

Seven Baseball Players Die in Plunge of Bus

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and Portland outfielder, head injuries; Richard Powers, Oakland, Calif., head injuries and possible neck fracture; Erwin Konopka, Moscow, Idaho, former University of Idaho catcher, head injury; Benjamin Garaghty, Livingston, N. J., formerly with Sacramento and Indianapolis, head lacerations; Peter Barisoff, Los Angeles, cuts and bruises (released from hospital); Darwin (Gus) Hallbourg of Boston, burned on pitching hand and arms.

Bus Completely Destroyed

The fifth place Spokane Indians were en route to Bremerton for a series with the fourth place team from that Puget Sound city.

Estimates of the distance of the drop ranged from 300 to 500 feet. The burning bus landed upright. An hour later it was only a twisted steel skeleton.

Darkness settled over the scene shortly after the accident and rescue activities were difficult up the steep slope in the darkness guided by flashlights and flares. The more seriously injured had their clothes burned off and one witness said the seared skin on the worst cases was hanging loose.

Some of the victims were thrown clear of the tumbling bus and injured on the jutting rocks. Garaghty, who said "I guess I'm pretty lucky," said: "I was thrown right out a window. I took the window frame right with me. I remember flying out the window, but I must have knocked out because I don't remember landing."

Hallbourg said he was knocked senseless, "came to" inside the flaming wreckage and dived out a window.

Plans Change Saves Trio

Three Spokane baseball players unwittingly escaped injury or death in the disaster, two of them because they made other plans, and a third, because other plans were made for him.

Fitchers Milt Cadilha and Joe Faria decided to drive to the coast with their wives in Faria's automobile, so they did not ride in the doomed team bus.

Third Baseman Jack Lohrke, who has been hitting a lusty .362 while with Spokane on a 24-hour recall basis from San Diego of the Pacific Coast League, was informed of his recall while on the bus. He left the bus at Ellensburg, within 50 miles of the crash scene, and headed back to Spokane to get his gear together for the trip to San Diego.

'Wrong Side' Driver Blamed

Later today survivors at the hospital said an unidentified "wrong side" driver caused their chartered bus to leave the highway and plunge down a precipitous hill.

"I saw the headlights coming toward us on the wrong side of the road," Levi McCormack, 32-year-old Spokane outfielder, told newsmen at Harborview County Hospital. "The road was slippery. Our driver applied his brakes. We swerved across the road into the guardrail. We went through. We went down. I've never heard such hell. I don't know why we didn't smash the other driver. It might have been better."

Ben Garaghty, 31, a second baseman, corroborated McCormack's account. "I saw the lights coming," he said. "The car was on the wrong side. We either tried to miss it or skidded. I don't know. I went out a window too quick to tell."

PAC-Opposed Aspirants Lose in Maryland's Vote

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nought nomination for a second term and Young asked election to complete the unexpired term of the late Senator John Moses (D.). Young was appointed in March, 1945, to serve until the election.

Langer's opponent was State Senator J. B. Bridson, who played up the senator's votes against the United Nations charter, British loan and selective service extension.

Young figured in a three-sided race with former Republican Senator Gerald P. Nye, steadfast foe of the Roosevelt administration's foreign policy, running as an independent, and P. W. Lanier, Jr., 33-year-old marine veteran from Fargo, the Democratic choice.

Lanier described both of the others as "rabid isolationists." Young's supporters declared the CIO-PAC hoped to see Lanier elected while the "conservative" vote was dividing between Nye and Young. Nye fired most of his campaign ammunition at "bureaucracy" in the federal government.

House Votes Draft Law Extension to March 31

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mise, the House unanimously passed and sent to the Senate a compromise bill raising the pay of all service personnel.

In the course of debate, Rep. Thompson (D-Tex.) read to the House a letter in which Secretary of War Patterson said the Army plans no draft calls for July and August.

The secretary said he is hopeful that with increases in pay, the armed forces would be able to obtain enough men through voluntary enlistments to meet their needs for the next few months.

Both he and General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the chief of staff, prefer an all-volunteer army if one can be obtained and do not "desire to have a single man drafted" if it can be avoided, Thompson wrote.

The pay raises range from a maximum of 50 per cent for buck privates and apprentice seamen to 10 per cent for five-star generals and admirals. A voice vote sent this bill to the Senate. Prompt Senate acceptance is expected, since that body already had agreed to its general provisions.

City's Budget, \$137,360, Approved by Council

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mately \$3 a cubic yard. Total cost, including clearing, building a roadway, repaving and cleanup, insurance, contingency fund, and profit, was estimated at \$4,500.

The actual bid may be less than \$4,500, Hill said, but will not exceed that figure now or in the immediate future. Changing conditions, principally affecting labor, would increase the figure, not lower it, he added.

Vets Volunteer Labor

The council meeting closed with the appearance of a group from the Roseburg Veterans Club of World War II, who offered their help in erecting city street signs.

If their work is needed, they said, they will work Sundays to dig the holes at street intersections throughout the city where the signs will be emplaced. The offer of help, Councilman Croft assured the committee, would be referred to George Frew, superintendent of streets.

Tax Levy Fixed

The city budget adopted last night calls for a tax levy of \$65,194.27. A required ordinance to that effect was given first reading as an "emergency" measure, to permit the necessary notice to the county assessor before the July 15 deadline.

Unanimous approval was given the budget by the council. Although a "public" hearing was slated, no outsiders were present to discuss the budget.

Payment of serial bonds by the city is provided by the setting aside of \$18,000, and payment of bond interest by \$3,605.

The tax levy is upon all real and personal property within the corporate limits of the City of Roseburg and shown upon the tax rolls of the county assessor.

The budget, adopted last night, was first approved May 10 by the city budget committee.

Public Hearing Set on Non-High School Budget

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non-high school districts, Mrs. Gorrell said.

The total amount to be raised by taxation is estimated to be \$95,950 plus an additional estimated \$500 which will not be collected, making \$96,450. The budget, as submitted, is \$33,962.24 within the six per cent limitation.

J. M. Francis, Oakland, is chairman of the non-high school district board, and R. A. Busenbark is chairman of the budget committee.

Trend Toward O.K. on Non-High Jobs Reversed

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stage." Only the remaining 10 per cent, he said, reached CPA for a decision whether the projects were essential and non-deferrable.

Mistakes Said Few

Small asserted that the 71 citizens' construction committees which advise CPA field offices on construction requests have been doing a "difficult job patriotically and well."

"They are not infallible and some mistakes are unavoidable but, country-wide, their mistakes have been few," he continued. "Al-

most every action that has been criticized has been found upon investigation to have been warranted by the facts."

Year's OPA Extension Voted by Conferees

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breeders of inflation.

Among them:

1. An end to OPA's controversial program calling for specific quantities of lower-cost clothing.
2. A halt to so-called cost-absorption on such things as autos, refrigerators and radios.
3. A requirement that average unit cost increases since 1941 must be reflected in all price ceilings.

Last night's session of the conferees was forced by widely varying extension bills passed separately by the House and Senate.

A majority of the seven delegates from each house signed the committee's recommendations, Senator Barkley reported. Senator Taft quickly amplified the declaration: he and Senator Millikin had not done so, he said. And Senator Radcliffe, another conferee, was home for a primary election.

The House conferees added that only Rep. Crawford had failed to sign on their side. But they said he would do so today.

The refusal of Taft and Millikin to approve the report immediately led to speculation whether they would oppose it in the Senate and attempt to force a further revision.

Two Courses Open

Each house has its choice of voting the conference's recommendations up or down, or sending the bill back to the joint committee with instructions for specific changes.

Senate theories came out on top again in creation of a three-member control board, to be appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. Independent of OPA, the bi-partisan board could overrule the price administrator or the secretary of agriculture if either, without good reason, rejected an industry's request to lift ceilings.

The secretary of agriculture was given control over all farm products, whereas heretofore OPA has had the final say.

Because of the many ceiling adjustments that will have to be made under the compromise version, the conferees inserted a provision giving OPA 30 days after July 1 to re-price articles still under control.

Compromise on Subsidies

The conferees reached their own compromise on the hotly-disputed issues of subsidies—government payments designed to keep down retail prices.

They voted to hold them to an even \$1,000,000,000 and to quit paying food subsidies next April 1.

If the conference decision holds, not more than \$629,000,000 can be spent for food subsidies the remainder of this calendar year. The only subsidies which would extend beyond April 1, 1947, are those for copper, lead, zinc and sugar.



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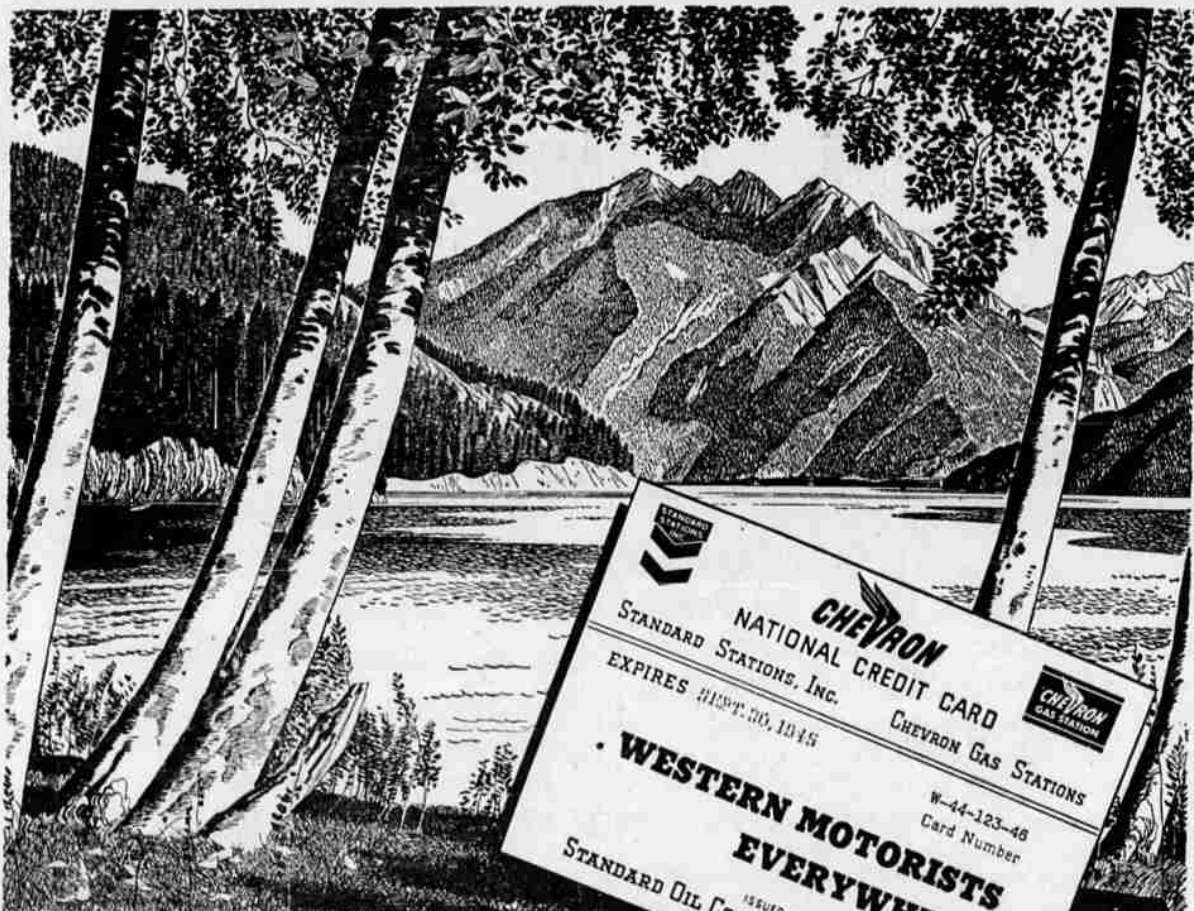
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