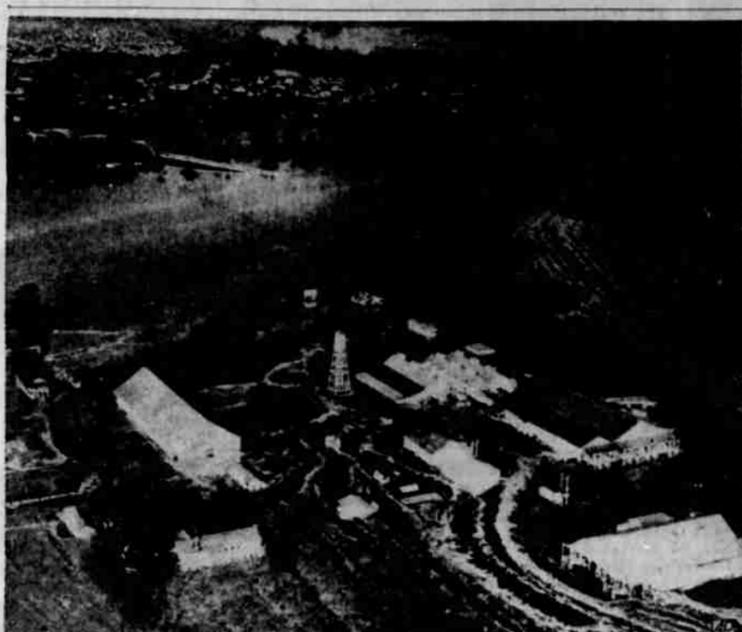


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RIVER RAGES—The American river, swollen by heavy rains and melting snow, swirls around the Horst ranch near Sacramento. The city of Sacramento is shown at upper left above the "H" street bridge. The first line of trees in the picture (upper center) is the highway while the second line of trees is the bank of the American river normally. Waves in the water make the ranch buildings look as if they were planted in the ocean. (AP Wirephoto.)

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20 Dead Or Missing In Train Crash

Injured List On Canadian Line Totals 58

Majority Of Casualties Comprised Of Korea Destined For Korea

EDMONTON, Alta. — (AP) — Twenty persons are dead or missing and 58 are injured following the head-on collision high in the Rocky mountains Tuesday of two Canadian National railway trains.

The trains — an eastbound passenger and a westbound freighter — rammed together just west of the Canoe river siding, 312 miles west of here. They were scheduled to pass there.

Army officials said that the bodies of 10 soldiers were taken from the wreckage of three coaches. Two died last night en route to hospital in an emergency train. Four are missing and believed dead. Four engine crewmen were still buried today in the crumpled wreckage of their giant locomotives.

The injured toll also mounted with the arrival here of the emergency train. In addition to 53 injured servicemen, five train crewmen were hurt, two seriously.

One train, carrying 340 officers and men, was bound for Fort Lewis, Wash., where Canadian soldiers will be trained to fight with United Nations forces in Korea.

Both trains were traveling at reduced speed, but there was a half-foot of snow on the ground and the temperature was near zero.

As the 17-car troop train and the 10-car limited collided, cars from both trains spilled off the tracks, ripping up the right of way and tearing down communications lines.

A cloud of steam from the broken heating line on the troop train surged through the cars, scalding those trapped in the wreckage.

The fatalities followed seven others that have arisen since the special force was mustered in August to serve Canada in Korea or elsewhere. Four soldiers were killed in a mortar-bomb accident, two in a car crash at Petawawa, another while hitchhiking out of Fort Lewis.

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Communists Mass Troops Along North Korean Border To Resist Allied Advance

United Nations forces made a cautious advance along west North Korean fronts today while American Superforts pounded Communist bases and troop concentrations in the northeast.

Allied intelligence showed that the Communists are massing troops and equipment on both sides of the border in the areas of Musan and Tumen. These are in the far northeast panhandle of the Korean peninsula.

Should the Reds break out from this area they could cut off the U. S. Seventh division's armored spearhead which Tuesday planted the United Nations flag on the south bank of the Yalu river at Hyesanjin.

The buildup of Communist Chinese and Korean forces in the Musan staging areas may be primarily to block the United Nations' march toward the Soviet Siberian border.

South Korean capital division units have pushed up the east coast to eight miles south of Chongjin, 55 miles from the Soviet border where the Reds were preparing to make a stand.

Heavy gun-fire from the U. S. cruiser St. Paul prepared the way for the South Korean advance. Allied officers said the South Koreans so far have been up against a retreating and disorganized enemy.

All allied moves were cautious because of the uncertainty of enemy strength. Earlier, a South Korean force that moved to the border had to pull back and parts of it were severed by overwhelming Communist strength.

The Chinese are building a system of tank traps and road blocks against an allied push towards Sinuiju, important border base, through which much of the Chinese war potential has been funneled.

The Reds meanwhile stepped up guerrilla activity behind the allied lines.

Ban On Erotic Novel Asked By Police Censor

CHICAGO — (AP) — The head of Chicago's police censorship division says he favors banning a novel by the ex-wife of Dr. Robert Maynard Hutchins — but he wants a city judge's decision before taking action.

Capt. Harry Fulmer, termed the book, "A Diary of Love," "vulgar, purple and in spots filthy." He asked Municipal Judge Matthew Hartigan to decide whether the novel by Maude Phelps Hutchins, divorced wife of the University of Chicago chancellor, ought to be banned.

Mrs. Hutchins, at her home in Southport, Conn., described the book as "simple, innocent, perhaps a little candid." She added: "The only question is, is it a work of art? If so, it will defend itself."

The book was published recently by New Directions of New York City.

Suspended Students Reinstated By U. Of O.

EUGENE — (AP) — Five university of Oregon students, suspended from school last week after they were caught with beer in a dormitory room, have been reinstated.

Ray Hawk, director of Men's affairs, said he felt it unfair to "exact a toll from five individuals, when there were many, many more not caught."

The students were Vernon Cook, Boring; Fred Risser, Wisconsin; Thomas Stapleton, The Dalles; George Morphy, Bristol, England; and George Dock, New York City.

All are over 23 years of age and four are veterans.

Boy Bicyclist Injured In Collision With Auto

Billy Bevans, 11-year-old Roseburg boy, was seriously injured when he collided with an automobile driven by Robert Weinberg while riding a bicycle on East Douglas street Tuesday, state police reported.

The boy, police reported, turned into the path of the oncoming automobile. Weinberg, in trying to avoid the accident, hit a parked car.

Young Bevans was taken to Mercy hospital for treatment.

Levee Breaks Threatened In Flood Area

River's Oncoming Crest Increases Peril In Two California Localities

By The Associated Press

Two north central California areas today faced new threats from avalanches of muddy, debris-filled flood waters that had begun a general recession elsewhere in California and Nevada.

The floods have caused at least nine deaths and more than \$20,000,000 damage in three days.

Army engineers warned residents along the Sacramento river between Sacramento, Calif., and its mouth to watch for possible levee breaks as the crest of the combined Sacramento and American rivers surges downstream.

The engineers termed the situation critical and ordered out 150 men to patrol levees near Sacramento. Crews worked on levees weakened by nine days of rain.

The second danger area was near Modesto, where runoff waters from the Don Pedro dam are expected to invade lowlands and residential areas today. The dam filled yesterday and 26,000 cubic feet of water a second are still flowing into it.

General relief seemed to be at hand, however.

The U. S. weather bureau in San Francisco reported "the excessive rainstorm... is ended."

The bureau predicted generally fair weather over northern and central California today.

Reno Situation Eased

Reno faced a tremendous cleanup job.

The waters of the rampaging Truckee river are once again retained by their banks after a 12-hour flood termed "the worst in Reno's history" by the mayor. Most of the \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 loss estimated by the Reno chamber of Commerce was suffered in damaged hotels, stores and merchandise. Mud and water filled many basements containing stocks of Christmas goods.

California damage was estimated at \$16,000,000 to \$20,000,000 by the state engineers. The toll is expected to go higher. The state public works department says \$2,000,000 damage has been done to highways and bridges alone.

Water Receding

The water still was high, but receding, in two California areas. Near Marysville, 10,000 persons evacuated from their homes looked over a huge sea of mud and debris and waited for the Yuba river to fall.

At Lodi, preparations to evacuate the entire population of 14,000 were suspended. Authorities predicted a fall in the Mokelumne river, which had threatened to leap his banks.

The state department of public health ruled typhoid vaccine to Sutter Yuba. Tulare county health officers to combat drinking water troubles.

The Red Cross, busy providing food, clothing, blankets and housing for refugees, registered flood victims as a preliminary step to the huge rehabilitation job.

Soviet-Built Jets Flee Before U. S. Challenge

TOKYO — (AP) — Ten Russian-built MIG-15 Jet planes were spotted Tuesday by American planes over extreme northeast Korea but sped back into Chinese Communist Manchuria when challenged.

The Far East air force said one formation of six jets "darted back across the Yalu river as the F-80s attempted to engage them in combat."

Later four other Red jets did likewise when sighted by air force planes over Sinuiju.

Snowy Mount In Wyoming Tragedy Scene

Religious Sect Owner Of Craft; Eight Victims Formerly Of Oregon

MORAM, Wyo. — (AP) — A missionary plane with 21 aboard—19 of them children—apparently crashed and burned last night in swirling clouds on snowy Mount Moran. Rescue units headed for the scene.

Grand Teton national park officials were sure climbers making their tortuous way up the 12,100-foot peak would find wreckage of the plane. They held only slim hope there could be survivors.

A resort owner said he saw a burning fuselage in the flames far above timberline on the precipitous east face of the mountain. When the fire subsided, he could see nothing resembling a campfire.

The missing plane was bound from Chico, Calif., to Billings, Mont. Owned by the New Tribes mission, a religious organization, it was on the first leg of a flight to South America.

Passengers included two young mothers with their children, widowed in the crash of another mission-owned plane in Venezuela last June which killed 15.

In Los Angeles, Irving Samuelson, an official of the New Tribes mission, said its director, Paul W. Fleming, was believed to be aboard, along with two women and three pilots.

Victims From Oregon

He said the widows of two missionaries who lost their lives in the crash of the mission's plane in Venezuela last June are Mrs. John Greiner, together with her five children ranging from two to eight years of age, and Mrs. Ben Wetherald, widow of the pilot of the Venezuela plane, with their baby son. The Wetheralds are from Portland, Ore. Both were graduated last year from the University of Oregon.

Pilot of the missing plane is Cy Lowrey, the co-pilot is Jack Dennis and also aboard was Bob Crammer, former B-17 pilot in the Philippines and Indonesia.

Samuelson said the plane was scheduled to stop at Port Platte, Neb., Minneapolis, Kenosha, Wis., Chicago and other points, picking up about 30 more missionaries for Bolivia and Brazil, and leaving Miami Dec. 12.

He said the plane had been flown but a few hours and was thoroughly checked before it left Chico. Pilots of the mission's planes, he added, are experienced fliers.

The interdenominational mission, Samuelson said, is supported by churches in all parts of the United States and has missions in Africa and the Orient as well as South America.

Merchants Press Move For Trade Law Ruling

PORTLAND — (AP) — The Oregon Food Merchants association wants the question of constitutionality of the state's fair trade law settled—but it isn't going to seek damages from the grocer who started Portland's coffee price war.

That's what Robert Green, association secretary, said.

He said the law permits suit for triple damages. But the association doesn't want damages. It just wants the law's status cleared up.

W. V. Luther, Portland grocer, was arrested and charged with violating the law when he cut coffee prices two weeks ago. The price war ended after housewives had bought several days in which to buy at prices that ranged down to 50 cents a pound.

Driver Cited Following Crash; Passenger Hurt

Kenneth Ford was cited for operating a vehicle without a driver's license as a result of a side-swipe collision Tuesday on highway 225, four miles west of Sutherland, the state police reported.

The police said Ford, accompanied by a passenger, Herman Aydelott, were driving on the narrow road when they met a logging truck driven by Derral Robert Pohl, Sutherland, and collided. Aydelott received head injuries and broken ribs, police stated, Ford and Pohl were unhurt.

District Attorney For Josephine County Named

SALEM — (AP) — Max L. McMillin, 33-year-old attorney for the State Public Utilities commission, was appointed by Governor McKay today as Josephine county district attorney.

He succeeds William F. Johnson, Grants Pass, whose resignation was effective three days ago. McMillin has lived in Oregon seven years, and is assistant chairman of the Young Republican Federation of Oregon.

HALSETH TO SREAK

Rev. Otto Halseth, former Lookingglass resident, who spent several years in Norway, will speak at the Lookingglass church at 8 o'clock tonight. All interested persons are invited to come and hear Rev. Mr. Halseth speak.

Indictment Void, But Sheriff Still Under Suspension

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — (AP) — An indictment charging Sheriff Jimmy Sullivan of Dade county (Miami) with non-enforcement of gambling laws has been ruled void by the Florida supreme court, but Sullivan remained under suspension today.

The court held that the indictment failed to charge Sullivan with commission of any crime. It said the count charging Sullivan with non-enforcement of gambling laws did not charge that he willfully or corruptly failed to perform any duty, or that he acted corruptly.

Gov. Fuller Warren suspended Sullivan after the indictment several weeks ago. Warren had no comment when he was informed of the court decision.

The decision said the "best lawyer in Florida" could not tell from the indictment that duty of the sheriff "is being corruptly performed."

"When the founding fathers made indictments essential to prosecution they had no scattergun pattern in mind; they shot with a rifle directed to the bullseye," the decision said.

Sullivan's suspension can be lifted only by the governor or the state senate.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The news as this is written seems to run heavily on the SIGNIFICANT side. This, for example, from Frankfurt, Germany, which is American headquarters.

"West German Socialists—fierce opponents of the creation of a new German army to bolster Western defense—won a thumping week-end election victory in the American occupation zone..."

"Voters in two states (Hesse and Wurttemberg-Baden) snubbed the powerful Christian Democrats, who dominate the federal West German government and have urged GERMAN REARMAMENT."

This is the point. The Christian Democrats (who are in power in West Germany as the Democrats are in power in the United States) are for a West German army NOW—to help fight the Russians NOW. FIGHT NOW, to stop communist Russia, and hope that after Russia is stopped a free Germany will be created again.

The Socialists contended in their campaign that Germans should hold back from any unified army until the allies have massed enough (Continued on page four)

News-Review Will Not Be Issued Thursday

The News-Review, in keeping with its custom of observing nationally recognized holidays, will not publish a paper Thursday, Thanksgiving day.

Most places of business, except those normally open Sunday, will be closed for the day.

Observances of Thanksgiving locally will be confined to the churches. A city-wide, interdenominational church service will be held for one hour Thursday, starting at 10 a.m. at the Methodist church. The program is under the Roseburg Ministerial association's direction.

Prophecy Proves True For Donor To Ambulance Fund

EASTON, Md. — (AP) — "Sure, you never know when you might need the ambulance yourself," said Jim Sewell. So he cheerfully contributed last week to a campaign for funds to maintain an ambulance in this eastern shore area.

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SEATTLE — (AP) — A 27-year-old barmaid was held for trial on forgery charges today because she had a long sleeve that wouldn't stay put.

Secret service officials said Phyllis Colleen Higgins had admitted forging 19 treasury checks stolen from mailboxes, and cashing them in Seattle stores. She said an ace-complice took the checks and gave them to her.

Profits Tax Spells Gas Price Boost, House Group Told

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Stiff increases in consumer prices for natural gas were foreseen today by an industry spokesman as one result of the proposed excess profits tax.

The higher prices prediction was made to the house ways and means committee by William G. Woolfolk, chairman of the American Natural Gas company.

Woolfolk was one of a group of witnesses called on this final day of committee hearings on President Truman's request for a 75 percent tax on excess corporation profits tax to raise \$4,000,000,000 yearly in new revenue.

Like other business spokesmen, Woolfolk opposed the President's request, which so far has found major support only from organized labor and the Treasury department.

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Bomber Crashes In Texas; Occupants Bail Out

FORT WORTH — (AP) — A B-36 bomber crashed today about ten miles north of Cleburne in north central Texas.

There were unconfirmed reports ten men bailed from the craft — the world's largest land-based bomber — before the crash.

Only once before has one of the far-ranging giants crashed. On Sept. 16, 1949, five airmen were killed when a B-36 failed to complete a take-off from Carswell and reared into a nearby lake at 100 miles an hour.

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harder than probably any other section of the county, according to Frear. He noted that the Rice bridge took a heavy pounding, but didn't completely wash away. The 27-year-old structure was at one time, said Frear, covered to a depth of almost two feet of water. It took such a terrific battering from logs and debris that loads for vehicles crossing it after the flood had to be limited to three tons.

This, of course, means that logging operations are bottled up in that area until the bridge is either reinforced or rebuilt. No plans have been made by the county to that effect yet, according to Frear.

Damage Estimated \$250,000

Bridges took a large part of the total damage, but roads felt the major effect of the rampant water, said Frear. He noted that a section of the Cow Creek road was at one time six feet below the surface of the water. It was necessary to put in a new right of way for 600 feet when the waters had subsided. Road crews are presently

working also on the Cow Creek canyon road, near Byers which is pocketed with holes five or six feet deep. Add to this the many small culvert fills that have been washed out and the total damage, according to Frear, is close to \$250,000, estimating conservatively.

Frear said that although his estimate of damage to roads and bridges of a quarter million dollars cannot be brushed off lightly, it isn't so bad as it could have been.

As a case in point he compared the 1927 flood with the latest inundation. In that year, he said, the county lost 55 bridges. This disaster caught a costly lesson which kept damage down this time. Since then, the county has been eliminating small bridges by using culvert fills. An average of from 10 to 40 such fills have been made yearly since 1927.

Frear said that had it not been for these fills and lanes being built higher, there would have been easily 100 spans lost in the flood of 1950.

The Weather

Fair with morning cloudiness today and Thursday.

Highest temp. for any Nov. 74

Lowest temp. for any Nov. 44

Highest temp. yesterday 74

Lowest temp. last 24 hours