

Ejection Device On Jet Plane Bans Drowning At Sea

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (AP)—A Navy pilot told Monday how he saved his life by using his jet plane's ejection device under the ocean's surface.

The Navy said his experience answered a question of whether the device would work under water as well as in the air. It is normally intended for escape from a plane in trouble in flight.

Lt. Norman L. Sothan, 27, a native of Geneva, Neb., was strapped in his pilot's seat of a Douglas F4D Skyraider when the brakes failed and it rolled tail first over the side of the aircraft carrier Essex last March 22 off the Southern California coast.

The impact against the surface

FALLS TO DEATH
STAYTON (AP)—Ernest Grant Morrison, 5, Mill City, died at the Santiam Memorial Hospital here Tuesday morning as a result of a fall from a bridge.

The child fell into the North Santiam River from a bridge near Marion Forks. He had been watching a woman fishing in the river and accidentally fell over a guard rail, striking his head on rocks at the shore of the stream.

stunned Sothan and the Navy figures he was 75 feet below the surface before he tripped the ejection system.

He was hurled into the sea with the seat. The straps were automatically released. Sothan was able to swim upward. The Essex was about 1,000 feet away when he surfaced. He was rescued by a helicopter.

"I was black and blue all over," he recalled, and my shins were both cut. But that was all."

Employment Up During May, But Some Jobs Down

WASHINGTON (AP)—Employment rose by 917,000 last month to a total of 63,178,000 but factory jobs declined for the fifth month in a row, the Commerce and Labor departments reported Tuesday.

The gain reflected a normal spring increase in construction, farming and other outdoor work. The report said total employment showed no significant increase from a year ago.

Unemployment totaled 2,715,000 or 4 per cent of the labor force. This was 25,000 higher than the jobless total in April.

The sag in factory employment was somewhat greater than usual, and was accompanied by a shortening of the average factory work week to 39.7 hours, the lowest level since September 1954.

Because of the elimination of overtime and shortened working schedules in the automobile, aircraft, machinery, glass and some other industries, the work week in durable goods plants has dropped by 1.7 hours since December.

The decline in factory jobs in the same period has been about twice normal. Some 18,685,000 persons had factory work in May, 122,000 fewer than in April.

Farm employment, which was abnormally low in April because of bad weather, made a partial recovery in May to a total of 6,700,000. This was still 500,000 below the total in May 1956.

The report said unemployment was substantially unchanged, despite the rise in employment, because most of those who started work in May were housewives and students who had not been seeking work in April and therefore were not counted then as unemployed.

Umpqua Lions Officers Pose



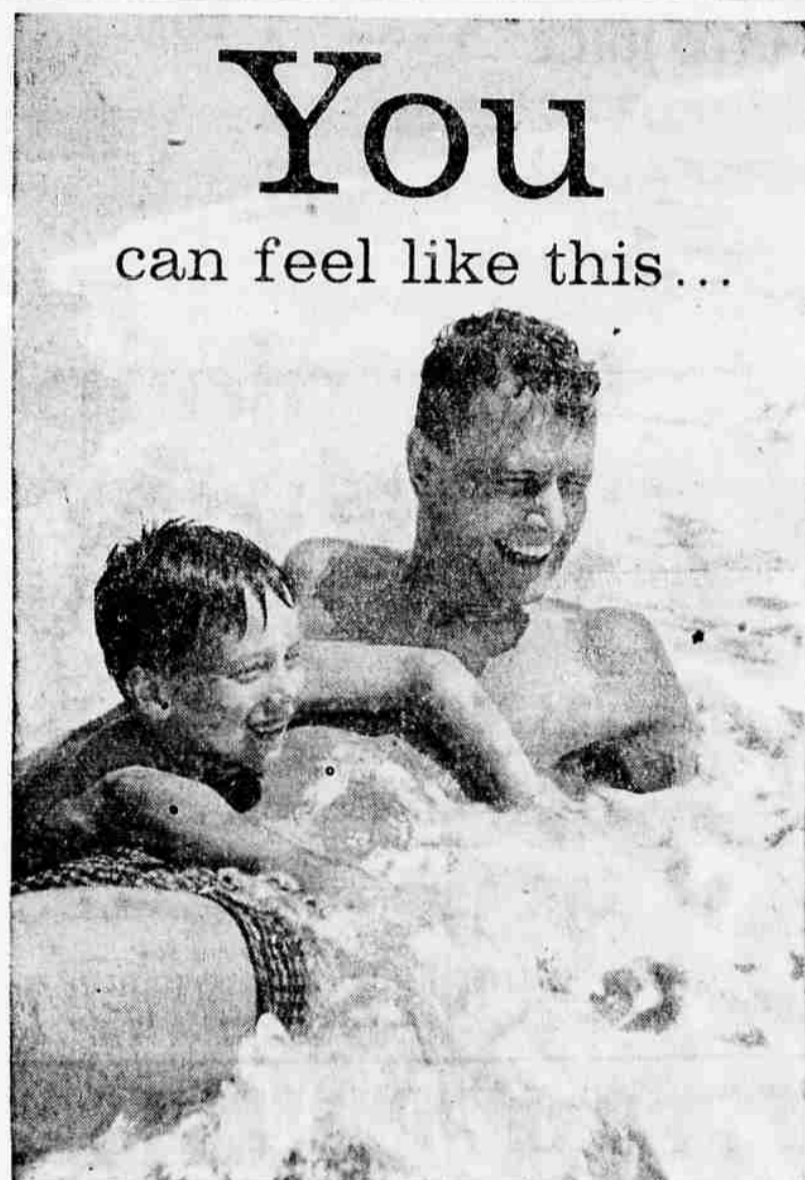
UMPQUA LIONS CLUB officers of West Roseburg are shown in official pose as they take over for the 1957-58 year. They and the Lady Lions officers, were installed at the annual banquet at the Roseburg Country Club. Seated, left to right, are: Parley Dilworth, second vice president; Ray Brown, first vice president; Fred Sahner, president; Harold Crawford, secretary. Standing are: Wayne Schroeder, director; Allen Clute, deputy district governor; Earl Thatcher, tail twister; Mike Stryker, director; Bill Scherner, director; Ken Glass, treasurer; William Roling, district governor. Clute was Roseburg Lions Club representative at the meeting, and Roling of Grants Pass was installing officer. (Koop's Photography)



HEADING LADY LIONS — New officers of the Umpqua Lady Lions of West Roseburg are, from left to right: Marguerite Thatcher, tail twister; Dorothy Miller, treasurer; Emma Jane Holst, secretary; Lea Cairns, vice president; and Eunice Noel, president. (Koop's Photography)

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