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Tuesday 8:15, Thursday
7:15, Friday 10:45 a. m.

Weather
Mostly fair, partly cloudy
today and Friday, decreasing
humidity; Max. Temp.
Wednesday 78, Min. 56, riv-
er -1.2 feet, NW wind.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH YEAR

Japan Mobilizing All Troops; War Feared

Soviet Airmen Reach Jacinto To Set Record

Distance Is 6262 Miles Although 7000 Flown Altogether, Belief

Circle San Diego Some Time, Select Pasture for Landing Place

MARCH FIELD, Calif., July 14—(AP)—Three air heroes of the Soviet union who flew over the north pole and down to the Mexican border set a new world record today for long distance, non-stop flight.

In their almost incredible feat, they flew possibly 7,000 miles. Fog forced them back from the Mexican border, however, and they landed in a pasture near San Jacinto, Calif., 6,262 miles in a direct line from Moscow, their take-off point.

They came down at 6:25 a. m. (Pacific Standard time), 62 hours and 3 minutes after leaving Moscow at 4:22 p. m. Sunday, or 4:22 a. m. Monday, Moscow time. They had flown for some two and a half hours over the San Diego and Mexican border region before turning back north attempting to find a hole in the early morning fog.

Greatly fatigued, but smiling gamely, pilot Mikhail Gromov, co-pilot Andrei Yushkevich, and Navigator Sergei Danilin, who do not speak English, climbed out of their great single-motored monoplane and greeted ranchers with cards bearing these English words: "Bath," "Eat," "Sleep."

Wanted to Land on United States Soil
Peace officers notified March Field, army air base, and the fliers were brought here where they got their baths, eats and sleep.

The fliers first, however, telephoned the Soviet embassy at Washington. Constantine Oumanski, charge d'affaires there, said they told him they turned back from the border instead of going on so they could land on United States soil.

While Gromov and his companions were splashing about in a shower bath at the March field officers club, Soviet Consul Grigori Gokhman of San Francisco arrived by plane. He had been flying most of the night searching for the three, who had been "missing" since early this morning.

With Gokhman acting as interpreter, Gromov said he computed their distance at about 10,600 kilometers.
"The weather was most difficult at the roof (North Pole)," he reported. "There were cyclones at some places and in other places anti-cyclones."
The 6262-mile distance is 605 miles longer than the previous world record which the Frenchmen Paul Codos and Maurice Rosset set in a New York-to-Syria flight in 1933. It is greater by 974 miles than that of the first Russian transpolar flight of three weeks ago.

Gasoline Leak Is Found, Missing Tank
A gasoline leak was found in a wing tank of the Gromov plane. It was not officially determined whether the tank was leaking while in the air, as March field officers first believed, or had sprung a leak in landing, apparently.

The plane, undamaged otherwise, Gromov said the plane had "come" gas left at the time of landing.
The fliers circled around for four hours in southern California, including two and a half in the San Diego vicinity.
In deviations from a straight line between Moscow and southern California, in the four hours circling here and the return north to San Jacinto, the fliers were believed possibly to have achieved a non-stop distance of close to 7000 miles.
"The hardest part of the flight was the takeoff," Gromov said. "We had to taxi 1900 meters to get into the air."
"The second hardest part was an hour and a half later. We passed through two cyclones. The first was between Rudolph Island and the North Pole. The wings and the North Pole. We did a dog and got through all right."

New Type Picket Ties up Log Raft
ST. HELENS, Ore., July 14—(AP)—A new kind of picket line tied up a tug and log raft today. Enroute down the Columbia, the tug Pen-dula was stopped when a small boat approached it and signalled.

Death of Joe Robinson Is Blow to Democrats

Two Suspects Are Arrested, Forgery Case

Accident Board's Checks Duplicated and \$700 Cashed, Reported

One of Men Once Convicted Here; Other Crimes Are Checked up

State police received a wire Wednesday from San Francisco officers that Jack Schafer and Charles O'Connor had been arrested there charged with forging \$700 of Oregon state industrial accident commission checks.
Officials said the two men would be returned to Oregon for trial.
An effort will be made to determine where the forged checks of the accident commission were printed.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14—(AP)—Jack Schafer, 31, Portland, Ore., and Charles O'Connor, 29, San Francisco, accused forgers of \$700 in Oregon industrial accident commission checks, were in custody here today.
Schafer was arrested by Inspector George O'Leary after allegedly strong-arming a seaman and stealing \$70 and the man's sailing papers. His alleged accomplice was Theodore Nunn, who was shot twice in Portland Saturday night by a police officer when he resisted arrest on a San Francisco warrant.

Inspector George Curtis of the check detail here discovered Schafer's asserted check-forging career when he linked him with about \$1000 in spurious stevedore payroll checks issued on the McCormick Steamship company here.
Schafer's alleged admissions led to arrest of O'Connor, an ex-convict. Inspector Curtis said Schafer also admitted he and O'Connor forged and disposed of about 30 checks on the Francis Motor company of Portland, worth about \$300. This occurred, Curtis said, before the pair obtained a check of the Oregon industrial accident commission and printed copies of it.

Schafer is in the county jail here being held to answer on the robbery charge. O'Connor is in city prison pending arraignment on the McCormick Steamship company check forgeries.
Schafer has served penitentiary terms at Salem, Ore., and McNeil Island, Wash., Curtis said. O'Connor he described as a "three-time loser."

Strikers Started Fight, Testimony

CHICAGO, July 14—(AP)—Police and observers testified today that steel strikers carried guns and clubs and began the fighting in a memorial day riot which cost 10 lives.
Their testimony was before a coroner's jury of six members of the American Legion seeking to determine whether police were justified in using their pistols.
Statements placing blame on the crowd were contradicted by the testimony of Gus Yuravovik, president of the Republic lodge of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers.

Revenge Gained by Butchers; Paperman's Early Rally Wins

The revenge wait's hoped to visit on the Man's Shop for an earlier defeat was fulfilled last night at Sweetman field as the meat packers' troupe of the clothiers by the satisfying score of 8 to 1. In the opener, the Papermakers beat Eagles 5 to 2 in a dull nine-inning affair.
Wait's started off well by scoring four runs in the first on blows by Steinbeck, Bone and Beard. They added a run in every frame, except in the fifth and sixth, as Bone and Scalco tripled and Steinbeck and Girod doubled to help make up the 11 hits collected off Vern Gilmore.
Kitchen held the clothiers to six scattered singles and one double by Dick Kitchen also had a good evening at the plate, hitting three times out of four, and tallying two runs himself.

Man's Shop scored its lone run in the second, when Gould got on through Foreman's error, then scored on Gilmore's single. In the first game, Papermakers also scored four times in the first as they earned a run, took advantage of an error for another, and Mickenham walked in two more. The Eagles scored in the sixth and eighth, but left many men stranded to lose several possible scores as hitting spree fizzled out.
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Crowfoot and Schuauel; Mickenham and Comstock.

Senate Leader Dies Suddenly



JOE T. ROBINSON

Decide Battle On Court Bill Will Continue

That Issue May Be Basis of Fight to Select new Senate Chief

WASHINGTON, July 14—(AP)—Joseph T. Robinson, indomitable leader of the senate's democrats, died on the fighting line today and left to his colleagues a political situation troubled and portentous.

Stunned with the grief of a personal loss, his associates could give little thought to the future, but they foresaw difficulties piled upon difficulties through the loss of his energetic, driving leadership.
The battle over the Roosevelt court reorganization bill and the already arising struggle over the reorganization of the executive branches of the government were vitally affected. For every administration proposal, Robinson was a lower of strength.
Some senators quickly predicted that the court bill would be abandoned but Senator Pittman (D-Neu) declared after a visit to the White House:
"I can see no change in the court situation except that we have an armistice, which will last probably until next week."
Supporters of Bill Agree to Go Ahead
Later a group of the bill's supporters met informally and agreed to go ahead with the fight for the measure.

Those at the conference included Senators Barkley of Kentucky, Minton of Indiana, Schwelb of Washington, Black of Alabama and Pepper of Florida.
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Fruit Inspectors Find Contraband On Russian Plane

SAN JACINTO, Calif., July 14—(AP)—A vigilant inspector of the California agricultural department whose name seemed to have escaped those present, seized a quantity of fruit from the Russian transpolar plane today after it landed here.
He acted in enforcement of California's strict quarantine aimed at blight and pests on out-of-state fruit.
Apparently unimpressed by the fact that the three Russian fliers had fought storms over the north polar regions and set a new world distance record, the inspector climbed aboard their plane and found the remains of a sack of fruit.
He held out before the public view a very used half of lemon, or orange, or something similar.
"You can take them — we don't need them," assured Stanley Shumovaki, aviation representative with the Soviet consular party.

Offer of Building For State Quoted

PORTLAND, Ore., July 14—(AP)—The Oregonians said tonight the state board of control has received an offer from the Lloyd Corporation, Ltd., to construct a three-story state office building in Portland to be turned over to the board for cost plus brokerage expenses.
The proposal provided, the newspaper said, that the site be purchased by the state or through the issuance of 3 per cent bonds, and that the state join the company in seeking vacation of the site, on Northeast 11th avenue between Irving and Gilsan streets.
The structure would contain 100,000 square feet of space, with the cost of building and site estimated at \$500,000.

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Farm-Labor Body Formed, Portland

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The purpose of the group, consisting of three members named by the state federation, was described as to prevent misunderstandings between farmers and industrial workers by keeping both groups informed, and to seek settlements agreeable to both groups in case of controversy.
Grange members are Morton Tompkins, Dayton; Senator W. A. Johnson, Grants Pass, and Luther J. Davis, Kent. The federation of labor, represented by Phil Brady, Paul E. Gurske and Kelly Lee, all of Portland.
In proposing the joint committee at the labor convention, Ray W. Gill, master of the state grange, said it should "meet from time to time to discuss any labor situations that may develop in the harvesting or processing of farm crops."

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Three Million Army And Navy Reserves Told to Get Ready

Warships Dispatched to Manchoukuo and China Coasts and Japanese Nationals Being Evacuated

New Clash Breaks Day of Comparative Quiet in Peiping Sector; Heavy Pressure on China Forecast

TOKYO, July 14—(Thursday)—(AP)—Gen. Gen Sugiyama, Japanese minister of war, today warned an unprecedented council of prefectural governors that the crisis caused by a week of fighting between Chinese and Japanese troops in north China may take an even more grave turn at any moment.

Japan's first ranking war lord urged the council of 50 regional rulers to take all possible measures for mobilization and be in readiness to requisition everything necessary for the army's operations against China.
Gen. Sugiyama's statement came virtually at the same time 3,000,000 army and navy reservists were told to hold themselves ready for a call to the colors.
"The crisis has exploded in north China," Gen. Itakuro Inouye, president of the powerful army and navy reservist association, proclaimed to its members. "Future developments are unpredictable but we must be prepared for the worst in order to preserve the empire."

In addition to the army reinforcements which General Sugiyama told the governors had been dispatched to north China to end Chinese treachery and Chinese insults to Japan, intensified naval movements were disclosed. Adm. Mitsumoto Yonai, minister of marine, detailed the fleet's moves to support the army in the crisis that started July 7 when night maneuvering Japanese troops clashed with Chinese bridge guards near the village of Wanpinghien, 10 miles west of Peiping, in Hopeh province.

The navy had dispatched warships to the coasts of China and Japan's protégé, Manchoukuo, Yonai declared, to protect or evacuate Japanese nationals. Units had been set up the Yangtze-Kiang river, he said, as well as placed at strategic positions in the north and south China seas.

PEIPING, July 15—(Thursday)—(AP)—The Chinese central news agency said today 700 Japanese troops clashed last night with the Chinese garrison at Laofa, 30 miles northwest of Tientsin, after a day of comparative quiet.
It added traffic on the Peiping-Mukden railway, running northeast from Peiping, had been suspended after a brief resumption.
The newly-reported clash followed the expression of grave fears last night that concentrations of Japanese troops in north China indicated tremendous pressure against the Chinese was imminent.
A tense atmosphere prevailed despite the absence of armed clashes during the day, except for a minor, two-hour stray early yesterday.
Chinese and foreign observers expressed belief the lull was only the quiet before a greater storm than has developed since the Sino-Japanese conflict broke out a week ago tonight in a clash west of here near the Marco Polo bridge.
An increasing exodus of Japanese and Korean families was noted. It was reported at least 1000 persons entrained for Tientsin.
Wealthy Chinese families also were evacuating on a large scale.

Schafer Funeral Today
EUGENE, July 14—(AP)—Funeral services will be held Thursday for George B. Schafer, 62, one of the founders of the well known Ax-Billy department store and, with his three brothers, one of the largest hardware houses in Lane county. He died at his home here last night.

Neutrality Setup Offered by Eden

"Take it or Leave it" Is Challenge to Nations of big Committee

LONDON, July 14—(AP)—Great Britain today offered a complete plan for nonintervention in the Spanish civil war with a "take it or leave it" challenge to the 26 other nations on the international "hands-off Spain" committee.
The proposal, laid before the committee by Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, provided for removal of all foreign volunteers fighting in Spain and termination of the foreign naval patrol, already weakened by the withdrawal of Italy and Germany.
In place of the patrol, Britain proposed a stronger system of neutral observers inside and outside Spain. It asked also for eventual extension to both the Spanish government and Gen. Francisco Franco's insurgent regime of "limited" belligerent rights which would give them the privilege of halting foreign ships outside Spain and seizing contraband.
An immediate survey of leading members of the committee indicated there was no willingness to accept the British formula instantly or enthusiastically.
But British officials said they believed the program would at least form a basis for successful negotiations to keep the Spanish war from spreading to the rest of Europe.
Eden's plan was offered on a day when a British ship, the Molton, was seized by the Spanish naval cruiser Almirante Cervera while trying to enter the Spanish government port of Santander.

Fuel From Plane Hijacked, Charge

NEWPORT, Ore., July 14—(AP)—Three fliers and the police were looking today for an airplane gasoline hijacker. The airplane, George Saw, Petersburg, Alaska, and T. O. Hanson and Jack Mullin, of Alaska Airways, tied their seaplane up last night near here, fueled it and went to sleep.
They took off this morning but were forced down in a short time, finding their gasoline tanks drained. An emergency supply enabled them to return here to re-fuel.
The report said the officer was fired on at 10:49 p. m. by one of the men who was riding in the rumble seat of the coupe, believed to be a stolen car. The machine turned east toward Boardman, but did not reach that city, having apparently turned off the highway.
It is believed the trio would try to cross the Columbia. Boardman is about 100 miles northwest of the scene of the holdup.

Julius Meier Widely Lauded; Flags Ordered at Half-Mast

Meier, who died at his Columbia river estate today after a lingering illness, was widely lauded by his friends and acquaintances. Messages of condolence from life-long friends came to the bereaved family from all parts of the state.
Some of the expressions by state leaders follow:
Mayor Joseph K. Carson of Portland—"His public and business life was dedicated toward building a greater state and a greater Portland. He set a splendid example of public service in official and civic capacities. His loss is deeply mourned by all our people."
Ray W. Gill, master of the Oregon State grange—"I feel that in the death of Julius Meier the state of Oregon has suffered a great loss. He was a leader in the development of the state. We members of the grange feel the loss particularly, and wish to express our appreciation of his efforts in behalf of public power development."

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By R. C.