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Hartford City Plant Strike Is Settled

HARTFORD CITY, Ind. (UPI)—Production was back to normal today at the Overland Door Corp. plant following a two-day strike over discipline for three carpenters union members.

Local 2047 members returned to their jobs Wednesday under terms of an agreement to submit their dispute to arbitration and be bound by a mediator's ruling.

The strike started Monday when three members were laid off for three days for failing to report for overtime work Saturday. The union contended the company failed to notify the members of the overtime work assignment as far in advance as required by the contract.

The company contended the strike was a wildcat walkout because the union did not file a formal grievance as required by the contract.

Eastern U. S. Remaining In Drought Grip

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The eastern two-thirds of the United States remains, for the most part, in the grip of an old-fashioned drought and government weather experts see no good possibility of relief in the near future.

November is a month when weather can change fast. But forecaster James O'Connor said today the freakish mounds of high pressure that has kept parts of the country bone dry for as long as six weeks shows no sign of breaking up.

There have been a few cases of local relief in the drought area east of the Rockies. But most of these have been nothing more than temporary, weather experts said. The untoward effects in this harvest season have been chiefly shortages of reservoir and well water, dry pastures, parched winter plantings of small grain and fire-threatened forests.

No major forest fires have been reported although the East and Southeast are described by the Agriculture Department's forestry branch as in "very critical" danger from the dryness.

There have been reports of towns bringing in water by pipeline when local supplies were on the verge of drying up. Pastures in the Midwest have had some relief in the last few days but sections of the area got only enough moisture to help for a few days.

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Legion Asks State Funds For Repairs

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—A request to spend \$8,500 in state funds to repair the exterior of a state-owned building used as headquarters by the Indiana Department of the American Legion faced the Indiana Budget Committee today.

The money would be spent for pointing and putting exterior windows in the structure located on the World War Memorial Plaza in downtown Indianapolis, painting of lamp posts, repairing sidewalks, cleaning downspouts and replacing water spigots.

The building and another used as national headquarters for the American Legion were built by the state nearly 40 years ago and turned over to the veterans organization. For years, the legion was required to pay all maintenance costs for both buildings.

However, the 1963 Legislature amended the law to make the legion responsible only for interior repairs and maintenance. Exterior repairs responsibility was switched to the state.

The budget committee will meet for two days.

The committee planned to spend the first day inspecting the Indiana State Farm at Putnamville and the Indiana Boys' School at Plainfield with the fund requests scheduled for action Friday.

The State Department of Administration asked the committee to approve the transfer of \$63,080 in funds to allow its public works division to hire an additional 11 employees to supervise state construction projects.

The step was recommended by a legislative study committee. Indiana State College asked permission to use \$4,750,000 of its own funds to construct a new residence hall and Ball State Teachers College sought permission to use \$2.2 million of its money for a similar purpose.

Purdue University asked for \$1,839,720 in state construction funds for an addition to its heating plant and for expansion of its utilities distribution system.

Purdue also asked for permission to spend a total of \$1,575,000 of its own funds to provide a parking garage and a research building under the terms of a lease with the Pose-Ade Foundation.

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Election Workers Appointed At Berne

Election board members for the Berne city election have been named by the city's precinct committee. They are:

Precinct A: inspector, C. H. Muselman (D.); judges, Mrs. Orval Kaeser (D.) and Mrs. Herbert Keller (R.); clerks, Mrs. Norbert Huffman (D.) and Caroline I. Hirschy (R.); sheriffs, Chauncey Sipe (D.) and Eli E. Lehman (R.).

Precinct B: inspector, Richard Bebout (D.); judges, Joe Solano (D.) and Herbert Burd (R.); clerks, Mrs. Vaughn Schindler (D.) and Mrs. Earl Thompson (R.); sheriffs, Ferd Mettler (D.) and Stanley Breneman (R.).

Precinct C: inspector, Mrs. Don Sweeney (D.); judges, Mrs. Harold Schindler (D.) and Mrs. Edwin Nyfeller (R.); clerks, Mrs. Kenneth Sprunger (D.) and Mrs. Martin Watson (R.); sheriffs, Frank Sprunger (D.) and James DeArmond (R.).

Precinct D: inspector, Leonard Baumgartner (D.); judges, Mrs. Walter Fenstermaker (D.) and Calvin Sprunger (R.); clerks, Mrs. Noel Agler (D.) and Mrs. Grant Smith (R.); sheriffs, John LaDoyt McCrory (D.) and Mrs. Leroy Moser (R.).

Four voting places will be in use in Berne. Precinct A voters will use the Berne auditorium and precinct B voters will use the Berne-French school. Residents of precinct C will vote at Berne Farm Equipment and precinct D will vote at the Berne city hall.

No Damage Done In Fire This Morning

The Decatur fire department was called to the Jani Lyn store this morning when smoke from a large ashtray filled the back room of the store. No damage was done and the fire was extinguished quickly, once the ashtray was located.

Berne Community Chest Over Quota

Berne Community Chest donations have reached the goal set for the drive, Richard Lehman, Community Chest president, announced Wednesday.

The budget for the Berne drive was \$8,359 and yesterday's total stood at \$8,419.50, well over the goal.

Files Suit To Restrict Use Of Memorial

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—Members of the American Legion, seeking to block possible use of the Indiana World War Memorial Auditorium by the Indiana Civil Liberties Union, filed suit Wednesday to restrict use of the state-owned building.

The suit, seeking a declaratory judgment, was filed in Marion Circuit Court Wednesday a few hours after the State War Memorials Commission directed a special committee to study the possibility of changing its rules to allow the ICLU to use the building.

The action came when new members, appointed by Governor Welsh last week and expected to be sympathetic to the ICLU, gained control of the commission, elected two of their own number as president and vice president and pushed through a decision to study a rules change. The actions came on 6-5 votes.

The commission formerly, with strong backing from the legion, refused to allow the ICLU to use the auditorium, even for a meeting at which Welsh was to have been the speaker.

The suit aimed at barring the ICLU from the building was filed by George H. Kingsbury of Indianapolis, a legionnaire and retired fertilizer company president.

Attorney Gerald Ohn, 11th District judge advocate of the legion, said the suit was prepared by four attorneys, all legion members. The other lawyers involved were Ralph B. Gregg, Lawrence H. Hinds and Roy A. Pope.

The suit asked that the court state what limitations there are on the use of the building. The legion contends that the law establishing the memorial restricts its use to veterans' organizations and patriotic groups.

The suit also said Kingsbury believes that more than six of the members of the commission are members of one political party which is prohibited by law. Richard Martin, Welsh's news secretary, said the commission is made up of six Democrats, four Republicans and one independent.

The committee studying the possible rules change is scheduled to report to the full commission at its Nov. 30 meeting. Committee members are Dr. G. Tanner Books of Richmond and Lloyd A. Keiser of Bloomington, both new members of the commission, and James Gardner of Fowler.

Other new members of the commission are Evansville attorney John Clouse, who replaced Judge Frank Dice of Peru as president, and Leon D. Cline of Columbus, who was elected to succeed Orville Denbo of Indianapolis as vice president.

Gardner and Roy R. Addington of LaPorte are believed to have voted with the new comers in the secret balloting for the changes. Voting against the changes presumably were Dice, Denbo, former President Clarence McNabb of Fort Wayne, Allen O'Rourke of Hammond and Herbert Gerding of Terre Haute.

The commission voted to defer action on the election of a secretary. The post is currently held by Jack Trowbridge of Indianapolis.

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