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### Cloud-Seeding May Relieve Fire Situation

#### Air Pilot Ready To Fly Over Hubbard Area When Conditions Allow

A pilot was standing by early today in case conditions became favorable enough to attempt a cloud-seeding operation on the clouds over the devastated Hubbard creek fire area—estimated roughly at 17,000 acres.

Jack Chapman, Martin Bros. Box Co. forester, reported that Harvey Brandow, Medford pilot, was prepared to take off immediately if conditions became favorable. There were heavy clouds early today but the weather bureau said at 10 a.m. that conditions were not quite right for rain. As Roseburg goes into its 98th day without measurable rain, the Hubbard creek fire is reported still under control although a breakout in the north end had to be beaten back Sunday by a determined crew of Martin Bros. fire fighters.

Douglas Forest Protective association dispatcher U. F. McLaughlin said early today that "everything looks good" on the fire lines as the weather cooled in the early morning. About 400 men are on the fire lines.

**No Hopes In Clouds**  
The weather bureau this morning would not go out on a limb to predict rain in spite of the clouds. There is a possibility of showers the Cascade with possible drizzle on the coast. It said, however, clouds in this area will probably break up early in the afternoon, it was reported.

Brig. Gen. Curtis T. Beecher, county Red Cross disaster chairman, went into the ravaged Elgarose area Saturday, accompanied by Cora Pirtle, Lane county Red Cross manager, to survey the damage.

They interviewed all the burned out families except two. After a personal inspection of the area, Mrs. Pirtle said the damage represented some of the "most devastating" she had ever seen. She is acting as a caseworker in cooperation with Mrs. Mildred Herman, local secretary.

Gen. Beecher said 18 homes in all had been burned. "Most of the people are going to get along all right in spite of the severe losses," he stated.

**Rehabilitation Begins**  
Purchase of lumber to assist an elderly couple to rebuild has already been authorized by the Red Cross, Gen. Beecher noted. Neighbors are going to do the work.

After information on the damages has been compiled, a citizens' committee will survey the losses and make recommendations for assistance, said Gen. Beecher.

Rehabilitation activity is in full swing at the Red Cross headquarters, said Mrs. Herman, as estimates of damage are being pieced together.

**Aid For Vincent Creek Fight**  
The forest service administration of the Siuslaw national forest has sent a sizable crew into the

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### Scalding Death Of 3 Trainmen Due To Boy's Act

BLOOMFIELD, Ind. — (AP) — A Bloomfield boy who was "just playing" got the blame today for a train wreck that scalded three trainmen to death.

The FBI and Sheriff W. M. Brandtster announced the 10-year-old boy admitted putting a ten-inch bolt in a switch shortly before the Illinois Central freight train piled up in Bloomfield Saturday afternoon. They withheld the boy's name.

Scalded by steam from the wrecked locomotive, the trainmen all died within 12 hours after the wreck.

They were George E. Dean, 64, Indianapolis, the engineer; Wyatt E. Reynolds, 43, Palestine, Ill., fireman; and Howard V. Sparks, 24, Palestine, head brakeman.

Harvey G. Foster, FBI special agent in Indianapolis, said the case would be referred to a federal grand jury in Indianapolis next week. Meanwhile, the boy has been released.

Under questioning, the boy could give no reason for putting the bolt between the rails of the switch, Foster said.

A rail torn up in the wreck pierced the firebox and sent the fatal cloud of steam around the locomotive crew. Nineteen freight cars followed the locomotive off the track.

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## Chinese Reds' Reply Raps Ridgway

### Allied Chief Target Of New Batch Of Lies

#### Enemy Charges Fresh Violations Of Terms Of Armistice Rules

TOKYO, Tuesday. — (AP) — The Peiping radio today began broadcasting in Chinese what it said was the official reply to General Ridgway's latest message.

The message as broadcast in Chinese and translated into English by Tokyo listeners, said: "General Ridgway:

"Your reply dated the 25th has been received. In this letter you not only deny the serious provocative, illegal penetration by a plane of your side over the Kaesong neutral zone on the night of Aug. 22, which carried out bombing and strafing of the residence of our delegation as its target, but you also unreasonably refused to settle this matter carefully and responsibly.

"Moreover, you uttered the malicious slander that this incident was manufactured by our side, thus attempting to evade the heavy responsibility for this incident which should be borne by your side.

"We regard this reply as entirely unsatisfactory.

"The message went on to accuse Ridgway of failing to settle "all questions of breaches and violations of the Kaesong neutral zone agreement.

"On the other hand, it said, "our side has always adopted a careful and responsible attitude on the principle of equality, in order that the negotiations may go ahead smoothly."

TOKYO — (AP) — The Red China radio today hurled bitter new charges that Allied "plainclothesmen" and American warplanes had again broken neutrality of the Korean war's truce talk zone.

It also made unsubstantiated charges that U. S. planes flew over the Red China coast last week. It asserted these flights had something to do with the suspended armistice talks.

A Peiping broadcast monitored here said: "American warplanes flew over China's coastal cities Thursday and Saturday. No attacks were claimed.

"American and South Korean 'plainclothesmen' violated the Kaesong neutral zone 'again' Saturday.

"On Saturday afternoon seven American planes 'invaded' the Kaesong area.

The radio acknowledged receipt of Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's latest message, which threw down all earlier Red charges of neutrality zone violation, but gave no official reply.

Ridgway told the Reds Saturday that resumption of talks was up to them. Communists broke them off Thursday, charging that a U. S. American warplane attacked Kaesong to "murder" the Red delegation.

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### RIDDLE RODEO THRILLS

#### Fine Show Staged Despite Mishaps To Three Riders; Memorial Service Held

Two days of ridin', ropin' and buckin' thrilled a large crowd both days at Riddle's fourth annual rodeo, sponsored by the Riddle Roping club Saturday and Sunday.

The events were spectacular and not without mishaps. One cowboy, Cleo Riggs, had his thumb torn off when it was caught in a loop of his rope while roping a calf.

Lou Franco, popular western band leader and announcer for the two-day show, rode a Brahma bull in the final event Sunday. The bull fell with him, injuring his ankle and bruising him badly, but not seriously. Another cowboy suffered a kick by a horse on the forehead Saturday, but was not seriously hurt.

Jim Perry of Central Point, age 16, won the calf roping event both days. He also won the stock horse event Sunday and placed in other events. There was no all-around cowboy selection.

The two-day celebration opened with a big street parade Saturday. The parade was non-competitive, but there were a number of interesting floats.

Eight-year-old Mary Louise Wildy was announced Saturday as queen of festivities.

**Memorial Also Held**  
The celebration was billed jointly as a memorial to two former Roping club members, Harry King and Alvis Hendrick. They were drowned in a recent boat upset at the mouth of Winchester bay.

A special service in memory of the two men took place Sunday afternoon just prior to starting of the rodeo. The printed programs contained a tribute to the two men and their obituaries. All net proceeds for the two days were given to their widows and families.

**Winners announced**  
Winners of events for the two days follow:

Saturday — Bareback riding, Joe Riggs, first; Grady Stewart, second, and Jack Wahl, third. Stock horse event, Henry Howe, showing Ike Orr's horse. Calf roping, Jim Perry, first; Dick Perry, second, and Bob Fowler, third. Saddle bronc, Lee Hatcher, first; Tee Hibbert, second, and Elmo Shepherd, third. Bull riding, Tee Hibbert, first; Bennie Peek, second, and Bill Holmes, third.

Sunday — Bareback riding, Jack Wahl, first; Joe Riggs, second and third place, split on the grounds. Stock horse event, Jim Perry, first; Harry Denning, second, and Ed McFarland, third. Bull riding, Bill Holmes, first; Don Thumblers, second, and Tee Hibbert, third. Saddle bronc, Bill Walker, first; Al Cooper, second, and third place, split on the ground.

Team roping for the two days went to Walt Mask and Ed McFarland, first; Bob Fowler and Dick Perry, second; Jasbo Gibbs and Jim Perry, third, and fourth place, a tie between the Ike Orr-Henry Howe, and Al Cooper-Bob Fowler teams.

Ribbon tying for the two days (Continued on Page 2)

### Drunk Driving Charge Boil Of \$150 Forfeited

Clifford Leonard Wanless, Roseburg, arrested by city police on a drunk driving charge, forfeited \$150 bail upon his failure to appear in municipal court, reported Judge Ira B. Riddle. He was also given a 30-day suspended jail sentence and his driver's license was suspended for 90 days.

### Copper Industry Struck; Appeal Sent To Truman

By The Associated Press  
America's production of strategic copper dropped to a mere trickle today. And, President Truman was asked to step into a strike called by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers (I.M.S.W.).

Also halted was production of a considerable quantity of lead and zinc, important along with copper in the defense program.

Mines, mills and other plants in at least 14 states were affected. The union estimated at least 58,000 workers were involved. More than 50 operating plants, 95 percent of the nation's capacity from mine to final production line, were involved.

The strike hit the big four of the copper industry—Kennecott, Anaconda Copper Mining Company, American Smelting and Refining Company and Phelps-Dodge Corporation.

Also involved were the extensive lead and zinc operations in the rich Coeur d'Alene district of northern Idaho, and a number of other operations in the non-ferrous mining industry—which handles metals other than iron.

The union said it asked for a general wage increase of 20 cents an hour, plus pension and other benefits that would add about another ten cents per hour.

Current wage range from \$1.31 an hour for service laborers to \$1.62 for miners.

The Metal Trades council (AFL) in the copper industry have a scale ranging from \$1.31 to \$1.85 per hour.

There was no immediate indication of Mr. Truman's attitude on the appeal from the union.

### Freak Airplane Kills Inventor

TORRANCE, Calif. — (AP) — For five years James P. Martin worked in his spare time on a curious little airplane which he hoped would some day make him famous.

Sunday he crashed to his death in it.

With his wife and two children and his parents looking on, Martin, a 34-year-old aircraft mechanic, took off in his home made craft Sunday at Torrance airport. At 250 feet altitude he banked it into an 180-degree turn. Suddenly, it went into a spin and plunged into an open field 300 yards from the runway.

The squarish plane, which Martin had nicknamed "the Roadster," was only about 10 feet long with a wing span of 12 feet. It had a 40-horsepower engine and no tail assembly.

Before the fatal flight, Martin had proudly told his friends how he would prove the worthiness of his plane as a hovering craft for emergency work. It would fly as slowly as 20 m.p.h., he had said, and needed only 50 feet to take off.

He had hoped to interest the army in it.

Bur Martin's attempts to test his invention met with constant rebuff. No airport would allow him to take off. All he could do was taxi it up and down the runway.

He had done that several times on Sunday. Suddenly, on an impulse borne of impatience, perhaps, he eased back on the stick and let the plane take to the air. Although the craft was damaged only slightly, Martin was instantly killed.

### The Weather

Generally fair except for considerable cloudiness today and tomorrow. Cooler afternoon temperatures.

Highest temp. for any Aug. — 106  
Lowest temp. for any Aug. — 39  
Highest temp. yesterday — 83  
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 49  
Precip. last 24 hours — 0  
Precip. from Aug. 1 — 0  
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 48.48  
Excess from Sept. 1 — 7.85  
Sunset today, 7:57 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 6:32 a.m.

### Sen. McCarthy Presents 'Yardstick' For Measuring White House Seekers, Volleys At Truman Administration

PORTLAND — (AP) — Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis) wants voters to measure presidential candidates by a four-part "yardstick."

That is what he said here Sunday when he addressed the picnic of the Oregon Republican club. He said candidates were entitled to support only if they:

1. Recognize that the major issue of the coming campaign is "Communists and incompetents" in government.
2. Commit themselves to "removal of the vast numbers of agents and dupes of Communism" in Washington.
3. Recognize that most of the nation's ills, including inflation, high taxes, controls and the absence of soldiers from their homes, are "the direct result of our suicidal and bankrupt foreign policy."
4. Promise to "rescind . . . the order (that) prevents anyone in the military service or any civilian government employee from giving evidence to the Congress of Communists in government."

**Administration Scored**  
McCarthy also criticized the Truman administration.

He said Ambassador Philip C. Jessup had been cleared by President Truman for full knowledge of American atomic development.

This was "stubborn" and "dumb" McCarthy said. "We have had dumb presidents; we have had stubborn presidents; but never before in the history of this country have we combined the two qualities in one man to such a degree."

McCarthy said Jessup was cleared after Truman had been provided with information that Jessup was a bad security risk.

Secretary of State Acheson drew McCarthy's criticism. McCarthy said Acheson approved a \$90,000,000 loan to Communist Poland a few years ago despite the fact that the American ambassador had urged the President to deny the loan because it would be used to arm Polish secret police.

Governor McKay spoke briefly before the Wisconsin senator was introduced. McKay made no mention of McCarthy but congratulated the Republicans on the picnic turnout.

Don Eva, state Republican club president, defended the choice of McCarthy as picnic speaker. The choice has been the subject of controversy within the party since it was first announced.

### Smoking In Bed Blamed For Man-Killing Blaze

PENDLETON — (AP) — A 26-year-old Mt. Vernon, Ore., man, Lendal T. Negus, burned to death early Sunday morning in his house trailer at Echo.

District Attorney George H. Corey said the fire probably started from Negus smoking in bed and falling asleep.

Negus worked on a road oiling crew for Babler brothers of Portland.

### Muscle Marvel MacFadden Stages 2,000-Foot Parachute Plunge Into Hudson River On His 83rd Birthday

NEW YORK — (AP) — Physical culturist Bernarr MacFadden, who celebrated his 83rd birthday with a 2,000-foot parachute jump into the Hudson river, Sunday, says he is "good for things like this for 10 more years."

"I recommend this for everybody," he adds. "It's a damn good thing to do. I could do it every day in the week."

When MacFadden was fished out of the Hudson after his jump yesterday he said:

"I feel like a million. I feel 25. Next year, I'm going to jump over Niagara falls."

MacFadden's parachute leap yesterday was for the dual purpose, he said, of demonstrating that "old age is just a habit" and that U. S. paratroopers need have no fear of landing in water.

MacFadden had intended to jump near the George Washington bridge, but New York City authorities sent up a police helicopter to shoo him away. So he took his stunt upstream.

Similar bouts with Canadian and American authorities had caused him previously to drop, at least temporarily, plans to parachute next week into the churning waters below Niagara falls, he said.

The publisher made his first parachute jump at Dansville, N. Y., two years ago to celebrate his 81st birthday. His actual birth date is Aug. 16.

He took off in a plane Sunday from Teterboro, N. J., with Major Lloyd Hill, of Canada, as his technical adviser. Hill's brother, "Red" was killed a few weeks ago trying to shoot Niagara falls in a "barrel" made of inner tubes.

### Aluminum Firm To Get Big Loan

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Defense Production administration has approved a \$46,000,000 loan to the Harvey Machine Co. to finance construction of two new aluminum plants in the northwest.

Undersecretary of Interior Richard D. Searles announced.

He told a reporter he had received a letter from the Harvey company accepting conditions of the loan.

One of these conditions was that Harvey use one-half the net operating income after taxes of its operations in California for 20 years to repay the loan.

Harvey has applied for a \$46,000,000 loan. Of this, \$34,000,000 is to go for construction of a three-part aluminum plant near Kalispell, Mont.

The remaining \$12,000,000 is to be used to finance an alumina plant north of Seattle, Wash. Alumina, usually derived from bauxite, is used to make aluminum.

### In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
I had a startling experience the other day. It happened up at Carter lake.

I was sitting on the stone wall that runs along the rim out in front of the cafeteria and store building. The space along the wall was jammed with people who were leaning over and feeding the chipmunks. The sight is a familiar one at Carter lake, and I was taking it in with a casual and general eye, without focusing on any particular detail. You know, just relaxing and taking in the colorful scene.

My attention was first caught by a chipmunk that declined with disdain the stub end of an ice cream cone proffered by a child. The little devil was roly-poly fat, and I assumed that he was so stuffed he couldn't take on another bite.

I was wrong. Turning up his pert nose at the fragment of cone, he flirited his tail and dashed over to where another child was offering shelled peanuts, a whole handful of them. He went after the peanut.

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### India Refuses To Sign Japan Peace Treaty

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A new and less benevolent American policy toward India appeared certain today to result from Prime Minister Nehru's refusal to sign a United States-backed peace treaty with Japan.

American officials made no secret of their bitter disappointment at India's public denunciation of the proposed treaty draft, coming as it did only nine days before the start of a formal 50-nation peace conference in San Francisco Sept. 4.

India's arguments for boycotting the signing, officials here said, seemed to echo Russia's long standing objections, and give powerful, timely ammunition to a new Moscow propaganda drive to wreck the Japanese treaty.

In New Delhi, Prime Minister Nehru told parliament that India will sign a separate treaty with Japan as soon as Japan has achieved independent status.

Nehru, whose treaty statement brought cheers from parliament, did not explain what he meant by "independent status."

He might have been referring to the period after the peace treaty is signed and ratified, when the formal U. S. occupation will end; or he might have meant the time, no one knows how far distant, when all U. S. troops in Japan will be withdrawn and U. S. bases relinquished.

A separate pact between the U. S. and Japan is expected to be signed after the main peace treaty is disposed of. That pact would provide a new legal basis for keeping U. S. troops in Japan for its defense.

### Heads Moose — James M. Ballard, a prominent Seattle attorney, was unanimously elected to the office of supreme governor of the Loyal Order of Moose at the fraternity's 63rd annual international convention at Buffalo, N.Y., last week. Ballard has a long record of service in the Moose fraternity, since joining Seattle lodge No. 211 in 1923. He is also a Mason, Knight Templar and a Shriner.

### Poison Death Writes Story's Final Chapter

NEW YORK — (AP) — Several years ago, novelist Francis Sill Wickware started to write a magazine article on the case with which dangerous drugs could be bought "outside of pharmacies."

In his research for the article, he bought a large quantity of poisons and other drugs.

Early Sunday morning, the 39-year-old Wickware walked into his wife's bedroom and said:

"Joyce, I've taken poison."

Then he collapsed at her feet and was dead when police arrived. Detectives listed the death as an apparent suicide.

### SIX DIE IN CRASH

SPRINGFIELD, Ga. — (AP) — An automobile crashed head-on into a heavy oil truck Sunday night, killing six Negroes and injuring two others.

The truck driver, R. W. Cooler, said the auto came straight toward him on the wrong side of the highway and he did not have time to swerve the truck out of the way.

### INDIA'S BALK EXPLAINED

In rejecting its conference invitation, India assailed the final treaty draft because it:

1. Fails to turn over Formosa to Communist China.
2. Does not confirm Russia's present hold on the Kurile islands and southern Sakhalin.
3. Gives the United States trusteeship control of the Ryukyu and

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