

# Report Long-Distance Telephone Dispute Near Solution

## Negotiators Express Hope After Parley

Strike-Ending Formula Expected

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WASHINGTON, April 9.—Settlement of an important and possibly pattern-setting phase of the nationwide telephone strike was reported imminent today.

Whether the anticipated settlement between the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and its long distance employees would provide a strike-ending formula for the entire industry was a matter which the National Federation of Telephone Workers' policy committee would have to decide.

Edgar L. Warren, director of the U. S. conciliation service, voiced labor department optimism in testimony before a senate appropriations subcommittee. Questioned about possibility of a strike settlement, he said:

"We are hopeful, particularly in the long lines negotiations. Both parties are anxious to reach a settlement."

**Strike in Third Day**  
The parties have reached an agreement on all but five basic money demands and have agreed tentatively to submit them to arbitration. The hitch has been that the union lacked funds to pay its share of expenses of a three-man arbitration board suggested by the company. It proposed a one-man arbitrator instead.

Meanwhile, the coast-to-coast strike of 300,000 telephone workers affiliated with the N. F. T. W. continued in its third day with service across the nation reduced to 20 per cent of normal for the Bell system's 26 million telephone subscribers.

Settlement of the long distance phase of the walkout, involving 20,000 members of the American Union of Telephone Workers, could set a pattern for adjusting disputes between other N. F. T. W. affiliates and the A. T. & T. subsidiaries, federal conciliators hoped.

Meanwhile, a back-to-work movement developed and gained force in upstate New York. More than one-third of the Empire state telephone union's 4000 members were on the job today. The Albany-Troy council of the union had refused to join the strike in the beginning, and the revolt spread subsequently to 12 other communities.

## More Miners Return to Pits

WASHINGTON, April 9 (U. P.).

—The number of miners reporting for work in the nation's soft coal fields increased slightly today. But there still was no clear indication of any strong back-to-work movement developing.

The "safety strike" staged by members of the United Mine Workers (A. F. of L.) following on the six-day "memorial" work stoppage forced the U. S. Steel Corp. to cut back its steel production.

Early reports from the bituminous districts showed slight increases above yesterday's operations. Meanwhile, the U. S. Steel Corp. reported that operations in the Bessemer department of its Youngstown, O. plant were dropped to two-thirds of capacity—a loss of 700 tons of steel daily.

## Funeral Directors To Meet in May

The 67th annual convention of Indiana Funeral Directors association, the first full scale meeting since 1940, will be held at the state fairgrounds May 13-15.

Herbert A. Wald, secretary-treasurer of the association, said today a registration of 2000 funeral directors and exhibitors is anticipated and invitations have been sent to directors in Illinois, Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky.

Clyde E. Titus, Indianapolis mortician, is chairman of the exhibit committee, and Herbert R. Wald and Roscoe Conkle, local funeral directors, are members of the committee.

## Mrs. Louise Stahlhut Is Dead Here at 86

Mrs. Louise Stahlhut, a lifelong resident of Indianapolis, died yesterday in her home, 904 N. Hamilton ave. She was 86.

She was a member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church. She was the widow of Charles F. W. Stahlhut.

Survivors are two daughters, Miss Estelle Stahlhut, and Mrs. Edna S. Burg, Indianapolis; a son, Edward W. Stahlhut, Indianapolis; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 3 p. m. Friday in Shirley Bros. Irving Hill chapel. Burial will be in Concordia cemetery.

## Organizations

Boys' Life auxiliary 1150, V. F. W., will hold public installation of officers at 8 p. m. tomorrow in the Frank P. Stricker home, 210 E. Ohio st. Officers to be installed are: Mrs. Benita Nelson, president; Mrs. Olive Andrews, senior vice president; Mrs. Dorothy Riddell, junior vice president; Mrs. Butler Smith, secretary; Mrs. Louise Stahlhut, treasurer; and Mrs. Mabel Sewell, chaplain.

New Mason chapter, O. E. S., will meet at 8 p. m. today in the Masonic temple at 1515 N. Meridian st. A card party will precede a business meeting at 8 p. m.

Chapman Babcock lodge will hold a "weekend" supper party at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow in the Indian Ball. 294 and children.



FOUND SAFE—Mary Ann Kubon, found safe after having been kidnaped almost two years ago from a Chicago boarding house.

## Kidnaped Girl, 5, Returns To Parents She Forgot

FBI Locates Child in Skating Act; Abductor Found After 22-Month Search

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NEW ORLEANS, April 9.—Five-year-old Mary Ann Kubon, member of a professional skating act who was abducted from a Chicago boarding house almost two years ago, comes home today to her mother, she doesn't remember.

FBI agents located the missing girl last night in the custody of William G. Fuller, 42-year-old professional skater.

Chicago police and spokesmen for FBI said that Fuller had stolen the girl to train her for a professional skating career.

Fuller was apprehended after a 22-month search. He was charged with kidnaping and unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

The child's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kubon, had placed Mary Ann, then 3 years old, in the boarding house a few months before she was kidnaped in June, 1945. Fuller posed as the child's father, authorities said.

The girl was said to be an accomplished skater. Besides Fuller, his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Rens Taylor—all members of the skating act—were questioned.

Full details of the case were withheld pending further questioning of Fuller and other members of the skating act.

Police said that the girl apparently thought that the Fullers were her parents. "She won't recognize her mother and father," they said.

## THE WEATHER FORECAST BY ACME TELEPHOTO

PREVIEW OF U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, DEPT. OF COMMERCE FORECAST... PERIOD ENDING 7:30 A.M. EST 4-10-47



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NATIONAL 24-HOUR FORECAST SUMMARY: Rain is expected along the coast from Maine to Virginia. This precipitation will end during the night as the cold front moves out to sea. Rain will also be the lot of Washington, Oregon and northern California.

Skies will be overcast or partly cloudy throughout the U. S. tonight and early tomorrow. Cloudy skies will envelop the coastal states from Maine through Georgia, also the Gulf states, the central plains and the northwestern states. (The inset cloudy areas chart pictures the cloud coverage which will exist during the next 24 hours.)

Showers are scheduled from Virginia through Georgia, the south portions of the Gulf states, southern Texas, the central plains, the northern and central Rockies. (Affected areas on the Forecast indicate the sections of the country where rain will fall tonight and early tomorrow). Thunder-

showers will develop in Kansas and Oklahoma. Temperatures will remain rather cool in the northeast as cool Canadian air flows into this section. (See air mass arrow). Temperatures will moderate in Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri and Kansas. It will be cooler in the northern Rockies and most of California as cool air sweeps southward from the north Pacific.

The front line on the Forecast is drawn through points where lowest temperatures will be 34 to-morrow. The gradual northward movement of this line indicates the beginning of the spring growing season. It will be noted that this line has moved northward very slowly in the upper Lakes region. Much of the sun's heat which would normally cause temperature rises has been expended in melting ice on the lakes. Ice is still nearly two feet thick over a large portion of this area.

Lowest temperatures expected tomorrow include Boston, Philadelphia and Kansas City 48; New

## Hugh McK. Landon Will Probated

Estate Estimated At \$1 Million

The will disposing of the estimated \$1 million estate of Hugh McK. Landon, who died last week, was filed today in probate court. The Fletcher Trust Co. and Robert F. Scott Jr. are co-executors and co-trustees of trusts set up in the will.

The will directs that Mr. Landon's home, "Four Winds," on Spring Mill rd. be sold and that proceeds be placed in trust. One third of the income will be paid to each of Mr. Landon's two surviving daughters, Mrs. Alice Landon Sawyer and Mrs. Margaret Landon Delaplane.

The income from the other one-third, designated as the "Elizabeth Landon Scott Memorial fund" in memory of his late daughter, will be paid to the Junior League of Indianapolis for use in occupational therapy work at James Whitcomb Riley hospital for children. The hospital had been one of Mr. Landon's special interests during his lifetime.

**Requests to Grandchildren**  
Money bequests were made to each grandchild and Mrs. Sawyer and Mrs. Delaplane were given 500 shares of the capital stock of Fletcher Trust Co. Bequests of jewelry and personal property were made to relatives.

The will provided for maintenance of the family mausoleum in Crown Hill and made various money bequests to persons in Mr. Landon's employ at the time of his death.

He left \$5000 to the National Recreation Association of New York City, of which he was a director for many years, and \$5000 to the American Unitarian Association of Boston. The latter bequest is subject to the direction that all income from it be paid to All Souls Unitarian church of Indianapolis for the first 10 years.

**Research Fund Benefits**  
The remainder of the estate is placed in trust and the will directs that one-third of the income from the trust fund be paid to Mrs. Sawyer. At her death the principal is to be added to the "Hugh McK. Landon and Jessie Spaulding Landon research fund" created by the will of his wife who died in 1930. The income from this is to be used for research at Indiana university medical center.

The income from another third of the residuary trust is given to Mrs. Delaplane and on her death the principal is given to Harvard college of which Mr. Landon was a graduate in the class of 1892. The remaining one-third is in perpetual trust for the benefit of Washburn college.

During his lifetime Mr. Landon had set up other trust funds for the benefit of members of his family, with gifts ultimately to Radcliffe college, Harvard college, Indiana university medical center and Phillips Andover academy, Andover, Mass.

**'Youth for Democracy' Banned in Detroit School**  
DETROIT, April 9 (U. P.).—The American Youth for Democracy, named by the department of justice as a Communist front group has been banned from the campus of Wayne university.

Dr. David D. Henry, university president, announced last night that Wayne's committee on student activities had withdrawn recognition of the chapter.

Dr. Henry said that the committee had found that the chapter was a Communist front group and that it was in violation of the university's policy against such groups.

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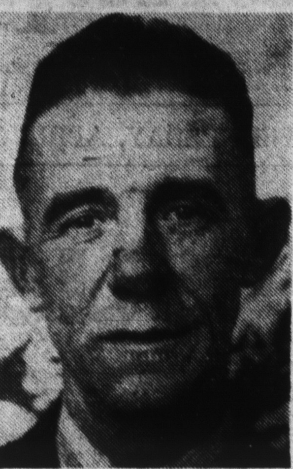
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VICTIM—William J. Ross, city truck driver, found dead after a scuffle with a fellow worker.

## Probe Death Of City Employee

Worker Found Dead After Scuffle

Police today held a city employee for questioning as they investigated the death of a fellow worker after a "scuffle" between the two last night.

The dead man was William J. Ross, 50, of 1242 S. Talbot ave. An autopsy is scheduled today to determine the cause of his death.

He died shortly after a scuffle with Frank Stone, 45, 1312 Hartford st., at the city street cleaning department barns, 1134 Shelby st.

**Held for Court**  
Stone is charged with vagrancy and is scheduled to appear in court four today.

Harry Eichman, 72, of 1406 Barth ave., night watchman, said the two men fought outside the barns last night. He went out and found Mr. Ross dead on the sidewalk.

He said the two men had quarreled earlier and that Mr. Ross told Stone to leave. Stone, Mr. Eichman said, had been drinking. He said he went to call police when the two went outside.

**Find Victim's Body**  
As he finished his call and started out Stone walked back in the garage, the night watchman said. He then went out and found the body of Mr. Ross.

A native of Liberty, Ky., Mr. Ross had worked for the city four years. He formerly was a carpenter and had lived in Indianapolis since 1916.

He is survived by his wife, Frances; a son, Otis; his father, John L. Ross; a brother, Melvin Ross, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Jane Wiser, all of Indianapolis.

## Local Briefs

Miss Anna Cooper, 24, of 405 S. Randolph st., was burned yesterday when she poured hot water down a drain after putting a drain cleaner solution in the pipe. The solution boiled up, burning her on the hands and face.

A pageant of 25 women and children will portray "One Hundred Years of Missionary Work in China" at the silver tea given by the W. S. C. S. tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. in the Washington Street Methodist church. Miss Roberta Bland, harpist, will play. Mrs. William E. and Mrs. William S. Devin will be in charge of music.

Leo Wade, of 117 Kansas st., reported to police he was held up and robbed of \$45 at the garage at his home last night. Police also are searching for a panhandler who struck Tom King, 61, of 129 1/2 E. Ohio st., when Mr. King refused to give him a quarter. Mr. King told police the man approached him at Missouri and Washington sts. last night.

Prof. M. J. Zucron of Purdue university will speak at a meeting of the Indiana section of the Society of Automotive Engineers April 17 in the Purdue Memorial Union bldg. at W. Lafayette. An inspection trip at 2:30 p. m. will be followed by a dinner at 6 p. m. Prof. Zucron will discuss "Development Possibilities and Potentialities of Gas Turbines."

C. D. McConnell will lecture on national parks at a meeting of the Indianapolis Camera club at 8 p. m. tomorrow in the group's clubrooms, 143 E. Ohio st. He will illustrate his talk with color slides.

A report on new technical developments in the graphic arts will be presented at a dinner-meeting Friday in the Athenaeum by the Indianapolis Club of Printing House Craftsmen.

The Roberts Park Methodist church W. S. C. S. will hold a fellowship dinner and meeting tomorrow at 6:30 p. m. Miss Rosemary Chaplin will give the devotion.

Miss Marjorie Phillips, Zionsville, president of Theta Sigma Phi, and William Ramsdell, Lebanon, president of Sigma Delta Chi, have been named co-chairmen of the 14th annual Butler university journalism field day for high school students May 3.

Lyman Hoover, world service worker for the International Young Men's Christian association, will speak at a World Youth Fund luncheon Friday in the Indianapolis Athletic club.

## Gates Arrives In Washington

Quizzed by Newsmen On Utility Strike Bill

By DANIEL M. KIDNEY

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WASHINGTON, April 9.—Governor Ralph Gates of Indiana arrived here today to find himself the center of attention because of the new state law which prevented Indiana exchanges entering the nation-wide telephone strike.

Reporters specializing in labor news were eager to get the Hoosier governor's views and learn in detail just how the Indiana law works.

The Indiana State Society of Washington is giving a dinner and dance in honor of Governor and Mrs. Gates at Wardman Park hotel tonight.

Senators Homer E. Capehart and William Jenner, Majority Leader, Charles Halleck and other Indiana congressmen will attend the dinner. President Claude R. Wickard of the Indiana society will preside. Before the Governor's ball a reception will be held to which all Hoosiers here have been invited.

**Flood Control Request**  
Tomorrow the Governor will urge congress to spend \$1,500,000 for flood control in the state this year.

As chairman of the flood control subcommittee of the house public works committee, Rep. Earl Wilson (R. Ind.) arranged the hearing. He will preside.

He asked Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, chief of army engineers, and Col. Peter A. Feringa, army flood control expert, to attend.

Secretary Clyde Black of the Indiana Flood Control Commission will also attend.

## Hookey-Playing Bus Driver Bailed Out by Employer

'Had a Swell Time, Folks,' He Tells Crowd of 500 Who Greet Him

NEW YORK, April 9 (U. P.).—William Cimillo, the hookey-playing Bronx bus driver who wandered 1400 miles off his route and ended up in Florida, may get off lightly. His employer was on his side today.

The Surface Transportation Co. posted \$1000 bond to free him from jail. He was held on a grand larceny charge resulting from his Florida jaunt in an \$18,000 bus belonging to the company.

The wayward bus driver was busy today explaining things to his wife Sadie—who said she understood—and their three sons. Mrs. Cimillo had a hot dinner waiting for him last night after he returned from Florida, escorted by two detectives.

Another driver was at the wheel of the red and silver bus when it stopped at the Beach st. police station. Cimillo was in handcuffs, but a waiting crowd, estimated at 500, were for the man who did something about a monotonous life.

Reporters met the bus at Wilmington, Del. They got off the bus a block from the station so that Cimillo could make his grand entrance hampered only by the detectives.

Newsreel cameras whirled as he stepped off the bus. "Did you have a good time, Bill?" someone shouted. "How was Florida?" came other shouts from the crowd. Cimillo smiled and bowed, despite his handcuffs.

"I had a swell time, folks," he called back.

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