

SF Approves Anti-Smog Cooperation

RICHMOND (UP)—A suggestion that Bay Area counties co-operate closely with Los Angeles authorities in the war against smog was approved yesterday at a six-county meeting.

The meeting was the first to be held by the Bay Area Air Pollution Control District since its formation by the state Assembly. Those attending represented the counties of San Francisco, Contra Costa, Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo and Marin.

Martin Posa of San Mateo County, who was elected chairman of the District's Board of Directors, urged the six counties to "pull together—working for one and for all—so we can hope for at least a measure of success before too long."

The suggestion that the 12-man board co-operate with Los Angeles authorities in fighting smog came from San Francisco Supervisor Clarissa McMahon. She was not present at the meeting, but in a letter sent to board members, she said:

"Anything we can learn from Los Angeles will give us a head start."

Other members agreed that this was a good idea and would help them get to know the problems they will face.

The board cannot initiate any legal measures of its own to control smog until October, 1956. However, in the meantime, its members undoubtedly will draw up regulations to apply on an area-wide basis after that date, as well as penalties for violations.

Assemblyman Richard J. Dolwig (R-San Mateo), author of the legislation setting up the district, said yesterday's meeting was a "historic occasion."

"It's the first time the smog problem has ever been tackled anywhere in the country before becoming critical," he said. "It's also the first time the problem has been approached on a technical and scientific basis rather than with police control methods."

The board meets next on Dec. 25, when it will discuss the filling of two paid civil service positions—an executive secretary and an air pollution control officer. They will also discuss appointing an advisory council to include leaders in industry, business, chemical plants, meteorologists and others.

Roseburg Gets Timber Probe

ROSEBURG (AP)—A congressional hearing on federal timber policies moved to Roseburg Thursday after hearing Southwest Oregon timbermen plead for more access roads into logging areas.

Rep. Chudoff (D-Pa.) and Rep. Hoffman (R-Mich.) who conducted a hearing at Medford Wednesday, heard a succession of lumbermen say construction of access roads was the key to a successful future.

L. L. Simpson, secretary-manager of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm Assn., also said new inventories on timber were needed to make possible an accurate estimate of the annual allowable cut.

He urged, however, that there not be any overcutting of federal timber because of political pressures. Simpson also suggested more simplicity in timber sale contracts and a change in regulations to fit each sale according to conditions.

"There are certain instances where marketing area adjustments and these revisions should be made by the Bureau of Land Management after careful study. The changes should be made in a reasonable and orderly manner," he said.

Hitchhiker Makes Good

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP)—A repentant fugitive hitchhiked from Montana on crutches to give himself up to police yesterday on a 10-year-old bad check charge. The prosecutor agreed to dismiss the charge.

Police said the 47-year-old man, painfully crippled by arthritis, seeks to re-establish himself in the community. They withheld his identity.

He was also wanted for breaking parole, but officers have recommended that his parole be extended. A decision is expected within a week.

Police said a warrant for his arrest on the check charge lapsed several years ago and that checks needed for evidence have been lost.

"I wanted to get a clean start in life," he told police, "and the only way was to come back and face the consequences of my mistakes. I was tired of running."

He said he talked the matter over with his 17-year-old son, who recently enlisted in the Navy.

Argentine Government Seizes Control Of Labor

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—Maj. Gen. Pedro Aramburu's new Argentine government, using tank-supported Marines and army troops, last night seized control of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), backbone of the old Peron regime. The government made its surprise move as a firing general strike by CGT kept key meat-packing plants closed and hit other important industries. Essential services were unaffected.

Simultaneously with the swoop by the troops on CGT headquarters here, police arrested about 100 leaders of the trainmen's unions who were preparing to call a railroad strike. Failure of the railroad workers to join the three-day-old strike was one of the main reasons why the walkout had missed its sponsors' goal of paralyzing the nation.

The government appointed Navy Capt. Alberto Patron as interventor (administrator) for CGT, which claims six million members. A government decree said all officials of the central organization and its member unions had been removed from their posts. A commission was named to investigate CGT.

As a result of the intervention, the government now controls CGT's funds. During the Peron regime the workers generally got full pay while on strike, and employers could not dismiss them without paying substantial indemnities. Thus intervention could be used as a club to force richard strikers to give in.

The new labor minister, Raul Migone, said in a nationwide broadcast that the old CGT under Peron was "an instrument of force and violence." He said, "We will begin, therefore, to destroy this organism of domination over the workers by intervening in CGT."

Migone promised the workers they would get a fair deal if they kept their unions out of politics. He said he was ready to receive just petitions from the workers "but also was prepared to prevent them from being taken as instruments for nefarious political aims."

It said the government was prepared to assure "opportunities by which the workers can form authentically representative unions, free of political partiality."

'GENUINE DESIRE' RANGOON, Burma (AP)—U Nu, the Burmese premier, said Thursday his Moscow visit has convinced him of Russia's "genuine desire for world peace." He told a news conference he was received with "extraordinary warmth of welcome."

Hall Scores GOP Splinters NEW YORK (AP)—Republican Gov. Fred Hall of Kansas says many Republicans are "out of step with the President and with the people who voted for the Republican party in 1952."

Addressing a dinner meeting of the National Republican Club Wednesday night, the 39-year-old governor added:

"We are in danger of breaking faith completely with the people who supported us in 1952 and who are still supporting the President today. . . . we shall not live very long as a party if we do not face up to it."

Hall said "the Republican party is in trouble today because not enough Republicans are going the President's way."

The governor discussed a number of issues before the nation and described how he feels many Republicans are out of step on them.

"The more conservative Republicans," he said, "are suffering from a great delusion. . . . the idea that there is in the world, particularly in the United States, a sort of inevitable trend toward socialism. 'Creeping socialism' they call it."

"To them," he continued, "the words 'progressivism', 'liberalism' and 'socialism' are synonymous. . . . Hall mentioned no names. At a news conference earlier, however, he had listed Sen. William F. Knowland of California in the group of "right-wing" conservatives.

Hall said that if President Eisenhower runs for reelection he will win by a greater margin than in 1952. He also said any Republican candidate can win if the party molds itself to the President's expressed philosophy of "progressive moderation."

TRADE MISSION SEOUL (AP)—A 20-member trade mission from Nationalist China arrived Thursday for a two-week tour of South Korean business firms and factories in attempt to reach private trade agreements.

Peron hammered out his dictatorship on the foundation of CGT support. The big organization formed practically a "third house" of the government. However, the Peron-dominated federation contained thousands of workers who were not Peronistas, and many of these "Free Workers" were now playing a major role in undermining the general strike.

At least five persons were injured in the Buenos Aires area in violence growing out of the strike.

Gunfire erupted in the Boga district as strikers and nonstrikers clashed. One person was hurt. Unidentified persons fired on a passenger train, wounding two women.

Troops opened fire on a group of strikers trying to keep traffic away from a factory. One worker was wounded.

Unidentified persons began firing into a bar where several workers were sitting. One was wounded.



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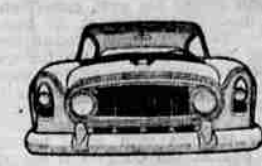
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