

Red China Frees 4 U.S. Fliers

Memorial Day Death Record Nearly Certain

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS The homeward rush of holiday travelers made a new record traffic death toll for a Memorial Day weekend almost a certainty in the closing hours Monday.

Gun Accident Brings Oregon Fatalities to 6

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS Walter L. Isenberg, 76, died at his farm home some three miles southwest of Hood River from a bullet wound Monday.

7 Airmen Die In C47 Crash

ALAMOGORDO, N.M.—Seven Air Force men died in the flaming crash of a two-engine C47 in the Sacramento Mountains 20 miles northeast of here Monday.

Pond Full of Fish 'Stolen'

The alleged theft of a pond full of fish in the Kings Valley area Monday came to the attention of Kenneth E. Scripser, state police game warden for this area.

Depoe Bay Rite Attracts 17,000

DEPOE BAY, Ore.—An estimated 17,000 persons were on hand Monday for the 10th annual Memorial Day Fleet of Flowers observance.

Santiam Squalls Suited Fish, Not Fishermen



DETROIT, Ore.—It took a brave heart, well protected by slickers and tarpaulins, to catch fish in Detroit Lake Monday as rain squalls chased most of a big Memorial Day weekend crowd home early.

Detroit Lake Wet, Windy On Holiday

By THOMAS G. WRIGHT JR. Staff Writer, The Statesman DETROIT, Ore.—Memorial Day normally is the first big weekend of the vacation season, but the weatherman who dumped rain, wind and even a little snow on hundreds of recreationists around Detroit Lake Sunday and Monday apparently hadn't been advised of it.

Police Block Gang 'War' in Bronx Park

NEW YORK—Mounted police charged a solid wall of 250 marching youths in a Bronx park Monday and broke up an impending battle that had been brewing all through the hot afternoon.

Clouds, Showers Still on Forecast

Partly cloudy skies and a few scattered showers were predicted for today, tonight and Wednesday by McNary Field weathermen who say it will continue to be cool.

FRENCH SCALE PEAK

NEW DELHI, India—All members of an 11-man French expedition have reached the summit of 27,790-foot Mt. Makalu, fourth highest in the world, a message from the expedition leader said Monday night.

GIs on Way to Hawaii From Hong Kong

HONG KONG (AP)—Four freed American fliers arrived at Hong Kong city limits at 4:50 p. m. Tuesday and were driven directly to Kaiak airport where they boarded a plane for Honolulu.

They appeared tired but in good if subdued spirits. At the airport the men said they had been "well treated."

They had changed clothes at a constable station in Hong Kong's "new territories" on the mainland not far from the Chinese border which they crossed at 2:33 p. m. (8:33 p. m. PST).

They have been in Red prisons more than two years, most of the time in Mukden, Manchuria.

First reports from the border said the men were in "fairly good physical condition."

The airmen were dressed in Communist blue trousers and faded blue, collarless shirts.

The Air Force party greeting them at the Lowu border bridge was headed by Lt. Col. O. D. Simpson, U.S. air attache in Hong Kong, who told them: "I welcome you in the name of the U. S. government and the American people. We have been waiting a long time for this."

"So have we," one of the men blurted out. The Air Force threw a curtain of secrecy about its plans for the men, but a special plane was waiting at Hong Kong's Kaiak Airport, with its full crew on a standby basis. (Additional stories on page 2, sec. 1.)

Man Arrested As Woodburn Fight Injures 2

WOODBURN—Richard Bell, 25, of Woodburn Monday was jailed on an assault and battery charge resulting from a fight early Sunday in which Bell is accused of beating up two men, one of whom is in "poor" condition in a Portland hospital, Police Chief Neil Calkins reported.

The hospitalized man is Antonio Fontaine, 39, of Yakima, whom the Physicians & Surgeons Hospital late Monday reported as not responding to treatment. Chief Calkins said he had a skull concussion and a broken jaw.

The other victim—the complainant—is Archie McKenzie, about 50, of Woodburn, owner of the Club Cafe. Chief Calkins said McKenzie has two broken ribs.

According to Calkins' understanding, the two men were attacked upon emerging from a Front street tavern in Woodburn about 1:15 a. m. Sunday. He said the Yakima man, in Woodburn on a construction job, received the concussion upon falling on the pavement when he was struck in the eye.

"There doesn't seem to be any reason for the fight at all—there was apparently no argument inside the tavern," said Calkins who said he had talked to about 50 people about it.

Bell, a farm laborer, is under \$500 bond in Woodburn jail. Calkins indicated he planned to hold him on the assault charge pending Fontaine's outcome at the hospital.

BOATER IMMOBILIZED Al Lue, 2368 State St., Monday reported to police that someone had drilled two 3/4-inch holes in his boat and in each of the two tires on his boat trailer.

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IT SEEMS TO ME

The dispute between the Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen and some 90 Class One railroads, which was heard by a President's Emergency Board of which I was a member, has finally been settled.

Independence — A citizens' group and Independence police siraged two mill ponds Monday and otherwise searched for a trace of Jay Edwards Seeley, 69, missing since Sunday morning.

Sherwood Rallies To Aid of Family

SHERWOOD—Neighbors and others have contributed about \$200 in a fund-raising campaign to assist Mr. and Mrs. Russell Eoff of Sherwood, whose two-year-old daughter died in a fire that destroyed the family's home and belongings two weeks ago.

ANIMAL CRACKERS



I'm feeling about the same.