

Displacement Of Man By Machines Listed As Top Reason For RR Strike

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — The dispute between the Southern Pacific Railroad and the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks involves a bitter fruit of technological progress, the displacement of man by machine.

Southern Pacific has undergone sweeping modernization in the past few years with innovations in technology and organization covered loosely by the term "automation."

A wide variety of office and station employees have been displaced in the Pacific Division of the railroad since 1957.

Many of their jobs were made unnecessary by installation of computers and such office equipment as high speed calculators, photocopiers and electric typewriters.

But others lost their jobs in more subtle ways, through technological advances which did not affect them directly, but which reduced their workload.

Electronics, for example, has made possible installation of central traffic system which permit a single dispatcher to control all trains on lines as long as 700 miles. This indirectly contributed to the loss of clerk jobs.

Electronics also has made it possible to classify freight cars automatically. And electronics have been used in automatic mail sorting facilities which handle up to 3,600 sacks an hour.

Big Telephone System
Even installation of a private direct dialing telephone system has reduced the human work

load. Southern Pacific has the largest private telephone system of any single company, enabling many executives to avoid letter writing by making phone calls.

Such is the cause of the problem, as both union and management agree on it. Disagreement sets in when they try to find a solution.

The union's primary concern is to put a stop to the job losses. In a notice to the railroad Sent.

the union demanded employment stability. Unsuccessful negotiations followed during the next four years until President Kennedy created an Emergency board to hear both sides and make recommendations to him.

The union, meantime, has voted to strike, but the President's action prevented this until Jan. 31

this year, 30 days after submission of the emergency board's report.

That report recommended a "stairstep" plan under which the railroad would augment benefits for clerks displaced by automation. Furloughed employees would get 70 per cent of their earnings for up to one year, based on length of service, and then 60 per cent up to four years.

The union wants a program of "controlled attrition" of jobs, meaning guarantees in the number of positions to be kept in existence. The railroad says this amounts to featherbedding and this limitation on layoffs might hurt the company's competitive position economically.

In its original notice the union asked that displaced employees be given the option of five years' income protection or severance pay of up to 1,200 days depending on the seniority. The company regards this as excessive, but agrees to the emergency board's "stairstep" plan.

In any retraining program, the union demanded that a specific number of employees be continuously assigned to a straight seniority basis to nonworking but paid training positions, regardless of the need for the training or the ability of the individuals to qualify for the work.

The company indicated it would be willing to negotiate a retraining program based on actual requirements, taking into consideration the talents and abilities of individuals involved.



OLD BONES DISCOVERED — In an unmarked grave beneath this 315-year-old church in Arizpe, Mexico, three University of California scientists from Berkeley, Calif., have identified the bones of Bautista de Anza, who led the first Spanish colonists to Northern California in 1776 and chose the site of San Francisco.

Bones Of Trailblazer Found In Old Mission

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (UPI) — The bones of Juan Bautista de Anza, a Spanish trailblazer who chose the site of San Francisco in 1776 have been discovered in an ancient church in Mexico by University of California scientists.

Gov. Edmund G. Brown announced Sunday that the scientists confirmed the identity of Anza's bones about a week ago in an unmarked grave under the 315-year-old Cathedral de Nuestra Señora de la Asuncion in Arizpe, Mexico, about 80 miles south of Nogales, Ariz.

Municipal officials of Arizpe recently asked Brown to help in confirming that Anza, leader of the first Spanish colonists in Northern California, was buried at the church.

The governor said the identity was made by Dr. Robert F. Heizer, coordinator of the archeological research facility at the university's Berkeley campus; Dr. Theodore McCown, curator of physical anthropology; and Dr. Howel Williams, professor of Geology.

Brown said he was informed of the discover by UC President Clark Kerr and Berkeley Chancellor Edward W. Strong.

"Although there were no markings on the coffin, the evidence that was found and matched with Anza's known physical characteristics and background made the identification a positive one," the university officials said.

Anza had retired to Arizpe, capital of the Mexican province containing what is now California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Northern Mexico, after serving for a decade as royal governor of New Mexico.

Mount Shasta Chamber Elects Official Slate

MOUNT SHASTA—In an election of officers Feb. 28, David Emory Otis was elected president of the Mount Shasta Chamber of Commerce. Serving with him are M. W. Tonkin, vice president, and Jake Lindner, treasurer. Jeannette Dahlquist was appointed secretary. The installation dinner is scheduled March 14 at the Mountain House, and reservations should be made early with King Morrison or the Mountain House.

Guest speaker was J. D. Proctor, rancher and packing plant owner of Scott Valley and Eina. He told the group the fish and game proposal was being modified, that Scott Valley Chamber of Commerce was willing to delete the part about the board of supervisors having veto power, and that the northern part of the state should have the right to elect commissioners. He declared they do not want appointments from the governor.

He added that fish and game was a vital part of recreation and hunting, and fishing should be built up and constructive steps taken, with fish and game commissioners from this area. He was asked to send a copy of the revised bill to Mount Shasta Chamber of Commerce.

Bylaws of associated chambers of commerce were reviewed and approved. A new president will be elected in March for this group, and the next vice president will be from Siskiyou County. Only organized chambers of commerce of Siskiyou County are members.

Mayor Gino Marconi gave a report on the 7 of one per cent gas tax proposal, bill No. 344, explaining the hike in licenses, diesel, gas, and registration fees. He said Mount Shasta would receive \$4,000 in addition to the \$6,700 already allotted for development and maintenance of streets and roads. A sum of \$1,400,000 would be received by the county if the bill is passed. The chamber approved. First hearing on the bill will be in Sacramento on March 5.

President James P. Hennessy Jr., who conducted the meeting,

Plot Nipped In Jordan

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Jordanian authorities have nipped a plot by "pro-Nasser elements" to assassinate King Hussein of Jordan, authoritative reports reaching here said today.

The king, 27, was to have been shot last week while attending public prayers in connection with the Muslim Feast of Ramadan in a mosque in the Jordanian capital of Amman, according to the reports.

Hussein's grandfather, King Abdullah, was killed in the same way in a Jerusalem mosque July 20, 1951. Abdullah's assassins were described as a pro-Egyptian band. Two of them fled to Cairo.

The reports said that Hussein was to have been shot Sunday morning, Feb. 24, in the wake of the revolution in neighboring Iraq. Premier Abdel Karim Kassem was overthrown and executed in the Iraq revolution.

Following Hussein's assassination, rebel military elements were to occupy key points in the capital, chiefly Radio Amman, and announce a new regime in the classic pattern of the Middle East.

But authorities had been expecting trouble following the Iraq revolt and learned details of the plot 24 hours before it was to have been executed, according to the reports.

All suspects were rounded up quietly on the night of Feb. 23-24. The number arrested was not disclosed.

In other business, Bob Rogers gave a report on a recent ICCNC meeting he attended in Redding, where he heard from the highway committee on roads and a resolution was passed on assigning the highway program. Delegates approved the gas tax bill and fish and game was tabled.

A letter was read from the Travelers Hotel in Dunsmuir thanking the chamber, Motel-Hotel Association, and information booth for help and cooperation during busy ski days and weekends. They enclosed a check for \$25 in appreciation.

Robert Cornwall, chairman of the St. Patrick's Day parade, announced arrangements were being coming along in fine shape. Judge John Kinstry will be the marshal, with Pat Murdoch, Frank Melo, and M. W. Tonkin on the committee. The parade will form behind the Lamplighter on Saturday, March 16, at 2 p.m.

There are now 90 paid-up memberships in the chamber. Melvin Crews of Shasta Lodge Motel is the newest member.

Post Filled
TULELAKE—Tom Barry, long-time businessman of Merrill, has been appointed California State Brand Inspector for Tulelake. He replaces Don Griffith, Tulelake, resigned.

Barry will check all movements of cattle that change ownership or are moved outside the county in addition to other usual inspection duties.

GOP Committee Issues 1962 Election Report

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Republican National Committee has issued a report on the 1962 election campaign that lists nine "lessons" for study by GOP strategy planners.

The review of the party's showing in the 1962 congressional and state elections was contained in a 55-page document released Sunday by the committee's research division.

GOP National Chairman William E. Miller said the report provided "a detailed, factual basis for satisfaction with the results of last fall's election and optimism as Republicans prepare for the campaign of 1964."

In line with these preparations, GOP officials opened two days of closed meetings today to hear bids for their 1964 National Convention. Representatives of Philadelphia, Detroit, Chicago, Miami Beach, San Francisco and Dallas—and possibly others—planned to make a pitch for the convention.

The report raised a new warning signal about Democratic big city strongholds, which the GOP had blamed for its loss of the 1960 presidential race.

The GOP said "the big city problem of the Republican party remains." With rare exceptions, it said the Republican vote for the House of Representatives showed little change from 1958, a black year for the GOP.

Other lessons included: —The GOP is firmly established in the South "as a going business with a substantial growth potential."

—The big city suburbs "are increasingly crucial" to Republicans in pivotal states to offset Democratic majorities in the cities.

—Young voters are moving toward the GOP and encouragement of this swing should be emphasized.

—Older voters are sticking with the Democrats, indicating "need for greater attention to senior citizens."

—Ticket-splitting in 1962 showed that candidate selection is becoming more important, that the party label and "coat-tail" candidates are weaker than in past years.

—Over-all, the GOP is hurt more than helped by the way congressional districts now are drawn by the state legislatures.

S. Khrushchev's avowed policy of peaceful coexistence. It was the sharpest attack yet on the Soviet leader.

The statement accused "certain people"—meaning Khrushchev—"of both 'adventurism' and then 'capitulationism' in the Cuban crisis last fall. It renewed the Mao thesis that all imperialists and reactionaries are 'paper tigers' and that to be afraid of them is 'practically nonsensical.'"

The statement did not attack Khrushchev directly by name, but the references were unmistakable. It was bitter at the fact the growing Sino-Soviet split has caused Russia to cut off much of its economic aid to Red China, saying these "certain people" constitute "a Communist unity."

It also expressed bitterness over Khrushchev's decision to pull his missiles out of Cuba in the face of a nuclear war with the capitalist West.

"... During the Cuban events certain people first committed the error of adventurism, and then committed the error of capitulationism, wanting the Cuban people to accept humiliating terms which would have meant the sacrifice of the sovereignty of their country," the statement said.



MRS. FRANK BAMBINO
Mrs. Bambino becomes clerk of the Mount Shasta Justice Court for three and one-half years, employed by the Bank of Mount Shasta as assistant cashier, and by the old Mount Shasta Pine Manufacturing Company as office manager.

Reckless Driving, Hit-Run Cases Busy Police Officers

The Klamath Falls police arrested a Klamath man for reckless driving and driving during a suspended period and cited another resident for failure to leave name and address at the scene of an accident. Police also reported a 10-year-old girl escaped serious injury when she was struck by a car Saturday on Oregon Avenue near Upham.

A city patrolman stopped a vehicle driven by William Keluchie, 34, 1537 Derby Street, Friday at 11:45 p.m. at South Eighth Street and Klamath Avenue, when it appeared that two passengers in the front seat had passed out.

When the patrolman found that Keluchie had no operator's license, Keluchie was told to drive to the police station.

Keluchie drove to a local tavern instead and he told the patrolman he had to talk to someone. The patrolman said he told Keluchie to get back in the car and go straight to the station.

Keluchie got back into his car and then tried to "out-run" the squad car, according to police reports.

During the chase that ensued, Keluchie drove through two red lights and narrowly missed smashing into several cars. When the pursuing patrolman saw that he would have trouble stopping Keluchie (who failed to respond to the squad car's flashing red light and siren) he called the station for help.

A second squad car then set up a road block at the intersection of Oregon Avenue and Prospect Street.

When the second patrolman saw that Keluchie wasn't going to stop he quickly backed his squad car out of the path of the oncoming vehicle.

Keluchie was finally stopped when the first patrolman forced the vehicle off the road on Oregon Avenue near Academy Street.

Three occupants in the Keluchie vehicle, Raymond Townsend, John Luther Dunn and Gloria Lago, were arrested for being drunk.

Uno W. Adrian, 46, 4360 Memorial Avenue, was arrested for driving a vehicle without a license.

Modoc Chamber Meeting Dated
ALTURAS—The general membership meeting of the Modoc Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, March 6, will open with an 8 p.m. dinner at the Brass Rail in Alturas. The event will be open to husbands and wives of members, prospective members, and guests.

During the business session, reports will be heard on the board of directors' meeting with the California Highway Commission and the tentative highway construction program for the 1964-65 fiscal year. A discussion of plans for the July 4 celebration in Modoc County is also on the agenda.

Snow Report Shows Decline
MOUNT SHASTA—Snow measurements at Horse Camp on Mt. Shasta Feb. 23, showed 49.5 inches. Its water content was 21.8 inches. A year ago the snow was piled to 126.8 inches, with water measuring 41.0 inches.

Sand Flat on Mt. Shasta this year had 22.8 inches of snow containing 9.2 inches of water. A year ago the snow measured 123.4 inches with water measuring 45.9 inches.

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