

# B-29 BOMBER FLEET GROUNDED IN AIR PROBE



VICE-PRESIDENT ALBEN BARKLEY (left) who wed Mrs. Carleton S. Hadley (right) in St. Louis Friday, is all smiles as he gives his bow tie that last minute twist in a pre-wedding picture. Mrs. Hadley is shown in a recent portrait made at the home of a friend in St. Louis. (AP Wirephoto).

**The Weather**  
Fair today, tonight and Sunday, except for morning fog.  
Sunset today 4:46 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:12 a.m.

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## The News-Review

### Navy Declares Closed Case Of Crommelin

**Air Hero Makes Reply Branding Pentagon Heads Acting As Hitlerites**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—(AP) Admiral Forrest Sherman, chief of naval operations, said today that the case of Capt. John Crommelin is "closed."

Officers said that means the reprimand administered to the fiery air officer stands, and he does not get the court martial he has demanded.

The case grew out of Crommelin's unauthorized disclosure of navy documents relating to the controversy over the Air Force's B-36 bomber.

Sherman's office told reporters that in the original letter of reprimand Capt. Crommelin was given an opportunity to reply and "he has made that reply."

That closes the case, it was said.

In his reply, made public yesterday, Crommelin put the navy on the spot with new charges that Pentagon "zealots" with a "lust for power" have clamped Nazi-type controls over the defense department.

The 48-year-old war hero insisted yesterday that either the reprimand should be erased from his otherwise sparkling record or he should be allowed to explain

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### BUSENBARK ELECTED Named County Officials Vice-President; Meeting Considers Reapportionment

PORTLAND, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Oregon's county officials like the idea of giving each county one state senator, and a number of state representatives based on the county's population.

That plan, proposed by State Rep. Giles French of Moro, was endorsed by the Association of Oregon Counties at its convention yesterday.

It would follow the same pattern used in the United States Congress. At present, both the State Senate and the State House of Representatives are apportioned on a population basis.

The county judges and commissioners elected Judge T. A. Power of Jefferson county as president. Judge D. N. Busenbark of Douglas county was elected vice-president, and Marlon County Commissioner Roy J. Rice was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

The convention suggested that Charitable and Religious organizations which operate business in competition with private enterprise be subject to taxation.

That was one of the sources of new revenue proposed to augment the scarce county income. Another was through licensing outdoor theaters and night clubs. The state would have to pass a

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### Bishop Manning Leading Figure Dies At Age 83



NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Bishop William T. Manning, one of the leading figures of Protestant Episcopal church in the United States, died yesterday at the age of 83.

He was Episcopal Bishop of New York for 26 years, retiring less than two years ago.

He was a strict churchman throughout his life, and an uncompromising enemy of divorce. He once preached a sermon criticizing King Edward VIII for abdicating the British throne to marry a divorcee, and barred Elliott Roosevelt, twice-divorced, as vestryman of St. James Church at Hyde Park, N. Y.

As bishop, he was the driving force behind continued construction here of the huge cathedral of St. John the Divine, the world's largest cathedral in Gothic style.

His body will lie in state in the cathedral from 6 p. m. (EST) tomorrow until Tuesday noon, when the burial office and a requiem will be offered. Burial will take place at a later time in the cathedral itself.

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### Idaho Youth Admits Killing Glenda Joyce

**Arraignment On Murder Charge Held On Desert Away From Angry Mob**

TWIN FALLS, Idaho, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Neil (Butterflies) Butterfield, 16-year-old high school athlete, confessed last night to the thrill slaying of seven-year-old Glenda Joyce Briscoe.

The youth, who was arrested as he fled west in a stripped down "hot rod," told officers he killed the child "just to see someone die."

Sheriff Saul Clark of Cassia county said the youth admitted orally that he clubbed the little blonde first grader from Burley, Idaho, with a tire jack before throwing her body into a canal.

But the sheriff said he denied that he raped the girl.

Glenda, fully clothed, was found in the canal Thursday. She had three wounds on her head. She was last seen Wednesday evening when she entered an automobile driven by a man. Officers announced following an autopsy last night that the girl had been sexually assaulted.

Shortly after Butterfield made his confession, he was taken under heavy guard 27 miles east of Twin Falls just inside the Cassia county line. There, in a field of sagebrush beside the highway

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**SUSPECT**—Fred Stroble, sought in the Lindo Clucoff slaying, is brought to the Los Angeles district attorney's office after his capture in a downtown park. (AP Wirephoto).

### Farm Prices Are Down One Fifth States Brannan

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Nov. 19.—(AP)—Prices received by farmers are already down one fifth from the postwar peak and they may decline another 10 percent in 1950, the secretary of agriculture said today.

Secretary Charles F. Brannan in arguing for his production payment plan of supporting farm returns declared it was needed to maintain an expanding economy on which prosperity for agriculture and industry depend.

Bureau of Home Economics surveys show one third of the families with lowest incomes bought over a third more meat, poultry and fish than in 1942.

Brannan said in an address prepared for delivery at the annual convention of the national Grange.

The increase for milk was almost one third and for citrus fruits about one half, the secretary continued. "This increased market can be maintained if retail prices are not pushed too high and if consumer purchasing power is maintained.

"One tool we need is the production payment method of supporting farm returns."

Brannan said the farm price support act of 1949 adopted by Congress after it rejected his unit of production plan was an improvement over the act of 1948. But he argued that it was not enough.

Elk Hunter Killed By Bullet From Another

ENTERPRISE, Ore., Nov. 19.—(AP)—An Elk hunter's bullet felled another hunter in the rugged isolated Wallowa country Thursday. Oregon's sixth gun-shot fatality of the fall hunting season.

Reed Wade, 32, Lostine, was the victim. He was shot in the abdomen and died seven hours later while in a rubber boat floating down the Grande Ronde river in the attempt to get him to medical aid.

Allan C. Gebhart, Medford, another hunter in the area, was charged with manslaughter. The men were from separate hunting parties which went into the mountain country between Minam and Troy via rubber boats. Gebhart said he fired one shot without knowing of Wade's presence.

### High Tariff Is Sought By Wool Growers Group

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—(AP)—Restoration of a tariff high enough "to encourage the expansion of wool production in this country" was asked today by the California Wool Growers' association.

The group believe that no plan yet devised for supporting the price of wool to the American producer is so simple or so easily and cheaply administered as the imposition of a tariff on wool and wool products, the association said in a resolution as it ended its 89th annual convention.

### Awards Presented 4-H Members By Lions

One hundred members of the Roseburg Lions club and 4-H club members met Thursday night at the Evergreen Grange hall for the annual Lions' food production contest award dinner.

Awards were given 4-H'ers on a basis of work done in food production projects, which include canning, garden, poultry raising, crops and livestock raising. Also taken into consideration were the 4-H member's record book and story and 4-H club member's participation in community and county fairs.

County 4-H Club Leader Frank von Borstel Jr., program chairman, conducted the meeting. Walter Allen, also a member of the Lions boys and girls welfare committee, greeted the members. Von Borstel gave a general picture of 4-H club work, and illustrated his remarks with displays and explained the cloverleaf emblem.

Barbara Snyder, Days Creek, sang "Dreaming," the national 4-H girls' song. The group sang

### State Secretary Newbry To Speak At Monday Forum

Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry will address the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce noon forum luncheon Monday at the Umpqua hotel, according to George Luoma, committee chairman.

"Meeting the Demands of Increased State Business" is the subject on which Secretary Newbry will speak.

Newbry has the distinction of being the speaker to attract the largest audience at any noon forum. He appeared as guest speaker on the series in April, 1948.

A sidelight of the occasion was his initiation into the Paul Bunyans, with the title "Keeper of the Fruit" bestowed upon the southern Oregon fruit orchardist.

Luoma said Monday's meeting will give local citizens a chance to "greet and hear a popular state official, speaking on a subject of vital interest."

Special arrangements have been made with the hotel management to provide a turkey dinner, "complete with all the trimmings." Chamber Secretary Harold Hickerson said the luncheon will be offered at the usual price. The public is invited to attend.

### Films At 'Lowest Ebb' Say Catholic Bishops

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—(AP)—The chairman of the Catholic Bishops Committee on Motion Pictures said yesterday that American and foreign films reached "the lowest ebb of moral offensiveness" this year.

Bishop William A. Scully of Albany, N. Y., said that the Catholic Legion of Decency, established in the early 1930s, "has found the product of the past year, both foreign and domestic, morally the most offensive in numbers and quality in the history of this organization."

Of 467 feature-length pictures it reviewed in 1949, he said, the legion found almost 24 percent "morally objectionable in whole or in part."

### Gift Thermometer

GOAL	\$25,550
	\$20,000
	\$15,000
	\$10,000
	\$5,000

### News-Review Subscribers On North Umpqua, Little River To Get Motor Route Delivery

Subscribers along the North Umpqua and Little River roads will soon be receiving their papers in The News-Review's familiar red boxes, when motor delivery service is established over this route Dec. 1.

Fuller Johnson, circulation manager, announced that George Frew, who will handle the route, will contact subscribers starting Monday, to learn if they wish to receive The News-Review on the afternoon of publication.

The new motor route will proceed east from Roseburg over E. Douglas street and the North Umpqua highway. The route will extend along the North Umpqua highway (including Glide and Idlewild Park) to Rock Creek and the Douglas County Lumber company camp. The route will also extend up the Little River road to the Associated Plywood company camp, and will include the

### DRIVE TO CONTINUE

## Community Chest Steering Committee Extends Work; Goal Still Short Of Mark

The Community Chest campaign will continue. That was the decision of the chest steering committee at a meeting Friday afternoon, announced Harold Hickerson, chairman.

Reports have not been received from at least 260 business firms within the city, he said. The drive will go on until the goal is reached or until every known source of income has been contacted, the committee decided.

While still some \$10,000 short of the \$25,500 goal, more money has been taken in during the first two weeks than was received in the entire campaign last year, so the report is still encouraging, the committee felt.

The effort was to complete the drive as quickly as possible and get it over with, but since so many business firms have not reported and since the goal is still short,

"Iran needs American friendship and hopes for EVEN CLOSER CO-OPERATION AND INTENSIFIED HELP in the future."

Just before going to the dinner, he had said to the reporters: "Iran is interested in the future creation of a Middle Eastern defense pact, like the North Atlantic treaty, but the time is a little too early. OUR COUNTRY'S ECONOMY SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED FIRST."

Premier Nehru, of India, has been visiting us. He has been frankly and openly interested in

### Witnesses Secret In Bridges Trial

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—(AP) Government attorneys still were keeping secret today the name of a major witness they will present in the Harry Bridges perjury trial.

Prosecution staff members have said his testimony will "carry a real punch." They expected he would reach the stand Friday, but delays prevented that. They expect to get the surprise witness on Monday.

The greater part of yesterday was taken by Chief Defense Attorney Vincent Hallinan, who bored ahead despite government objections and admonitions by Judge Harris in laying before the jury a picture of a gigantic conspiracy which he said had been evolved to "force Bridges from the waterfront."

The government's initial witness was still on the stand when the trial before Federal Judge George B. Harris recessed last night until Monday at 11 A.M. He was Lloyd H. Garner, who was the immigration and naturalization examiner at Bridges' naturalization hearing.

### Roseburg Post Office Bids Being Solicited

Notice has been received by Postmaster Lester L. Wimberly that bids are being solicited by the Public Buildings administration for the authorized alterations in the service windows and box sections at the postoffice. Other minor repairs are also included.

Information and specifications are available from the postmaster and bids must be submitted by Nov. 30 to the Seattle office.

### Roseburg School Board Meeting Is Scheduled

The Roseburg school board will hold its monthly meeting at the city school superintendent's office tonight at 7:30.

Up for discussion will be the relocation of Fullerton grade school, scheduled to be vacated if the senior high school expands in the future to occupy the present Fullerton building.

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## Action Taken By Air Force In Crash Study

**120 Victims In 12 Weeks Reported; Search Still On For Missing Bomber**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—(AP)—A part of the nation's B-29 bomber fleet was grounded today while the air force launched an investigation into a series of crashes which have killed at least 120 men in the past 12 weeks.

Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, chief of staff, issued the grounding order last night.

A few hours before, the latest crash had killed five of a nine-man crew aboard a Superfortress which was taking off to help search for the 20 men aboard another B-29 missing off Bermuda since midweek.

Six accidents have occurred in the past 16 days, with a known death toll of 35 and with the 20 men aboard the lost B-29 still missing.

Available unofficial records show that since August 26, when 18 crewmen died after an engine caught fire in a takeoff from Hickam field, Hawaii, 27 Superfortresses have gone down with a death toll of 120.

While the air force declined to say at this time how many accidents have occurred since the war or during the last year, it once estimated that during a 60 B-29s to be wrecked in crashes. This included ground accidents or crash landings which resulted in no casualties but made the airplane useless.

Vandenberg's order will have this effect: Any Superfortress used by the strategic air command or the 19th bomb group in the far east—unless all of its four engines have been "modernized"—is grounded until a detailed inspection can be made by technical experts.

The greater part of all B-29s are used by either SAC or the 19th group.

Two parts to Order 2. Grounding of the order grounds all B-29s which have been subjected to "maximum operating stresses," but this part

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## Fog Hides Answer Of Possible Plane Crash On Peak

BRIDAL VEIL, Ore., Nov. 19.—(AP)—Fog today hid the answer to whether a plane crashed last night on a peak across the river from here some 25 miles east of Portland.

Ray O'Neil, Bridal Veil Lumber company employe, said he and his brother saw a plane hit at about 9 p.m. They watched it burn for nearly 35 minutes, on a 2,000 foot mountain on the Washington side of the Columbia river, he said.

Dense fog prevented any search last night or early today, but O'Neil set up a stake pointing to the scene. He said it was about eight miles east of here.

The CAA at Portland said no planes were reported missing. The search, it reported, was in the hands of the search and rescue unit at McChord Air Force base.

Sheriff's Capt. O. E. Donaldson directed planes from the sheriff's reserve to take off from Portland when the fog lifted. When that would be, the weather bureau said, was uncertain.

## Reckless Driving Charged After Hot Chase In Fog

A motorist was charged with reckless driving Friday night, after allegedly leading a city police car on a 60-mile-an-hour chase through foggy downtown streets, Chief of Police Calvin H. Baird reported.

He named the motorist as Cecil K. Ireland, 1605 N. Stephens street, who was released without bail until his arraignment in municipal court at 10 a. m. next Wednesday.

Chief Baird said that Ireland was proceeding through rather thick fog on N. Stephens street, when he allegedly observed the police car behind him. He stepped up his speed, Baird said, until he was stopped on Winchester street.

## HEAT EXHAUSTION HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 19.—(AP)—

Jean Crawford is ill in bed today; her physician says she is suffering from heat exhaustion and a severe cold.

The doctor added that the actress was stricken after 11 days on the desert working on a motion picture. He prescribed several days rest in bed.

## Lovely Fact Rant

Jingle bells, jingle bells Would be our song today. If one could go o'er roads of snow

In a one-horse open sleigh; But must need forego a steed And cautiously must slog; On wheel or feet, he's forced to creep, Through miles and miles of fog.