

SMALL BOY KILLED WHEN CAR LEAVES ROAD



BEVERLY FAITH KRUEGER Eighteen-year-old girl from The Dalles who won the title of "Miss Oregon" at the third annual Miss Oregon Pageant at Seaside July 22, 23, and 24. She is representing the state of Oregon at the Miss American Pageant at Atlantic City, September.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
HERE is an interesting dispatch. Why it is interesting will be developed later on in this piece:

"Defense Secretary Louis Johnson (in Washington) last night answered protests against transfer of military aircraft production from Boeing Airplane company (in Seattle) to the Midwest (Wichita, Kansas) with the assertion that it's all a misunderstanding."

"It was never intended to manufacture this airplane (the B-37) at Seattle," Johnson asserted. "The air force gave this matter grave consideration from the very beginning and decided that this should not be done. The Boeing company originally advocated the Seattle location, but later agreed with the air force that the work should be undertaken in Wichita."

HERE is what it is all about: We've staked our military future pretty largely on the B-47, which is a world-ranging bomber that can strike ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD from existing bases."

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Oakland's New High School Ready Sept. 9

Oakland's new high school building will be turned over to the school district Sept. 9, with the architects' final inspection to be held at that time, according to M. L. Gilbreath, principal.

Classes in the new building will begin Sept. 12, a week later than in Roseburg.

Gilbreath requested all high school students who are new in the district and those who have not previously scheduled classes for this year to report at the old high school building offices Wednesday, Sept. 7. Hours are from 9 to 12 noon.

West Roseburg Sanitary District Election Slated Oct. 6; Meeting Planned

Explanation of proposed sanitary improvements for the West Roseburg area, will be given at a meeting to be called before the election Oct. 6.

Rowe, chairman of the West Roseburg sanitary committee, said proposals for installations of sewers will be told at the meeting, one of which will be announced later.

The election, when residents will vote on the proposal to create the West Roseburg sanitary district, will be held the first weekday in October, from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m., at the Free Methodist church.

The Weather
Cloudy to partly cloudy today, tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature. Sunset today 6:40 p. m. Sunrise tomorrow 5:43 a. m.

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Bill Odom Killed When Plane Crashes Into House

Woman, Child Also Perish In Disaster

Berea Residents Launch Protest Of Low Flying Planes In Big Classic

CLEVELAND, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Sport flying's richest and toughest race faced a new threat to continuance today with the death of Distance Flier Bill Odom and two suburban residents.

Odom's death plunged into a Berea home during the second lap of the Thompson trophy event yesterday revived the protests of area residents against the low flying speedsters, shrieking over their homes at 400 miles an hour. The dark green racer, converted fighter, ripped through the house, killing Mrs. Jeanne Laird, 24, and her year-old son, Craig.

Odom was flying an F-51 Mustang owned by Aviatrix Jacqueline Cochran.

Cook Cleland of Cleveland, former navy fighter pilot, took the Thompson trophy and \$12,100 with a new record speed of 397.15 miles an hour. He also won in 1947 with a record 396 MPH that stood until yesterday.

Cleland's new mark was the last of a series established during three days of competition. Records were pushed up in both the propeller and jet divisions of the Bendix cross-country races, the Goodyear races for midjet planes, the Soho and Tinnerman trophy races, and the jet division of the Thompson.

The Thompson, a free-for-all, is the traditional classic of air races. But complaints about the

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Miss America Pageant Opens In Atlantic City

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Fifty-two blondes and brunettes—but no redheads—today begin the annual battle for Miss America crown and all that goes with it.

For a week the girls will compete in various phases of the contest. And the final judgment on beauty must be on the up and up—no "falsies" or padding in the bathing suits is allowed.

Contestants cannot drink intoxicating liquors or see their boy friends during the contest under the Miss America rules. Each will be chaperoned by a local hostess.

The girls represent 45 states, four big cities, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Canada. Only three states—Delaware, Idaho and Rhode Island—don't have an entrant. New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Washington each sent an entrant.

The pageant opens this afternoon at 3 p. m. with a Mardi Gras parade on the Boardwalk. The first preliminary contest is set for tomorrow night at the Convention hall. The field will be narrowed to 15 on Saturday night, and from these the new Miss America will be chosen.

During three nights of preliminaries the girls will be judged on their figures in bathing suits, their poise in evening gowns and their talent. Personalities will be assessed by the judges at breakfast each morning.

A \$5,000 scholarship goes with the proud title of Miss America. Last year's queen—Bebe Shop of Hopkins, Minn.—netted a reported \$50,000 during the year for personal appearances. She recently returned from a European tour.

The 14 runners-up will share another \$20,000 in scholarships.

Victoria Sanders Goes On Trial For Murder Today

Trial of Victoria Sanders on a charge of murder opened in circuit court this morning. The task of selecting a jury was expected to last most of the day, with both the state and the defense questioning prospective jurors at great length.

Cast in the role of prosecutor is Douglas county's young district attorney, Robert G. Davis, who himself, has served as defense counsel in two previous murder cases. He is being assisted by Dudley Walton, his law partner and assistant district attorney.

Miss Sanders, the accused, sat with her defense counsel, Paul E. Geddes and Carl Felker. An attractive brunette, 21 years old, she appeared quite composed during the proceedings. She was dressed in a simple, pale blue dress and black slippers.

Questions asked by the prosecution indicated the state might attempt to prove that Miss Sanders lived with Ralph Monjonnier "as a wife" and that she bore a child—"which may or may not have been the child of the deceased"—and that she "refused to marry her."

Monjonnier was found dead with a gunshot wound in his head at his small cabin, two miles west of Drain, Sept. 28, 1947. A .22 caliber rifle from which a bullet had been fired lay beside the body, according to police.

Miss Sanders, who has been serving in the state penitentiary on three separate bad check charges, for which she was sentenced to one year each, was returned here for the murder trial. She allegedly had cashed the checks in Drain and left for Portland a few hours after the discovery of Monjonnier's death in his cabin.

The questioning of prospective jurors this morning proceeded without either prosecution or defense rejecting anyone. One woman raised possible doubt about capital punishment for the defendant, should she be convicted, but she was passed by both sides.

Hit-Run Driver Strikes Local Man On Street

Jack Haney, 23, Roseburg, was taken to Mercy hospital and released without treatment this morning after being struck by an unknown hit and run driver and thrown a distance of approximately 15 feet, Police Chief Calvin H. Baird said today.

According to police reports, Haney started across Jackson street when he observed a sedan swerving toward him on the wrong side of the street. He ran back toward the curb and just as his left foot reached the curb, the car struck his right side, throwing him through the air.

He reported to the hospital but left without waiting for treatment, hospital officials said.

City police are investigating the accident, aided by a description of the car and its occupants, furnished by the victim.

A second accident, involving cars driven by Harry Adolph Miller, Eugene, and Archie B. Coys, Roseburg, resulted in damage to both vehicles, Chief Baird said.

Coys was cited for operating a motor vehicle with defective brakes when he was unable to stop his car in time to avoid hitting the Miller vehicle at the corner of Stephens and Haynes streets, Baird said.

Public Hearing Is Set On Fluid Milk Prices

A public hearing to consider revision of minimum prices paid producers for fluid milk and wholesale and retail prices to consumers in the Douglas county marketing area will be held in the city hall, Roseburg, Thursday, Sept. 15, at 1:15 p. m., according to notices issued by the State Milk Marketing Administration.

Melvin J. Conklin, examiner for the Milk Marketing Administration is in charge of the hearing, which is expected to establish official data for minimum milk and cream prices schedules under conditions now prevailing in this area.

Myrtle Creek Rodeo Proves Holiday Hit

Ross Every is Winner Of Top Money; Parade Lasts For 40 Minutes

Crowds estimated at more than 1,500 persons witnessed the annual Saddle Pals rodeo at Myrtle Creek Sunday and Monday. Almost 100 cowboys took part in the show, while scores of riders participated in the parade, grand entry, and in numerous races.

Ross Every took top money as all 'round champion cowboy, while Pat Ronk, pretty rodeo queen, was picked as the all 'round champion cowgirl.

A "fast show" rodeo took two hours and 20 minutes to run off both days, while the big parade through Myrtle Creek's downtown streets took 40 minutes to pass a given point.

The Monday morning parade, described as the largest ever held at Myrtle Creek, featured colorful floats, costumed horsemen, and representation by civic groups.

Pioneer Rides Mrs. Lottie Weaver, 86 years old, Myrtle Creek pioneer, rode in the parade and in the grand entry into the arena, clad in an old-fashioned riding habit. She complained that her horse "didn't

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Shirley France Forced To Give Up Channel Try

IN THE ENGLISH CHANNEL, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Shirley May France failed in a gallant attempt to swim the English channel today after battling her way through swirling tides to within less than six miles of her goal—the White Cliffs of Dover.

Robbed of all her strength by the icy water and swift currents of the channel, the Somerset, Mass., schoolgirl was dragged moaning from the water. She struggled to keep from being pulled into the boat. In tears she asked for a chance to keep on.

The end came at 4:05 p. m. (8:05 a. m. PDT) after she had been in the icy water 10 1/2 hours. Observers estimated she swam more than 30 miles on a zig-zagging course.

"Please—please—leave me in," the pretty 17-year-old swimmer pleaded with her coach, Harry Boudakian, who kept her up to the battle, spurred on by a message from her mother and by the shouted encouragement of her father, J. Walter France, who was on one of the boats accompanying her.

The Dover cliffs, shining in the sun, had been within her view for two and a half hours. "Look how near it is," she cried hysterically when she sought to fight off attempts to make her give up.

It is 19 miles across the English channel but the flow of tides force swimmers to travel a much greater distance.

STATE FAIR ATTRACTS Roseburg Youths Entries Win; Record Attendance And Betting Are Reported

SALEM, Sept. 6.—(AP)—Every attendance and betting record was broken as the Oregon state fair opened its week's show Monday.

Opening day attendance was 77,870, compared with the previous record of 77,366 on Labor day, 1946. It was 5,000 more than on last year's opening day.

Concessionaires reported it was a free-spending crowd. They said they cleaned up more than on any day since the war began.

And it was a free-betting crowd, too. They bet \$100,409 on the horse races, and would have bet much more than that if the betting clerks could have taken care of them. This shattered all records, being \$19,000 more than the previous betting mark set on Labor day of last year.

Awards at the state fair today included the following: Wade Werthington, Douglas county, first place corn display for western Oregon; Ervin Stritzke and Ed Stritzke, both of Roseburg, first and second respectively for cantaloupe. The corn display was entered in 4-H classes, the cantaloupe in Future Farmers of America.

During most of the day, traffic was jammed for two miles in each direction on the Pacific highway.

But today the crowd will be much less, as Tuesday usually is the lightest day of the week. Tomorrow will be another big day, as it will be Salem day and Governor's day.

U. S. Sen. Wayne Morse continued his long record of winning horse show events last night. He won grand champion in American horse competition on Sir Laurel Guy.

George Jacobs, McMinnville, was chosen grand champion dairy showman of the Future Farmer division.

The girls got some competition today in their 4-H club dinner contest at the State Fair. Jim Jimmerson, 16, Hoskins, entered the contest against 14 girls. He is the first boy to enter it in many years.

The purpose of the Dollar dinner is to cook a meal for four persons and spend only \$1.80. The extra 80 cents is the result of the inflation since the limit was \$1.

Glendale Man Jailed For Venison Possession

Harry Truman Cline, 36, Glendale, is in custody in the county jail in lieu of payment of a fine of \$100 for illegal possession of venison, State Police Sergeant Lyle Harrell reported today.

Cline was taken into custody Saturday following an investigation by State Policeman Fred L. Perry and Virgil Simpson, of the game law enforcement division.

The deer allegedly was killed Aug. 31. The officers, it was stated, located a stand from which the deer had been shot, found where the animal had been dressed out and traced the meat to Cline's cabin near Glendale.

Arraigned Saturday in Judge Robert Jones' justice court at Glendale, Cline pleaded guilty to the charge, Harrell said, and was sentenced to jail when the fine was not paid. His rifle was confiscated by the court.

Maniacal Vet Slays 12 On Camden Street

Worst Mass Slaughter In History Is Reported; Assailant Bombed Out

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 6.—(AP)—A 28-year-old army veteran on a maniacal rampage today killed 12 persons on a busy Camden street.

Five others were wounded. Detective Marshall Thompson identified the killer as Harold Unruh of Camden. A quiet, well-dressed young man, his neighbors said they knew little about him.

The street "looked like a battlefield," Thompson said. "He (Unruh) turned that German luger loose on those people like ducks in a pond."

Killed in the 45-minute hail of bullets were five men, five women and two boys, aged two and five.

Police authorities here said they believe it was the worst mass slaughter on a city street in the nation's history.

It all began quietly enough. Unruh walked out of his house.

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Chief Cautions Local Motorists On Yellow Lights

Police Chief Calvin H. Baird today reminded motorists that the yellow "caution" lights, installed on several Stephens street intersections, is a warning to drivers not to enter the intersections.

According to the law, the chief said, motorists are to clear the intersections if their cars are already there at the time the light turns yellow. Drivers not in the intersections must stop and wait for the light to flash the green "go ahead" signal.

Above all, Baird said, drivers are not to enter the intersection after the light has turned from green to yellow, or before the yellow light has turned to green.

"Several accidents have resulted recently, believed to have been caused by the failure to observe this traffic law," Chief Baird said.

According to Baird, local police officers have been asked to be on the lookout for motorists who disregard the ruling. Citations for failing to observe traffic signals will be issued all offenders.

Two Cited To Appear On Drunk Driving Charges

Two Douglas county men were arrested over the weekend, on separate counts of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor, State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell said today.

Melton Plummer, Myrtle Creek, was booked at the county jail, following a traffic accident on the Pacific highway two miles north of Roseburg.

Sgt. Harrell said George Washington Finley, Idleyville route, was arrested Tuesday at 12:40 a. m., when officers observed his car being driven "all over the road."

Both men are to appear in justice court this morning.

Girl Is Victim Of Splinter In Bannister Slide

Father And Daughter Hospitalized In Local Holiday Auto Tragedy

The weekend accident toll took the lives of two children in this county Sunday. A six-year-old boy died from traffic injuries, while a 10-year-old girl was fatally wounded by a splinter as she slid down a bannister.

State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell said Perry Butler, 6, died at Mercy hospital Sunday evening from injuries received when his father's car went off an embankment of the Pacific highway near Kelley's Korner, five miles south of here, at 4 a. m.

The same accident hospitalized the father, James Butler, Roseburg, and another child, Katherine, 7, who suffered a leg fracture. Sgt. Harrell said the car was traveling south and was carried 264 feet after leaving the highway, before coming to a stop. Cause not explained.

Sgt. Harrell said Butler was unable to give an account of the accident, when he was taken to the hospital. He received bruises and facial lacerations, but was released from the hospital later in the day. Apparently no other car was involved.

The Butler boy was born Aug. 19, 1943, in Roseburg. Surviving are his parents and two sisters.

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Truman's Help Requested After Robeson Rioting

PEEKSKILL, N. Y., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Paul Robeson supporters, protesting the violence that swept the countryside after his concert near here Sunday, have called on President Truman to help "restore law and order in New York state."

But Westchester county District Attorney George M. Fanelli, who had over-all command of a force of 900 law enforcement officers, says they did a "magnificent job."

The left-wing Negro singer's sympathizers also have demanded the impeachment of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Westchester county officials for not preventing the five-hour rioting.

More than 100 persons were injured as anti-leftist demonstrators hurled rocks and other missiles at autos and buses carrying the concert crowd home.

More than a dozen persons were arrested on various charges. "Windows of hundreds of vehicles were smashed in scattered attacks spread over many miles north of New York City. At least eight autos and an empty bus were overturned."

Robeson charged yesterday that many of the 10,000 concertgoers were "attacked by arms of the state and local government." He called the concert crowd "peacefully assembled American citizens."

The district attorney, commenting on the fact that the heavy police force prevented any serious disorder before and during the concert on an abandoned golf course, said:

"There would have been mass killing if they hadn't kept control at the danger center in the concert area. Even with 200 more officers, we couldn't have protected all the roads."

Robeson and Westchester county sympathizers before the concert, Fanelli said.

Police also seized some bayonets and rifle bolts from among 4,000 veterans and other anti-Robesonites who started a noisy protest parade in front of the concert grounds.

Roseburg Telephone Co. Employees Will Ballot

Roseburg employees of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company will vote during the week of Sept. 12 in a National Labor Relations board election to determine their collective bargaining agency, C. H. Wright, president of the Oregon Telephone Union, Division 21, CWA-CIO, announced today.

The employees will have the option of voting either by mail or manually at 115 Mosher street (new telephone building). The manual balloting will take place Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 7 a. m. to 10 a. m. and from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m. The mail ballots must be in the Portland office of the National Labor Relations board by Sept. 14 to be counted.

The ballots will contain the question, "Do you wish to be represented for purposes of collective bargaining by Oregon Telephone Union Division No. 21, CWA-CIO." The employees will vote "yes" or "no" on the question.

Supreme Court Justice Rutledge Is Improved

YORK, Me., Sept. 6.—(AP)—Supreme Court Justice Wiley B. Rutledge has emerged sufficiently from a coma to talk to members of his family and nurses, a hospital spokesman said today.

The 55-year-old jurist has suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. Dr. Elmer Tower said Justice Rutledge continues to hold a slight improvement noted yesterday, when he took nourishment for the first time since he sank into a coma last Friday.



'HEAR DEM BELLS'—School bells, that is, Roseburg's senior high school looked like this Tuesday morning as students piled from school buses, private cars, and arrived on foot for the first day of the current school year. Classes began promptly at 8:50 this morning for an anticipated record enrollment. Principal George Erickson said 675 students were expected at both the junior and senior high schools. By Saturday, each school had 630 registered, with late comers expected to swell the total to a new record-high. Meanwhile, other school grounds resembled the one pictured above as youngsters crowded into the city's four grade schools and two parochial schools.—(Photo by Paul Jenkins.)