

FIFTEEN PERISH IN FLAMING BUS WRECK

WHO DOES WHAT

By Paul Jenkins



BILL TIPTON is pictured beside a jeep in which Mrs. Lorne Swenson is seated, as she is taught by him the fine points of driving a car. This action was being duplicated in several other cars in Adair's spacious parking lot at Main and Washington streets Monday night as Bill and other members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce conducted a bi-weekly instruction class in automobile driving. If you need to learn to drive a car, call the Junior Chamber and it will be glad to provide instruction—Monday and Friday evenings of each week.

The Weather

Fair with increasing cloudiness today, tonight and Thursday.

Sunset today 7:23 p. m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:14 a. m.

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Hawaii Grabs Stevedoring Units

Showdown Launched On Docks' Tie-Up

Strikers Plan Challenge Of Seizure Act, Designed To Restore Sea Traffic

HONOLULU, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Seizure of Honolulu's two strike-bound stevedoring firms carried Hawaii's 102-day waterfront tie-up to the showdown stage today. Gov. Ingram M. Stainback signed orders yesterday for the territorial government's takeover of two of the islands' seven struck dock companies. The five others in the outer islands were not affected. The striking CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union awaited the start of government stevedoring operations to defy the territory. ILOU leader Jack Hall said the union would start a court challenge to the territory's new dock seizure law within hours after the government puts its longshoremen to work. The government began signing up 1,500 stevedores yesterday. Hall also said the CIO Marine Engineers' executive board in Washington ordered its members not to sail ships from behind ILOU picket lines. John Perry, Honolulu representative of the engineers, confirmed receipt of the order from Washington headquarters. The emergency law passed by a special session of the Hawaiian legislature bans a strike "or any other concerted activity" threatening to interfere with government dock operations. Stainback said the law clearly gives his government authority to act against any engineers refusing to sail ships. The marine engineers' action could wreck announced plans for a 10-day sailing schedule between

SERVICE IS FREE

Ailing Tribal Chief Goes To London For Aid

LONDON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—When Nii Kwabena, Bonne III, tribal chieftain from British West Africa's Gold Coast, heard about Britain's national health scheme he decided it was an opportunity not to be overlooked. He arrived in London last night from Accra, capital of the Gold Coast, where he maintains a 36-room castle. Today he told reporters. "I understand I can obtain health treatment free here, and spectacles, too." Bonne explained he had a stomach ailment and had been in poor health since he was operated on in 1944. The chief came to the right place. Under the British health plan visitors as well as residents are eligible for free medical care.

Truman Signs Bill To Merge Armed Forces

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—President Truman today signed the new armed services unification bill. He said that this will permit the United States to progress toward "a balanced and effective national defense." The legislation, which strengthens the Secretary of Defense Johnson's control over the entire military setup, drew one criticism from Mr. Truman. "It is unfortunate that in this generally progressive legislation, at least one provision represents a backward step," the president said in a brief statement. "New and cumbersome restrictions are placed on the membership of the National Security Council." White House officials explained that under the previous law the president could add to the Security Council heads of any department and of certain agencies when he needed them. Under the law signed today, however, the council membership is fixed, and any additions the president wants to make will have to be confirmed by the Senate. As a whole, however, Mr. Truman said the bill "represents a great advance" and will lead to "increased efficiency and economy and greater coordination of our military forces." Johnson wasted no time. As (Continued on Page Two)

Haste On Race Track Project, Vaughan Urge

"Friends Interested," He Told Woods, Probe Of "5 Percenters" Advised

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Housing expediter Tighe E. Woods said today he recalls that Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan asked him to "hurry" along a construction permit for the Tanforan race track. Woods told a senate investigations subcommittee that Vaughan, President Truman's military aide, came to his office Jan. 12, 1948, to make the plea. He said that Vaughan was accompanied by Eugene Mori of Camden, N. J., listed as Tanforan's president. Wood: "I was only being told the subcommittee only of being called to the White House Jan. 9 last year by Vaughan to discuss the Tanforan matter. He quoted Vaughan as telling him at the White House meeting that "some of my friends" were interested in the case. Woods said that at the meeting three days later he believed that Vaughan asked him to "please hurry" along the permit because there was "something" before the California race track commission that would make Tanforan lose its franchise if the construction work could not proceed. Woods sent letters to the Justice department the next day urging modification of a court order issued against the former owners of the track to stop construction. Meanwhile, the White House (Continued on Page Two)

75TH BIRTHDAY HONORS

Congratulations Pour In On Ex-President Hoover; Speech At Stanford U. Set

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Herbert Clark Hoover is 75 years old today, and tributes for the country's only living ex-president poured in from all over the world. Late today Stanford university will honor its most illustrious graduate in the Frost amphitheater. A crowd of 12,000 to 14,000 was expected. The program will be climaxed by a major address by Mr. Hoover, beginning at 6 p. m. (Pacific daylight time). His topic will be "Think of the Next Generation."

Payette Forest Fire Still Rages

McCall, Idaho, Aug. 10.—(AP)—The worst fire in the Payette National forest since 1934 raged out of control for the fourth day today. Fire Dispatcher Slim Vassar said "it just doesn't look good at all." Bad burning weather—high temperatures, strong winds and low humidity—confronted an army of 1,050 fire fighters battling the 5,100-acre blaze along the Salmon river north of here. Vassar said reinforcements are going out to the men now on the fire lines. The crews are working in such rugged terrain that all supplies, including food, are being dropped to them by parachute.

Meanwhile, Helena national forest Fire Dispatcher Phil Murphy announced the "gates of the mountains" fire—which killed 13 men and laid waste 5,000 acres of Montana forest—has been conquered.

Woman Dies Of Shock From Assault Threat

PORTLAND, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Emotional shock from attempted rape by a teen-age boy has been determined the probable cause of death of Mrs. Hattie Davidson, 65, a cripple. She died yesterday, soon after complaining of dizziness. A physician had sent her to a hospital on diagnosing her trouble as irregularity of the heart. Mrs. Davidson walked on crutches because of a leg amputation. She told police that a boy came to her house Saturday night while she was alone, forced his way in and threatened to rape her. Her screams drove him off after she suffered shoulder and wrist bruises. The boy was not seen by any one except Mrs. Davidson.

Teamsters, Employers Still In Wage Dispute

PORTLAND, Aug. 10.—(AP)—AFL teamsters and wholesale grocery and produce dealers were further apart again today on their dispute over wages. Employers have rejected a union proposal for a one-year contract. The union previously had rejected an employer offer to boost pay 3 cents an hour and 21 cents again in February under a two-year agreement. Union Business Agent Jack Schlaht said plumbing and hardware firms and paper companies had agreed to a 7-cent-an-hour boost on a one-year basis.

Auto Truck Frank Draws 18-Month Prison Term

GRANTS PASS, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Truman Lufkin, 23, the youth who played a game of mechanical hide and bounds with state police July 6 while at the wheel of a huge Pierce auto truck and trailer laden with 15,000 pounds of merchandise, was sentenced Tuesday by Circuit Judge Millard to 18 months in the state penitentiary. Lufkin pleaded guilty to a charge of driving a motor vehicle without authority.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT TOLL

Douglas County Deaths In 1948 Totaled 26; Naps At Wheel, Booze On Cause List

Death rides the highways, and not always as an unseen passenger. In 21 traffic accidents in Douglas county during 1948, he claimed a total of 26 human lives.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

YOU know, I'm inclined to be impressed by the subject dealt with in this column yesterday (the one in which the service station man, braced about the idea of government-guaranteed profits for gasoline stations, cracked back: "Yeah, and after a couple years of that whose man do you reckon I'd be—MINE or the GOVERNMENT'S?"). I can't help thinking he put it about as well as it can be put. That's what the welfare state will turn out to be if we work at it long enough.

Beer Licenses Granted Two Roseburg Stores

PORTLAND, Aug. 10.—(AP)—Master locker permits and package class A licenses were issued yesterday by the Oregon Liquor Control commission. Store licenses included: Class A—Argos Fisher, Roseburg, and Chester Lee Wilcox, Rhoads grocery, Roseburg. Master locker permits went to Elks lodges in Corvallis, Eugene, Coos Bay, Astoria and Hood River and the Eugene Country club.

NEW ECUADOR QUAKES

Fear, Panic Also Spread Among Homeless People By Pillaging Indian Tribe

QUITO, Ecuador, Aug. 10.—(AP)—New earth tremors and pillaging by unruly Indians spread fear and panic today among the thousands of survivors left homeless by Ecuador's destructive earthquake. Official government estimates of the death toll in Friday's quake rose to 6,000. But the truth is no one knows for sure how many perished in the great piles of rubble that litter some 50 demolished towns in the populous Andes mountain region south of here.

Fresh tremors yesterday tumbled weakened walls in Ambato and other cities, adding to the terror of some 150,000 homeless. Groups of workers attempting to dig their way through the blocked highway to Pelileo, 100 miles south of Quito, were reported buried under a landslide loosed by the new tremor. Shoot-to-kill orders were issued to troops guarding Pelileo against looting by the wild tribe of Salasaca Indians. Defense Minister Ganados said one band of Salasacas had been driven off when caught ransacking the ruins. The Salasacas have been the fiercest warriors in the Andes region for 400 years. Driven out

Heat Wave Still Clutches Eastern Half Of Country

(By the Associated Press) The searing hot wave appears to have settled down over the eastern half of the nation for an indefinite stay. Federal forecasters said today there is nothing shaping up anywhere on the weather map which promises any relief. The narrow band of cool air which was moving across the northern plains states yesterday has stalled over northern Minnesota, Wisconsin and the upper Michigan peninsula. Only extreme northern New England had a taste of cool air as a Canadian cold front showed early morning temperatures to 48 degrees at Caribou and Houlton, Me. From the great plains to the eastern seaboard, the mercury was soaring again into the high 90s. Many New York City stores closed yesterday when the mercury climbed to 97.6 degrees in the downtown section. It was the highest reading for the date there in weather bureau records and 2.6 degrees above the previous Aug. 9 maximum set in 1900. Good luck still held in the Rocky mountain and Pacific coast regions. Temperatures there were no higher than normal.

Hearing On Proposal To Rename Streets Slated

Public hearing on the proposed renaming of Roseburg city streets is scheduled at the city council meeting next Monday night, said City Recorder William D. Bollman. The hearing will start at 7:30 p. m. Street renaming proposals are contained in the report of a special committee named recently by the city planning commission. The report has been presented to the council. Before the council acts on the report, said Bollman, an indication of public sentiment toward the renaming of Roseburg streets is desired.

Oregon Justice Brand Injured In Accident

SALEM, Ore., Aug. 9.—(AP)—State Supreme Court Justice James T. Brand received a concussion of the brain, whether serious or not has not yet been determined by his physician, when his car was struck by a gravel truck at the 12th and Mill streets intersection in Salem this morning. He is confined to his bed at home.



IN ECUADOR QUAKE—Shown above is the tower of LaMerced church in Letacunga, summer resort of Quito, as it crumbled during the Ecuadorian earthquake this week. At least 50 towns were demolished, approximately 6,000 persons killed, 150,000 others made homeless, and property damage of at least \$20 million inflicted.

Vehicle Hits Abutment Of Indiana Bridge

Disaster Occurs During Night; Negro Kicks Out Window, Saving Lives

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Fifteen persons died in the flaming wreckage of a Greyhound bus that burned after smashing into a bridge abutment near here early today. The bus, bound from Indianapolis to Bloomington, hit the bridge on a winding, hilly road shortly after midnight. Seconds later it was in flames. The bodies removed from the bus were placed in six ambulances and a hearse and, accompanied by a police escort, were brought to the Indiana National Guard armory here to await identification. Driver Wayne Cramer of Indianapolis, one of the survivors, said a front tire may have blown out, causing him to lose control of the bus. After striking the abutment it skidded 150 feet down winding highway 37 and came to rest on its left side, blocking the emergency door. Flames enveloped the vehicle almost immediately. The driver said he and "two or three" passengers got out the front door. The other survivors escaped through a rear window which a passenger kicked out. Blen Van Horn, manager of radio station WTTS of Bloomington, said one of the survivors told him "he walked through five feet of flames" to get off the bus. The survivor, Wells Richardson, 18, of Evansville, Ind., told Van Horn he was doing when the bus struck the bridge abutment. Negro Saves Lives Van Horn said Edgar Davis of Indianapolis, a Negro, was kicked by other survivors with kicking out a rear window, through which most of the survivors escaped. Davis suffered a back injury and was brought to the Bloomington hospital. Billy Endercock of Evansville, another survivor, said he was (Continued on Page Two)

Another Motor Delivery Planned By News-Review

A proposal to establish a third home delivery motor route for Garden Valley readers of the News-Review will be investigated by a survey to be conducted soon by the circulation department, according to Circulation Manager Fuller Johnson. Johnson said the area to be surveyed extends from Calkins corners to the Umppa store, over Cleveland hill to the Melrose store, and back to Roseburg over the Melrose road. The route will also serve all side roads leading off these main roads. According to Johnson, the proposed route will enable the readers to get the paper the day it is printed. At present, persons living in this area are served by mail. "The proposed motor delivery route is in line with the News-Review's policy of extended and better home service," Johnson said. Making the survey will be Harold Mobley and Bob Schindler, News-Review employees representing the circulation department.

Charges Face 2 Brought Here From Lane County

Deputy Sheriff Ira Byrd returned from Eugene yesterday with two prisoners who had been detained by Lane county sheriff's deputies. Byrd gave the prisoners' names as Roy Burk of Springfield, and formerly of Roseburg, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, and Betty B. Wright, Springfield, charged with taking away a child with intent to detain from his parent. Mrs. Wright is accused of taking the child of Robert Dollar, Glendale. She posted bail of \$500. No date has been set for her hearing.

Lumbermen Counter With Wage Cut Proposal

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 10.—(AP)—Another segment of the lumber industry countered workers' demands for a wage increase yesterday with a proposed slash. The latest cut was proposed by operators for 2,000 northern interior loggers. They would cut wages by 20 cents an hour as opposed to the demand of the International Woodworkers of America for a 15-cent-an-hour boost. Coast operators Monday opposed a 15-cent boost for their 32,000 workers, offering instead a 13-cent-an-hour reduction.

Plane With Four Aboard Missing In Northwest

BREMERTON, Wash., Aug. 10.—(AP)—A search spread throughout the Northwest today for a light plane with four persons aboard, missing since it left the Kitsap county airport here Sunday on a flight to Santa Fe, N. M. Airport officials here said the plane was last reported at Pendleton, Ore., where it refueled Sunday afternoon. Aboard were G. Walsh of Santa Fe, the pilot; Mrs. Charles Gay, Los Alamos, N. M., and a son, Charles, about 15, and Miss Edna Tallafiero, 21, a Bremerton shipyard employee and sister of Mrs. Gay. The former three flew here on a visit last Wednesday and Miss Tallafiero was accompanying them back to New Mexico.

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Lovity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

There's a reason for Oregon being referred to as the "Web-foot State," but in these parts that reason is long overdue for a demonstration.