increase. Labor members voted to approve the full \$1.90.

More than 150,000 of Lewis' miners already had walked off the job in a protest strike this week when their October pay checks failed to include the raise.

Few mines work over the weekend, but a general shutdown was expected to occur Monday.

Coal stockpiles in the hands of consumers averaged around 60 days and no immediate industrial or home heating effect from the anticipated strike was expected.

The WSB ruling on the case was a major surprise.

EQUAL TREATMENT

Cox told a news conference that the \$1.50 gives the soft coal miners "equal treatment" with other wage groups, most of whom he said "will have received measurably less."

Approval of the full amount, Cox said, would have provided a wage increase "greater than any consistent with an honest stabilization program."

Failure of the wage increase to show up in recent pay checks covering the first part of October led to a walkout of more than 150,000 soft coal miners. Their protest strike, which spread through the coal fields all week long, needed no prodding from Lewis. It appeared more as a reflex action — they felt their contract was not being honored.

Actually, the new contract could not be honored legally without WSB approval. The amount of the raise is nearly twice as much as that which cost-of-living pay regulations automatically allow.

JUSTIFIED

But labor members of the 18-man board argued during board deliberations the past four days that other pay regulations, coupled with the rise in the cost of living since last winter, justified approval of the contract.

Most coal mines are shut down over the week end. But approval of the pay hike today would seem certain to send all the miners back to work Monday.

Should the board decide the wage boost is too high and order it cut back, next week would probably bring the first full-scale coal strike since the long dispute over the 1949 contract. Since coal stockpiles today are but a three-month level, no immediate hardship was likely.

Spud Crows Return to Basin



DOUGLAS MCKAY (center) congratulates spud champions of Oregon at last night's banquet that officially opened the 16th annual Klamath Basin Potato Festival at Merrill. Trophies and cash awards went to Leo McKoen, Merrill, (left) champ producer of White Rose certified seed, John Giacomin, Merrill, Nettle Gem certified seed, Ed Stasny and Walter Stasny, Malin, top growers of Nettle Gem commercial entries. George E. Smith Jr., Tulelake, winner of the state championship for White Rose commercial was not present. Left, the Governor sets the jeweled crown firmly on the dark curls of Queen Martha the 2nd. Her jeweled "scepter" from Sam Coon, Congressional candidate from this district was presented by special courier, Ray Rankin.



Ballot Measure — No. 8
**Liquor-by-Drink Plan
Coming Up for a Vote**

(This is the eighth in a series of articles discussing the various measures to be voted upon in Oregon Nov. 4. — Ed. note.)

By HALE SCARBROUGH

The State of Oregon is in the liquor business up to its proverbial neck, and has been ever since the people of the state voted to end prohibition back in 1933. On several occasions the people have resisted efforts to get the state out of that particular business, and restore the supposed "bone-dryness" of the prohibition era.

There isn't any prohibition measure up before the Oregon voters this year. The one liquor measure on the ballot has to do with how the state allows liquor business to be conducted at the retail end.

328-329: A constitutional amendment authorizing alcohol liquor sale by the individual glass.

The intent of this particular proposed constitutional amendment, which was initiated by an organization calling itself the "Bottle Throwing Committee," is to allow the sale of hard liquor by the drink in various types of private and fraternal clubs, on railroad trains, and in commercial establishments where food is cooked and served, such as hotels and restaurants.

At present such sales are outlawed. It's permissible to buy a bottle (a pint or more) in Oregon, at a state liquor store, but not to buy one drink over a bar.

To get a drink over the bar, a person must obtain his own bottle of liquor at a state store, take it to the bar, or a night club, or his choice, and check it in (as he would a coat or hat), and then buy his drink out of his own bottle, paying a charge for the service and the mixing ingredients.

The arguments against this system are many and varied.

The system is silly, people in favor of a liquor-by-serve system argue. A person first has to buy a bottle from a store (between noon and 8 p.m.), and then has to buy it back again by the drink to get service over a bar.

The system does nothing to promote moderation. A person who wants only one drink (a couple has to buy a whole bottle to get it. And once a good many people get a whole bottle, they don't stop drinking until it's all gone. You can get just as drunk in Oregon as in any state where liquor is sold over the bar by the drink.

The system makes Oregon seem foolish in the eyes of outsiders. Tourists passing through or visiting in the state have to first buy a license to buy a bottle, then have to buy a bottle, take it to a bar and buy it back again to get a drink.

PRESSURE

The system literally invites attempts at evasion, in the constant pressure put on club operators and bartenders for a by-the-serve sale.

The system invites a shadowy system of espionage in its enforcement. For example, the case of a man who came to a certain lodge here in town, showed a membership card and, because he was

2000 Witness Spud Parade

MERRILL—Rain came down but today's program for the Klamath Basin Potato Festival followed schedule.

An estimated 2000 people lined Main Street this morning to view one of the largest festival parades seen here. Lending a long line of floats, marching units, bands, horseback riders, costumed children and commercial entries were Gov. Douglas McKay and John Colwell, Klamath County pioneer.

Prizes awarded parade entries were as follows: Commercial, 1st Ellingson Lumber Co., a huge log bearing the slogan, "We Need New Timber in Washington." Second place went to J. W. Kerns Implement Co., 3d to the Harris Machinery Co., Merrill.

First for lodges and organizations went to the VFW auxiliary, Merrill, sponsoring organization for the Merrill kindergarten. This float, judged best in the parade won \$25. Second place went to Women of the Moose, Merrill, 3d to the Merrill Mariners.

The Merrill Sheep Club took first in the juvenile division, 2nd went to the Merrill Blue Birds, 3d to St. Augustine's church.

The Inn, Tulelake, topped all other entries in the comic section with a "potato still." Second place went to an unidentified group in a "Hooveria 1932" jitney.

Winema Elevators took first in

Is That A Gun, Grandmother?

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A gray-haired woman in her 60s is sought today for robbing a bank.

Marguerite Everett, a teller at a branch of the California Bank, couldn't believe what she heard when the grandmotherly woman showed a bag at her yesterday and whispered: "Fill this with money."

"I can't hear you," Miss Everett said.

"This gun does my talking for me and I can use it," she spoke up the robber.

The teller filled the bag with approximately \$1,000, and "grandma" walked to the door and disappeared into a crowd.

Vishinsky Stills Peace Hopes

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP) — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Y. Vishinsky Saturday dashed already slim western hopes for an early settlement of the Korean war by repeating demands for an armistice on Communist terms which the UN has repeatedly rejected.

The United States and its Allies in Korea had planned an appeal in the United Nations General Assembly for a truce, but Vishinsky's vitriolic speech at that body made it plain that such a step would be useless.

The Kremlin's top diplomatic spokesman told the 60-nation assembly that he "warmly supported" proposals made Saturday by Poland calling for an immediate armistice in Korea accompanied by the return of all war prisoners to their homelands.

"This is the way for the settlement of the Korean war. This is the way for abatement of tension," he told the throng which had gathered in expectation of a vital major policy speech.

Football Scores

Ohio State	35
Washington State	7
Mich. State	48
Syracuse	7
Holy Cross	46
Brown	0
Yale	13
Cornell	0
Tennessee	20
Alabama	0
Penn State	10
Nebraska	0

Weather

FORECAST: Klamath Falls and vicinity and Northern California — Cloudy with scattered showers through tomorrow. Low tonight 45, high tomorrow 72.

Byrd Won't Back Stevenson

WINCHESTER, Va. (AP) — Sen. Harry F. Byrd, a Southern Democrat long at odds with the Truman administration, says he can not endorse the Stevenson-Sparkman ticket or the Democratic platform.

"Endorsement means to recommend, and this I can not do," Byrd said in a state-wide radio broadcast. He concluded with: "Always I have been a Virginia Democrat; always I will remain one."

Byrd did not say who would get his vote in the presidential election Nov. 4. It was not his duty, he added, "to urge the people to vote for any candidate."

The speech did not mention Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican candidate for president. But it attacked "Trumanism" and said Gov. Adlai Stevenson, the Democratic presidential nominee, had shown no sign of independent action.

CRITIC

Byrd is a long-time critic of New Deal and Fair Deal policies and has strong backing in the South.

His announcement should boost the hopes of Republicans trying to swing traditionally Democratic Virginia their way. However, Gov. John S. Battle and other Virginia party leaders, like Sen. Willis Robertson, are supporting Stevenson.

Byrd's announcement brought immediate comment.

Vice President Barkley, who had listened to Byrd's speech before addressing a party rally at Arlington, Va., drew applause when he criticized any Democrat who might stray from the fold on election day.

"I can not but compare the man who says he is a Democrat but is going to vote the Republican ticket this year with the woman who keeps her husband's name and lives in his home but bestows her favors on the man across the street."

TRUMANISM

"Trumanism is the dominant issue," Byrd said of the presidential campaign. He described it as "a definite, precise trend towards socialism and away from the free enterprise system."

Stevenson and Truman, he added, see eye-to-eye on fundamental policy. Hence, he said, Stevenson can not reform the Democratic party or "change the trend from Trumanism."

Byrd said Stevenson has endorsed (1) repeal of the Taft-Hartley Labor Law, (2) a compulsory fair employment practices bill and (3) a change in Senate rules to prevent filibusters.

In his successful campaign for re-nomination, Byrd said, he made "definite commitments . . . which transcended in importance any other obligations that may exist in determining my attitude in the present presidential campaign."

If the Taft-Hartley Law were repealed, he contended, "nothing will be put in its place to curb the power of the labor bosses."

And compulsory FEPC would have "disastrous effects" as the government's "most offensive interference in private business," Byrd said.

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Morse To Vote For Stevenson

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Wayne L. Morse, Oregon Republican, said Saturday he will vote for Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, the Democratic candidate for President.

Morse, who often has been at odds with others in his party, said "Never have I been so completely disillusioned about any man as I am about Eisenhower."

He had first announced he would back Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican nominee, but later announced he would not actively campaign for him. Then Saturday he made the break complete.

Morse said he was the first Republican senator to declare publicly for Eisenhower, and said his decision "to repudiate Eisenhower has not been an easy one to make."

Morse also said:

"The demagogic, double-talk and dangerous desertion by Eisenhower in this campaign of his once professed political principles leaves me with the honorable course of action but disassociate myself completely from his candidacy."

"The Eisenhower I supported for the nomination is not the Eisenhower who is dancing and dancing from campaign platforms at the end of political puppet strings being jerked by some of the most evil and reactionary forces in American politics."

Morse's coolness toward Eisenhower became especially apparent after the nominee and Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio met in New York and Taft announced general agreement on major issues.

Many Appearances Slated For OTI Homecoming Queen

Oregon's Homecoming Queen Margie Davis is learning the price of fame. Within minutes after she was elected by the OTI student body yesterday, the fetching monarch was caught up in a swirl of activities.

The OTI Homecoming game is next Saturday night against Southern Oregon. Kickoff time at Modoc Field is 8 p. m. The high-living OTI Owls will be shooting for their fifth win of the season.

Between now and the end of next week, Queen Margie and her five princesses will be in a flurry of special events.

The queen, an accomplished vocalist who aspires to a radio-television career, will lend her beauty and voice to several programs during the week. She is to make some three or four radio appearances over stations KFLW and KPJI. Schedule of her radio shows will be announced Monday.

Margie was a music major at the University of Oregon last year. She transferred to OTI this year for an electronics course to accomplish herself with the technical side of radio work. She sings both popular and classical numbers but her specialty is ballads.

Her original home is Grass Valley, Calif., but she came to Klamath Falls to complete her high school work and was graduated in the Klamath Union-High School class of '51.

Queen Margie, the five princesses make an unusually attractive royalty court. The princesses are: Darlene Hadley, Rly; Janet Beason, Glendale; Betty Starr, Creswell; Sally McMahon, Klamath Falls; and Joan Wellington, Baker.

Besides special events, still being programmed, OTI's regular Homecoming festivities include a banquet at the Willard Hotel, Thursday, 6:30 p. m., a campus pep rally with bonfire and wiener parade Friday, the Homecoming parade through the city Saturday afternoon and the Homecoming Ball, following the same Saturday night.

Two Klamath Men Injured

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The car in which Mahoney and Schroeder were traveling went out of control, left the highway and rolled in a creek. Scene of the accident was some two miles east of Ashland. Sgt. Earl Tichenor, in charge of the Klamath State Police detachment, happened along and investigated the mishap. He said the car had apparently been traveling too fast to make a sharp curve and had gone off a bridge abutment.

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ORETECH ROYALTY—This bevy of beauties will reign over big doings planned for Homecoming football game here next Saturday night on Modoc Field. The Owls opponent, be the Southern Oregon College Red Raiders. The coeds above are (rear, l to r) Princesses Joan Wellington and Janet Beason, Queen Margie Davis, Princess Darlene Hadley and (front, l to r) Princesses Betty Starr and Sally McMahon.

In The Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

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He adds:

"Never have I been so completely disillusioned about any man as I am about Eisenhower."

Why were you disillusioned, senator?

After your statement this morning, I think I know. You were concerned, it now appears, with getting new and more liberal leadership for the Republican party. You weren't concerned with getting a change of administration and thus checking the extravagance, the corruption and the creeping socialism which the New Deal - Fair Deal administrations have been bringing upon us.

All you wanted was to DEFEAT AND DESTROY TAFT, who is your sworn and hated enemy!

So—

When Ike, instead of publicly carving Taft's vitals out and throwing his carcass out of the Republican yard, accepted his help in the huge and vastly important task of throwing the Truman crowd out of Washington, you were in the crowd IN ORDER TO DEFEAT IKE.

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Who killed Cock Robin?

"I," said the sparrow.

"With by bow and arrow.

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U.S. Troops Blast Reds

SEOUL (AP) — American troops broke the last Chinese Communist foothold on Triangle Hill today in a vicious, see-saw fighting on the Central Korean Front.

Two miles to the east, South Korean soldiers fought off three Chinese attacks on Sulper Ridge.

All day Saturday, Allied artillery hurled thunderous barrages at Red positions north of Triangle and Sulper. Allied warplanes roared down on Papa-san Mountain, dumping high explosives and flaming gasoline on the massive hill which the Reds use as a massing point for their assaults on Triangle and Sulper.

The Americans and ROKs launched the biggest Allied attack of 1952 five days ago with the goal of winning and holding these two hill masses north of Kumiha.

Eight B29 Superforts rained into heavy flak and rocket barrages and fought off at least seven Red night fighters early Saturday in a bombing attack on Taosong, in North-west Korea. All eight planes returned to their base on Okinawa.

AP correspondent Milo Farnet reported that U. S. Seventh Division troops stormed to the top of Pike's Peak, at the northwest corner of Triangle Hill, just after day-break.

Intense Red mortar and artillery fire forced them to fall back several hours later, Farnet said, but the Americans counterattacked and recaptured the crest at 10:22 a. m.

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