

The Weather
 Forecast: Tonight and Sunday fair; no change in temperature.

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

Temperature
 Highest yesterday 93
 Lowest this morning 56
 Precipitation:
 To 5 p. m. yesterday .00
 To 5 a. m. today .00

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Many Happy Returns
 Biggest Tree Farm
 40,000,000 Bibles.

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Uncle Sam was 154 years old yesterday.

Since his infancy in 1776 he has managed his own affairs, consulting Europe, or asking permission to build ships. Some of his managers, believing him no longer able to take care of himself, would submit his decisions to a foreign court and a foreign league.

They are mistaken. The weakness is in them, not in this country. They will pass; their mistakes and confessions of weakness will be forgotten. The nation will endure, self-governing.

This is written at Amawalk, in Westchester county, N. Y., where Evelyn Smith—able, intelligent young woman—owns and manages the greatest nursery for fine trees in the United States.

Thousands of country editors throughout the nation will remember with admiration the late Major Orlando Smith, who built up the American Press association. He started the Amawalk nursery as a hobby, because he loved fine trees.

His daughter has increased the nursery to more than a thousand acres, with hundreds of thousands of magnificent trees. Modern methods make it possible to transplant trees 50 feet high. Fisher Brothers of automobile body fame have bought these big trees tens of carloads at a time, shipped by express to Detroit.

Owners of country real estate should plant young trees around their property now. They can be bought for a trifle, and the increase in tree value often equals the increase in land values, greatly increasing the latter.

The Bible is the best seller among the world's books, and next comes Shakespeare, proving that the people's taste is sound.

The British and Foreign Bible society says more than 40,000,000 Bibles were sold in 1929. This country bought 15,000,000, England 12,000,000, Scotland 5,000,000.

Wales bought 66,000 Bibles printed in Welsh.

The Bible and Shakespeares

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Abe Martin



"That haint no sunset, it's a torch murder," explained Constable Plum to an enthusiastic stranger last evening, as he hurriedly jumped in his car and wuz off. "Gosh, I hope we don't have rain anywise soon for I've just washed my car."

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178 KILLED ON HOLIDAY MANY HURT

Property Damage Totals Thousands As Citizens Celebrate—Fireworks Account for Twelve—Auto Blamed for 81 Deaths.

CHICAGO, July 5.—(AP)—Americans paid its inevitable price in human life yesterday to celebrate the 154th anniversary of its independence.

The dead numbered 178. Many other hundreds were injured. Property damage was unusually high and ran into many thousands of dollars.

Deaths due directly to fireworks totaled 12. This was the largest number of such deaths recorded in the three years the Associated Press has been keeping a nationwide check upon independence day fatalities. A year ago there were seven deaths from fireworks. In 1928 there were 11.

The automobile, however, took the most lives—81. In the past three years the holiday toll has steadily increased. In 1928 it took 54 lives. Last year, 70.

There were 57 drownings yesterday, a decline of 14 from a year ago and of 49 from 1928. This was attributable to much cooler weather generally. The Fourth of July two years ago was one of the hot days of the year, heat alone being responsible for 12 deaths that day.

Deaths Grouped.
 Deaths from fireworks were concentrated yesterday in the two previous years, in the New England, Middle Atlantic and Middle Western states. These sections also had lengthy lists of injured.

In New York City, where the sale of fireworks is forbidden, 275 persons were treated for burns from bootleg firecrackers, Roman candles, pin wheels and rockets. At least 17 persons were seriously injured in Chicago where celebration of the day with fire crackers went on virtually unrestricted.

Chicago, too, had its celebrants who employed fireworks and even dynamite for their noisemaking; and five persons were injured by stray bullets.

Two others were seriously injured while they were "making a lot of noise" with dynamite. The two men had 100 sticks of dynamite, police learned.

In Springfield, Ill., a 77-year-old woman who was celebrating both her own birthday and the nation's, was seriously injured when a bomb exploded at her home, destroying it.

Midwest Hard Hit.
 The largest number of fatalities was reported from the midwest where there were 53 from all causes. The densely populated Middle Atlantic States followed with 39; and the south had 33, compared with 21 a year ago.

Prize Homing Dove Has to Walk Back Minus His Feathers

BALTIMORE, July 5.—(AP)—John Butz's prize homing pigeon, Mr. Butz said today, had to walk back—part of the way—from St. Paul, Minn. He exhibited a denuded bird and pointed to what he said were catclaws as evidence.

Somewhere between St. Paul and Baltimore, said Mr. Butz, a storm overtook the pigeon, an imported flier from Belgium, named Antwerp, and stripped it of its feathers. There was nothing for Antwerp to do but walk, and Antwerp did, arriving after four days at the Butz home at breakfast time, said Mr. Butz.

SIX KILLED IN ALABAMA RACIAL WAR

Quarrel Over Auto Battery Leads to Lynching—Negroes Burned Alive in House Where Refuge Sought From Angry Mob

EMELLE, Ala., July 5.—(AP)—Six persons were dead today in race warfare which flared here late yesterday and resulted in a gun battle, the lynching of a negro and the burning of a negro dwelling.

Two of those killed were white men. The others were negroes. The dead: G. T. Boyd, white; a man named Mays, white; Jean Robertson, negro; three unidentified negroes.

A quarrel between Clarence Boyd a nephew of G. T. Boyd, and a negro to whom the Boyds had sold an automobile battery was credited by officers as starting the riot.

After the argument the negro left the Boyd place of business, and returned later with two other negroes, who renewed the quarrel. One of the negroes struck Clarence Boyd on the head with a bottle and as the Elder Boyd came to his nephew's rescue, he was shot four times in the back by one of the negroes.

Refuge Sought.
 All three negroes then sought refuge in the house of John Robertson, a negro. In an exchange of shots between negro occupants of the house and one group of white men on the outside, Mays and Robertson were killed and two negroes were wounded.

With the death of Mays, a rush was made on the negro's house and the building was set afire. When the fire died down, the negroes were searched and the bodies of two negroes were found. They had been burned to death.

Intermittent battles between whites and blacks, but with no bloodshed continued through yesterday afternoon and last night, while search was continued for the negro alleged to have shot G. T. Boyd.

Foresh were formed to search the section around Emelle for the slayer.

This morning the body of one negro, alleged to have been one of the ring leaders in the race riot, was found hanging to a tree near here.

Flying Brothers Come Down To Earth With Record



After dropping over Sky Harbor, Chicago, Ill., for 553 hours and 40 minutes, this Associated Press telephoto shows the Hunter family after two members, aided by the ground and refueling ships by all of the rest, landed after breaking all previous endurance records. Left to right: Gladys Hoban, friend of the family; Kenneth, John, Sister Irene, Mrs. Albert Hunter, Albert and mother, Ida Hunter.

MAN PLUNGES TO DEATH OVER NIAGARA FALLS

George Stathakis, Self-Styled Greek Philosopher, Believed Dead After Drop in Oak Barrel.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 5.—(AP)—Shooting the Horseshoe falls in an oak barrel of his own design is believed to have cost George E. Stathakis, 46, Buffalo, self-styled Greek philosopher, his life today.

Stathakis took the plunge over the falls at 3:35 p. m., and an hour later river men were lined along the shore of the river below the falls still waiting for him and his barrel to appear. The barrel was believed to have been crushed against the jagged rocks at the foot of the cataract.

William (Red) Hill, Niagara Falls, Ont., riverman, who has aided in many rescues on the upper and lower river and who went through the lower rapids and whirlpool in a steel barrel on May 30 of this year, examined Stathakis' barrel today and said that if Stathakis made the trip as planned, he would be killed. Hill, who had been engaged to recover the barrel after it taken the plunge over the cataract, said he had engaged a physician and undertaker to go out with him.

Took a Mattress.
 Stathakis entered the barrel on Naves Island. A steel casing was slung down over the opening at the top and the barrel was towed out into the Canadian channel and then to within about one-half mile of the beginning of the rapids above the falls.

The barrel was said to weigh at least a ton, and it was 16 feet long. The interior was padded and equipped with a spring mattress.

Witnesses said it was 10 minutes from the time the barrel was cut loose from the tug until it made the plunge. The barrel rode the

edge of trial laps around the deck, then leaped overboard.

Through the channel, down into the narrows and finally into Gravesend bay swam Alphonse, with police tugs snorting in his wake and seeking to surround him.

Another police tug was called, and then another, until there were four—but the problem of rescuing Alphonse was one with which they were unacquainted to cope.

China Fires On U.S. Navy One Killed

WASHINGTON, July 5.—(AP)—The navy was advised today of the death of bluejacket, Samuel Elkins of Brooklyn, N. Y., in an encounter between Chinese bandits and the United States gunboat Guam yesterday at Yochow, Hunan, China.

GOLD HILL MAN KILLED WHEN CAR HITS POLE

W. H. Wing, Veteran Cement Worker, Meets Death When Auto Swerves From Pacific Highway.

William H. Wing, 60, Gold Hill, was instantly killed Thursday night on the Pacific highway a short distance north of Gold Hill when a car driven by S. T. Chisholm, swerved off the highway. Reports indicated that Wing's head, protruding from the car, struck a telephone pole as the auto narrowly averted a collision with the pole. An inquest may be held this afternoon or tonight.

Four others in the auto, John Chisholm, S. T. Chisholm, Douglas Cameron and W. McCreng, escaped with minor injuries. The machine was northbound at a time when there was little traffic on the highway and none of the passengers was able to give a reason for the crash today.

Wing had been employed by the Beaver-Portland Cement company at Gold Hill for nine years and was well known in that section. He is survived by his wife, Lulu Wing, and one daughter, Mrs. W. H. Kleckner, Oakland, Calif. The body will be shipped today to Oakland for cremation.

State Traffic Sergeant C. P. Talent was at the scene of the crash today making a complete investigation.

Three Killed in Oregon.
 PORTLAND, Ore., July 5.—(AP)—The aftermath of Fourth of July traffic resounded from hospital morgues and police stations today. Traffic mishaps killed three, scores were injured, some seriously and many were arrested on various charges.

William H. Wing, 60, was killed and several other persons were injured in an automobile accident at Gold Hill, Ore. Their car left the road and crashed into a pole and overturned in a ditch.

Wing was master mechanic at the Gold Hill cement plant. A stage smashed into a rock near Goble, Ore., and injured five. They are: Mrs. Charles Alston, Delena, Ore., and J. A. Whallon, Mrs. Matcheller, Irma Dorosan and William Hill, all of Portland.

Leslie Kennison, 22, and Jack Clifford, 25, occupants of an automobile stolen from Portland, belonging to W. A. Woodruff, were found unconscious in the wreckage of the machine by a Washington state traffic officer near Vancouver.

Dale Westran, 7, Portland, was taken to a hospital after a bunch of firecrackers exploded in his pocket.

Emma Marie Olsen, 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Olsen of Jewell, Ore., was killed near Jewell when the family car skidded on loose gravel. The parents escaped injuries.

Seven were injured when a speeding roadster driven by Mrs. Irene Hesley, Tacoma, crashed into a parked car belonging to Gray Sporing, also Tacoma, at Vactorland ocean beach.

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Girl Pilot Wins British Air Race Against Experts

LONDON, July 5.—(AP)—Winifred Brown, 22-year-old girl, today won the King's cup air race, beating many of England's crack pilots around the 750-mile course.

Eighty-eight airplanes, six of which were piloted by women, participated.

Mrs. Brown's average speed was 102.7 miles an hour. She is the first woman to win great Britain's most important air race.

Denial of Billings Plea by High Court Disappoints Pair Accused of Preparedness Day Bombing—Future Plans Outlined.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—(AP)—Disappointed but not discouraged by the California supreme court's decision denying Warren K. Billings' plea for a pardon recommendation, Billings and Thomas J. Mooney still hope to establish themselves innocent and obtain their freedom.

Billings, who has spent 14 years of a life sentence in Folsom prison for murder in connection with the 1916 preparedness day bombing here, outlined two future plans of action, designating one as "loop-holes in the supreme court's decision," and the other as habeas corpus proceedings, leading possibly to the United States supreme court.

Mooney, serving a similar sentence in San Quentin prison, when informed of the decision yesterday, declared "the fight is not over yet."

Witness Asleep.
 "The governor says I Billings is guilty. I am," he commented. However, Mr. Oxman, who said he saw Billings and me at the corner of Market and Stuart streets in San Francisco the day of the bombing has been proved to have been asleep in a friend's house in Woodland that day. Frank Oxman, Durkee, Oregon cattleman, was one of the prosecution's star witnesses.

Mooney cut off his brief comment with "please excuse me. I want to see the ball game." The game was part of the prisoners' independence day celebration.

A quite different position was taken by Charles M. Pickert, district attorney when Mooney and Billings were convicted. Pickert, now a Los Angeles resident, was visiting in San Francisco yesterday.

"I have always been confident," Pickert said, "that the distorted framework reared in years of effort to release these men would, under searching inquiry, tumble like a house of cards."

Pickert said he was confident they were guilty when they were convicted and was "still of that opinion."

Baseball Scores

| American | R. | H. | E. |
|---|----|----|----|
| Philadelphia | 7 | 12 | 2 |
| Boston | 2 | 6 | 0 |
| Batteries: Mahaffey and Cochran; Gaston, Smith, Durham and Berry, Heving. | | | |
| St. Louis | R. | H. | E. |
| Chicago | 1 | 7 | 1 |
| Coffman, Holshausner and Manly; Faber and Tate. | | | |
| Cleveland | R. | H. | E. |
| Detroit | 6 | 14 | 3 |
| Detroit | 8 | 21 | 1 |
| Bean, Miller and Myatt; Hogsett and Hayworth. | | | |
| New York | R. | H. | E. |
| Washington | 2 | 9 | 1 |
| Pencock and Hargrave and Bengough; Brown and Spencer. | | | |
| National | R. | H. | E. |
| Brooklyn | 3 | 10 | 2 |
| New York | 11 | 11 | 0 |
| Batteries: Luque, Thurston and Lopez; Pleinich, Hubbell and Hogan, O'Farrell. | | | |
| First game: | R. | H. | E. |
| Boston | 17 | 19 | 2 |
| Philadelphia | 5 | 8 | 6 |
| Batteries: Sherdel and Spahrer; Elliott, Smith, Hansen and Tensa. | | | |
| Second game: | R. | H. | E. |
| Chicago | 12 | 19 | 0 |
| Pittsburg | 3 | 9 | 4 |

ENDURANCE TEST ENDS ON FOURTH

Hunter Brothers Forced to Land at 5:21 Friday Evening As Oiling System Fails—Huge Crowd Mills About Landing Field.

CHICAGO, July 5.—(AP)—The longest sustained airplane flight in the world's history has ended. The finish came at 5:21:30 (central standard time) last night.

John and Kenneth Hunter, who rose from the plane to the landing in the Fourth of July twilight at sky harbor airport with a world's refueling endurance record of 553 hours, 41 minutes and 30 seconds blazed on the wings of their "City of Chicago."

The end was as unexpected as the beginning 23 days ago was inauspicious. A clogged filter stopped the oil flow; the motor was seared from lack of lubrication; a hurried landing was made; and the old record of 429:21:30 was left 133 hours and 29 minutes behind.

Holiday thousands who had jammed the airport since early day, floundered in the suddenness of the descent.

They had just seen the endurance ship succeed by "Big Ben," the providing plane, manned by Albert and Walter Hunter, two more of the brothers who learned to fly in pastures of their farm at Sparta, N. C.

Difficulty Unrealized.
 Thousands thought the "City of Chicago" was set for another night of monotony; they could not see the oil spurting back onto the flier instead of flowing into the overheated motor.

So many planes pock-marked the air that the blue monoplane "City of Chicago" sped to within 100 feet of the ground before it was noticed. Then came the spontaneous combustion of human enthusiasm; a mob of human hands reaching for the plane.

The mob milled to the center of the field ignoring the death-sweep of the plane's propeller. John Hunter at the controls, outwitted the pack, taxied to the far southwest corner of the field, backtracked his trail twice, pivoted and then skirted the north of the field into the hangar.

But the pack was near its quarry. Police and airport officials were helpless and the sparrows of the air were besieged in the hangar. Officials of the National Aeronautical association managed to muscle in and grab the barograph. Protection for the plane was finally established and souvenir hunters were denied even a speck of the oil that splattered the fuselage and wings.

Fliers Greet Nation.
 The world soon knew of the descent; a radio man plunged through with a microphone and John and Kenneth Hunter greeted the nation as champions.

Reporters and cameramen had to fight for their news and pictures. The first flash was clicked off luckily before bedlam broke loose; then their wire-sets were torn asunder in the confusion, and it was several minutes before the wires could be repaired and the story of a new record telegraphed to waiting editors and the world.

It was fully 10 minutes before the fliers could escape into the hangar office. There they had their first chance to relax—it relaxation could be had amidst the flashlight flares and reporters' questions.

When the boys awoke this morning, they each found a new bed with a \$100 bill attached as the gift of a bed manufacturer.

Having already earned about \$25,000, the Hunter brothers hesitated to estimate what their new world endurance record would ultimately mean to them in the way of riches. The \$10,000 offered them by the oil company sponsoring their flight is contingent on appearances the Hunters must make at various headquarters of the oil firm.

They earned more than \$7000 from the malt extract company, under whose auspices they broadcast by radio during their flight, and their share of the gate receipts amounted to more than \$5000. Other offers and gifts swelled the total.

Fisherman Drowned.
 SEATTLE, July 5.—(AP)—Malta Peterson, 24-year old logging foreman of North Bend, Wash., slipped from a rock while fishing on the south fork of the Snoqualmie river yesterday and was drowned.

Batteries: Moss, Osborn and Hartnett; French, Chagnon and Hensley, Pool.

Boston R. H. E. 7 11 2
 Philadelphia 4 12 0
 Cantwell, Brandt and Spohrer;
 Collard, Nicholas, Collins and Davis.