

Lawyer Offers Explanation For Role In Welfare Fund

WASHINGTON (AP) — Teamsters lawyer George S. Fitzgerald said today he can explain fully his role in a million-dollar union welfare fund loan under fire in the Senate racket hearings.

He expressed resentment that the hearings were adjourned until next Tuesday before he had a chance to reply as a witness to testimony involving him.

The special investigating committee headed by Sen. John L. McClellan (D-Ark) heard testimony yesterday about a 1955-56 loan to a Detroit real estate promotion firm which allegedly has repaid none of the debt and not all of the interest due.

The loan was made from the Michigan Conference of Teamsters welfare fund.

A staff accountant testified that

the Winchester Village Land Development Co. paid Fitzgerald and others a \$35,000 fee for telling the firm where it could get the loan.

Fitzgerald, a former Democratic national committeeman from Michigan, told newsmen the payment was made for legal services and not as a loan-finding fee.

The accountant, Walter H. Henson, testified that money from the loan was used improperly for various purposes. He estimated the union fund will wind up losing nearly \$850,000 of the million-dollar loan. It has received only \$104,000 of \$279,000 due in interest, he said.

Fitzgerald contended, however, that the company has other assets and said the money will be recovered in full. The firm was organized by Abe Green and Jack I. Winshall of Detroit to develop property near Flint, Mich.

But Henson testified that \$20,935.75 of the money went for purchase of 19 cows and a bull.

He related also that the firm used a phony billing system to sell a piece of the mortgage property for \$10,000 and buy it back a few months later for \$50,000.

Henson said the million dollars had been deposited in escrow with the Abstract and Title Guarantee Co. of Detroit under seemingly iron-clad safeguards for its proper use.

He said one of these required the borrowers to submit to the abstract company bills for work performed in developing their real estate project. The abstract company then had to pay the bills directly.

Henson testified that officials at Winchester borrowed stationery from the Aero Realty Co. of Detroit and sent themselves phony bills on these lettersheads to provide a basis for drawing money against the loan.

Henson said welfare fund records show Teamsters President James R. Hoffa figured in approving the loan to Winchester.

Strike Talks Enter 3rd Day

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Negotiations entered the third day between Teamsters officials and trucking company representatives today in an effort to settle a 25-day Teamsters strike in 11 western states.

Teamster President James R. Hoffa said negotiators made "quite a bit of progress" Thursday during the talks.

Hoffa said the union has created "knotty" problems for union and management negotiators. But he said quite a few solutions had been reached and negotiators hoped to reach final agreement by the weekend.

The negotiators, who held their first session here Wednesday night, were generally optimistic but offered no details to newsmen. About 100,000 long-line city pick-up, and delivery trucks and 250 major trucking companies are involved in the strike which followed 18 weeks of negotiation.

Hoffa suggested holding meetings here after an attempt to reach agreement failed two weeks ago in San Diego.

The union is demanding so-called "parity" treatment of all locals in the 11 states. San Francisco Bay area Teamsters had received higher wages than others in the past and had agreed to an even better contract. San Joaquin and Sacramento Valley locals struck in rebellion against accepting anything less.

Employers in the western states decided that a strike against one was a strike against all and the stoppage spread.

Women's Club Planning Show

A fall style show featuring the newest in fashions for the young college miss, the slender matron, the ones best fitted in the half-size and the "over 40" group, will be given for interested women of the Klamath Basin in the Pine Grove Room of the Willard Hotel on Monday, September 8. The showing of fall garments will be shown during the luncheon hour, starting at 1 p.m.

Mrs. Paul (Nellie) Angstead and Ruth Warren of the Bon Bazaar will introduce attractive models who will promenade to display the "Faniare of Fashions."

Reservations for the luncheon may be made by calling Mrs. F. S. Kelsay at TU 4-6080 or Mrs. Leo Huls, TU 4-5243 before Saturday noon.

"Faniare of Fashion" is being presented by the Women's Club of Klamath Falls. Mrs. William DePew, president, will preside at this first club event of the fall.



AREAS WITHIN the boundaries of the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fairgrounds at Tulelake, not under lawn and buildings, has been blacktopped by the Clements Construction Company of Fremont, California. In the foreground is part of the 35 acres of thick lawn, a feature that makes the fairgrounds one of the most attractive in California. Buildings are some of the livestock barns, a concession and exhibit building. Fair dates are from Friday night, September 5, through Monday, September 8, and the climax of the junior livestock show.

Music Director Given Honor

Andrew Loney Jr., director of music education in Klamath Falls schools, has been selected as a charter member of the American Choralmasters Association. The newly formed group will meet in Kansas City in February 1959 when officers will be elected.

Acting as members of the steering committee are Capt. Robert Landers, U.S. Air Force Band, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Charles Hirt, University of Southern California; Dr. Harry Wilson, Columbia University, New York; Dr. Elwood Keister, University of Florida; Dr. Earl Willhoite, Fred Waring Workshops; Dr. John Raymond, Lafayette College, Gasson, Pennsylvania; Dr. Wayne Hogoboom, Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia; and Dr. Archie Jones, dean of music, University of Texas.

Texas Ranger Shoots Self

FORT WORTH, Tex. (AP) — Texas Ranger Buddy Hendricks went to a party for law enforcement officers and borrowed a pistol to do a little target shooting. His hand flashed to the holster in the best tradition. Then, bang, Hendricks shot himself in the right calf.

"This'll teach me to use someone else's gun," the red-faced ranger said, explaining the sight hung in the holster.

POLICE TAKE TO POETRY ELIZABETH, N.J. (UPI) — Fed up with complaints, officials at the traffic violations desk at police headquarters put up the following sign over the window: "The tickets were issued. But not by us. So don't come here And fume and fuss."

P.T.A. NEWS

FREMONT

The first executive meeting was held at Fremont School Thursday, August 29.

Attending were Lowell Kapp, Fremont principal; Mrs. H. E. Geiger, president; Mrs. Wesley Nearing, first vice president; Mrs. Irvin Warner, second vice president; Mrs. Wayne Galloway, treasurer; Mrs. Glen Evans, program chairman; Mrs. Steven Walker and Mrs. Ed Brotherhood, ways and means; Mrs. Ralph Freed, preschool chairman; Mrs. Robert Cuendet, room representative; Mrs. L. E. Hamblin, publicity chairman; and Mrs. W. A. Reinmiller, hospitality chairman.

Committee members not present

were Mrs. Gerald Wickersham, magazine chairman; Mrs. Herbert Graham, budget chairman; and Mrs. Lane Gregory, hospitality chairman.

The next PTA meeting will be September 18 at 2:30 p.m., and the executive meeting will be at 2 o'clock.

October 10 was the date set for the annual fund raising Fremont Carnival.

YOU GOTTA HAND IT TO SPIKE GREEN LAKE, Wis. (AP) — A local women's club sponsored a contest among business places to see which ones could make themselves the most attractive with flowers and redecoration. One of the top winners: Spike's Bar.

23,000 Virginia Students Begin Segregation Monday

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP)—Arlington County's approximately 23,000 pupils go back to school Monday on a segregated basis.

Whether 30 Negroes—or some of them—are entitled to attend various white schools will not be decided until after the Supreme Court acts in the Little Rock case now pending before it. Further arguments in that case will be heard by the high court next Thursday.

Federal Dist. Judge Albert V. Bryan last night gave the go-ahead for the opening of schools in Arlington without change in Virginia's policy of assigning white and Negro pupils to separate schools.

But the judge stressed that his action was without prejudice to the Negroes' request for assignment to white schools. They can be transferred later, he indicated, if he should decide they are entitled, on constitutional or other legal grounds, to be reassigned.

The five members of the school board met informally after Judge Bryan ruled, and promptly announced they would stick by the Monday school opening date they had fixed earlier.

Judge Bryan said he felt the Supreme Court would act without undue delay in the Little Rock case. He indicated he hoped there might be some elaboration on just what the court had in mind when it said in 1955 that public schools must be integrated "with all deliberate speed."

The issue in the Little Rock case is whether there should be a 2½-year delay in integration there.

In three days of testimony and legal argument, attorneys for the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People hammered hard on their theory that race played a role in the denial of the

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