



GOD REST YE MERRY . . .

All ages have honored the anniversary of Christ's birth with carols. In the carols of children is heard the music of angels.

Bill Veeck Is Expected To Rule White Sox Before Spring

CHICAGO (AP)—Before spring training is under way baseball's flamboyant Bill Veeck is expected to rule Chicago White Sox.

An informed source said Tuesday there is every indication the club's 3,235 shares controlled by Mrs. Dorothy Comiskey Rigney will be sold to a syndicate headed by Veeck.

The sale of the majority holding would be a blow to Chuck Comiskey, Dorothy's 32-year-old brother, who owns or will own 2,735 shares by his 35th birthday.

Comiskey, now a White Sox vice-president along with Dorothy's husband, John Rigney, held high hopes of buying out Dorothy, with whom he has been embroiled in suits over disposition of stock willed by their mother and late club president, Mrs. Grace Comiskey.

VEECK'S THIRD PLUNGE
This would mark the third plunge into operation of an American club by Veeck, whose vigorous direction of Cleveland Indians and old St. Louis Browns caused many wrinkles on the brows of more serene club owners.

An inside source says Veeck's bid will set the cash value of the club at approximately \$5,000,000. Some Sox stock has been retired for tax purposes, and now 5,970 shares are outstanding.

The makeup of Veeck's syndicate is not known other than that Hank Greenberg, former major league

star and former Cleveland Indian part owner, is reported to be a member.

Settle Black Ball Ferry Line Strike

VANCOUVER (CP)—Settlement was reached Tuesday in a long-smouldering wage dispute between the Seafarers International Union (SIU) and Black Ball Ferries Limited.

The dispute twice had flared into strikes that tied up the line's coastal ferry operations and once brought provincial government intervention under civil defence powers.

The settlement provides for no immediate wage increases, although the SIU sought a 25-per-cent boost. Instead, the men will get whatever rates are established in the Canadian Pacific Steamships coast services dispute.

This dispute is in the hands of the federal government and the CPS fleet is under control of a federal administrator.

Labor Minister Weeks, who came here from Victoria to find a settlement before Christmas in the latest walkout, said the Black Ball line and the SIU agreed to the terms of the "complete settle-

ment" in the wage dispute and the line's ships would be back in service by mid-afternoon.

STARTED OVER JOB
The strike started Thursday after a crew member was removed from his post of newsstand attendant to another job. The crew was fired after demands were made for the man's return to the newsstand.

A strike then was called by SIU crew members on all Black Ball ferries, making wages the issue and leaving 130 men and 50 officers and engineers idle. Service was interrupted between West Vancouver and several Vancouver Island and up-coast points.

Canadian Pacific Steamships continued operations, however,

and service was normal to Victoria and other island points.

Bus Involved In Fatality

PULASKI, Tenn. (AP)—A Greyhound bus was involved in a multi-vehicle collision near here Tuesday and first reports said between seven and 12 bus passengers were killed.

Pulaski is about 80 miles southwest of Nashville on the main route to Birmingham.

Communist China has outfields in the province of Kansu and south Manchuria.

Suggest Some US Defence Jobs For Canadian Firms

WASHINGTON (CP)—The United States defence department was urged today by two congressmen reporting on Canada-U.S. relations to consider giving Canadian manufacturers "greater access" to U.S. defence procurement contracts.

Noting that Canada has decided to introduce the American-developed Bomarc anti-aircraft missile into its air defence system, the congressmen suggested that "if the Canadians are going to purchase from us, then we should, in turn, permit them to participate in the components business."

Canada has "extensive capabilities" in the components field, they said.

The proposal was made by Congressmen Brooks Hays (Dem. Ark.) and Frank Coffin (Dem. Me.) in a report based on a 7,000-mile tour of Canada undertaken this fall on a fact-finding mission for the House of Representatives foreign affairs committee.

They said they found "exceedingly close co-operation" between the two countries in all defence

matters. But despite this co-operation there was "considerable dissatisfaction" in Canada with defence procurement.

The congressmen suggested the question might be discussed by the newly established Canada-U.S. joint cabinet defence committee which plans to hold its first meeting early in the new year.

Fire Threatens Tenement Row

OTTAWA (CP)—Twelve families, totalling 56 persons, were evacuated Sunday night when fire broke out in a row of four three-storey tenements.

Second and third alarms were turned in, but the fire was quickly contained.

The fire was the third in the block, on Lowertown St. Patrick Street, this weekend. Firemen put out small fires Saturday afternoon and earlier Sunday.

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We are all familiar with this annual miracle. But how many of us can conceive of a world where Christmas is a perpetual state of heart? Can you imagine such a world of peace and plenty? A world devoid of war and want? Of course you can. We all do. And then we sigh with anticipated defeat and go back to the old way of being.

But we need not go back. We can begin now, this very day, to hold on to the Spirit of Christmas. Let's look up... today and every day. The Guiding Star is there, shining steadfastly for all to see... for all to follow... for all time.

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