

Employment Board Begins New System

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SALEM (AP)—Oregon's Unemployment Compensation Commission has developed quite a judicial system of its own, with power to decide such vital questions as who is eligible for benefits.

Its referees handle hundreds of cases each year, and the three-man commission, itself, has to handle cases which are appealed from its referees' decisions. Most of these cases are appealed by persons who are denied unemployment benefits. The majority of these are filed by persons who quit their jobs voluntarily, and who were denied benefits for that reason.

In order to get benefits, a person must be able to work, be available for work, and be actively trying to get work.

Lots of jobless persons run afoul of these rules when they try to get their benefits.

Many persons are being refused benefits because they are unemployed because of a labor dispute.

The commission handed down an important decision a few days ago on this ticklish labor dispute question. It involved striking employees of Loder Bros., a Salem automobile agency.

The employees' union contract expired, and negotiations were fruit-

less. The employer announced changes in working conditions, and the workers started picketing. The employer then wrote to the employees, asking them to return to work or be fired. They refused.

The union argued that the labor dispute ended when the employer wrote the letter, and that the jobless workers should get benefits from that time on. But the commission ruled they couldn't get benefits, because they were made jobless by a labor dispute.

A similar opinion was given by a referee against striking employees of the Douglas McKay Chevrolet Co. of Salem.

In another important case, the commission gave benefits to an advertising salesman for a radio station. The salesman's pay was \$200 a month, a \$75 monthly expense account, and 10 per cent of the collections from his advertising accounts.

The employer told him he would not get paid unless the salesman increased his business. The salesman tried, and then the employer gave the salesman a similar ultimatum.

The salesman quit. He got his unemployment compensation, the commission ruling he had good cause to quit.

Some of the commission's cases have their humorous aspects. Take the case of the female bartender who got sore because she couldn't sample the bottles behind the bar. She drank her liquor from a coffee cup while on duty. The employer told her to stop drinking on the job. She quit.

The woman asked for jobless benefits, defending her right to drink on the job. The commission's referee found that she quit her job without good cause, and thus she got no benefits.

There was a woman in Portland who was a stenographer in a bank. She quit her job to get married, and then went to Valseit with her husband. Since there are few stenographers' jobs in Valseit, she couldn't get work. She asked for unemployment benefits.

The commission wouldn't pay her on the ground she wasn't actively seeking work.

The commission advises against getting into fights on your employer's property.

A drunken sawmill worker did that, and was refused benefits after he was fired. The worker thought he had the right to get benefits, because the fight was on his day off.

The commission solved another knotty problem a few days ago. It involves many persons.

It ruled, after an opinion by the attorney general, that persons receiving pensions from the federal or state governments can still draw unemployment benefits, if they meet the other qualifications.

The case involved a sawmill worker who was getting \$152 a month from the government. He was a former Navy chief petty officer.

The law disqualifies persons who are getting retirement pay under plans sponsored by employers. But the commission ruled that the United States government and the states are not "employers" under the law.

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Judges Reject Bond Motion

SUMNER, Miss. (AP)—Elmer Kimbell faced three months in jail today after a preliminary hearing rejected bond on charges he murdered a Negro service station attendant.

Three justices of the peace yesterday returned Kimbell to jail to await grand jury action in March.

Kimbell, a white cotton gin operator, was accused of the shotgun slaying of Clinton Melton of nearby Glendora, the father of four children.

The bond hearing was held in the same small courthouse where Roy Bryant and J. W. Milam, the latter a friend of Kimbell, were found innocent of murdering Emmett Louis Till, a 14-year-old Chicago Negro who disappeared while vacationing at nearby Money.

MIXED BRAWL

FUJIMIYA, Japan (AP)—Take one big truck with two men and one small car with five men and bring together from opposite directions on a narrow bridge. It happened here last night. Both groups poured from their vehicles, mixed freely in a heated brawl and were set out to cool in jail.

Kimbell contended he shot in self-defense after someone opened fire as he drove into the service station. He showed the court a bandaged flesh wound.

Lee McGarr, white operator of the station, testified that Kimbell went home for his gun after arguing with Melton, who was unarmed. He said Kimbell was "pretty full" of liquor when he returned and shot Melton.

Kimbell admitted he had two beers but denied he was drunk.

Senators Concerned Over Ford Public Stock Sale

WASHINGTON (UP)—Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney said today that some senators are deeply concerned over terms of the forthcoming offer by Ford Motor Co. to sell 10,200,000 shares of its stock to the public.

The Wyoming Democrat noted that the Ford family will retain firm control over the company although the public will have 60 per cent of the voting power. The family will have the other 40 per cent.

"Members of the Senate of both parties to whom I have spoken... have expressed deep concern, and I have no doubt whatever that the issue will be brought before the banking committee," O'Mahoney said in an interview.

A committee spokesman declined to comment other than to say staff members are looking over the Ford stock prospectus which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission last

week. The committee held lengthy hearings early this year in an investigation of the stock market.

O'Mahoney is chairman of a Senate Monopoly subcommittee which recently held extensive hearings to gauge the impact of General Motors Corp. on the nation's economy.

He said the Ford stock prospectus "illustrates, just as the General Motors hearings did, that in our giant corporations the public — although owning a majority of the voting power — is without substantial control over the policies of the company."

To help correct this situation, O'Mahoney said, he plans to introduce legislation to abolish all forms of non-voting stock and to require appointment of at least one director of every large corporation to represent stockholders owning less than 100 shares each.

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TOKYO (UP)—U.S. Air Force Secretary Donald A. Quarles said today the U.S. Far East Air Forces will be beefed up to meet the constant buildup of Communist jet air strength in Asia.

But Quarles, who arrived today on his first tour of Air Force facilities in the Far East since his appointment, said the free nations now have enough defense strength to make war "completely unprofitable" for any aggressor.

Quarles refused to share the alarm many military men here feel over the growing Communist air superiority in the Far East.

He conceded that Russia, Communist China and Red North Korea have numerically stronger jet air forces than the United States and its Asian allies and have further increased their strength during the past year.

To counter this trend, he told a press conference, the U.S. Far East Air Force will be strengthened "with primary emphasis on getting more modern aircraft to replace those now here."

Quarles gave no timetable for the buildup. It had been announced previously, however, that B57 twin-jet fighter-bombers are replacing the propeller-driven B26s based in Japan.

The Air Force secretary, apparently taking into account the U.S.-based reserves of the Strategic Air Command, insisted that the United States in Asia elsewhere has "the quality and the stuff to do the job."

"The important thing is to be strong enough in our whole free world position to make it completely unprofitable to any enemy to start a war," he said. "I believe we have that position."

Quarles flew into Tokyo for three days on the first leg of an 11-day inspection tour of American Air Force installations in the Far East.

TO BURN CARDS

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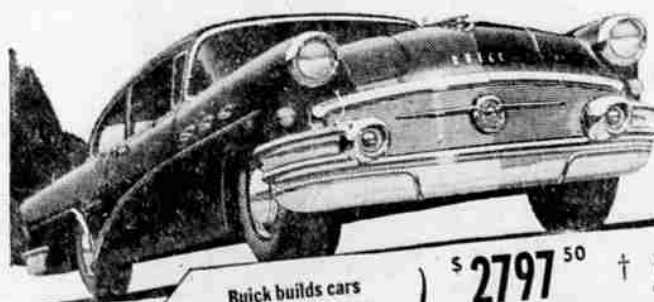
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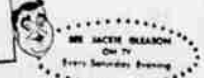
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