

DAKOTA CONVICTS STAGE RIOT

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The question before the house today is WHO KILLED COCK ROBIN?

Author (and a fascinatingly good one) Richard Neuberger, adventuring momentarily last night into the field of the Who-Dun-It, says it was Interior Secretary McKay and U.S. Senator Guy Cordon, who killed the transmission line which would have brought Bonneville power to Southern Oregon and far Northern California.

He told his hearers at the Klamath Falls armory:

"(Their McKay's and Cordon's) sellout of the transmission line cut off this area's opportunities for industrial development and doomed it to high power rates."

He added that if he is elected he will fight for return of the line to the people.

KF Barber Held In Wife's Death

A 51-year-old Klamath Falls waitress was found possibly beaten to death Tuesday morning in her room at the Greer Hotel.

The victim was Lily Nyquist Coon, who had been employed until three weeks ago at the Pelican Cafe.

Police are holding her husband, T. C. (Curley) Coon, 51-year-old barber.

Police Chief Orville Hamilton said Coon admitted he and his wife had been drinking heavily for several days and had a fight Monday night.

"We traded a lot of punches," Coon said. "She hurt me, too."

When Chief Hamilton and Detective R. N. Adkins went to the scene

after receiving a call from the manager of the hotel, they found Mrs. Coon's body lying nude on a bed. The body was covered with bruises and black and blue marks.

After police made a cursory examination, the body was taken to O'Hair's Memorial Chapel. Dr. George Adler, county coroner, said he would perform an autopsy on the body later in the day.

As he paced a detention room at the city jail, Coon told the story of events leading up to his wife's death.

"We had a couple gallons of wine yesterday," he said. "About 11 o'clock Monday night we got in a fight. She hit me and I hit her. She fell on the floor. I picked her up and put her back on the bed."

Coon said shortly after the fight he went to sleep.

"I woke up about 8 o'clock this morning," he continued. "I knew something was wrong, I started calling doctors. I couldn't get one to come up. She was still alive when I started phoning."

Dr. Adler said he received a call from Coon at approximately 9:45 a.m.

Phone Strike Threatens West States

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Efforts to head off a threatened strike of 11,700 Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. employees in the three Pacific Northwest states continued on Tuesday.

At Seattle, CIO Communications Workers of America negotiators representing 7,000 PT&T employees in Washington and Idaho went into session with company representatives who Monday offered raises with a top of \$2.50 a week.

Douglas Chisholm, special CWA representative in Seattle, termed the offer unsatisfactory because while it meets the union demand for a top minimum it falls below the demand for the lower classifications.

The PT&T offer would mean the \$2.50 raise only for a few accounting department workers and top plant employees in major Washington and Idaho cities. Lower job classifications would get a \$1 a week raise.

At Portland, meanwhile, Arthur P. Lanier, president of the CWA local there, said the 4,700 Oregon employees of PT&T represented by the union had voted 94 per cent in favor of giving union negotiators the right to call a strike to back wage demands.

The Washington and Idaho members previously had sanctioned strike action by union negotiators if they saw fit.

CWA representatives were scheduled to meet with company negotiators in Portland Tuesday also.

Paul Kincaid, president of Klamath Falls CWA Local 9208, today announced the counting of strike ballots cast by Oregon telephone workers which showed a vote overwhelmingly in favor of striking the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The strike action, approved by all but six per cent of the membership, was authorized because of the failure of the PT&T to grant 4,700 Oregon telephone workers equitable wage adjustments which, according to Kincaid, have already been granted by PT&T in Northern California and by the Western Electric Company which has employees working in the Oregon area.

The local president also cited the grant to more than 200,000 telephone employees of other Bell system companies of wage increases consistent with union demands in Oregon. He mentioned that strike action against the Pacific Telephone Company has been authorized in Southern California, Washington and Idaho.

A strike date will be announced later, the local labor head said, but in the meantime negotiations are continuing and a meeting was scheduled for Tuesday.

Who DIDN'T want it? Assistant Secretary Warne was not too communicative on that subject. In his testimony in 1951, he said merely:

"There is considerable misapprehension as to the motive and as to the reasoning behind this Shasta - Bonneville interconnection."

Some have believed it was a bureau of reclamation, or a California plan. It is for that reason that I came down here to dispel the misapprehension that may be entering into consideration of the proposition."

Perhaps a couple of AP dispatches from the state of Washington will help to make the situation clear. One of them, dated February 6, 1951, from Ephrata (Wash.) says:

"The state power commission voted today to OPPOSE an interior department plan to build a power line linking the Pacific Northwest and California. The resolution unanimously adopted by the Washington commission said the power line would hurt the defense effort and deprive the Northwest and the Columbia basin watershed of one of its most valuable resources."

The resolution added: "It seems unreasonable to plan for transporting power out of the Northwest while interior department representatives even now are searching for new power here."

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HOPES WERE HIGH for a Democratic victory next month when Klamath County Central Labor Union played host to State Senator Richard Neuberger and local businessmen at a luncheon in the Willard Hotel Monday. Shown above (l to r) Neuberger, nominee for U. S. senator; C. D. Long, president of the Klamath Central Labor Union, and Mrs. Neuberger, state representative from Multnomah County.

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Neuberger Blasts Cordon, McKay In Klamath Speech

By LYLE DOWNING

Author Richard Neuberger who hopes to be the first Democratic senator from Oregon to go to Washington in 40 years, said here Monday night that if he is elected he will fight for "return of the Klamath transmission line to the people."

At a rally in the Klamath Falls Armory, Neuberger charged that Interior Secretary Douglas McKay and U. S. Senator Guy Cordon were responsible for the sale of the transmission line from Bonneville Dam to the California-Oregon Power Company.

The Portland candidate, who is

Prisoners Hold Guards Hostage

SIOUX FALLS, S. D. — Three hundred rioting prisoners at the South Dakota state penitentiary agreed Tuesday to return to their cells and release three guards held as hostages if Mayor Fay of Wheelock of Sioux Falls would head an impartial investigating committee.

Mayor Wheelock said he would accept the responsibility "if they will let me do it." He went into an immediate conference with Warden G. Norton Jameson, saying he would give the prisoners his answer after talking with the Warden.

After the conference, Warden Jameson said there would be no decision until Gov. Sigurd Anderson arrived. The governor was reported en route to Sioux Falls from Pierre by automobile.

As an evidence of their good faith, the inmates released one of the three guards, Melvin De Young.

"We are turning this guard loose so you can see he is all right and he can tell you the others are all right," said Floyd Lindberg, a life term prisoner who acted as spokesman for the prisoners.

He said the other two guards, Reid and E. P. Lambertson, would be held until Mayor Wheelock makes his reply.

The prisoners, in conference with the warden and the Rev. Maurice Weisman, presented a long list of suggestions, but made only one demand—for an impartial investigation of prison conditions.

The riot exploded shortly before 8 p.m. Monday night in the dining room just as the prisoners were finishing their evening meal.

Tear gas was used to drive the prisoners from the dining room to the cell block, where they held away during the night.

About 7:15 a.m. the prisoners asked for a conference with newsmen.

Just before the meeting, rioters brought DeYoung to the gate.

"I feel fine," DeYoung said as he was released.

The prisoners first asked newsmen to name an investigating committee, and readily accepted a suggestion that Mayor Wheelock head it.

Lindberg said the men "were eager to get the riot settled" because they want to get some "chow."

One death occurred during the rioting. Warden Jameson said Harry High Elk died after drinking hair tonic during the night. High Elk was serving a burglary term.

Prisoners complained about food, inadequate toilet facilities, lack of recreation, and insufficient dental care. Republican officials blamed the riot on accusations about prison conditions during the current political campaign.

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Police Hunt Escaped Cons

WALLA WALLA, Wash. — Law enforcement officers throughout the Pacific Northwest were alerted Tuesday in the search for two state penitentiary inmates who forced a guard into a cell at knife-point and fled over a wall.

Irvin Squires, 26, a "boy killer" from Seattle, and Nolton E. Jacobs, escaped from the prison Monday night and were still at large early Tuesday. Squires was serving a life term for the murder of a Seattle school girl. Jacobs was convicted of robbery in Lewis County.

Warden Lawrence Delmore Jr. said the two men strong-armed prison guard Clyde Pryor near the entrance to cell wing four and after taking a key to the main entrance of the building, bound Pryor with a light rope and locked him in an empty cell. The men carried a knife, Delmore said.

The warden said the men produced a makeshift ladder and a length of pipe bent on one end to form a hook they had hidden on the third floor of the cell block and used them to make their way over the top of the 20-foot outside wall.

Pryor managed to free himself and sounded an alarm within five minutes of the break.

It was the third prison break in a month. Early in September two men drove a state truck through a prison gate to freedom but were captured later in Pasco. Later two others used a ladder and bent pipe to get over the wall. They were caught near Canyon City, Ore., 24 hours later.

Crop Forecast Figures Told

The Agriculture Department Monday released figures on the indicated production of crops compared with last month's forecast, last year's production and the 10-year average. These figures, in that order, according to the Associated Press, follow:

Potatoes, 345,939,000 bushels; 345,515,000; 373,711,000 and 400,027,000.

Barley, 367,092,000 bushels; 368,050,000; 241,015,000 and 274,955,000.

The estimate of this year's drought-affected wheat crop is 959,258,000 bushels, 2,877,000 bushels less than last month's forecast of 962,135,000 bushels. Production last year was 1,168,938,000 bushels compared with the 10-year average of 1,121,536,000.

The indicated yield per acre for important crops compared with last year and the 10-year average, respectively included:

Potatoes, 250.5 bushels, 247.8 and 202.3.

Barley, 28.5; 28.2 and 25.3.

All wheat, 17.9; 17.3 and 17.

Facts About Your United Fund-Red Cross Campaign

26 Appeals—One Campaign

The United Fund-Red Cross campaign — the united way Klamath County citizens can support valuable activities of 26 agencies serving health, welfare, recreation and rehabilitation needs of the community through one joint campaign yearly for operating funds for these agencies.

Largest Volunteer Project

Headed by a volunteer board of directors, about 3,000 Klamath citizens form the unpaid working force which budgets, plans and raises money for member agencies. Campaign costs run five cents on the dollar; year around costs, three cents. The UF-RC campaign is the best way to make sure more of your charity dollar goes directly to humanitarian services.

Benefits Our Community

Health, welfare, recreation and rehabilitation services offered by these agencies are available to everyone in the community. Two thousand boys and girls are served by the YMCA; 3,000 school children by the Red Cross swim program; 527 girls by Girl Scouts; 1141 boys by Boy Scouts; 1,006 girls by Camp Fire Girls; about 300 by Salvation Army's youth program; over 1,000 in the armed forces by the Red Cross and USO programs; 80 community children and babies last year received help from state agencies serving homeless or wayward children. Everyone benefits from health agencies working to conquer diseases such as cancer, heart disease, multiple sclerosis, arthritis.

An Investment

Your contribution to the United Fund-Red Cross campaign is an investment in Klamath County, in the health, welfare and character development of its citizens, present and future.

Hurricane Slowed By High Pressure System Near Cuba

MIAMI, Fla. — Hurricane Hazel, which hit 115-mile winds into waters just south of the Windward Passage Tuesday and spun northward toward the populous eastern end of Cuba, site of the United States naval base at Guantanamo Bay.

But the movement of the tropical storm was virtually blocked by a high pressure system to the north and its movement was very slow. Its forward pace did not exceed eight miles an hour.

Hurricane warnings flew over Eastern Cuba and Haiti, and the southeastern Bahamas were under a hurricane alert.

"As of now we believe Florida is out of its future path, but we can't be certain," said Leonard Pardue, meteorologist in the Miami Weather Bureau. "When a storm is blocked it can go in almost any direction."

No reports from Haiti, whose southern peninsula has been crossed by the hurricane.

In addition to the U.S. Navy's base at Guantanamo Bay, eastern Cuba is the site of many vil-

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October 13

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Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Partly cloudy through Wednesday. Frost Tuesday night. High Wednesday 57; low Tuesday night 29.

High yesterday — 55
Low last night — 36
Precip. last 24 hours — 0
Since Oct. 1 — 0.1
Same period last year — .74
Normal for period — .38



ALMA LAYMAN, 1138 Lincoln, pauses on her way to Fremont School this morning to smile for the 9 o'clock photographer.