



JO ANN FETED BY KIWANIANS—"Miss Oregon" is presented with a bouquet of flowers by Al Henninger at yesterday's Kiwanis luncheon, at which Jo Ann was honorary guest, as her mother, Mrs. Archie Amorde, and Paul Bunyans Ralph Ohman, left, and Stan White look on.

'Miss Oregon' Kiwanis Honor Guest at Atlantic City Hour; Tour of Industries Scheduled

Kiwanians turned out en masse yesterday to their luncheon at the Umpqua Hotel to honor and meet "Miss Oregon."

Accompanied to the luncheon by her mother, Gerry Gilbo, committee manager, and Paul Bunyans Ralph Ohman and Stan White, Jo Ann was presented with a large bouquet of flowers by President Al Henninger and extended the best wishes of all the 65 attending civic club members.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

AS these words are written the news that is coming from the clicking teletypes in our office is picturing a world the like of which has not been known by any person now living.

TO begin with, there is the case of the 12-year-old boy up in Washington who was killed when he came in contact with an electric fence while playing with a companion in a creek.

The fence, the coroner says, was NOT EQUIPPED WITH A CONTROLLER to break the current, and so when the carefree boy, standing in water, which is a perfect conductor, touched the charged wire he was electrocuted.

The coroner adds that there were no warning signs.

AN electric fence, properly constructed, with proper equipment, is one of the useful gadgets of our highly mechanized modern life.

A fence is designed to keep livestock within bounds. A PROPER electric fence sends quick, short jolts of current racing along the wires. An animal, coming in contact with such a barrier, gets an unpleasant sensation, somewhat like the sting of a bee, and shies away, startled but unhurt, and thereafter has heightened respect for the thing.

Rightly controlled, such a device adds to the efficiency of our economy. UNCONTROLLED, it becomes a death trap.

HOW is a 12-year-old boy to know such things? Our modern civilization, with its tremendous forces, has simply gone

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Sheep Bring Record Price To Growers at Yoncalla

Sheep growing in North Douglas County shows a substantial increase this year according to shipping figures, and George Edes, weigher at the Yoncalla shipping station, reports the price paid for sheep this year has reached an all time high.

A Yoncalla buyer states that between July 7 and July 21, 3,396 head of fat and medium sheep were shipped from Yoncalla, netting ranchers of the area \$44,382.10.

Goods Listed for Russia May Go Instead to Greece, Turkey; Credit to Hungary Canceled

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6. —(AP)—Part of a \$25,000,000 tag end lot of lend-lease goods originally destined for Russia may wind up in Greece and Turkey under the American aid program designed to ease Soviet pressures on those countries.

The rest is likely to be dumped on the surplus property market where, conceivably, Russia could buy it again at cut-rate prices.

This situation came to light today as officials disclosed privately that congressional action in blocking the shipments is causing an epidemic of headaches in both the State and Treasury Departments.

The State Department pleaded with the lawmakers to let the deal go through lest this government lay itself open to charges of "flagrant discrimination" and "welshing" on its contract with the Russians.

But Congress took the position that Soviet actions in eastern Europe in the last few months

Attlee Acts to Meet Britain's Crisis

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Year's Worst Heat Wave Claims 24 Lives

Sizzling Spell Expands to Eastern Area

Mercury Soars Over 100 In Many Spots; Hay, Corn Suffer, Pastures Dry Up

(By the Associated Press) The death toll in the Midwest's worst heat wave of the summer mounted to 24 with additional reports this afternoon. The deaths were recorded in St. Louis, Mo.

(By the Associated Press) The worst heat wave of the year, firmly anchored over most of the nation, had caused at least 19 deaths today as it spread into the Eastern states.

A finger of cold air from Canada had brought substantial relief and some scattered showers to the Dakotas and Minnesota but it was almost absorbed in Nebraska and western Iowa where the temperature drop was only moderate.

There was nothing in sight, the bureau said, to dislodge the hot air from the Mississippi Valley, South Plains and Great Lakes regions generally within the next 24 hours, though the wind shift in Nebraska and western Iowa was moving slowly eastward with relief promised for parts of other North Central states tonight and Thursday.

Both the Eastern and Rocky Mountain states would be warmer today, forecasters said.

Crops Suffering No rain of consequence was in immediate prospect for most of the dry Midwest tonight, now generally depleted of moisture by three days of temperatures ranging from the high 90's to well above 100 degrees. Pastures were reported drying up and hay crops reduced. Corn has fired in at least a few areas.

In Chicago, where the temperature hit 100 degrees yesterday, Mayor Kennedy issued a proclamation saying the conservation of water was "imperative." More than 200 residents on second floors had complained, he said, that

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Fears Arise Over Missing Veteran

"Foul play" may be the cause of the disappearance of Dean Elmo Armstrong, 27, last seen in Roseburg July 26. Chief of Police O. A. Kennerly said today.

Armstrong, the brother of Mrs. Frank Sirow of Roseburg, is the recipient of government checks at the home of his parents in Curtis, Neb., which he cannot cash unless he presents his Army discharge papers.

The discharge papers and social security card bearing Armstrong's name were discovered under the east end of the Oak St. Bridge July 27 or 28, by a child who turned them over to the sheriff's office, Kennerly said.

The sister, who has not seen Armstrong since July 26, suspected "foul play," since there was "trouble" between Armstrong and another man, whom Mrs. Sirow did not identify, Kennerly said.

Armstrong's father also is reported to be "gravely ill" and the family desires to locate the missing man, Kennerly said.

A description of Armstrong follows: Hazel eyes, brown hair, ruddy complexion, and 5 feet 7 inches in height. Any information as to his whereabouts should be given to the Roseburg police, Kennerly said.

Public Hearing Set by Milk Probe Committee

A meeting of the special committee appointed to investigate Roseburg's milk situation has been scheduled for 7:30 P. M. tomorrow at the Chamber of Commerce offices, it was reported by County Sanitarian Claude Baker, chairman.

All persons interested, including milk producers and distributors, are invited to attend, Baker said. Committee members include Hugh Ritchie, farmer; O. R. Feldkamp and C. E. Schoenleber, distributors; L. L. Chittwood, producer-distributor; and City Councilmen H. C. Carstens and J. A. Hart.

\$100 Gift Offered For Wedding at Reedsport Rodeo

Is there an engaged couple in the Roseburg area who would like a cash wedding gift in the sum of \$100?

The gift is available to a public couple agreeing to a public ceremony while mounted on horseback, at the rodeo, opening at Reedsport Saturday.

The Reedsport unit of the Douglas County Sheriff's Posse has found no takers for its offer in its own area. A couple from any other section of the county has the next chance. If the offer is not accepted by 5 P. M. Thursday, the prize will be posted to include any couple in the state.

The Reedsport posse will pay the couple's expenses from Roseburg to Reedsport and return, provide entertainment, and furnish a cash prize of \$100.

Any couple desiring to accept the offer should notify the News-Review, furnishing names and addresses, prior to 5 P. M. Thursday.

The Reedsport posse gives assurance that the ceremony will be conducted in a legal and decorous manner and the parties will be subject to no embarrassment.

Huge Forest Fire Claims Two Lives

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 6. —(AP)—A roaring brush fire sweeping through Big Tujunga canyon, 10 miles northwest of suburban Pasadena, killed two men, injured at least 11 others and was still out of control today.

Supervisor William V. Mendenhall of the Angeles National Forest, in which all of the burning area lies, issued a call for 400 volunteer and 100 professional fire fighters in addition to some 300 already battling the flames yesterday.

District Ranger M. W. Durham described it as the worst fire in this area in 24 years. It had scorched about 2,000 acres.

The dead men, who were burned and suffocated when caught in a draw, were Carl Masterson, 37, a U. S. Forest Service employee, and Harry Duffy, 19, a volunteer.

All families in Trail Canyon were evacuated, including Mrs. Bonnie Sparks, 23, and her six-day-old daughter, Beverly Dianne. Durham said more than 100 cabins, leased from the government, were endangered.

The Red Cross established a first aid station and a canteen with 30 women volunteers.

Tiny Baby Gains Weight, Given Survival Chance

MADISON, W. Va., Aug. 6. —(AP)—One-month-old "Inky," the incubator baby born four months prematurely, today was given every chance for survival, although she weighed only one pound, 11 ounces at birth.

Dr. David Hill, director of the Madison General Hospital, said the survival of an infant born so early is rare, but that the blue-eyed daughter of Mrs. Ray Jarrell has already gained five ounces and should develop normally.

"Inky" — the infant's only name so far — was delivered by caesarian section July 3 to Mrs. Jarrell, wife of a coal miner from Unecoda, W. Va.

The Weather

Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight.

Pooled Wool Started to Eastern Mart

Douglas County members of the Southern Oregon Wool Pool brought their 1947 crop to the Southern Pacific freight depot yesterday for shipment to wool brokers in Boston, Mass.

V. J. Philippi, chairman of the pool, said that approximately 100,000 pounds of wool were received yesterday and a similar amount is expected today. Trucks loaded with wool began to line up in Sheridan St., from the freight depot at Lane St. to Oak St., shortly after 8:30.

The wool is being received on consignment to Adams and Lealand, wool brokers of Boston, for the Commodity Credit Corporation of the United States government. Each grower is receiving 40 cents a pound for his wool at the freight depot. The balance due will be paid after the wool is cleaned and graded by the brokers.

Last year the Southern Oregon Wool Pool shipped more than 600,000 pounds from Douglas, Coos, Curry, Jackson, and Josephine counties. Each county's crop is shipped and graded separately.

Philippi said that Douglas County has a larger wool crop than any other county in the State of Oregon. The wool grown here is not as "heavy" as that grown in Eastern Oregon. After the wool is cleaned of dirt particles and graded, there is usually a 40 per cent shrinkage in weight.

The big sacks in which the wool growers ship their crop here average about 240 pounds in weight, Philippi pointed out. Each sack contains the fleeces of about 50 sheep.

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Governor Raps Failure To Indict Mobsters

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 6. —(AP)—Condemning action of a Northampton County grand jury in failing to indict seven men charged with kidnaping in an alleged lynching attempt as "a miscarriage of justice," Governor R. Gregg Cherry said yesterday that he would order the case reopened with a superior court judge sitting as a committing magistrate.

"I am very much disappointed in action of the Northampton grand jury in failing to find a true bill against the seven men who have been charged with breaking and entering a jail with intent to kill or injure a prisoner," Cherry said.

"Undoubtedly a crime had been committed by those who entered the Jackson jail, and one of the members of the mob had confessed to the crime. The jury should have found a true bill in order that this evidence could have been heard in open court."

Negro Almost Wins in Virginia House Race

RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 6. —(AP)—Richmond, capital of the old Confederacy, almost nominated a Negro for the Virginia House of Delegates in yesterday's Democratic primary.

Oliver Hill, the only Negro in a field of 18 candidates for the nomination to Richmond's seven seats in the house, ran eighth in complete returns from the city's 55 precincts. He is an attorney.

Hill received 6,310 votes to 6,500 for W. H. C. Murray, ran seventh, a difference of only 190 votes.

Entertainment to Promote Planes Cost Hughes \$97,821, Aide Tells Contract Probers

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6. —(AP)—John W. Meyer testified today he spent \$97,821.59 of Howard Hughes Aircraft Company's money on promotion of two planes being built under wartime government contracts.

While Hughes waited to tell the Senate War Investigating Committee his own story of his dealings with the government, Meyer completed an accounting of money he says he spent on entertainment of army officers, government officials and otherwise promoting interest in Hughes' plane.

The publicity man said that so far as he knows he was the only Hughes employee working on public relations.

"You had two accounts as far as aircraft was concerned," Chairman Ferguson asked, "and they were the flying boat and the F-11?"

"That's correct," Meyer said. (Hughes got two aircraft contracts. One was an \$18,000,000 one for a Hughes flying boat, not yet delivered. The other was a \$22,000,000 one for photo-reconnaissance planes. This first called for 100 planes, but later was cut to two planes. None was delivered before the war's end.)

Previously Meyer has testified that he filed expense vouchers totaling \$3,732.71 for entertainment of Col. James G. Hall, who succeeded Elliott Roosevelt as head of the Air Corps Photo-Reconnaissance Division.

The committee has heard that Roosevelt's recommendation brought the contract to Hughes for photo-reconnaissance planes.

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Two Airports Hit By Costly Fires

FORTH WORTH, Tex., Aug. 6. —(AP)—Loss was estimated at more than \$300,000 today after a grassed fire raced across the airplane-packed acres of Hicks Air Field, north of here, yesterday.

Five buildings were leveled and approximately 300 planes were either destroyed or damaged beyond repair. Also destroyed were 1,000 plane batteries and nearly 2,000 tires and propellers for the 1,200 planes stored in the field.

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 6. —(AP)—Damage estimated at more than \$1,000,000 was caused by fire today at the Miami International Airport, and destroyed two 21-passenger DC-3's and an undetermined number of smaller planes.

The inquest was conducted by Coroner Harry C. Stearns and District Attorney H. A. Canaday. Jurors included Tense Busenbark, J. B. Bailey, Paul Lane, E. E. Clark, Louis Paris, and Darrel W. Munson.

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Dutch Accuse Indonesians Of Violating Truce

BATAVIA, Java, Aug. 6. —(AP)—The Netherlands army accused the Indonesian Republic today of violating Monday night's cease fire order five times and at the same time denied Indonesian charges that the Dutch had committed such violations.

Meanwhile rumors circulated in Batavia, without official confirmation, that Adm. William D. Leahy would come here from Washington to act as mediator in the Dutch-Indonesian dispute if the republican government accepts a United States offer of "good offices," as the Dutch already have.

Flood Routs 10 Million Chinese From Homes

NANKING, Aug. 6. —(AP)—Dispatches said today more than 10,000,000 persons had been made homeless by floodwaters which broke through Grand Canal and Weishanhu dikes to inundate more than 20 counties of North Kiangsu province stretching 140 miles from Suchow almost to the Yellow Sea.

The reports said only quick repairs to the dikes would prevent flooding of the entire northern portion of the province, including millions of acres of rich farmland. Torrential rains continued to swell the canal and the Hwai River.

Armed Forces Slash, Longer Work Slated

Easing of Conditions of U. S. Loan to be Sought; Spending Curbs Planned

LONDON, Aug. 6. —(AP)—Prime Minister Attlee told Parliament today that Great Britain would reduce her armed forces, impose a limited direction of labor and seek relaxation of clauses in the U. S. loan agreement to help ease her growing economic crisis.

He said also that workers "in the more essential industries" would have to work longer and that coal miners would be asked to labor half an hour a day additional.

Attlee said Great Britain also would cut down her imports in a manner that would mean "hardships for many people."

He said the United States, at Britain's entreaty, had agreed to discuss the Sterling convertibility and the devaluation of the pound in trade agreements in the \$3,750,000,000 loan, which Attlee said would be exhausted this year.

He denied, as Winston Churchill had charged on Monday, that the labor government had "frittered away" the American billions, advanced after termination of the lend-lease from which Great Britain received \$31,267,240,530 from the U. S. and gave back in reverse deals \$6,319,792,047.

Defense Policy Unchanged

Attlee said British armed strength would be reduced by 420,000 men by next March. The forces numbered 1,297,300 men on July 1.

"An exhaustive inquiry has been instituted into the whole future of our defense policy," he said. At another point, the labor government leader said Great Britain was increasing the rate of her troop withdrawals from overseas.

"Despite these accelerations in the rate of withdrawal, there is no change in our foreign policy or in the defense policy which underlies our foreign policy," Attlee asserted.

Labor Control Planned

The prime minister said his socialist government would "have to take some measure of control over the employment of labor"

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School Children Aid Bean Harvest

Farmers of Lower Garden Valley, currently harvesting the green bean crop, are employing almost 200 school children to do their picking. The beans are being prepared for shipment to the Pacific Bros. Packing Co. at Salem.

Three of the farms where the children are taken by school bus early every morning are the Glenn Young, Ray Young, and Hilbert Lee places. Glenn Young employs from 40 to 70 pickers a day on his five-acre patch, while Ray Young and Lee together hire up to 100 bean pickers a day.

Glenn Young said that his young charges manage to pick as much as five tons a day, with each of them averaging about 200 pounds apiece. Even the girls manage to keep up with the boys by picking that much in a day.

The total approximately 40 acres is in production. Bean patches are located in Riverside, Happy Valley, Dillard, Lookingglass, Camas Valley, Winchester, and Winston as well as in Garden Valley.

Last year the crop was canned in Roseburg, since the closing of the Pauls Bros. cannery here, all vegetable and fruit crops from this area are trucked to Salem for processing.

Fruits to be harvested this month include pears and prunes. Production this year is reported "scattered and light" by County Agent J. Roland Parker. Fruit orchards are located principally in the Garden Valley area.

Public Utility Fee Bill Receives Truman Veto

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6. —(AP)—President Truman vetoed today a bill calling for payment of \$62,299.38 to a public utility District No. 1, Cowlitz County, Washington, in settlement of a claim for a fee paid to the clerk of the Federal court for the Western District of the state.

The president's memorandum of disapproval said that the district acquired the electrical properties of the Washington Gas and Electric company in 1940 for approximately \$6,000,000. Under law in effect at the time, the district was required to pay the fee when the court entered a decree in the matter. Subsequently the law under which the fee was imposed was repealed.

"The repeal, however, was not retroactive," Mr. Truman said.

Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Rasmussen

The charges and counter-charges flying back and forth in the warplane contract investigation at Washington is making it practically impossible for John D. Public to tell Hughes who.



WOOL RECEIVED FOR SHIPMENT—Douglas County wool growers brought their 1947 crop to the Southern Pacific freight depot yesterday for shipment to Boston, Mass. Above is a typical scene yesterday and today, as the wool sacks were weighed before loading into the box cars.

Picture by Master Studio