

General Strike Weapon Is Seldom Used By Labor

By LESLIE MILLER VANCOUVER (CP)—The just-settled oil workers' strike in British Columbia has left labor aware of a seldom-used weapon—the general strike.

The weapon, lying unused in Canadian labor's arsenal since 1919, was dusted off in an effort to show union solidarity in the 10-week deadlock between the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers' Union (OCAW) and the major oil companies.

Some labor sources say the threat was instrumental in bringing about the government intervention that ended the oil dispute and that it won't be another 46 years before it is unshathed again.

Others say it is an illegal, ineffectual step and one from which labor will shy away in future.

The oil workers' basic fight, for protection against the effect of automation on their livelihood, was resolved when the seven oil companies agreed to the settlement terms proposed by the B.C. government—and which could set a pattern for the entire industry across the country.

ON THE AIR

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TUESDAY PROGRAMS CFCY-TV

- 1:30 p.m.—Musical
- 2:00 p.m.—Film Festival
- 2:30 p.m.—Today At Home
- 3:00 p.m.—To Tell The Truth
- 3:25 p.m.—Farm Scene
- 4:00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden
- 4:31 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
- 5:02 p.m.—Wild Bill Hickok
- 5:30 p.m.—Music Map
- Jeunesse Oblige
- 6:00 p.m.—39 Half Hours for TV
- 6:30 p.m.—Gazette
- 7:00 p.m.—CFCY TV News
- 7:15 p.m.—Farm Scene
- 7:30 p.m.—Gilligan's Island
- 8:00 p.m.—Big Valley
- 9:00 p.m.—Red Skelton Hour
- 10:00 p.m.—Front Page Challenge
- 10:30 p.m.—Dick Van Dyke
- 11:01 p.m.—Newsweek
- 11:30 p.m.—The Public Eye
- 12:00 p.m.—CBC TV News
- 12:13 p.m.—Local Weather & Sports Scores
- 12:15 p.m.—Sign Off

CKCW-TV

- 9:57 a.m.—Station Sign On
- 10:00 a.m.—Canadian Schools
- 10:30 a.m.—Nova Scotia School
- 11:30 a.m.—Friendly Giant
- 11:45 a.m.—Chez Helene
- 12:00 p.m.—Butternut Square
- 12:20 p.m.—Across Canada
- 12:50 p.m.—Tuesday Playbill
- Meet Mr. Callaghan
- 2:30 p.m.—Home with Helen Crocker
- 3:00 p.m.—To Tell The Truth
- 3:30 p.m.—Take Thirty
- 4:00 p.m.—Bonnie Prudden
- 4:30 p.m.—Razzle Dazzle
- 5:00 p.m.—Township TV
- 6:00 p.m.—Supper Club
- 6:15 p.m.—TV News
- 6:25 p.m.—TV Weather
- 6:30 p.m.—TV Sports
- 6:35 p.m.—Supper Club
- 7:00 p.m.—Musical Showcase
- 7:30 p.m.—Dr. Kildare
- 8:30 p.m.—Glennan
- 9:00 p.m.—Red Skelton
- 10:00 p.m.—Front Page Challenge
- 10:30 p.m.—Dick Van Dyke
- 11:30 p.m.—The Public Eye
- 12:00 a.m.—CBC National News
- 12:15 a.m.—Viewpoint
- 12:30 a.m.—Lionel' Night News
- 12:50 a.m.—Station Sign Off

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- 6:30—News and Weather
- 6:35—Morning Roundup
- 6:45—Island Weather, Mar. Temp.
- 6:46—Morning Roundup
- 6:55—News and Weather
- 7:00—Hebrew Christian Hour
- 7:15—Morning Roundup
- 7:30—News and Weather
- 7:35—Farm Report
- 7:41—Morning Roundup
- 7:45—Island Weather, Mar. Temp.
- 7:46—Morning Roundup
- 7:56—Sports Capsule & Scoreboard
- 8:01—News
- 8:11—Weather
- 8:16—Morning Roundup
- 8:45—Weather
- 8:50—Atlantic News Roundup
- 8:58—Thoughts Today
- 9:05—CBC National News
- 9:10—Preview Commentary CBC
- 9:15—Assignment CBC
- 9:20—Notes and Music
- 10:05—Notes and Music
- 10:35—Checkpoint
- 10:55—Lucky Seven
- 11:00—News and Weather
- 11:05—Starlight Serenade
- 11:55—Atlantic News Roundup
- 12:00—Weather
- 12:05—Town and Country Time
- 12:30—News and Weather
- 12:45—Town and Country Time
- 1:00—News and Weather
- 1:05—A Story To Remember
- 1:10—Interlude
- 1:15—What's On Tapp
- 1:45—Town and Country Time
- 2:00—News and Weather
- 2:05—Mostly Music
- 3:00—News Headlines and Weather
- 3:05—Trans-Canada Matinee
- 3:30—Mostly Music
- 4:00—News Headlines and Weather
- 4:05—Canadian Roundup
- 4:10—Taps in Pops
- 5:00—News and Weather
- 5:05—The Outposts
- 5:25—Marine Weather
- 5:28—The Outposts
- 6:00—News and Weather
- 6:15—On Parliament Hill
- 6:30—Sports Parade
- 6:30—Business Barometer
- 6:35—Tonight's Music
- 7:00—Back to the Bible
- 7:30—News and Weather
- 7:45—Lone Guide Program
- 8:00—CBC Tuesday Night
- 10:00—CBC Nat. News, On Parliament Hill and Speaking

The settlement came about hours before the deadline—midnight, Nov. 24—for the oil workers' strike to spread throughout the industry in B.C. The deadline was simultaneous with the scheduled start of a 48-hour general work stoppage across the province.

Such a stoppage, Attorney-General Robert Bonner estimated, would have cost the B.C. economy \$100,000 a day. B.C. Labor Minister Leslie Peterson, who, with Premier W. A. C. Bennett, was author of the settlement formula, said after both sides accepted it that he did not expect the general strike threat to be used again.

J.R. Duncan, national director of the OCAW, says: "I think we will see more of it. It will be used as sparingly and judiciously as we can, but we will use it if we must."

"It was a pretty drastic move, but the labor climate in B.C. is such that unions will be forced, once in awhile, to take illegal actions," Mr. Duncan said.

STRESS ILLEGALITY
The illegality of the general strike in B.C. was stressed by Ed Lawson, president of the Teamsters' Union joint council for B.C.

His powerful union refused to go along with the work stoppage called by the B.C. Federation of Labor. Instead, the teamsters' union would refuse to handle oil products they considered "hot."

Business leaders said the

Teamsters' action, which would have lasted for the duration of the oil workers' strike, would have had wider repercussions than the 48-hour work stoppage. Said Lawson: "You can't have half a century of enforcing contracts wiped out by breaking contracts. We wanted to clearly illustrate to labor the seriousness of such an action."

He said it also was possible that, had no action taken place before the strike deadline, "the government would let labor commit itself to an illegal strike and then deal severely with the labor movement with a massive amount of restrictive legislation."

The strike by members of the OCAW and by some locals of the independent gas and oil unions had its start in February when union and companies began negotiating a new contract.

VOTED TO STRIKE
By August, a majority cancellation report had been turned down by the unions, which then voted to strike. Once the vote was taken, any company could be struck on 48 hours' notice.

Nearly a month later, the OCAW served notice on British American Oil Company's B.C. marketing division, he expected settlement was to be a basis for new contracts throughout the whole Canadian industry.

On Sept. 14, four days after serving strike notice, the OCAW went on strike at B.A. Within two days, the strike had spread to B.A. plants in Clarkson, Ont., Saskatoon and Kamloops, B.C. Within a few weeks, it had reached a Shell Canada Ltd. refinery at St. Boniface, Man., and an Imperial Oil Co. refinery in B.C.

New talks opened in Toronto in early October, but broke down within three days. The OCAW set Nov. 15 as a deadline for extending the strike to all oil companies in B.C. and the B.C. Federation of Labor said all petroleum products would be declared "hot" if the strike spread.

EXTEND DEADLINE
At the last minute, the OCAW postponed the deadline to Nov. 24 and the labor federation called for all affiliated unions to refuse to handle "hot" oil products, or to "withdraw services" for 48 hours in the case of workers not normally handling oil products.

This withdrawal of services was construed by management, government and public to mean a general strike; union spokesmen did not use the term. Mr. Peterson's proposals were for a labor-management standing automation committee, six months' notice of layoffs due to automation, company-government retraining of employees displaced by automation, and a week's severance pay for every year of service up to 26 weeks for employees discharged because of automation.

He also proposed a wage increase of 35 cents an hour on the base rate of \$2.75 an hour in a two-year contract. The union's automation demands were for six months' notice of the date of automation changes, company responsibility for retraining employees displaced by automation, and severance pay of one year's wages for every five years of service. It also wanted a wage increase of 50 cents an hour.

Mr. Peterson's proposals, basically awarded the financial victory to the companies—35 cents had been their last offer—and the automation victory to the unions.

Albert Fireman Called Oldest

CLARESHOLM, Alta. (CP)—At 82 years old, James Lawrence is the oldest fireman in Canada. He has been on the fire brigade of this community 80 miles south of Calgary since 1920. Even as letters of congratula-

CONTRACT BRIDGE

By R. JAY BECKER

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable.

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♥	Q J 7 6		
♦	Q 7 4 3		
♣	Q 10 5 2		
SOUTH			
♠	A K J 10 7 2		
♥	A 9 3		
♦	A 4		
♣	7 3		

The bidding: South West North East 1 ♠ Pass 2 ♣ Pass 3 ♠ Pass 4 ♣

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

It may seem odd that in some hands you are completely willing to lose a trick in a key suit instead of attempting to salvage that trick, but nevertheless, that is frequently the right thing to do. West led a diamond, taken with the ace, and South was faced with the possibility of losing a spade, two hearts and a diamond. In an effort to establish the clubs for possible discards, he therefore cashed the A-K of clubs and ruffed a club with the jack. If West had overruffed with the queen, South would have

tion poured in from friends and neighbors, and from dignitaries such as Prime Minister Pearson and Lieutenant-Governor Percy Page. Mr. Lawrence was thinking of the 50-year mark.

"We want you, Jim," fire chief Glenn Harwood assured him. "We'll keep you." Now one of a team of 20 men, James Lawrence was one of the first four firemen in Clareholm. When town fathers thought that a few buckets were good enough fire-fighting equipment, "we pooled our money and bought a fire truck for \$200," he recalls. Not long afterward, a fire broke out in the bowling alley when the nearby creek was dry and there were no water tanks in the vicinity.

"We put 'er out," Mr. Lawrence says proudly. "Those two 40-gallon chemical extinguishers could send a stream clear across the road."

The big difference in fire-fighting nowadays is the training, he thinks. "We drill twice a month, every month, now. In the old days, all the practice we got was when there was a fire, about six or seven times a year."

Mr. Lawrence came west in

CASCUMPEC

Mrs. Phyllis Lewis is substituting for the teacher Mrs. Shirley Wallace for a few days. The sympathy of the community is extended to the family of the late Seymour Elliot whose funeral was held Saturday afternoon at St. Luke's Anglican Church, O'Leary Corner.

Mrs. Bruce Carruthers recently attended the funeral of her uncle Mr. Roy Williams, Ellerslie.

Leigh Lewis having purchased Mr. Charles Gordon's farm about a year ago has hauled his new ranch style home and is settled in his new surroundings.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon W. Leard and granddaughter Linda, Charlottetown, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas.

Bruce Carruthers recently spent a few days visiting in Halifax where he attended the beef show.

RIPLEY'S BELIEVE IT OR NOT



MARIO MASINI
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A TOTAL OF MORE THAN 300,000 WORDS
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DAILY CROSSWORD

- | ACROSS | DOWN | 20. Small |
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| 1. Biblical verb | 1. 50th capital | 20. bouquets |
| 5. Into | 2. Top | 22. 100 |
| 9. Page | 3. Bound | 23. square meters |
| 10. Pulsate | 4. Torrid | 24. Wholly |
| 12. Beginning | 5. Loft | 25. Odd |
| 13. Schedule | 6. Grateful | 26. Wholly |
| 14. Crucifix | 7. Spheres | 27. Presidential |
| 15. Cleanse | 8. Birth | 28. nick-name |
| 16. Alcohol radical | 9. Plundered | 29. Contraction |
| 17. Pluck | 10. Couch, perhaps | 30. Poetry |
| 18. Accelerated | 11. Fondle | 32. Affix |
| 19. alang | 12. Bird's beak | 33. June bug |
| 21. Speedy | | 34. White ant. P.I. |
| 22. English post | | 35. Sea eagle |
| 26. Article of virtue | | 36. Girl's name |
| 27. Confers knight-hood upon | | 38. Immense |
| 28. Aptitude | | |
| 29. Wicked | | |
| 31. Peach State, abbr. | | |
| 32. Proverbs | | |
| 35. Jewish month | | |
| 37. God of thunder: Ger. | | |
| 38. Practice | | |
| 39. Heavy wagons | | |
| 40. Dental filling | | |
| 41. Soar | | |
| 42. Juicy fruit | | |

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

A Cryptogram Quotation
BJOYNEB QXOV NA AONH, EMV
KNY QXM ALBOGA.—OIOFNOE
LIMTBIF

Yesterday's Cryptquote: MOST OF OUR COMFORTS GROW UP BETWEEN OUR CROSSES.—YOUNG
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OUR BOARDING HOUSE MAJOR HOOPLE

