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Rubber Union Turns Down New Contract

CLEVELAND, Aug. 25 (AP)—Union negotiators reported today the CIO United Rubber Workers Union had turned down new contract terms offered by Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. The current contract can be cancelled at midnight tomorrow, and union officers have been empowered to call a walkout.

A union source, who declined the use of his name, said the company had made an "inadequate" offer, and that unless a signed agreement is reached by tomorrow night a strike would be called.

Firestone employs about 24,000 workers, 10,000 of them in Akron.

Other plants are in Los Angeles; Noblesville and Newcastle, Ind.; Memphis, Tenn.; Fall River, Mass.; Des Moines, Iowa, and Pottstown, Pa.

Negotiations have been going on since June 23. The union never has made public its specific demands. It said it is seeking a "substantial" wage increase, better pensions, adjustment of wage inequities and other benefits.

Similar negotiations are under way for Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Cleveland and for B. F. Goodrich Co. in Chicago. The Goodyear contract can be cancelled as of next Monday, and the Goodrich contract on Sept. 8, in each case, workers have empowered their union officers to call a strike if necessary.

Host to Royalty Dies in Germany

BAD HOMBURG, Germany, Aug. 25 (AP)—Carl (Charlie) Ritter, host for half a century to kings and millionaires, died here yesterday. He was 85.

At the turn of the century, Ritter's fashionable Park Hotel here was the rendezvous of international royalty.

One of his regular guests was Edward VII of England, who as Prince of Wales was so fond of this Hessian spa that he introduced the Homburg hat in the world of men's fashions.

Almost until his death, Ritter seldom missed a gala ball at the hotel.

After the first world war, the blue-blooded international set turned away from Homburg's mineral springs and found the French Riviera more alluring.

With the end of World War II, his table became a favorite meeting place of top American Army officers, including President Eisenhower, then U. S. military governor of Germany.

First Woman Lawyer

GREENWICH, Conn., Aug. 25 (AP)—Greenwich had its first

Tourists, in the opinion of old settlers here, fall generally into four main classes:

1. Honey-mooners. You see them everywhere, strolling hand in hand. It is doubtful if they see you, however. Lost in that warm, isn't-it-wonderful daze, it is doubtful if they see anything except each other. From the sightseeing standpoint, they'd be as well off at a cabin in the woods.

2. High school kids. They come in the Spring, mostly, but they're here in force right now, too. Crammed into buses, convoyed by harassed teachers, they mostly (a) buy funny hats for souvenirs and (b) pair off in pre-honey-moon couples. Some learn a thing or two about the government.

3. Families. The late Robert Benchley said there are two ways to travel—first class and with children. There is one thing to be said in favor of seeing Washington with a couple of toddlers in tow—you get to know every restroom in every public building.

4. The real eyes - open sightseer. Sometimes these are school teachers on their own, released somehow from their clamoring packs of pupils. More often they're middle-aged couples, contentedly wandering, clicking away judiciously with a camera they couldn't afford until daughter got married and junior finished college. Actually, they're on a second honeymoon though they'd blush if you mentioned it.

Only 35 million of them? It seems incredible. There must have been that many today alone—when I tried to get into the cafeteria around the corner on Pennsylvania avenue for lunch.

Churchill, Cabinet Discuss U. N. Rift

LONDON, Aug. 25 (UP) — Prime Minister Winston Churchill met today with his cabinet in emergency session designed to prevent the quarrel with the United States over India's presence at the Korean peace conference from becoming a disastrous Western Allied split.

Diplomats here said the Anglo-American differences arising from the dispute are the most serious since the start of the Korean War.

India wants to sit in as a member of the political conference which will attempt to settle Korea's future and which might be widened to include other Far Eastern problems.

Britain feels she should. The United States disagrees and the South Koreans have threatened to boycott the conference entirely if India is seated.

Seriously Concerned

Informed sources reported that Churchill has become seriously concerned, because the Anglo-American alliance is the basis of Britain's policy. He is anxious to keep the dispute over the Korean peace conference from spreading and the Communists from exploiting it

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (AP)—The Tariff Commission has ruled that rosaries are not being imported into this country in such volume as to require an increased tariff.

The commission made its ruling after an investigation called for by G. Klein and Son, Co. of New York City and the H. M. H. Co. Inc. of Pawtucket, R. I. These two companies produce about 95 per cent of American made rosaries.

The 1930 Tariff Act put a tariff of 50 per cent of their value on rosaries. This was reduced to 30 per cent in a 1936 reciprocal trade agreement with France. In the 1951 general revision of reciprocal trade agreements the duty on rosaries made at least partly of precious metals or precious stones was reduced to 15 per cent of declared value.

The two United States rosary makers contended in an appeal to the Tariff Commission last September that their business was being damaged by imported rosaries, coming principally from Germany and Japan. They asked a return to the 1930 rate of 50 per cent.

The two companies estimated that employment in the U. S. rosary business was about 400 persons. They said that in 1951 they produced 51,500 dozen rosaries valued at \$2,200,000 and exported 1500 dozen of these valued at \$5000. In the same year they said, 112,718 dozen rosaries were imported into the United States, valued at \$221,373.

The Tariff Commission said in its ruling that imported rosaries do not in its opinion threaten serious injury to the domestic rosary industry. It therefore declined to recommend to President Eisenhower any modification of the present tariff.

from the buildings that were all but destroyed in the Aug. 18 fire.

Several thousand tools and machines were taken from the rubble to be sent to 166 machine tool companies in 51 cities across the country for rehabilitation.

About 560 machines were classified as unsalvageable.

The tools promised by the Army are now at the Cadillac tank plant in Cleveland.

Mussolini's Stadium Razed for Air Field

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (AP)—One of Benito Mussolini's thumbprints on history—a magnificent stadium at Tripoli, in North Africa—has been blotted out to make way for modern U. S. air power.

The Air Force said today demolition of the handsome, modernistic, 1½-million-dollar sports palace is near completion.

Recent extension of the main runway of Tripoli airfield, to accommodate the strategic bombers which eventually will be based there, left the 60-foot high stadium less than 1000 feet from the end of the runway and only 240 feet off the line of flight—a "very definite hazard to aircraft," the Air Force said.

The concrete structure, a Libyan monument to Mussolini, proved useful during construction of the air base. Contractors bricked up parts of it, and used stairways and other areas for offices, housing and storage.

Police Seek Missing Smith College Girl

WELLESLEY, Aug. 25 (AP)—A missing 20-year-old Smith College honor student, daughter of a Boston University professor, was sought today after leaving a note that she was "going for a hike."

Mrs. Aurelia S. Plath told police her daughter, Sylvia, said in the note that she would return today.

Mrs. Plath, who reported her daughter missing yesterday afternoon, said Sylvia has been "nervous" and under a doctor's care for several months.

The girl is scheduled to enter her senior year at Smith College next month. As a junior, she was editor of the Smith Review, the college magazine, and a member of the school's press board. She has sold several short stories and poems to magazines and other publications.

SHOW INTERRUPTED

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 25 (AP)—Billy Christon, 32, a trustee at the Davis County Jail in nearby Farmington, made like an escape-artist yesterday.

Tipped by two Farmington women, police found him in a theater here.

The movie? "Houdini," story of the great escape artist.

Advised of the pinch, Christon begged, "can't you sit here with me until the picture is over."

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