

29 JAP WARSHIPS SMASHED AT KURE BASE



TALLEST BUILDING STRUCK BY BOMBER—Striking the 78th floor of the 102-story Empire State Building in New York City, the world's tallest structure of its kind, a U. S. Army bomber, dropping in a fog, last Saturday brought death to 13 persons and inflicted damage estimated at \$500,000. After exploding, the bomber dropped to the roof of the adjoining Waldorf building, then to the pavement.

Army, Not WRA, to Decide Which Japanese May Come Back to Pacific Coast States

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—(AP)—The Army reiterated today that its western defense command has the sole responsibility of determining which persons of Japanese ancestry may or may not be permitted to return to Pacific Coast states.

All were excluded from the West, for security reasons, at the start of the war.

In the Day's News

BY FRANK JENKINS

BOTWOOD, Newfoundland—Waiting on the weather—which looks like worse and more of it. Five hours drag by. Then the loud speaker barks. It seems that all's clear to the east. A bus pulls up at the door and a few minutes later we're on board.

Business of taxiing into the wind, the waves smack the hull and we're airborne, boring up into the fog ceiling and at about 6,000 feet coming out on top into the bright sunshine. Below is the familiar, empty, snowy plain, reaching to the horizon.

WITH one brief interval, this carpet of cloud covers the entire north Atlantic. For maybe five minutes it tears open and there is a view of blue water in the rip. In the center is an iceberg, and from a mile and half up it looks like a small island. The steward reminds us that only one-ninth of it shows above the surface. It's quite a lump of ice.

Thinking of the Titanic disaster that once rocked the world, one reflects that this is a menace of the sea that the planes don't have to face.

LIFE on board falls into a routine that differs from a train, differs from a ship. Conversation is difficult, for the roar of the four engines is dominant. Gazing from the windows palls on one quickly, for there is only that limitless plain of white fog to see.

People read endlessly, for there is no jarring jolt of the roadbed.

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Harmony Kept As Big 3 Puts Pact in Words

Truman's Task Eased by Senate Ratifications of United Nations Charter

POTSDAM, July 30.—(AP)—President Truman, Prime Minister Attlee and Premier Stalin worked on the final language of tentative agreement reached in 11 days of twilight deliberations as the Big Three conference entered the home stretch today on a keynote of harmony.

Observers here believed the harmonious resumption of the conference following the defeat of Winston Churchill's government by the British Labor party augured well for a successful conclusion. There has been no noticeable break in the continuity of the discussions and prospects were for an early conclusion, perhaps within the next two or three days.

The conference was described officially as making progress on the final communiqué which will reveal plans for the future of Europe.

While Truman's continuing primary international interest is an early end to the war with Japan, there was no authoritative information whether the Pacific would be mentioned specifically in the final statement.

Charter O. K. Aids Truman

The U. S. senate's ratification of the United Nations charter with only two opposition votes armed the president with a trump card as the deliberations entered the final stage. He now is able to tell Russia and Britain that the United States' abandonment of traditional isolationism has the overwhelming support of the American people.

Comment was withheld here on the Australian refusal to sub-

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New Strike Hoists U. S. Idle to 41,000

(By the Associated Press)

The nation's strike graph, which last week dropped to 34,000 its lowest in more than a month, rose again today to include 41,000 workers in 29 work stoppages affecting a score of industries and public services.

The newest stoppage, affecting more than 5,000 workers at the Crosley plant in Cincinnati, O., virtually halted production of vital radio and radar equipment as the strikers remained away for the third day. The dispute, a union spokesman said, started over a "number of grievances."

Picket lines at the United States Rubber Co., Detroit, prevented a majority of employees from reporting to work. The workers voted Friday to end their week-long walkout which followed dismissal of 12 men whom the CIO, United Rubber Workers union accused of anti-union activities. More than 5,000 workers were involved in the work stoppage.

The WLB was asked to intervene in the Teche Greyhound bus line strike which began last Saturday. The new dispute idled 210 buses and some 950 drivers, mechanics and station employees in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

Airfields in Douglas Offered to Communities

Intermediate airfields at Glendale, Myrtle Creek and Roseburg are being offered to the communities in which they are located, the Civil Aeronautics administration reported today. The communities will be permitted to take over the fields upon condition that they are kept available for emergency landings, the CAA stated. The fields may be leased by communities to commercial operators.

Roseburg already has taken over its field, which has been leased to George Felt for commercial operation.

The intermediate fields have been under federal lease during the war period.

Communists Repudiate Browder, Select Foster

NEW YORK, July 30.—(AP)—William Z. Foster, today heads the reconstituted Communist party, operating under a newly-adopted constitution which has not yet been made public.

Announcement of Foster's election as chairman of the party's national committee and of adoption of the constitution was made after the close of the national convention of the Communist Political association, formerly headed by Earl Browder.

Foster's election, combined with the re-forming of the party, was tantamount to repudiation of Browder's policies.

British Labor Victory Cited As Senators Urge Program To Guarantee Postwar Work

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—Two senators, urging passage of a legislative employment program, asserted today the Churchill government was ousted in England by an electorate fearful of postwar idleness.

Chairman Wagner, opening banking committee hearings on the measure, declared that the "war-weary" British "were not satisfied that the government in power was sufficiently resolute in its determination to achieve postwar full employment."

"So, they have elected another government which is pledged to that purpose," he said.

Tillamook Fire Lines Are Holding

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—Fire fighters slashed wide trails around danger spots of the blazing 100,000-acre Tillamook forest fire today and foresters reported crews on the flaming southern front have held their lines.

Logging operations in five northwest Oregon counties were ordered to shut down until further notice to help minimize danger of new fires.

Assistant Forester Ted Rainwater said patrols labored over the weekend under favorable weather conditions that quieted the scorching fire lines and that most of the lines lost on the east and west have been retraced.

Men on the center of the south front were holding a pocket five miles on either side, he reported.

State forestry headquarters reported the 11,000-acre Polk county fire completely under control and that a 40-acre slash fire in Lane county was not dangerous.

Officials said trails lost on the southern front could be rebuilt in several days if today's high humidity rate continued and winds remained comparatively calm.

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Mrs. Harris Ellsworth To Sponsor New Tanker

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—The tanker Silver Creek, honoring the pioneer Marion county community, will be sponsored at Swan Island shipyard Tuesday by Mrs. Harris Ellsworth, wife of Representative Ellsworth, Roseburg.

Attending Mrs. Ellsworth will be her daughters, Mary Margaret and Jane. Rep. Ellsworth will speak and the Rev. William Coughlan, Roseburg, will deliver the invocation.

The vessel is one of a number being launched honoring such Oregon towns and landmarks.

Three Portlanders Are Missing on Plane Trip

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—Three Portland air travelers were missing today between Red Bluff, Calif., and Eugene after leaving the northern California city at 1:10 p. m. yesterday, a friend told authorities here.

The three are Sylvan L. Grosziner and wife, Ruby, and Mrs. Grosziner's sister, Mrs. Alma V. Pratt.

The party left San Francisco at 11 a. m. Sunday in a chartered four-place Simpson cabin plane, license NC-463-Y.

The Grosziners have two children, 3 and 5, at home.

Traffic Death Toll Is Taking Upward Swing

CHICAGO, July 30.—(AP)—The nation's traffic death toll for the first six months of 1945 was 11,160, one per cent below the same period last year, but 10 per cent greater than in 1943.

The National Safety council, which announced the figures, said traffic deaths for June alone were 1,920, 11 per cent more than in the same month last year and 14 per cent above June, 1943.

Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt Asks Army Retirement as Congress Probes Borrowings

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—Brig. Gen. Elliott Roosevelt, whose financial transactions as a civilian are under congressional scrutiny, has asked to be retired from the Army Air forces.

The 34-year-old second son of the late President Roosevelt submitted his request for release from active duty to Gen. H. H. Arnold. It has yet been acted upon.

A terse War department statement last night gave no reason for the action and no date.

Roosevelt, long accustomed to headlines, returned to the front pages early last month with reports that he had borrowed \$200,000 from John Hartford, president of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea company, in 1939 to finance a Texas radio venture and that the debt later was settled for \$4,000. Hartford was said to have listed the remaining \$196,000 as a bad debt deduction in his 1942 income tax return.

The house ways and means committee began an inquiry into the reported transactions, and early this month Chairman Doughton announced that the investigation had been expanded to explore "further angles" in several parts of the country.

Both Doughton and Representative Knutson (Minn.), ranking Republican on the committee, emphasized that the committee's interest was only to see that government revenues are protected in connection with deductions claimed on bad debts.

Easy Sailing For Peace Pact Is Forecast

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—Three senators often critical of administration foreign policies today forecast smooth sailing for legislation to carry out American participation in the United Nations peace-keeping organization.

In separate interviews, Senators Wheeler (D-Mont.), La Follette (Prog-Wis.) and Revercomb (R-W. Va.) said that if the president's primary authority is limited to the use of armed forces for policing the peace and if the size of military contingents assigned to the league is small, they can see no reason for congressional controversy. All three voted for the United Nations charter when it was ratified by the senate Saturday on an 89 to 2 roll call. The two "no" votes were cast by Senators Langer (R-N. D.) and Shipstead (R-Minn.).

Administration leaders have indicated clearly they will ask, in forthcoming legislation, that the president control this country's vote in the proposed world security council. They have said the U. S. representative would be authorized to vote for the use of force without consulting congress only in situations short of full scale warfare. This would not include on congress' right to declare war.

Truman Put on Record

In addition, charter sponsors have made it plain they believe only a relatively small American force need be assigned to the new league, since all of the 50 members will contribute.

If these conditions are fulfilled, Wheeler told a reporter, he saw no reason for making the "real fight" he previously had told the senate might develop in congress over this point.

President Truman assured the senate before it voted that any agreements of this nature would be submitted to congress in "appropriate legislation" for its approval.

A message from him to this effect was inserted in the record. Straight legislation requires majority approval of both houses.

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Murder Charge Hearing At Pendleton Deferred

LA GRANDE, Ore., July 30.—(AP)—District Attorney Eberhard said today he would wait for appointment of a defense attorney before holding preliminary hearings on a first degree murder charge against C. N. Ogilvie.

Ogilvie, accused of the shotgun slaying of Jack Stree, a neighbor, did not plead when arraigned before a justice Saturday.

He was arrested after Stree was shot while working in a hayfield. The two men were reported by Eberhard to have been disputing in recent months over use of a lane.

Two Named to Oregon's Physical Education Body

SALEM, Ore., July 30.—(AP)—Dorothy E. Moore, member of the staff of the University of Oregon School of Physical Education, and Capt. Harold A. Bishop, athletic officer and assistant planning and training officer at Fort Meade, were named to the state department of education to act jointly as directors of the reorganized ABD expanded health and physical education program for Oregon public schools, made mandatory by act of the recent legislature.

The two state supervisors are added to the staff of the state department of education to act jointly as directors of the reorganized ABD expanded health and physical education program for Oregon public schools, made mandatory by act of the recent legislature.

Chambers Withdraws As Tax Post Candidate

PENDLETON, Ore., July 30.—(AP)—County Judge Carl W. Chambers of Umatilla today announced his withdrawal as a candidate for membership on the State Tax commission to succeed Earl B. Dav, whose resignation is effective August 1.

Judge Chambers is serving his ninth year in his present position.

Roseburg Milk Situation Inquiry Asked by C. of C.

The Roseburg Chamber of Commerce today called upon the OPA for a investigation of the milk price situation in the Roseburg area and expressed the opinion that any investigation should "include all dairy products so that the economic balance of the dairy industry be maintained."

The letter, addressed to the district price executive, urged "that such investigation be made without delay."



THROWS BEEF TO FISH

Perry Leet Miller, 49, troopship steward, above, is charged with throwing a ton and a half of beef overboard on a trip between San Francisco, Calif., and Seattle, Wash. Miller didn't want to dock with so much poor-cut beef aboard.

Dynamite Blast Kills Two Persons

SALEM, Ore., July 30.—(AP)—A man and woman were killed and one worker seriously injured Saturday when dynamite exploded prematurely while workers were drilling a water well on the "Whitlock farm" near Marion.

Joe Williams, 25, Aumsville, died shortly after the blast exploded a pocketful of percussion caps. Mrs. Clara L. McKensie, 55, Waldport, died instantly when a piece of pipe pierced her forehead while she sat in a truck 50 feet away. Luther Lea, 39, Silverton Road, Salem, suffered a shattered ankle.

William McKenzie, whose wife was killed, told state police that Williams had inserted several sticks of dynamite in the pipe and had dropped another half stick, apparently upside down, to cause the explosion.

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Bowling Alleys to Move To Rose St. Location

Floyd Baughman, owner-manager of the Roseburg bowling alleys, today announced plans to occupy the Central Garage building, located on Rose street opposite the Public Library. The building has been leased from Louis Fullerton, Baughman reports, and is to be completely remodelled prior to occupancy.

Two more bowling alleys, making a total of six, will be installed and all approaches will be lengthened, Baughman said. In addition he plans to install six pool tables, and will provide light lunches, coffee and soft drinks.

The Roseburg Elks lodge has made plans to convert the space now occupied by the bowling alleys in the Elks building into a social room.

Weatherstrip Concern Plans Roseburg Branch

F. L. Ulan, who for the past eight years has operated the Interstate Weatherstrip Co. at Portland, Ore., was in Roseburg Saturday and reports he is arranging to open a Southern Oregon branch at Roseburg in the near future. The branch, to be installed as soon as suitable quarters can be arranged, will provide service for all of the Southern Oregon territory, including Klamath Falls on the west, south to the state line and north to Eugene and Florence.

The company specializes in weather stripping, venetian blinds, screen doors, window screens and caulking. As soon as equipment can be obtained, it is proposed to add insulation service. Ulan reports. The service is provided for both commercial and residential buildings.

Empire State Building Reopened for Business

NEW YORK, July 30.—(AP)—The Empire State building reopened for business today, despite the shattering impact of an eight-ton army bomber which struck it Saturday morning, killing 13 persons and smashing an 18-foot wide area in its north wall.

Army officials made no definite statement regarding damage to the building, which was at first estimated at \$500,000.

Emergency Training Urged

PORTLAND, Ore., July 30.—(AP)—The Oregon department, Marine Corps League, has recommended all state detachments support compulsory military training in postwar years.

More Than 370 Other Vessels Also Strafed

U. S. Planes Follow Up By Bombing Bottleneck Of Tokyo's Rail System

(By the Associated Press)

Allied warships and planes mercilessly hammered Japan's air defense and rail transportation today after a devastating week-end that destroyed or damaged more than 400 Japanese surface craft ranging from the Emperor's last battleship down to troop-laden rivercraft.

Without a single first line warship to oppose them, bombardment units of the powerful Allied fleet which controls the Pacific, shelled the railway bottleneck of Hamamatsu southwest of Tokyo for more than an hour today.

Nearly 1,500 carrier planes followed the pre-dawn bombardment by hammering airdromes and factories over a 300-mile stretch of Japan's main island. They roamed from Tokyo southward, almost unopposed. Japanese broadcasts said they were looted by 300 fighter planes from Iwo Jima.

Navy Remnants Erased

The raiders were fresh from attacks which left the great Kure naval base littered with sunken fighting ships, including three battleships. "The Japanese Pearl Harbor," one returning airman called it.

Communiques of Admiral Nimitz and Gen. MacArthur listed ten warships sunk, three probably sunk and 16 damaged Saturday. They included: Sunk—two battleships (a third was previously sunk at Kure), three cruisers, three submarines, one destroyer, one subchaser.

Probably sunk—one cruiser, one escort carrier, one subchaser.

Damaged—12 destroyers or destroyer escorts, two submarines. Other ships bombed and strafed included a number of freighters and freighter transports, some probably carrying troops, but most of them coastal vessels, schooners, junks and river craft. They were caught in home waters, along the China coast and in the Southwest Pacific. Fighter-carried reconnaissance planes, making a 2,100 mile sweep, reported a new treasure trove for shipping hunters at Singapore. The harbor was full of vessels, "peaceful and quiet."

In addition to the shipping toll taken over the weekend American and British planes destroyed 148 Japanese aircraft and damaged 145.

Still "Calling Shots"

General MacArthur disclosed

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Days Creek Fire Controlled; Copco Tower Damaged

A 60-acre grass fire in the Days Creek area was under full control today. Fred Southwick, supervising warden of the Douglas Forest Protective association, reported today. The fire originated Sunday afternoon and crews of fire fighters were sent from fire patrol stations to aid residents of the district in bringing the blaze under control. One tower of the Copco transmission line from Roseburg suffered minor damage. Roseburg was without electric service for a few minutes when an automatic switch kicked out when service was transferred from the Prospect to the Coos Bay line as a precautionary measure.

Observers On Alert

Protection forces in the southeastern part of the Umpqua National Forest are on the alert following several lightning strikes during a storm Thursday night. R. B. Hampton, fire assistant, reported. The storm left several fires in the Rogue river forest, but none has been reported to date on the Umpqua. Observers, however, are on the lookout for "sleepers" fires which may smolder for several days after lightning strikes before breaking into a blaze.

Freezing temperatures were reported Sunday night at high elevations on the forest, somewhat reducing, temporarily, the fire hazard, Hampton said.

Two-Story Fall Only Interrupts His Sleep

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—A fall from a second-story window only interrupted his sleep, Claude Hoffman insisted today.

He told a police emergency squad that he fell from the window in his home while asleep walking. He laughed off suggestions that he go to a hospital for an examination—and went back to bed.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

It now looks as if nothing would be left of Japan to surrender.