

# Strike Talks Recessed After Surprise Meeting

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK.—Federal mediators came out of surprise talks with union representatives early today and scheduled new negotiations in the 10-day strike against six major daily newspapers.

Walter A. Magglio, general counsel of the federal mediation and conciliation service, asked

both sides to be on hand for the resumption of bargaining sessions later today. He said they agreed.

Magglio called for the talks after meeting Sunday night with representatives of the AFL Allied Printing Trades Council, whose members have refused to cross picket lines set up by the AFL International Photo-Engravers Union.

The photo-engravers struck in a dispute over wages and other contract issues. About 400 photo-engravers are involved, and their picket lines have kept out 20,000 employees belonging to the CIO American Newspaper Guild and the pressmen's, stereotypers', printers' and mailers' affiliates of the Printing Trades Council, and other unions.

Sunday brought two key developments in the strike:

- Resumption of publication by the New York Herald Tribune, the only one of the city's major newspapers not involved in the engravers' dispute. The Herald Tribune, which stopped publication a week ago in sympathy with the other papers, put out an adless Sunday and Monday editions of eight pages each.

- Spirited activity among representatives of the two sides as mediators twice scheduled joint negotiations which did not materialize.

When the walkout started, the engravers were asking a \$15 weekly wages-hours-vacation-welfare package. They have since halved the demand. The publishers have offered a \$3.75 package. Current base pay now ranges from \$120 a week for day work to \$131 for night work.

# Girl Harpist Enjoys Life Behind Stage

LONDON (CP)—Harpist Carla Emerson of St. John's, Nfld., spends most of her London theatre career below or behind the stage.

She's playing now in the orchestra pit at the Casino where the hit Broadway musical "Wish You Were Here" seems destined for a long run despite critics' disapproval of its frank approach to "necking" and similar boy-girl frolics.

London theatres book their own orchestras for musicals, and Miss Emerson will be at the Casino for the entire run.

Playing in the pit instead of on the stage has its compensations, says the slim, dark musician. Watching the audience can be fun.

Miss Emerson, who came here in 1950 and since then has played in theatres throughout Britain, says it is surprising how different the faces of the audiences in Edinburgh, Leeds and Swansea can be.

## LOTS OF WORK

She spent most of 1952 touring from south of London to Glasgow and Edinburgh in a variety show "So This Is Show Business." She was accompanist to a singer, but played from behind scenes.



GLORIA GRAHAME, alluring blonde actress co-starring with Glen Ford in Columbia's "The Big Heat," tries to keep cool in white mink and pearls.



ALLURING SHIRLEY COTLER needs no Indian blanket in the warm Las Vegas, Nev., sunshine as she rehearses a dance in multi-feathered headdress. The pretty 22-year-old symbolizes that season of bonus warmth known as Indian summer.

# Smithers Citizens Asked To Vote on New Hall Site

Special to The Daily News

SMITHERS—Electorate vote here this Saturday to fill the vacancies of three village commission seats, which became vacant this year. They also will be asked to state whether the village should sell the site of the present municipal office building.

The present municipal structure was built in 1913 by the

## NEWS IN BRIEF

VANCOUVER (CP)—Safe driving will not go unrewarded in future.

Charles E. Thompson, former mayor and chairman of the B.C. Automobile Association's traffic and safety committee, said today his association would award a windshield safety sticker to every driver who has been accident-free for two years.

LONDON (Reuters)—Key British union chiefs will meet next Thursday to decide whether to force a drastic production cut on the vital shipbuilding and engineering industries.

SEATTLE (AP)—Governors of four northwest states and Lands Minister Sommers of B.C. will meet with public and private power producers today to work out a co-operative program for developing additional electrical energy in the Pacific northwest.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Police say a 10-year-old girl held in connection with the death of three-year-old Anne Mawdsley will undergo psychiatric treatment starting Tuesday. An inquest jury ruled Wednesday that the child had been struck with a blunt instrument and suffered three skull fractures before she fell and drowned in a drainage ditch November 26.

VANCOUVER (CP)—Bernard Allen has been appointed chairman of a special committee on Pacific northwest development under the Vancouver Board of Trade.

Mr. Allen, former general manager of the B.C. division, Canadian National Railways, will form his committee from senior officers of corporations and professional men who are interested in development of the Yukon and Northern B.C.

The committee will study relationships between the northwest United States, Alaska, and the Canadian northwest.

VANCOUVER (CP)—An RCAF Dakota touched down at Sea Island base early Saturday completing a mercy trip from Quesnel through bad weather to bring a seven-year-old girl stricken with polio to hospital. The plane was piloted by FO. B. Miller.

Union Bank. The village took over the building shortly after the Royal Bank of Canada absorbed the Union Bank and in 1926 moved into the Pioneer block.

The commissioners consider that the present building, still heated by a coal heater, inadequate for this growing community. They favor sale of the site and construction of a new, modern office.

The proposal is to include needed garage and workshop facilities for village equipment in the new building which would be adjacent to the village's new firehall.

The village has received two offers for its two corner lots on Main street. One has been accompanied by a sketch plan of a proposed modern business building, the other, while a higher cash offer, has made no such proposal. The commissioners feel they must be assured of a substantial structure.

A yes vote on the plebiscite would clear the way for further consideration on these offers. Decision to build also hinges greatly on closing of a deal on the property for a reasonably substantial sum.

## CMS Reduces Zinc Output

TRAIL, B.C. (CP)—A 25 per cent cut in zinc production at its plant here was announced Saturday by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Canada Ltd.

Unfavorable market conditions were blamed for the cut, which will result in a layoff of more than 200 men Dec. 31, when the zinc oxide plant and one slag furnace will be shut down.

"The cut in production will amount to 130 tons of slab zinc each day and about 25 per cent of the company's present output," the company's statement said.

About 300 men were laid off at the plant earlier this fall as a result of the unfavorable market.

## Several Hurt

CRANBROOK, B.C. (CP)—An eastbound Greyhound bus spun around in four inches of snow just east of here Sunday and turned over in a ditch, injuring several of the 30 passengers aboard. No one was seriously hurt.

Most severe injury was a broken wrist. Three persons were taken to hospital here by ambulance and three others by passing cars. Roads throughout the Cranbrook area were described as "hazardous."



WEARING A HEAVY CHAIN about her waist to support the shackles on her wrist, Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady is led from the court that sentenced her to death on December 18. Fated to die in the gas chamber for her part in the brutal kidnap-murder of little Bobby Greenleaf, Mrs. Heady will make crime history when she is executed. She will be the first woman in the U.S. to be put to death for kidnapping and the second woman ever to be executed in the state of Missouri.

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# Alcan Report Confirmed

MONTREAL (CP)—A spokesman for the Aluminum Company of Canada confirmed reports that the parent company, Aluminium Ltd., is negotiating a deal with Olin Industries, Inc., of East Alton, Ill.

The Financial Post, in a newspaper story, said "another important deal in the United States for Canadian aluminum is shaping up" and "it could mean a considerable expansion to Aluminum Company of Canada facilities at Kitimat, B.C."

The story added: "Completion of the deal may depend on the United States government calling a halt to plans for further expansion of U.S. aluminum production facilities."

"Olin Industries, Inc., of East

Alton, Ill., now building a \$5,000,000 fabricating plant and planning a still larger one." It is reported negotiating with Aluminium, Ltd., for 64,000 metric tons a year on a long-term basis—some reports say 2 years, starting in 1955.

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# Mother, Four Children Die in Farm Home Fire

EDMONTON (CP)—A 33-year-old mother and three of her four children died in an explosion and fire which destroyed their farm home in the Whitmud area just beyond Edmonton's southwestern limits Sunday.

The father, Robert, 43, a plumber, escaped and saved an 11-year-old son, Donald, but was unable to re-enter the blazing frame building.

Mrs. Robert S. Blair perished in the fire along with her daughter, Marlene Gladys Blair, 13; and five-year-old twins, David and Donna Blair.



HOLDING A 22-OUNCE giant lemon grown on her farm is Mrs. Ernest Borchardt of Route Two, Leavenworth, Kan. The dwarf lemon tree has been bearing extra-large lemons for the past three years, one lemon on occasion furnishing Mrs. Borchardt with enough juice for four pies.

# BLACKWOOD on BRIDGE

By EASLEY BLACKWOOD

## Bluff Bidding Opponents' Suit Scars Mr. Meek

The fact a jump shift after an opponent's take out double is forcing for one round makes it possible to use that call for strategic purposes with (usually) a minimum of risk.

In today's deal both sides had a part score of 30 points. Mr. Dale felt that if his partner had a minimum or near-minimum opening, then the high card strength was about evenly divided between the two sides.

In that case, the side holding the spade suit had an extremely important advantage. And it was Mr. Dale's belief the spade length was held by the enemy. He was willing to get as high as three hearts but what good would that do if the opponents then bid three spades—either making it or getting off with a small penalty?

To avert such an unpleasant situation, Mr. Dale bid spades himself. In fact he jumped to two spades, a bid forcing for one round. Mr. Meek might have doubled this bid to show up the bluff, but his usual timidity prevailed and he elected to pass.

Mrs. Keen bid three diamonds and now Mr. Abel could hardly be expected to compete further. Mr. Dale made a choice in favor of hearts and three hearts became the final contract.

The jack of spades was opened and won with dummy's ace. A small heart was led, Mr. Meek ducked and the queen won. Mrs. Keen now led a low diamond and dummy's queen won. Back came another heart, Mr. Meek ducked again and the king won.

Here Mr. Abel showed out, dropping the trey of clubs. Mrs. Keen realized it would be disastrous to give Mr. Meek the lead now, as he could pull all of the remaining trumps and the defenders could then cash the entire spade suit.

Mr. Meek had played the 10 on the first lead of diamonds and therefore probably had only one more diamond left. So Mrs. Keen carefully played the king

South dealer  
Neither side vulnerable  
Both sides 30 part-score

North (Dale)		East (Meek)	
S—A 6 5	H—10 9 6 5	S—Q 8 4 3	H—A J 4 2
D—Q 4 3	C—J 7 6	D—A 9 8	D—J 10
		C—Q 10 5 3	C—9 8 2

West (Mr. Abel) S—K J 10 7 2 H—7 D—A 9 8 C—Q 10 5 3

South (Mrs. Keen) S—9 H—K Q 8 3 D—K 7 6 5 2 C—A K 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1H	Dbl.	2S	Pass
3D	Pass	3H	All pass

of that suit and was glad to see the jack fall on the trick. Mr. Abel won and returned the king of spades. Mrs. Keen ruffed and gave Mr. Abel another trick with the nine of diamonds. She ruffed the spade return with her last trump, then started leading her good diamonds. Mr. Meek could win only his two good trumps. . . . And Mr. Abel would have had a very fine chance to make three spades.



SHAPELY MARLA ENGLISH is about to take the plunge—bracelets and all. The lovely actress has been nicknamed "Miss Bathing Beauty" because of the many prizes and trophies she's won in beauty contests.

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