

See Chance For Ending Ship Strike

By the Associated Press
Negotiations in the 13-day-old east coast longshoremen's strike held some hope today, but the top federal mediator declared "I'm not predicting anything."

There were reports in Washington that the AFL Longshore union had received a welfare plan offer from employers in addition to the 10-cent hourly wage increase proposal just before the New York talks recessed Saturday.

The union has halved its demand for a 50-cent hourly hike for its 65,000 workers whose present base rate is \$1.75.

Meanwhile, shipping was tied up from Maine to Virginia. At Southampton, Eng., where approximately one third of the giant liner Queen Elizabeth's crew struck in sympathy with the American longshoremen, the crew members agreed to return to their ship.

The Cunard White Star Line promised that the Queen Elizabeth would not sail until the longshoremen's strike is settled, and would not go to Halifax.

"In New York, 3,500 AFL teamsters struck against 350 trucking companies. Local 282 of the teamsters is insisting on a 22½ cent hourly wage increase. Employers refuse to pay more than 20½ cents in addition to the present scale of \$53.90 to \$71.40 for a 40-hour week.

Discusses Russian Trade

The American Federation of Labor convention drew toward its close today in Cincinnati. O. Delegates considered what they will do about a committee's recommendations that the convention favor a defensive military alliance against Russia and severance of trade relations with the Soviet. Convention leaders said they hoped to finish work tonight.

The congress of industrial organizations began its 10th convention today at Portland, Ore., with the anti-Communist right wing in full control. Further blows at the dwindling left-wing faction were expected in the sessions.

In his opening report, CIO President Philip Murray urged an eight-point program for a "healthy domestic economy."



HAS EARLY CHRISTMAS—Mrs. Robert Cobb presents a miniature Christmas tree to her 3-year-old son, Bobby, who will celebrate Christmas a month early this year at Longview, Tex. Doctors at Gregg county Memorial hospital told her that her son has an abdominal tumor which they fear may be cancer and that he may not live until Christmas.

Aerial Search on For Bobby Breen and Pilot

Hayward — (P) — Five aircraft took off amid snow flurries at Waukesha today to conduct an aerial search for the plane which disappeared yesterday while carrying singer Bobby Breen to a remote hunting area.

Buck Webster, whose flying service owns the missing single-engine Stinson, led the flight off at 10 a. m. He said the planes would refuel at Stevens Point, then fan out and search through the northwest angle which includes Sawyer county and Hayward, the town which was Breen's destination.

The searching mission is manned by volunteer pilots.

Just before leaving Waukesha, Webster said he believed the plane must have landed in yesterday afternoon's early darkness and that the two occupants remained with the ship. He added that a red aircraft reported by a deer hunter near Hayward at 3:30 p. m. yesterday could not have been the Breen ship because of the time element involved in the 300 mile flight.

Sawyer county Sheriff William Sands said today a posse sent out at midnight to investigate the report had returned without finding any trace of the plane.

The plane, a single-engine Stinson, was unreported after the 21-year-old former child motion picture star and pilot, Kenneth Thompson of Waukesha, left a Waukesha airfield at 1:20 p. m. yesterday.

Webster said Breen and Thompson, a former air force pilot, carried four and one-half hours of gas for the flight, which was expected to take about three and one-half hours.

He said Breen's advance agent, Ernie Roth, of Canton, O., was to telephone him when the plane arrived at Hayward.

Two hours after expiration of the plane's gas supply, Webster said he became alarmed and put through a call to Roth, who told him the singer had not arrived. Webster added the field at Hayward is not lighted.

Roth, who had come here ahead of Breen to make arrangements for a hunting trip, said the singer had his (Roth's) telephone number Sec—BREEN—Page 11

Two Dissent To Verdicts In War Trial

Tokyo — (P) — Only two representatives of the 11-nations forming the Far Eastern commission dissented today to the Tokyo war trials verdicts. The other nine said the verdicts satisfied them.

B. N. Chakravarty of India and Baron E. J. Lewie Van Aardard of the Netherlands supported the dissenting opinions of the judges on the international tribunal from their countries.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Allied occupation commander, called the representatives together to discuss the verdict of the court which sentenced former Premier Hideki Tojo and six others to hang, 16 to life terms and two to shorter prison sentences.

The Indian judge, R. B. Pal, had expressed the opinion all of the 25 Japanese defendants should be freed. The Netherlands judge, Bernard Victor A. Roling, had said some of the death sentences were too severe.

A few minutes after the meeting, MacArthur issued a statement through an aide, saying he had taken under consideration the advice of the representatives together with the appeals of the defendants and petitions filed in their behalf. He said he hoped to have his final decision ready later this week.

MacArthur has the right to reduce any of the sentences but he may not increase any of them.

8-Point Buck Shot By Nekosa Woman

First Wood county women hunters to report bagging a deer today the current season was Mrs. Phil Ziemman, 115 Alexander avenue, Nekosa, who shot an eight-point, 183-pound buck at 10:45 Sunday morning near Finley.

Mrs. Ziemman was hunting with her 14-year-old son, Philip, Jr., whom she left to guard the fallen buck while she returned to Nekosa to get her husband to drag it out of the brush.

Mother and son were out again today, in the hope of finding an antlered target for Phil, Jr., to test his marksmanship on. Said Mr. Ziemman, "They're good sitters."

HI NABOR by Bill Miller
A lot of folks is not only satisfied with their ignorance, but they're proud of it.

Governor Duff Leading GOP Party Purge

Washington — (P) — A move to purge the present leadership of the Republican national committee was said today to be shaping up around Gov. James H. Duff of Pennsylvania.

Duff is being mentioned in some GOP quarters as a possible candidate to succeed Rep. Hugh D. Scott Jr., who was beckoned to the national chairmanship by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

Many Republicans here doubt that Duff will let himself become publicly involved in any such contest. But these same GOP officials say they think the Pennsylvania governor must be reckoned with in any move to change the party's high command.

Duff isn't a member of the national committee but friends say he wields a lot of influence as the governor of a big state that stayed in the Republican column November 2.

Just now Duff is represented as believing that a change in the party's command, such as was suggested recently by Clarence Budington Kelland, Arizona national committee man, is in order.

Most of the party's wheel horses apparently want to wait a couple of months until they see what happens in congress before they meet the issue of a possible shakeup.

Specifically, they want to see what—if any—change is made in the senate Republican leadership. There apparently isn't going to be any shakeup in the house lineup.

University Budget Is Up \$9 Million

Madison — (P) — The University of Wisconsin requested the state to provide \$28,613,199 for operation of the university for the next two years at a budget hearing before Governor Rennebohm today.

This is an increase of \$9,303,245 compared with the current two-year appropriation, university representatives said.

Testimony by representatives of the university showed that the increase in the budget is due primarily to:

- A heavy loss in income to a decrease in the number of veterans who are attending school under the GI Bill of Rights.
- A \$2,500,000 increase in faculty salaries.
- Alfred W. Peterson, director of business and finance at the university, said Wisconsin pays its faculty members less than the average paid in nine midwestern state universities. He said that proposed faculty salary increases take up the bulk of the increase in the general operating budget of the university.

Board to Examine Howe School Plans

Latest blueprints for the proposed Howe school building will be examined and discussed by the Wisconsin Rapids board of education during a special meeting at 7:30 this evening in Lincoln High school.

Berlin and China Top Discussion

By the Associated Press
President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall tackle today a world full of problems, one of the foremost of which is China.

Independent dispatches indicated Chinese Communists are again threatening the east flank of Su-chow, the guardian base for the capitol of Nanking. Chinese observers said the government apparently did not follow up its successes of last week. Martial law was declared at Peiping for five northern provinces.

Mrs. Chiang Kai-Shek appealed by radio for immediate and definite American aid, saying "if China falls, all of Asia goes." The Communist radio told the U.S. to keep out and that adding China would be "an act of hostility."

Want Advisors
Before the Truman-Marshall conference is a request from Chiang that the United States in effect take over the running of the Chinese war against the Communists through American military advisors and through enormously increased help to Chinese armies.

Berlin, of course, is high on the agenda. It is the hottest spot in the cold war in Europe and appears certain to remain that way a long time, since all mediation efforts have failed. The "neutral" nations of the U.N. Security Council began a new try for a compromise. President H. V. Evatt of the U.N. assembly asserted there are reasonable prospects for a Berlin settlement in three weeks. Western officials in Berlin felt otherwise. They said the Berlin blockade was imposed to drive the western powers from the city and to stop western plans for a western German state.

U.S. intelligence sources said Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky, chief of Russia's western armies, has moved headquarters west from East Prussia to Fuerstenberg, in Mecklenburg province. The anti-Communist newspaper Montags Echo said Russian occupation forces Sec—DISCUSSION—Page 11

Safe Breaker Is Captured

Madison — (P) — Two Madison policemen wounded and captured a safe breaker in a gun battle with two men early Sunday.

One of the men escaped with about \$800 taken from a safe of a Madison east side tavern, Capt. Harry Milsted of the Madison police department, said. His identity is known, however, and a search of him is being made.

The captured man is Joseph F. Doyle, 50 St. Paul, who had a gun shot out of his hand by police, Milsted said.

The police captain said that Patrolmen Kenneth Kahlhagen and John D. Henry were called to the east side early Sunday by a resident who was suspicious of action of two men along a railroad right of way.

The officers found two men crouched near a broken safe taken from the Homer Middleton tavern. One of the men fled, shooting at the officers as he ran. The other, Doyle, was captured after Officer Kahlhagen shot a gun out of his hand, smashing three fingers on Doyle's right hand.

About \$400 which is believed to have been part of the \$1,200 loot taken from the safe, was found on Doyle, Milsted said, adding that his companion probably escaped with the rest of the money.

Milsted said that Doyle identified his companion as Otto "Dutch" Miller, 55 of St. Paul. Both have police records, Milsted added.

Striking Crewmen of Ship Back on Jobs

Southampton, Eng. — (P) — Striking crewmen of the S.S. Queen Elizabeth went back to work today after the Cunard White Star Line promised the liner will not sail until the U.S. dock strike is settled.

The queen was to have been diverted to Halifax, N.S. More than 1,500 passengers are aboard. The crew walked off Saturday about an hour before sailing time in sympathy for U.S. dockers.

En Route to Repay Debt to U. S. Woman

New York — (P) — A British woman, grateful to a Rochester, N.Y., family for the wartime care of two of her children, arrived here today to repay her debt.

She is Mrs. George Hall of Wembley, Lanc, who is en route to Rochester to help care for Mrs. A. Whitman Cottle and her two children, Mrs. Charles Cottle, also of Rochester, a relative of the Cottle family.

Six Deer Hunters Dead; Four Victims of Gunshots

11 Hunters in Court; Assess Fines of \$375

Illegal hunting practices brought the arraignment of 11 men in local justice courts over the weekend and fines totalling \$375 and costs.

Most of the violators were arrested by wardens for carrying guns or rifles in their autos in violation of state regulations requiring that such guns be unloaded and locked down or unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case.

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PVT. NORBERT BATHKE

Rites For Pvt. Bathke to Be Wednesday

Military rites for Pvt. Norbert H. Bathke, whose body is being returned from Italy for reburial in Calvary cemetery, will be conducted by Buckley-Baldwin Post 2534, Veterans of Foreign Wars, following funeral services at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning at St. Peter and Paul Catholic church. The Rev. C. W. Gilie is to officiate.

Private Bathke, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bathke, reside at 351 Plover street, entered the service on January 18, 1941, and received his basic training at Camp Wolters, Tex. He was killed in action in Italy on October 23, 1944.

Born in Marshfield on December 23, 1920, Norbert attended St. John's parochial school there and St. Kilian's parochial school in Blenker. Prior to entering the service he was employed in his father's cheese factory.

Surviving besides his parents are two brothers, Elmer, Sherry, and Jerome, Wisconsin Rapids, and two sisters, Jeanette and Marie, both at home.

Prayers will be said at 7:30 Tuesday evening at the Krohn and Bernard Funeral home, the body arriving at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning under military escort.

3 Found Dead In Apartment

Stoughton — (P) — Three men were found dead in a gas filled apartment here last night. Stoughton and Dane county authorities said that the deaths apparently were accidental.

The dead all of Stoughton: Erick Bolen 60, Adolph Sigurdslid, 39, Lewis Slurdo, 60.

Stoughton police said they found a gas burner turned on under a pan of potatoes but the gas was not lighted. The potatoes were partly cooked, indicating that the burner had been ignited but had gone out.

The men had been dead about 18 hours when their bodies were found shortly before midnight Sunday. Sheriff Edward A. Fisher said. The bodies were found by Harry Norstedter, Stoughton, who had gone to Slurdo's apartment in search of men who might help him strip tobacco.

Hunter Falls Out of Tree, Injures Neck

A deer season which is already more successful for Wood county hunters than was all of the 1947 season has resulted in one hunting accident in the Wisconsin Rapids area.

Millard Hopkins, 46, Route 1, is making satisfactory progress in Riverview hospital today where he is recuperating from a cracked vertebra in his neck suffered in a fall from a tree while hunting Saturday morning.

His physician this noon described the injury as a "serious" one, but said that the injured man was progressing satisfactorily.

Hopkins was injured about 9:30 Saturday morning when he fell 15 feet to the ground from a lookout post in a tree near Cranberry rock in Juneau county. He told his hunting companions that he had no recollection of what caused him to fall and they speculated that he might have been struck a glancing blow by a stray bullet.

Conservation Warden Fred Jacobsen said this noon that more legal bucks have been taken in Wood county during the first two and a half days of the season than during all of the 1947 season. He added that hunters are at least as numerous as last year.

A heavy kill of illegal deer—does, fawns and spikeds—has been noticed, and warm weather and lack of snow is hampering efforts to salvage the carcasses.

Up to 10 o'clock Sunday night, Jacobsen said, nearly 100 illegal deer had been recovered in the Sec—DEER SEASON—Page 11

5 Injured in 13 Weekend Auto Crashes

Five persons were injured and property damage estimated in excess of \$3,000 was caused in 13 weekend traffic accidents in Wisconsin and Wood county.

The injured were:

- Mrs. Helen Rosecrans, 50, 810 First street north, who suffered multiple contusions and a fractured rib.
- Ignatz Lohner, 20, Sherry, lacerations on both knees and his chin.
- Harry Orth, 39, Adams, bruises.
- Donald Orth, 7, Adams, scratches.
- Ronald Orth, 5, Adams, a broken arm and a broken leg.

Mrs. Rosecrans, who was taken to Riverview hospital by city ambulance, was injured at 7:30 Sunday evening when her son, Gerald R. Rosecrans, 23, lost control of his auto as he was driving east on Highway 73, six miles west of Pittsville. Traffic Officer Kenneth Pucker, who investigated, reported that the vehicle overturned after entering a ditch. Damage was estimated at \$150.

Lohner was injured at 1:50 this morning in a collision with his auto with one driven by Donald C. Lunz. Sec—ACCIDENTS—Page 11

Order 36 Wood Co. Men to Report for Pre-Induction Exam

The Wood county draft board has been notified to send 36 men to Stevens Point for pre-induction physical examinations December 6 and 7. Floyd F. Morgan, clerk of the local board, announced this morning.

Previous calls for October and November had numbered only 10 men each, but the state headquarters of selective service announced that the total number of "inductible" draftees would be increased to 46 for the year of the local board.

Morgan said the 15 men would be sent to Stevens Point on Monday and the draft board meeting could be held at the end of the week to assign the men to their quotas. The number of men called to be inducted has not yet been announced by the state headquarters.

AFL Favors Ban on Trade With Russia

Cincinnati — (P) — The American Federation of Labor today adopted a foreign policy declaration calling for a military alliance against Soviet Russia and breaking off of trade relations with the U.S.S.R. until the Berlin blockade is ended.

The 630 delegates accepted the recommendations of the AFL committee on international relations. The vote was 546 to 105.

The declaration was adopted at the annual convention by nightfall. Organized labor had been expected to win through most of this week.

Antigo Woman Is Killed By Shot in Neck

By the Associated Press
Six deer hunters were dead today as Wisconsin's 1948 buck season entered its third day. Four were gunshot victims and two died of natural causes. A number of others were wounded over the weekend.

Latest reported victim was Earl L. Hawthorne, 51, of Monroe, who died at a Park Falls hospital after companions found him wandering near their cabin. Death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage.

William F. Schmidt, 52, of Oakfield, died yesterday shortly after being shot by a member of his own hunting party in Clark county.

An earlier hunting death was that of Mrs. Rosemary Jones, 25, of Antigo, whose body was found late Saturday near Buckatoban lake 18 miles northwest of Eagle River. She had been hit in the neck by a bullet. Mrs. Jones had been hunting with a party of friends and relatives.

Don Milbach, 17, Marinette High school senior, was injured fatally by a bullet Saturday near Cauldron Falls in the town of Stephenson.

The two other victims listed previously were Lee McCaskey, 64, Richard Center, who was killed by a bullet as he hunted near Necedah, and Stanley Stemp, 50, Madison, who was found dead, apparently of a heart attack, in woods near Athelstane in Marinette county. McCaskey and Stemp died Saturday morning before the season was two hours old.

Reported out of danger at a Tomahawk hospital was Kenneth Lockman, 29, Wausau, who was wounded in the abdomen yesterday as he sought his forked-horn buck near Hazelhurst.

A Sparta High school football player, Dean Rudy, 17, Bush Prairie, was struck in the face by a blast from his father's gun yesterday. Rudy fired at his son in the brush, mistaking him for a deer. Attendants at a Sparta hospital said Dean was in serious condition with part of his face shot away.

Howard Nickerson, 18, of Columbus, was shot through the left shoulder and arm yesterday by a hunting companion 10 feet away as they both fired at a buck in eastern Forest county. Nickerson was reported in good condition at a Rhineland hospital.

The Trout Lake forest headquarters, which supervises 10 counties, reported today the deer kill for the season's first two days was extremely light. Arrests for game law violations also were reported light, most of them involving spiked buck.

Gordon Ellis, 18, Coleman, was reported in fair condition at a Marinette hospital after being struck in the abdomen by a bullet.

4 Persons Killed In State Crashes

By the Associated Press
Accidents claimed four lives in Wisconsin over the weekend, in addition to hunting fatalities.

Mrs. Lydia Schneider, 56, Milwaukee, was killed Saturday night when she was struck by a car as she alighted from a bus in suburban Wauwatosa.

Louis Maske, 30, Reedsburg, drowned Saturday when his boat hit a submerged object and overturned in the Baraboo river. His body was recovered.

Injured Thursday night when he was hit by a car on a Milwaukee street, Albert Schneider, 69, died yesterday at Milwaukee county General Hospital.

Max Cattalina, 68, of Kenosha, was injured fatally last night when he was struck by a car while crossing a city street. The driver was held by police.

Civilian Defense Post Given to Mellinger

Washington — (P) — The White House announced today that Russell Hopley is resigning as director of civilian defense planning.

Press Secretary Charles C. Ross said Hopley would be replaced by Aubrey Mellinger.

Got His Number

Marinette — (P) — Norbert Bossen of West De Pere was shorn one deer today after being held up at gun point by two hunters yesterday afternoon.

But Sheriff Donald John figured he had a good clue: Bossen handed in a deer tag which he said he snatched from the back of one of the holdup men.

Communists Can Not Believe in God, House Committee Reveals in Booklet

Washington — (P) — "You cannot be a Communist and believe in God," the house un-American activities committee said today.

That, the committee added in a summation entitled "100 things you should know about communism and religion," is "the long and the short of it."

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lations and answers supplied by the committee.

Q. If a man should come to the United States, could I belong to a church?

A. Yes.

Q. What is the method?

A. The Communist party of the United States assigns members to churches and church organizations, in order to try to control where possible, and in any case to influence thought and action toward Communist ends. It forms "front organizations" designed to attract "foreign travelers" such as pilgrims, interested in the support Communist policies, desecrated as well-fare work for monuments or oppression of groups.

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