

Settlements Signed In Wood Strike

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

South Korea gets a rumor that we're going to pull out three of the six divisions we now have stationed there and immediately calls an emergency session of its national assembly, which votes unanimously to oppose any such action.

Well, it's nice to hear of SOMEBODY in the world who doesn't want to get rid of us at the earliest possible moment.

France's Mendes-France is expected to come up tomorrow at a six-nation European conference with French demands that will blow up the European Defense Community and the idea of a West European army to fight the spread of communism.

If he does, I think maybe we'd better say to France and the other reluctant nations of Europe, "It's been nice knowing you, gentlemen, and if that's the way you feel about it we wish you much luck with your Russian masters."

I know that sounds rugged, but as one American I'm beginning to feel that as between RELUCTANT allies and no allies at all we'd be better off with no allies.

Late yesterday, President Eisenhower appointed Herbert Hoover Jr.—son of former President Hoover—to be undersecretary of state, the No. 2 job in the state department. He will succeed retired General Walter Bedell Smith, who has resigned effective October 1 to take a job in private industry.

He requested quick confirmation, and the senate foreign relations committee responded by voting unanimously before the day was over to recommend that the appointment be confirmed. The full senate is expected to vote confirmation today.

That's the getting action.

What's in the wind?

I wouldn't know. But it seems that last Friday Russian Ambassador Zarubin was requested to call around at the state department. (The "wanted" to tell him the long-missing Russian spy, Yuri Rastvorov, is in U.S. hands and will be granted political asylum in the United States.) Zarubin said he was sick and couldn't come, and he didn't send anybody in his place — which isn't regarded as kosher in diplomatic circles.

So —

It appears this morning —

The department held a session of its upper brass and discussed the idea of asking the Kremlin to recall Ambassador Zarubin on the grounds that he had insulted the United States by failing to call around at the office when requested.

This drastic action is said this morning to have been decided against when somebody pointed out that if we asked Zarubin to recall the Kremlin would retaliate by sending our Ambassador to Russia Charles Bohlen home.

I've felt for a long time that our state department goes in too much for frock-coat-and-striped-pants protocol and too little for hard-headed common sense.

Maybe it feels the same way about it and wants to bring in some new blood.

Shucks! The more one thinks about foreign affairs the lower he gets in his mind. Let's talk for a moment about making our city a pleasanter and more attractive place to live.

How's this for an idea?

In our plans for Veterans Memorial park — which, we hope, will be the nucleus for a future civic center — how about including FOUNTAINS (perhaps several of them) in the landscaping scheme?

Nothing is more striking, especially in our high desert country, than fountains playing all over the place. In addition to pleasing the fact eye, they would dramatize the fact that we have PLENTY OF WATER — and the time is not far off when regions that have plenty of water AND USE IT IN EVERY WAY THAT WATER CAN BE BENEFICIALLY USED will be the envy of every eye.

Flexible Farm Props Bill Passed After Long Dispute

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farm legislation calling a halt to rigid, high price supports headed for a White House welcome after a hectic dispute that routed disgruntled senators from bed early today.

The measure finally passed 44-28 on a postmidnight roll call, climaxing a 14½-hour session.

Among other provisions, it grants the Eisenhower administration's request for flexible authority to deal with farm supports and surpluses.

The House passed the bill by a standing 208-47 unrecorded vote yesterday. Supporters had hoped to get it through the Senate in much the same way.

But after a siege of highly critical speeches, mainly from the Democratic side, midnight negotiations with many Republicans absent, GOP Leader Knowland of California asked for a recess and a showdown in the morning.

Sen. Russell (D-Ga.), bitter opponent of flexible and lower price supports, protested furiously. He demanded a test vote on Knowland's request to quit without a vote.

This brought angry exchanges and lengthy explanations from Knowland and Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas who called for absent senators.

Knowland insisted he believed there had been an informal agreement for no record votes during the night. Johnson conceded that Knowland had proposed this but said he had control of only his own vote and that any senator could demand a record vote.

Apparently satisfied that he had mustered enough supporters of the bill, Knowland agreed to the roll call. It moved at a slow pace past midnight. Finally Sen. McClellan (D-Ark.) employed a parliamentary tactic to end the stalling for late arrivals.

On the final test 31 Republicans and 13 Democrats voted for the compromise bill worked out by Senate and House conferees. Five Republicans, 22 Democrats and 1 Independent shouted no.

Most of the criticism from opponents, including Senators Kerr (D-Okla.), Johnston (D-SC), Kefauver (D-Tenn.), Morse (Ind-Ore) and Young (R-Nd.), centered upon authority for flexible and lower supports on basic crops and dairy products.

They predicted these would sharpen the downturn in farm incomes and help elect a Democratic majority in Congress this year.

The compromise measure allows sliding-scale supports of 82½ to 90 per cent of parity (government-set "fair" price) on cotton, wheat, corn, rice and peanuts for next year's crops.

The bill as passed also retains authority of secretary of Agriculture Benson to hold supports for butter, cheese, milk and dairy products at the reduced level of 75 per cent of parity.

Also approved with little dispute was the administration proposal to set aside 2½ billion dollars worth of farm supplies for foreign or domestic relief, barter and other outlets.

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GEORGE CONDREY, center, president of the Klamath Falls Softball Association, receives a check from Jack Insley, secretary-treasurer of the Klamath Falls Exchange Club, for the receipts taken from the recent softball playoffs at Conger Field. Ole Roemhild, vice-president looks on at the left. The local Exchange Club sponsored the play-offs in which Bill's Place gained a berth in the state tournament.

Several Pacific Northwest Mills Resume Production

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Work was resumed at several more mills as the Pacific Northwest lumber strike went into its 59th day Wednesday.

Sheriff's deputies stood guard as workers crossed a CIO picket line at the Diamond Lumber Co. plywood plant at Tillamook.

Deputies said there was no violence. However, one picket was shoved about 10 feet by a car. The picket was not hurt.

A spokesman for management said 104 had crossed the 130-man picket line to enter the plant which normally employs 250. The returned workers had not been offered a wage increase, the spokesman said.

STRIKE VOTE

At Seaside, also on the Oregon Coast, CIO Woodworkers reported that the 450 members of local 5-4 had voted to continue support of the strike. Twenty-nine firms in the area have granted a 12½-cent hourly pay increase, retroactive to April 1, the union said.

The Simpson Logging Co. with operations at Arcata and Klamath, Calif., reported it had reached agreement with its 480 AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers.

The men are to return to work Monday at the old wages. But the company has agreed to increase the scale if a higher wage pattern is finally established by the major employer associations.

At Marcola near Springfield, CIO employees of the Fischer Lumber Co. have voted to take bargaining out of the hands of the regional negotiating committee and to try to settle the strike at the local level. The Springfield local has approved the Fischer employes' proposal.

WAGE BOOST

At Sheridan, the membership of a CIO local Tuesday night ratified a wage boost agreement with the McCormick Lumber and Manufacturing Co. It provides for a long-term contract to run until 1958 with future wage increases based on cost of living.

Bert Keck, business agent for the local, said the agreement called for a 7½-cent hourly increase.

Clover Valley Lumber Company, Loyalton, California, and its local AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers union signed an agreement Monday evening, settling a strike which commenced June 21, according to PIRC today.

There was no wage increase involved in these were the only points in issue.

Employees have been given 10 days to return to their jobs.

The operation will gradually resume full swing, C. L. Irving, PIRC secretary, indicated.

The Clover Valley Lumber Company is an integrated lumber operation employing 350 men.

Another settlement was reached this morning when the Shasta Box Company of Redding and Lumber and Sawmill Workers local 2908 AFL signed an agreement extending their present contract, without wage change, until its 1956 anniversary date, PIRC announced.

AGREEMENT TERMS

Under terms of the agreement, negotiations can be opened to discuss wages with 30 days written notice on the part of either the union or the company. This provision will be in effect until December 1, 1954, after which time the wage opening clause reverts to the normal contractual provision of 60 days notice.

The company, which employs 125 men, has been in almost full operation behind picket lines for several weeks. A strike was called June 21 but a sufficient number of employes crossed the picket lines to enable operation to continue.

The strike settlement agreement provides further that hereafter there can be no strike involving the operation unless approved by a majority of the employes of the Shasta Box Company.

ANDERSON MILL

Kalpine Plywood Company's veneer plant at Anderson, California, will resume operation Monday morning, according to Pine Industrial Relations Committee.

Employees are returning to work on the same basis as the other two Plywood, Incorporated, plants resumed operation. C. L. Irving, PIRC secretary, added. There has been no wage increase. The other two plants, Kalpine Plywood Company here and the operation at Crescent City, California, reopened Monday morning of this week.

Thirty-five to 40 men are employed at Anderson.

Maintenance and repair work is being done this week in preparation for the start of full operation Monday, Irving said.

S. Koreans Report U.S. Troop Move

SEOUL (AP) — The chairman of the South Korean National Assembly said Wednesday night the United States plans to withdraw three of its six divisions from Korea by the end of 1954.

The report, given in an extraordinary night emergency session of the Assembly, provoked an immediate outcry.

The Assembly declared unanimously that such a withdrawal without a new buildup of South Korean troop strength "will leave the United States solely responsible for whatever may happen in the Korean phase of the Communist drive toward Asian and world power."

South Korea has 20 divisions trained and equipped by the United States. It has sought three new divisions for each Allied division which may be withdrawn.

Assembly Chairman Lee Ki Poong said South Korean representatives in Washington would discuss the issue Thursday with top U. S. officials. He said a decision was imminent.

In Washington, a Pentagon spokesman said "the Army has no knowledge of an early withdrawal of troops from Korea." But diplomatic sources said the United States was considering withdrawal of three divisions. They said no firm decision had been reached.

U. S. divisions in South Korea are the Army's 2nd, 3rd, 7th, 24th and 25th and the 1st Marine. In addition, there are the British Commonwealth 1st Division and smaller units from other Allied nations.

The Assembly resolution included three major points:

1. South Korea opposes the withdrawal because the Communists are strengthening their armies (in North Korea).
2. If the withdrawal is carried out, South Korea demands the right to march north with U. S. naval and air support.
3. If this is denied, then South Korean armed forces should be built up to the equivalent strength of the multi-national forces now stationed in South Korea.

A U. S. 8th Army spokesman declined comment. However, an 8th Army announcement to the troops said soldiers could "enlist or re-enlist and leave for assignments in the United States even before completing their Korean tours." Such an opportunity was not available before this month.

Japan Typhoon Threat Eased

TOKYO (AP) — A typhoon which hammered southern Japan with crushing winds and torrential downpours Wednesday switched course Thursday and lost much of its punch as it veered eastward toward the Pacific ocean.

The switch relieved the threat to such sprawling industrial areas as Osaka, Tokyo and Yokosuka. The latter two have big American populations.

Winds in excess of 100 miles an hour and rain of more than 16 inches in places wrecked houses, loosed earthslides, disrupted communications and flooded towns and reservoirs.

Earlier the typhoon raked Okinawa and the Amami Oshima islands where one person was killed and 15 were injured, including 11 Americans on Okinawa.

Reds To Free De Castries

LONDON (AP) — Peiping radio announced Wednesday that Brig. Gen. Christian de Castries, the French commander at Dien Bien Phu, will be among 280 French officers to be turned over to the French by the Communist-led Vietnam.

The broadcast gave no exact date, but a dispatch from Hanoi said the exchange of prisoners between the French and Vietnam was scheduled to begin Wednesday at Viet Tri on the Red River.

The Hanoi dispatch said the French loaded 1,000 Vietnam prisoners on 12 landing craft Thursday night for the journey up the river to Viet Tri, 30 miles north-west of Hanoi.

De Castries was taken prisoner when the French fortress in Indochina fell on May 7 after holding out in the face of greatly outnumbered forces. De Castries' performance won him a battlefield promotion to brigadier general from colonel and praise from Western leaders, including President Eisenhower.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Thursday except for afternoon and evening thunderstorms. High Thursday 75; low Wednesday night 48.

High yesterday _____ 75
Low last night _____ 45
Precip. last 24 hours _____ 0
Same period last year _____ 14.65
Normal for period _____ 12.59

Ike's Atomic Plan Passed

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower Wednesday got a bill carrying out his sweeping new program to open the way for a private atomic power industry and to bolster European defenses with more data on nuclear weapons.

The House put Congress' final approval on the long-debated measure by voice vote Tuesday.

The Senate had accepted the compromise version Monday.

But Chairman W. Sterling Cole (R-NY) of the Senate House Atomic Energy Committee served notice he intends renewing a fight next January over disputed patent provisions which prompted much of the Senate's bitter 13 day debate on the original bill.

The measure sent to the White House requires the sharing of all civilian patents for five years on a free basis. After that, owners of developments not made under government auspices can get exclusive patent rights for 17 years, renewable for the same period.

This was a compromise between the House position calling for exclusive patents at the outset and the original Senate demand for 10 years of compulsory patent-sharing.

Cole told the House Tuesday that, if rejected, his first job in January will be to introduce legislation to repeal the compulsory patent-sharing clauses which he called "distasteful and un-American."

The New Yorker said House conferees yielded to the Senate only to insure early adjournment of Congress in face of "a warning—a threat—by a group of persistent, insistent" senators that, without a patent-sharing clause, "we would have what is called a 'talkathon.'" Democratic senators opposed to exclusive atomic patents were accused of, and denied, conducting an adjournment-delaying filibuster in last month's marathon debate.

Amputee Plans To Marry

PATERSON, N. J. (AP) — Clarence (Red) Mosley, the Air Force's first quadruple amputee of the Korean War, will be married Sept. 25.

Mosley, 23, revealed Tuesday his plans to wed 22-year-old Ruth Shaw, whom he met at a party eight months ago—about a year after he was discharged from Army hospitals.

Of their first date, Miss Shaw recalls: "I decided then I wouldn't bother seeing him again. But he called me for a date about a week later and I went with him."

It was in December, 1952, that Mosley parachuted from a burning B-26 over Korea. After lying four days in the snow, he was rescued from enemy territory by two South Koreans.

Severe frostbite necessitated amputation of his hands and feet. But now, outfitted with artificial feet and a metal hook for his right hand, Mosley is capable of performing all the every-day tasks. What's more, he drives his own car.

Baseball Scores

Philadelphia 600 001 001-2 10 0
New York 300 030 00x-6 7 1
Wehmeier, Mrozinski (5) and Burgess; Maglie and Katt.

Uncle Rescued By Young Niece

ESSEX, Md. (AP) — John Laphin, who's 36 and can't swim, is still around because he has a niece who's 13 and can.

Joan Stanowski, the niece, rescued Laphin from Middle River yesterday when he waded out too far. Firemen administered emergency treatment.

Stastny Named To Spud Group

SALEM (AP) — Edwin J. Stastny, Malin, was reappointed by Gov. Patterson Wednesday to the Oregon Potato Commission. He represents Klamath and Lake counties.

FOOD

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP) — Official quarters indicated Wednesday there would be no objections if the United States were to suggest offering food to flood victims in Red China's ravaged Yamtze Valley.

Military Dead Exchange Seen

WASHINGTON (AP) — The exchange of some bodies of military dead between the Communists and the Allies in Korea may shed some light on the fate of 526 Americans who are believed to have been in enemy hands at one time or another during the Korean War.

Word of the possible start of a small scale exchange of soldier remains across the armistice line was received here Tuesday, about the same time the U. N. command was demanding an accounting from the Reds for 2,340 missing Allies, including the Americans.

The wording of the demand, delivered by Rear Adm. T. B. Brittain at Panmunjom, indicated the United States does not know or believe that all of the Americans are alive. Britain told the Communists the U. N. command is "convinced" the names on the revised list "were in your hands" and have not been accounted for satisfactorily.

The current official Defense Department summary of Korean war casualties lists no American prisoners and places the number of missing at 230.



HIGH ON A HILLTOP, genial Sam Neslin, flamboyant merchant and man about town, is shown taking what he described as "one of my final ganders" at Klamath Falls, Neslin, who established an enviable reputation here as a guy who was always willing to lend a helping hand to the unfortunate or devote unlimited time and energy to civic projects, will leave September 1 to enter business in Spokane, Washington.

Sam Neslin, Promoter And Merchant To Leave K. Falls

By LYLE DOWNING

One of the city's most colorful and enterprising business men—Sam Neslin—is leaving Klamath Falls.

E. A. and R. M. Shank, Coos Bay, owners of the Oregon Woolen Store, Inc. of which Neslin is vice president and manager, announced his resignation.

Neslin is going to Spokane, Washington September 1 to take over management of Neslin Men's Store, owned and operated by his father, H. L. Neslin, who is retiring after 59 years of merchandising.

Departure of Sam Neslin from the local scene will be regretted by his host of friends and business associates. Since 1940, Neslin has been in the forefront of civic activities. He has been particularly active in the promotion of spectator sports in the Klamath Basin. The popularity of hardtop racing in this area is attributed to Neslin.

A lesser known activity of the Main Street merchant has been in the "helping hand department." Families struck by tragedy have always been able to turn to Neslin for substance, aid. And there are a lot of kids who will miss the free swim, theater and baseball tickets that literally poured out of the Oregon Woolen Store.

Citizens who are up and listening to Charlie McFarlan at 7:15 a.m. weekdays on radio station KFLW probably believe Neslin is a sort of "crown prince of the clothing business." Neslin who sponsors "Charlie's Roundup," had been a foil for the glib master of ceremonies for years.

However, no one should be fooled by McFarlan's references to Neslin as "Old Toke in the Head" and inferences that the woolen store operator is "off his rocker." Persons who know Neslin in real life agree that he is about as far off his rocker as Einstein.

It was just by chance that Sam Neslin settled in Klamath Falls.

On July 31, 1940 while on his way to take a job in Medford, Neslin stopped here to visit his brother, A. M. Neslin, who at that time was residing here. Sam liked the town and decided to stay.

In September 1940, Neslin and his wife, Alma, were married in Reno, Nevada. They have two daughters, Marcella and Maria Kay.

Neslin began his career as a merchant in a store operated by his father in Walla Walla, Washington. His father handed him a broom and told him to "get in on the ground floor."

Next month Neslin will be back in his father's store but somebody else will be wielding the broom.

To sum it all up, people who know Sam Neslin will agree that "Klamath Falls" loss is Spokane's gain.

Crucial EDC Talks Held In Belgium

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Leaders of the six European army nations came to the Belgian capital today for crucial talks on the French demands imperiling the projected European Defense Community.

From all sides opposition mounted to French Premier Pierre Mendes-France's proposals for major revisions in the EDC treaty. But reports from Paris said Mendes-France would tell his colleagues at the foreign ministers' conference opening here tomorrow that only his new European army plan could be approved by the French National Assembly.

Many observers doubted that an acceptable formula could be worked out for the six-nation army in which a rearmend West Germany would pool her troops with those of France, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

U.S. FEARS

U.S. officials in Washington already have expressed fears that the long-nurtured EDC plan, first proposed in 1950 by France's then defense minister, Rene Pleven, is doomed.

So far the five other EDC nations have given evidence of nothing but opposition to the French proposals. Critics contend they rob the army plan of much of its operational aspect. All argue the amendments would require new parliamentary approval by the four nations—all but Italy and France—which have ratified the pact. The West Germans consider the proposals raise new discriminations against them.

Mendes-France was reported ready to answer the critics with the argument that even a much-modified army plan is better than no army at all, and that the EDC pact as now drafted cannot win approval in his National Assembly.

FRENCH SOURCES

French sources said Mendes-France believes a treaty amended as he proposes would secure approval of a majority of the lower house's entire 627 members. Only this majority can override an adverse vote in the French senate, the Council of the Republic.



CONCRETE WORK ON new motel site at 75 Main was the topic of the early morning photographer this morning. Completion of the motel is expected by the first of the year according to the owners, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nelson.