Sept. 10 Strike Date Set By Rail Conductors Union

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Clattering Man Vies With Women's Purses

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho (AP) — A man picked up Friday by police for making too much noise was really loaded.

Along with 26 cents, the man had these items in his pockets:

A Roy Rogers deputy sheriff's badge, a Mickey Mouse balloon, 5 smashed tobacco cans, 5 wallets, 10 combs, 37 books of matches, 19 pencils, 3 ball point pens, 13 empty tobacco sacks, 3 pairs of glasses, 3 pipes.

A cigar holder, a pair of pliers, 2 screw drivers, an end wrench, 3 old watches — two without faces —a 6-foot steel tape, a 6-inch pipe with a 2-inch rubber hose attached, 10 empty cigarette packages, an expired driver's license belonging to another person.

Twenty one keys, a broken whistle, 2 car polishing rags, a finger nail file, a broken window bracket, a cigarette lighter, 2 pair of ear pieces for eyeglasses, 20 pieces of assorted paper, a windshield scraper, a pair of jersey gloves, a half box of wooden matches, several tax tokens, 9 cigarette butts — several with lipstick on them — and 3 notebooks.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

What-the-heck note:

The communists have promised to return all allied prisoners of war in Korea WHO WANT TO RETURN. This, they say, will include all men who have been sent to communist jails during their captivity.

The commies made their promise during a meeting of the joint prisoner of war repatriation commission in Panmunjom.

During the session, they announced that more than 300 Koreans and more than 20 non-Koreans are refusing to be repatriated. But, they added, as long as the prisoner exchange goes on they will continue to persuade these men to GO BACK TO THE ALLIES.

What does it mean?

I would never know. Maybe they think they have these screwballs so thoroughly indoctrinated that they'll go back to America and elsewhere and convert the free world to communism.

Commies get weird ideas.

But—

Their talk this morning is in a reasonable tone. As long as they talk reasonably, we can assume that they WANT an armistice to be followed by a peace—if the politicians don't hash it, as they have done so often before in the history of the world.

If the commies WANT peace, there will BE peace. Our job is to make them want it.

One point is interesting.

They say that more than 300 Koreans and more than 20 non-Koreans (the term non-Koreans includes our Americans) are refusing to be repatriated.

If no more than 20 (or five times 20, for that matter) Americans have fallen for the communist propaganda and indoctrination, we can feel immensely proud. I don't know the exact number, of course, but well over half a million Americans have been rotated through the fighting in Korea and a tragically large number of these have been captured. Upon all who have been captured, the commies have practiced to the utmost their wiles of indoctrination. If no more than a few score have fallen for it, we can be pridefully certain that our American boys are a hard-headed and clear-thinking lot.

We've been hearing terrible things about these communist prisoner-of-war camps. What has happened there has been terrible enough, without a doubt. These Asian communists are savages of a strange breed. They're Attila and Genghis Khan all over again, with Sitting Bull and Geronimo thrown in.

But military prisons have never been pleasant institutions. I grew up on the edge of the Mason and Dixon line two generations after the Civil War, and even then the memory of Andersonville and Libby prisons was bitter and bloody and grim. The mere mention of them could stir ancient hatreds and grievances almost to the boiling point again.

Andersonville and Libby prisons were run by Americans.

Two pleasant spots in the news.

We're beginning to pour FOOD into Korea, and the Koreans are GRATEFUL for it. We're CONTINUING to pour food into Berlin to be given to hungry East Germans living under communist rule. They come in increasing numbers to get it and they're increasingly grateful for it.

Feeding hungry people PAYS OFF.

HIGHWAY HAZARD?

Oregon State Police were called to 4442 Austin, Friday afternoon, where it was reported a man was running around in the street and yard, threatening to kill his wife and mother-in-law. Police picked up Elmer Clinton Gregory, of that address, and lodged him in the County Jail. He is charged with being drunk on a public highway.

DON MAUPIN, manager of the Kern County Potato Growers Association, who was elected president of the newly-organized Western States Potato Growers Association at a meeting held in Tulelake August 27. he represents the second largest potato growing area in the United States. More than 53,000 acres of potatoes are in cultivation by members of his association.

ROBERT DALE KOHLER

Wounded Marine Who Shielded Buddies, Home

Robert Dale Kohler, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Kohler, 1507 Summers Lane, has just returned home from Korea for a 30-day leave after spending over 5 months in a Japan hospital.

Young Kohler was wounded March 3 when he fell on a enemy hand grenade to shield his buddies in the Fifth Regiment of the First Marine Division.

He was then transferred to the Yokohama hospital for treatment of his wounds.

The 23-year-old Marine was in Korea for a little more than two years.

After his leave he is to report to Treasure Island, near San Francisco, to receive his discharge.

Kohler went to Klamath Union High School before he went into the Marines.

Lakeview Hawk 'Zoo-ed' By Salesman

PORTLAND (AP)—Portland's zoo has a new hawk—the gift of a traveling salesman.

Woodrow Wilson, the salesman, got the bird while driving near Lakeview last Monday. The aerial of his car radio struck it in flight.

Wilson's story:

"I grew up on a ranch in Texas and I've wrestled steers and such things, but I never got tied into anything like that old bird. I thought maybe the aerial could be fixed and when I backed up to get it, I saw the old bird in the road with his wings spread out. I thought he was dead and I picked up his wings to look him over. The minute I laid hands on him the old bird just socked his claws into my hand. So there we were. I had him and he had me. About that time another fellow came along, some tourist from California, and I flagged him down with my elbow. My hands were kind of full at the time."

The two of them got the bird in a box and then Wilson drove on to Portland where he donated it to the zoo.

Weather East Not Like This

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

One of the summer season's longest heat waves showed no sign of breaking today. Sunny skies, with no rain, were indicated for the weekend for wide areas from the Rockies to the Atlantic Coast.

The late August hot spell continued to break temperature records for the date in many cities again yesterday. The mercury climbed into the 90's in nearly every section except the Far West and in sections of New England. It was hotter in some northern Midwest cities than in Florida.

Readings reached 90 or higher in many cities in the swelterbelt for the fifth straight day and indications were for a weekend of the same temperatures.

In Newark, N. J., yesterday's top was 100. Chicago sizzled for the third straight day in 97 degrees, the 31st day this summer of 90-plus readings as compared to a normal of 82.

Showers fell along the Gulf Coast early today. Light rain also fell in the northern Rockies and sections of North Dakota, affording some temporary relief from the hot blasts. It was foggy and cloudy in northern New England and cloudy in the Pacific Northwest.

Temperatures west of the Rockies were generally around seasonal levels except in the far Northwest where they were 10 to 15 degrees below. Hot weather continued in the far Southwest with the day's top mark of 102 reported at Blythe, Calif., and Yuma, Ariz.

Bus Driver Who Had Gin Dinner Sang Too Loud

DETROIT (AP) — Five or six shots of gin that James Purdy took from a bottle in his lunch pail have cost him his job and a $200 fine.

Purdy, you see, was a city trolly coach operator. He was arrested Aug. 20 after passengers complained to police he was driving too fast and singing too loud.

The $200 was for driving while drunk. It was assessed yesterday.

Stripping Threatened E. Berliners

BERLIN (AP) — The East Zone Communist drive against the American food distribution program took a new harsh turn Saturday with threats to dispossess Soviet zone residents who come west for the gifts.

Party leaders unveiled the threat at an organized meeting of workers on the big Stalin Allee housing project in East Berlin Friday night.

The Communist zone official press published a declaration that anyone who has been given preferred treatment in obtaining housing should lose it if he or she crosses to West Berlin to get a food package.

Four East Berlin workers were named as "guilty" and one, Georg Dombrowski, was thrown out of his Stalin Allee apartment.

Streams of border-crossers arrived at the food distribution points again Saturday, indicating that another 100,000 parcel day was in the offing.

More than three million packages of lard, flour and milk have been distributed in a month. Another million is on hand for the continuing program.

Alabama Bans Union Shop

BIRMINGHAM (AP)—Alabama labor leaders today urged union members to avoid mass walkouts in protest against the newly-enacted "right to work" law.

R. E. Farr, CIO United Steelworkers district director here, said last night he had heard of no such demonstrations being staged.

"I hope they won't do that" he said.

Farr said yesterday after Gov. Gordon Persons signed the statute that he "would not be surprised" at a general strike in steel and iron plants of the Birmingham and Gadsden districts.

Labor leaders had been reported planning a state-wide rally at Fairfield, but Alabama CIO Council Secretary Eugene Wells later said no such meeting would be held.

Wells said the Jefferson (Birmingham) CIO Political Action Committee would meet Sept. 5, and he would make an "important announcement" at that time.

Farr said labor organizations will try to overthrow the law in the courts.

The new Alabama statute is patterned after a Virginia measure which has been upheld in the U. S. Supreme Court.

It outlaws the union shop and similar labor agreements as contrary to "the public policy of Alabama."

Steve Latham, president of the Alabama Federation of Labor (AFL), said, "the governor has weighed all the issues of the bill and has done what he thought best in the interests of the state's citizens.

"There is no malice on the part of the Alabama State Federation of Labor toward the governor for his signing the 'right to work' bill."

D. Trotter Jones, executive vice-president of the Associated Industries of Alabama, predicted labor unions will be defeated in any court attack on the controversial measure.

The "right to work" law prohibits compulsory union membership contracts, but also protects employes from being fired because they do become union members.

Mayor, Housers Parley All Alone; Solution Hinted

A Herald and News reporter was excluded from a meeting of Mayor Paul L. Landry and representatives from the Public Housing Tenants League this morning.

"I think we have a solution," the Mayor said, "but I do not want to say anything until I have talked to the Council."

Mayor Landry's reason was that he was working for the Council and felt it should know of plans before they are made public.

LAKEVIEW'S QUEEN LEETA PERRY (lower) will reign over the 34th annual Lakeview Round-up September 5-7. With Queen Leeta will be her court (left to right) Norma Weaver, Carol Kerr and Frances Tracy.

Freeing of Merrill POW Leaves One From Area Still in Red Hands

By RUTH KING

MERRILL—Parents of Pvt. Lowell E. Snapp, youngest of six sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin C. Snapp, Merrill, are "mighty happy" about the official word they received Friday from U. S. Army headquarters that their son was one of the small group of American boys released yesterday in Korea by the Communists.

A telephone call today to the Snapp home revealed that Mrs. Snapp was spreading the good news to friends and relatives at Merrill.

Lowell's father, who farms in the Merrill community, said members of the family will meet him wherever he lands upon his return to the U.S.

Lowell, 23, graduate of the Merrill high school, was drafted into the army in May 1950, soon after he graduated. He was captured June 14, 1952 but circumstances of his capture were never known since the family received no direct word from him after he fell into enemy hands.

Repatriated GIs released last April by the Reds brought out word that he was alive and well and only a few days ago, the family had still another letter from a released prisoner that Lowell was O.K.

His brothers are Wilbur, 36, Harold, 35, Merrill; Chester, 33, Sandros, Calif.; and Ursal, 30, Cloverdale, Calif. A son Charles, serving with the air force during World War II was killed at Mt. Home, Ida., in training maneuvers.

Ted Paillette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Paillette, Klamath Falls, was released several days ago, leaving the third and last known Klamath County service man, Pfc. Juan Archuleta, Bonanza, still in enemy hands.

British Firm Gets BPA Contract

SEATTLE (AP) — The Bonneville Power Administration announced award of a contract Friday to the English Electric Exporting and Trading Co., Ltd., for an auto-transformer of 250,000 volt amperes capacity.

The bid was $639,915, with delivery to be made in 900 days. The General Electric Co. won a contract for a similar unit costing $789,498. Interior Secretary McKay approved the contracts.

Senator Suggests Atom-Slowdown; Cost Worries Him

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Flanders (R-Vt) proposed today that President Eisenhower and other top government policy makers consider cutting billions of dollars from future programs for hydrogen-atomic weapons, defense and foreign aid.

Flanders, a member of the Armed Services Committee, suggested in an interview that the United States may before long have on hand such a supply of nuclear weapons that further production might pass the "point of diminishing returns."

The Budget Bureau Thursday, in a new revenue and spending estimate, said outlays for foreign aid and atomic energy are still rising, but should reach their peak during the current fiscal year and then decline.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Clearing and cooler Saturday night; fair and warmer Sunday. High Sunday 72; low Saturday night 40.

High yesterday 61
Low last night 43

A year ago in Klamath Falls it was a nice day with a cool breeze blowing. High and low recordings were 86-45.

Phone Strike Status Mixed Across U. S.

By LEWIS GULICK

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tension eased today in Washington, Maryland and West Virginia as telephone workers ended a one-day walkout, but some 60,000 Bell System employes in the Midwest and Southwest remained on strike.

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. and its striking workers in Missouri were admonished by Gov. Phil M. Donnelly to get together at once to end what he called an "intolerable" situation. The walkout of about 53,000 employes in Southwestern's six-state area is now in its tenth day.

In Indiana, where some 7,000 phone workers were off the job, there were reports of five more cable cutting incidents in three cities. An Indianapolis judge ordered picketing restricted there as an aftermath to a picket-line fracas Thursday night.

But in Baltimore, Maryland's Independent Union of Switchboard Operators which had not struck voted by a 3-1 margin to accept a contract offer of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co.

Union President Margaret Weiss said the new contract provides pay boosts from $1.50 to $2 a week for workers who had been getting from $40 to $57 weekly.

Strikers in Washington-Maryland-West Virginia and the Midwest states were all members of the Communications Workers of America, CIO. The union is negotiating with Bell System firms covering a total of about 130,000 workers, with the union asking boosts of $2 to $3 and the companies reportedly offering raises from $1.50 to $2.50.

Farrell J. Beaver, special representative for the 10,000-member unit of the CIO union, ordered a surprise end at midnight last night to picketing of Washington area and West Virginia telephone exchanges, which began at 5 a.m. (EST) yesterday morning.

Beaver said the walkout was not planned originally as a one-day affair, but declared on-again-off-again strike tactics have proved "most successful" weapons for union bargainers.

In Maryland, where there was also a one-day strike, a side issue developed.

CWA President Joseph A. Beirne telegraphed Secretary of Defense Wilson that the Maryland National Guard was furnishing some government-owned cots and blankets to non-strikers at Maryland phone exchanges, and demanded that the military officers responsible be disciplined. CIO President Walter P. Reuther wired chairmen of the Senate and House Armed Services Committees asking a congressional investigation of the incident.

There was no immediate comment from Wilson or the legislators.

In Jefferson City, Mo., Gov. Donnelly said if Southwestern Bell and the union don't settle by tomorrow night he will order the State Board of Mediation to meet in St. Louis and offer its own solution. Missouri's utility anti-strike law allows state seizure of struck utilities.

Forest Hills Strike Ends

A strike at American River Pine Company, Forest Hills, Calif., was ended Thursday night by a vote of the workers who had asked 12½ cents an hour wage increase and travel time for woods employes.

The strike settlement provided no change in the existing contract, no wage increase and no travel time granted. The workers are members of IWA-CIO local 13-86. One hundred and forty employes are involved.

Pine Industrial Relations Committee's spokesman, Chet Irving, also announced that Inman-Poulsen Lumber Company in Portland had reached an agreement with its employes as of Thursday. No wage increase was granted. The only contract change involved the manner in which health and welfare contributions were deducted. They will be deducted as a flat sum in the future instead of on a per hourly basis.

The box score to date shows 201 companies having settled with at least 44 local unions, involving more than 19,697 employes on a no-wage-increase basis of settlement. The exact number of employes involved in the Inman-Poulsen settlement was unknown at the PIRC office.

Seven companies have settled with 14 local unions, in settlements which granted a 5 cent per our wage increase. Total number of employes involved in the settlements of these seven companies is 8,980, of which 7,000 work for Weyerhaeuser Timber Company. There have been no additions to this list of seven companies in the last two weeks.

60-Day Delay Under Rail Act Likely

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) —The Order of Railway Conductors has announced it will begin a strike on some railroads at 6 a.m. (local standard time) Sept. 10, but if the mediation clause of the railway labor act is invoked any walkout would be delayed for 60 days.

The strike action was announced in Chicago Friday by an aide of T. O. Hughes, ORC president, and confirmed by an ORC spokesman here.

The local spokesman said either side can call for mediation and "one side or the other usually does." If this occurs, no walkout would occur until November and then only if settlement is not reached through mediation.

Hughes' aide, James Paddock, said the strike was concerned with rates of pay. Conductors, he said, have lost their "relative position" in the pay rate structure.

"The conductor now finds himself below the fireman, who is subordinate to him," Paddock said.

The conductors are seeking a graduated rate of pay. This means that the bigger the engine on a train, the more the conductor's pay would be. Engineers and firemen already have such a graduated rate based on the power of locomotives.

Letters outlining strike procedure were sent by Hughes to local chairmen of the union.

Steve Delehunty, Clinton, Iowa, local chairman, said the letter made these points:

All conductors on all railroads will not be called out simultaneously.

The ORC however, is prepared to consider expanding the strike until an agreement is reached regarding the graduated rate of pay fo conductors.

"Picket lines must be established in all terminals and officials also will be assigned to assist the general chairmen in the conduct of the strike."

"General chairmen of the property (railroad) first to be struck will be notified by wire or telephone prior to the date set for strike action."

"It is contemplated that employes engaged in service primarily affected by the strike must serve on the picket lines."

"It is contemplated that employes not engaged in service primarily affected by the strike will observe our picket lines."

In Washington, a spokesman for the National Mediation Board said the present dispute is an unsettled demand dating back to 1949 for the graduated pay rate.

The conductors settled their last dispute with the railroads in May, 1952, when the ORC and two other unions signed separate agreements.

Under the 1952 agreement the union withdrew temporarily the demand for the graduated pay rates and pledged not to ask any pay or other contract changes until after Oct. 1, 1953.

The union now insists, however, it is entitled to renew the old demand. But the railroads contend the moratorium runs until October and the union can't raise the point until then.

Liberated WAC Only GI With Cue Ball Future

INCHON, Korea (AP)—The exciting rumor swept through this reception center that an American WAC was coming back from Communist imprisonment.

True enough, the blond hair of a returned prisoner stepping off an ambulance Saturday came down to the shoulders.

But the freed prisoner turned out to be Pfc. Wayne Johnson of Beaver Dam, Ohio.

He went at once to a barber shop, got his hair cut and kept the shorn locks.

"I'm saving this hair," he explained, "because my father told me I'd be bald by the time I was 21."

MIKE PAYNE, 723 Washington, was looking forward to a trip to town for roller skates this afternoon.

Tulelake Water Day Fete Committees Named

TULELAKE—Committees for the huge water celebration to be held here Labor Day met last night and completed plans for the event.

Main topic was the parade. The committee has asked that all towns and merchants in the basin cooperate by entering floats and items of interest.

The 20-30 Club, sponsors of the street parade have broken the procession into four groups, with suitable prizes for all winners. The groups: business floats, clubs and organizations, industrial and farming section and kids section. Entries should be reported to Eugene Gresham, Chevrolet garage, before parade time.

Standing committees include: prizes, Keith Templeton, Bud Fies; music, Roy Heinrich, Sam Kellett; Kids program, Red Hamilton, Harry Santo; square dance, Dr. Earl Spry; barbecue, Bill Seigler, Ray Moresco, Virg Barron, Ross Daniels; concessions, Dick Moore, Bill Whitaker, Ole Jamison; Pierce, Bud Fies.

Parade committee, James Jeskey and Tom Pierce; street dance, Pe Sorenson, Lyle Sherer; queen contest sponsored by VFW, Red Hamilton; special events, Lee Sonnenberg, Jack Ciers, Dick McDougal.

Included in the special events will be several Barbershop quartets from the basin area, with the House Brothers and Schultz Sisters featured.

And last but not least of the committees, is the cleanup group, this will include four men from each service club.

Drawing for several valuable prizes will be held at the dance Monday night. Tickets for this drawing will be $1 each.

It was announced at the conclusion of the meeting that all events —baseball game, street dances and barbecue—will be free.

Floyd Boyd is general chairman of the big event.

Many Livestock Showings Expected

TULELAKE — Tulelake's combined Tulelake-Butte Valley fair, 5th annual, Rotary sponsored 4-H and FFA Junior Livestock Show and "good water" celebration, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 7-8, promises to be the biggest civic affair ever attempted here.

William C. Whitaker, fair manager said here today, that indications are that the big circus tent being put up on the high school grounds for livestock entries will be crammed with exhibits.

The fair is being held again this year on the high school grounds instead of the newly-acquired acreage for the permanent fair grounds to permit seeding of a lawn on the new site. Agricultural and home economics exhibits will be in the high school auditorium as in past years.

Judging of exhibits will be completed Monday and Tuesday in time for the auction of livestock at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8. Charles K. Wiese, Tulelake, will again cry for bids. Seating inside is being arranged for buyers and spectators Arrangements for the auction are being made by Douglas L. Thomas.

Assisting in the ring will be Floyd A. Boyd, Ed J. Duckett, Billl Ganger, W. G. Hagelstein, Dick McDougal, A. A. Rodenberger and Earl D. Spry.

Last year's auction totaled $13,987 on 150 animals.

Nancy Hammer, Tulelake, took the grand champion ribbon on a Hereford steer that brought $732.