

CALCUTTA RIOT CASUALTIES REACH 1,850

Roseburg News-Review

The Weather
Clear and continued warm tonight and Sunday.

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Floods Sweep Illinois, Missouri Areas

Death Toll 4, Damage Runs Into Millions

Hundreds Driven From Homes; Kansas Swelters In Heat, Snow in Canada

(By the Associated Press)
Heavy rains flooded numerous Illinois communities yesterday, costing four persons their lives, inflicting heavy property damage and leaving more than 1,200 persons homeless.

The Illinois lowlands across the Mississippi river from St. Louis suffered most. Property damage ran into millions of dollars when nine to 12 inches of rain fell in 48 hours ended yesterday.

A flood-weakened levee burst about 75 miles northwest of St. Louis, sending thousands of tons of sand and water into the little town of Pearl, Ill. No lives were lost among the 600 residents but 250 were made homeless.

More than 25 homes were demolished and another 25 damaged. Sand from the hillsides piled up as high as four feet in the town, blanketing automobiles.

East St. Louis Awash
Across from St. Louis, more than 1,500 persons were left homeless, mostly in East St. Louis and Belleville, Ill. Coast guard and private boats rescued 400 persons marooned in the Washington Park district of East St. Louis.

Absenteeism among flood-stranded workers slowed industry.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE American people on the day this is written are OBSERVING the first anniversary of VJ Day. We're not CELEBRATING it. We're HOPEFUL, but we're keeping our fingers crossed. No one who can remember that far back can fail to be impressed by the difference between this VJ Day and the first anniversary of Armistice Day—on November 11, 1919.

We've learned a lot in these 27 years. We know now that victory in a world war doesn't necessarily mean peace. It all depends on whether the victors can get along with each other afterward.

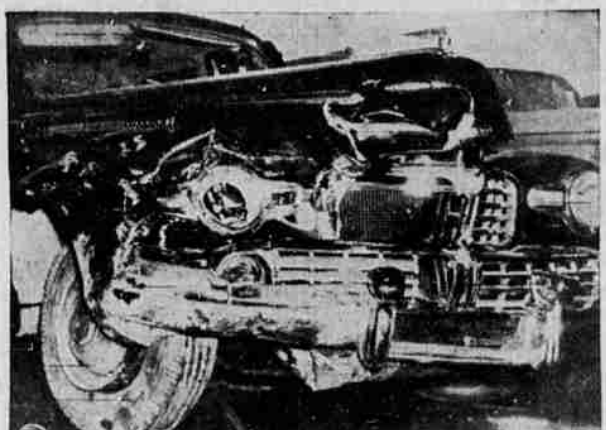
THIS much is encouraging:

In Japan, where we have had SO FAR a reasonably free hand in the administering of the peace, we seem to be making some progress. Maybe — if by heaven-sent good fortune our hands can be LEFT free there — we might be able to rebuild Japan into a peace-loving rather than a war-mongering country.

That would be real progress.

THE "peace" in Europe looks like a mess. But at least we haven't been SOLELY responsible for making the mess. There have

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ROOSEVELT AUTO AFTER THREE-CAR COLLISION—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt escaped serious injury after a three-car collision in Westchester County, N. Y., caused, she said, when she dozen at the wheel. The car struck an approaching auto and side-swiped another. Four persons were injured, two seriously.

U. S. Surplus Goods Probe Is Extended

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A house committee's investigation of government surplus goods disposal branched out today to touch on destruction of Army equipment and gifts of real estate to new-born educational institutions.

Meanwhile, the surplus property committee suspended temporarily its inquiry into the activities of war brokers in the nation's capital. After citing Benjamin Franklin Fields, Washington promoter, for contempt, the committee held he had failed to come up with his records on a wire purchasing transaction. These were the transients.

1. Robert Whittet, director of the war assets administration's institutional division, acknowledged that the newly-formed American Institute for Foreign Trade had acquired, without financial outlay, government-owned land buildings worth \$407,000 at Glendale, Ariz.

2. Chairman Slaughter announced that the committee would hold public hearings beginning Monday in Atlanta on "the Army's destruction of radio and electronic equipment."

3. A declaration by Joseph P. Carroll, director of the compliance enforcement division of WAA, that the huge government holdings of surplus property were attracting "numerous speculators and profiteers." A former FBI agent, he said his division was drafting a blacklist of such "individuals" just as fast as they can be detected.

Labor Day Parade to Tie In With Horse Show Here

A parade through Roseburg's central business district on Labor Day is to be held in connection with the two-day equestrian show of the Trail Dust Riding Club, September 1 and 2, at the county fair grounds.

All clubs, labor temples, lodges, business and civic organizations, merchants and the general public are asked to participate by entering floats, novelty entries, and riders.

The parade will start at 10 o'clock on N. Jackson Street. All participants are asked to assemble at 9:30. Further information on the parade may be obtained from A. L. Andrus.

Cars Sought to Shift Sugar to Needy East

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Efforts are being made in Washington, D. C., to obtain railroad car priorities to move sugar east from west coast storage centers. P. T. Tattersall, Pacific regional OPA rationing chief, said yesterday.

Stocks are short in some parts of the U. S., he said, while best producing Oregon, Washington, Idaho and California have piled up surpluses.

In spite of refusal of the San Francisco OPA office to consider giving northwest housewives 10 more pounds of sugar for canning, a bumper fruit crop, efforts are continuing in that direction with an appeal planned.

In making the refusal for an additional sugar ration for the northwest, San Francisco officials said the surplus was needed in other parts of the nation.

Probe Ordered Into Food Destruction Charge

SEATTLE, Aug. 17.—(AP)—The Navy ordered an investigation today of charges that food, being returned here from overseas, was being wantonly destroyed at the Seattle naval supply depot although fit for human consumption.

Capt. C. Dallas Emory, general inspector of the 13th naval district, was ordered to make the probe after the Seattle Times charged yesterday that food, it said, was fit for humans, was being made into swill at the supply depot for the pigpen at the McNeil Island federal penitentiary.

The Navy headquarters said only food declared unfit for human consumption by federal food inspectors was being destroyed.

Be 'More Specific,' OPA Ordered in Damage Suit

The OPA has been ordered to be "more specific" in its charges against the Roseburg Lumber Company and the Lumber Distributors, Inc., in suits for treble damages for alleged sales above ceiling prices, by Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly at Eugene.

The OPA will have until Sept. 13 to file amended complaints which should be "more specific in disclosing particular sales alleged to have been made at prices above the OPA maximum," and naming the commodities alleged to have been sold above the OPA ceiling.

Civic Projects Slated For Vote in Portland

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Portlanders will ballot in November on a \$3,000,000 bond issue, as well as the site choice of a civic center, city councilmen decided yesterday.

Another bond measure calling for \$2,500,000 for a veterans' memorial building also will be listed.

A charter amendment to reduce the work week for firemen to 60 hours and another to grant pay increases to city councilmen and the mayor also were given the electorate for decisions.

Set Fires at St. Johns Launch Hunt for Firebug

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A firebug was hunted in the St. Johns District of North Portland today after three set fires were reported late last night and early today, putting the week's total there at 10.

Two private garages were set afire with damage estimated at \$200 and a grass fire was set. Police said two girls reported seeing a man set the grass fire.

Jewish Strike Will Protest Deportations

JERUSALEM, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Haganah's clandestine radio station, "Voice of Israel," started broadcasting an appeal at 15-minute intervals in the Halifa area this morning, urging Jewish residents to "leave your homes and join in the demonstration in the center of town."

The broadcast said nearly 1,500 Jewish refugees from the immigrant ships, "23" and "Fenice," "are being deported right now."

Observers on Mount Carmel, overlooking Halifa, said two British ships, believed to be loading illegal refugees for deportation to Cyprus still were standing in the harbor, but were unable to say whether they were loading refugees from the immigrant ships.

A ring of steel was maintained around the harbor, as it has been since the first deportation of refugees Tuesday.

Authorities expressed fear of serious uprising in the already tense city as word spread that the two British vessels, Empire Heywood and Empire Rival, which returned to Halifa from Cyprus last night, were preparing to leave.

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Sheep, Cattle, Wheat Toll Of Drought in Australia

SYDNEY, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Government agricultural experts said today that a winter drought which has turned pastures into dust and shriveled young wheat, would rob the world of about 30,000,000 bushels of Australian wheat and an unpredictable amount of meat and butter this year.

In the past few weeks thousands of sheep and many cattle have perished in the drought-stricken northwest and central areas of the state of New South Wales and in Southern Queensland. Indications were that if rain did not come immediately, 5,000,000 sheep would be threatened.

Diversion of Materials To Vets Homes Backed

SEATTLE, Aug. 17.—(AP)—The governor's advisory committee today announced its endorsement of a state-wide 90-day moratorium on commercial and industrial construction and diversion of materials to permit completion of 2,300 residences for veterans.

Commissioners stressed that the program should be voluntary. Paul A. Goodwin, chairman of the American veterans committee housing committee said, "We intend to have picketlines, if we find there are those who are unwilling to cooperate."

Burns to Death in Home

SEWARD, Alaska, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Eric Eckman, 50, burned to death yesterday when fire destroyed his two-room home.

Eckman, officials said, apparently died while trying to get to the back door through the hottest part of the blaze.

Russia Should Have 'Square Deal,' Says Senator Vandenberg

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Sen. Vandenberg (R-Mich.) today urged "the same square deal for Russia which we ask of her."

In a speech prepared for delivery at the state American Legion convention, Vandenberg called for unity among nations and declared that without the United Nations the prospects for peace would be "as dark as midnight."

Drawing attention to differences between "eastern Communism and western democracy," the senator said, "they should not differ in their desire for peace."

"I have seen... many an impasse between Moscow and Washington heralded as 'the final crisis'... finally resolved within the liberal principles for which we stood," Vandenberg declared.

He termed America's offer to outlaw atomic bombs "the greatest evidence of international goodwill in human history, and it utterly scorns the Soviet efforts to question our good faith."

PARIS, Aug. 17.—(AP)—The European peace conference voted 15 to 6 today, over Russian opposition, to invite Austria to present her views on the pending treaty with Italy and then adopted unanimously a Soviet proposal to invite Iran to be heard as well.

The United States joined Britain in favor of permitting Austria to appear—in the words of the proposal—"to explain its point of view on the treaty with Italy on the same terms as Albania, Mexico, Cuba and Egypt."

Glengary Marine Killed in Wreck

Marine Corporal Herman Edvard Doering, Jr., 20, of Glengary, was killed Friday when pinned under his coupe, two miles south of Vista, Calif., according to word received from the California state highway patrol. Officers said Doering apparently went to sleep at the wheel and the car plunged into an embankment and overturned.

Doering is survived by his mother, Mrs. Merle Doering; a brother, Carl, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, all of Glengary.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

Eddie Mack, Ex-Ring Champ, Dies in Car Upset

SANTA FE, N. M., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Eddie Mack, 41, once recognized by the National Boxing Association as junior lightweight boxing champion, died today beneath his overturned automobile about 17 miles north of here on U. S. Highway 64.

Mack, whose real name was Pedro C. Quintana, won NBA recognition after he fought Red Chapman to a draw in Denver in 1926 and defeated Tod Morgan in 1928. New York and California recognized Benny Bass as the titleholder. The two met in Philadelphia in 1932 and Bass kayoed Mack, breaking his jaw.

Order Defers Strike of 8,000 S.P. Employees

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(AP)—The National Mediation Board said yesterday President A. F. Whitney of the railway trainmen, has authorized an indefinite postponement of a strike of 8,000 Southern Pacific employees scheduled for 6 P. M. August 21.

Whitney ordered the postponement of a board official told reporters sending efforts to settle a dispute between the brotherhood and company through mediation under the railway labor act.

The brotherhood has charged the railroad with violating working agreements covering classes of employees it represents.

William F. Mitchell, a board mediator, already is in San Francisco conferring with the parties to the dispute.

(By the Associated Press)
The CIO National Maritime Union's strike against Great Lakes shipping went into its third day today with union leaders seeking to expand the walk-out and with no sign of an early break in sight.

Union headquarters in Detroit said "somewhere around 100" of the 400 American-Flag cargo ships on the five lakes were tied up. Shipping companies placed

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Officers Elected by Marine Corps League

Officers were elected by the newly-formed unit of the Marine Corps League which met Thursday, August 15, at the Del Rey Cafe. Jack May was chosen commander. Other officers selected were:

Senior vice commandant, Howard Marsh; junior vice commandant, R. G. (Dick) Baker; judge advocate, Frank D. Holmes; adjutant paymaster, Doris Shoemaker; chaplain, Walter Wickham.

Plans were made for the installation of these officers on August 29. State officers are being invited to the installation, at which time a banquet will be served.

The organization is for all honorably discharged Marines. Any who are interested are urged to contact the officers for further information.

Starveout Lumber Mill, Timber at Azalea Sold

The Starveout Lumber Co. mill and timber located at Azalea, owned by Mr. and Mrs. William P. Jantzer, has been sold to Macc Construction Co. of Los Angeles. It was announced here today. The new owners, taking immediate possession, have installed Ross R. McVay, recently of Grants Pass, as superintendent of operations, and Hobart G. La Grange, Los Angeles, office manager.

The purchase included approximately 25 million board feet of standing timber.

The new owners are reported to be planning use of the mill's output in its large scale construction work.

Blaze on Lower Umpqua Ranch Is Extinguished

Fire suppression crews from Hinkle Creek and Drain last night extinguished a 10-acre blaze on the W. Billick farm east of Sawyer's Rapids, on the highway between Elkton and Scottsburg. The Douglas Forest Protection Association reported this morning.

The fire started in logging slash in a cut-over area. Damage was small. The fire was believed to have been caused by a cigarette tossed from an automobile passing on the highway.

First reported at noon yesterday, the fire was brought under control by the fire fighting crews by nightfall. Warden from Elkton and Weatherly were in charge.

Restaurant Workers in Eugene Win Union Pact

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP)—A union shop agreement has been signed by 15 members of the Eugene Restaurant Owners' Association, providing a 40-hour work week and general wage increases. Another provision provides for a week's vacation with pay after a year's service and two weeks after two years.

Will Aid Women of Douglas County in Problems of Home



Photo by Clark's Studio

Appointment of Miss Wanda Thoreson, above, formerly of Myrtle Creek, as county home demonstration agent was announced this week by County Agent J. Roland Parker.

Miss Thoreson was graduated in 1943 from Oregon State College, Corvallis, where she majored in home economics. Following her graduation, she received appointment to the WAVES office training schools at Smith College, Northampton, Mass., and at Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass.

Upon receiving her commission, she was assigned to the Mare Island Navy Yard, Calif., as a supply officer.

As home demonstration agent, Miss Thoreson will visit rural communities to aid women in their home making problems. She will also disseminate information issued by the Oregon State College extension service.

Miss Thoreson has not yet planned her schedule, but she expects to visit some 17 rural centers monthly.

Drug Store Opened By Church and Son

The H. C. Church and Son Drug Store, recently installed in the new annex to the Rose Hotel, was given its formal opening today.

Owners and proprietors are Dr. H. C. Church, formerly in practice as an optometrist in Roseburg for 17 years, and his son, Charles (Chub) Church. Both Dr. Church and his son recently returned to civilian life from military service.

Dr. Church served in the chemical warfare department of the Army with the rank of lieutenant colonel, while the son served as a first lieutenant in the Marine Corps air service.

Dr. Church is a graduate of the North Pacific College School of Pharmacy. Prior to entering practice of optometry, he was employed as a pharmacist at Portland, Pendleton, Coos Bay and Aberdeen, and spent three years with the Parke-Davis Company.

He came to Roseburg in 1923 following service in the first World War. He disposed of his business in 1940 when called into military service from the Officers Reserve. He was discharged in April, 1946.

Charles Church, a student in the school of pharmacy at Oregon State College, will return at the opening of the fall term to complete his course.

The new store will handle a complete line of drugs and sundries and will maintain a prescription department, fountain, etc.

Birch veneer fixtures for the attractive new store were built and installed by the Roseburg Cabinet Shop.

Prisoner Killed in Leap From S. P. Train

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A navy prisoner being moved from Seattle to San Pedro died here yesterday of injuries received when he fell or jumped from a Southern Pacific train at Kelso, Wash.

Although Navy shore patrol personnel refused to identify the man, they said their group had included William Warden Jr., 28, the name found on personal papers on the body. The papers indicated the man was from New Jersey.

Postoffice Building Used for Wheat Storage

STARBUCK, Wash., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Even the Postoffice Building is being loaded to the ceiling with part of the bumper wheat crop of the southeastern Washington wheat belt. The emergency storage space is separated by a wall from the postal department of this small Columbia community, but the folks are finding a bit of the wheat underfoot on the sidewalk when they drop in for their mail.

Arson, Looting Mark 2 Days of Wild Disorder

Moslems Battle Hindus After Rejecting British Plans for Independence

CALCUTTA, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A pitched battle was raging tonight between crowds of Moslems and Hindus in central Calcutta after another day of riots marked by arson, looting and stabbing incidents. Casualties in the two-day disorders were estimated at 250 killed and 1,600 injured, Reuters reported.

British and Indian troops, reinforced by armored cars, struggled to clear the streets. The situation was reported improved in the north part of the city.

Sir Frederick Burrows, governor of Bengal, told Calcuttans in a radio broadcast tonight "it was incredible that, on the eve of self-government, the largest city in India should become a victim of mob rule." He said political leaders of all parties were unanimous in condemning what he described as the licentious destruction of life and property.

Damage Runs Into Millions
Police fired many times during the day to disperse crowds looting shops. Some bodies lay unidentified in the blood-stained streets.

The roar of crowds and the crash of breaking glass could be heard along with the crackle of small arms fire. Damage to date was estimated around \$4,000,000.

Essential services of the city were maintained with skeleton staffs. Some office workers were stranded in their office buildings. Many others, who succeeded in reaching their homes yesterday, did not report at their jobs today.

Orders were issued prohibiting the assembly of five or more persons and barring the carrying of dangerous weapons as reports

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Forester Lindh Shifted To New Mexico Post

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP)—Lawrence K. Mays, supervisor of Fremont National Forest, Oregon, will succeed C. Otto Lindh as assistant regional forester in charge of the North Pacific region fire control, regional headquarters reported today.

Lindh will go to Albuquerque, N. M., in charge of southwest regional timber management. Assistant Supervisor Merle S. Lowden will be promoted to Fremont supervisor.

Chinese Troops Desert To Communists, Report

MOSCOW, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Tass said today in a dispatch from Nanking that not all of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's troops were willing to fight the Chinese Communists.

Tass quoted Singhua, Chinese news agency, as saying that two companies of the 513th regiment of the 17th division had rebelled in Huissang and were cordially received by the Communists.

Jam of Lumber Forces Coos Bay Mill to Shut

COOS BAY, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP)—The Coos Bay Lumber Company, its storage space jammed with 15,000,000 board feet of lumber, shut down Friday night and will not reopen until a substantial amount had been shipped.

Lumber has been piling up here because of the port closure following an AF of L-CIO jurisdictional dispute, and shortage of rail freight cars.

Nippon Naval Officer Kills Family and Himself

YOKOSUKA, Japan, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Rear Adm. Shiro Sato, wartime commander of Japanese naval forces in the New Guinea area, killed his wife and two children as they slept early today, then took his own life with the same pistol.

He left a note expressing a feeling of degradation by defeat. "Dispose of the bodies of me and my family as you would of cats and dogs," it read.

Japs' Secret Supply of Poison Gas Being Sunk

KURE, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A landing craft filled with 3,000 tons of poison gases, part of Japan's huge secret stock, was sunk today by British occupation forces. In all, 17,000 tons of gases will be destroyed. The ship was towed 150 miles to sea and blow up by charges fixed below the waterline.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Rosenzweig

Now that Senator Morse plans to visit Europe for a close-up of the general foreign situation, America will eagerly await his report on such matters of grave domestic concern as Hungary's supply of goulash, the stockpile of diapers in all countries and the latest whereabouts of the Mussolini cadaver.

Political Battle Staged by Democratic, GOP Senators, Chairmen Over Major Issues

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—(AP)—A Democratic and a Republican senator jumped into a pitched political battle between their parties' national chairmen today over the issues of the November election.

Senator Capper (R., Kan.) told a reporter he thought Democratic Chairman Robert E. Hannegan was "trying to deceive the people" in accusing congressional Republicans of engaging "in a deliberate, concerted scheme to block the postwar program which the American people wanted."

Senator Taylor (D-Idaho) declared in a separate interview that Republican Chairman B. Carroll Reece was "talking through his hat" when he said it seemed a "practical certainty that the people this year will entrust control of congress to the Republicans."

Reece declared in a speech in Denver yesterday that if his party gains control, it will make an investigation of the administration which will make recent war profits disclosures "seem

Like a Pogrom in Comparison with an Atomic Bomb

Taylor said if an investigation showed any irregularities in obtaining money from the government, "it was stolen by the big industrialists who had the contracts and they are all Republicans."

Hannegan Hits Minority

In his first formal speech of the fall campaign, Hannegan told



BAN ENDED, G.I. TAKES GERMAN BRIDE—Mrs. Margaret Roth, reported to be the first German girl to marry in Germany legally since the Army ban on such marriages. Here she looks at picture of her husband, Joseph C. Roth, of Philadelphia, Pa., former G. I. Exclusive radio-telephone by Reginald Kenney, NEA-Acme photographer.