

NAVY EXPEDITES MAIL TO MEN IN MARIANA ISLES

Airmail Letters Now Travel
9,000 Miles In Week—
Efficiency at Peak.

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With U. S. Pacific Fleet in the Western Pacific (U.P.)—Triple the average number of letters received by the average citizen of Indianapolis, for instance, and you have a rough idea of the postal problem the Navy faced when the Central Pacific front surged westward 4,000 miles from Pearl Harbor to the Marianas via the Gilberts and Marshalls.

The Navy solved the complex jigsaw puzzle, Lt. Comdr. Earle D. Chance of (6437 W. Fifth St.) Los Angeles, revealed here with a handful of orders from Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, fleets of transport planes, the judgment of veteran mail handlers and a deft bit of postal "quarterbacking."

Now it isn't unusual for airmail letters posted in New York City on a Sunday to be in the hands of a serviceman in the Marshall Islands 9,000 miles away just a week later. In the Gilberts airmail letters from home are being received regularly in three to four days. The standing record in the Marshalls is four days from Virginia.

To Chance, a postal inspector for 25 years in his home city, the job of setting up machinery to get the mail to men at the front. Since October, 1942, he has flown nearly 60,000 miles.

"The average post office knows approximately where its patrons can be found," Chance explained, "but out here men move around with such lightning speed we must anticipate their movements and then get

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Neff Home From Convention Says Wallace's Talk Costly

Henry A. Wallace showed himself to be a poor politician when he came out for the abolishment of the poll tax and equal rights for Negroes during the recent Democratic national convention in Chicago, in the opinion of Porter J. Neff, one of Oregon's delegates to the convention.

Neff, Medford lawyer who returned home yesterday, said that Wallace lost all chance to be re-nominated for vice president when he brought up the poll tax question in his seconding speech for the renomination of President Roosevelt. By calling for the abolishment of the poll tax, he said, Wallace lost all the southern votes.

The Oregon delegation was harmonious, Neff stated, and voted unanimously for Wallace on the first ballot, having felt themselves committed to such

action. On the second ballot, when Harry Truman was nominated, 11 of Oregon's 14 delegates again voted for Wallace, two for Truman and one for Justice William Douglas.

Neff said that, in his opinion, Quentin Reynolds made the best speech at the convention, which saw the largest crowd in history pack the Chicago stadium. He said that delegates were very well treated, that prices were moderate everywhere and that there was no suggestion of stores and restaurants "holding up" the visitors.

Mrs. Neff accompanied her husband as far as Minneapolis, where she visited a sister during the convention. Both also visited friends and relatives in Duluth, where they formerly lived. They were gone from Medford a little over three weeks.

the mail there ahead of them."

Followed Forces
Mail deliveries have reached a peak of efficiency in the forward area of the Central Pacific theater. At Tarawa ships carrying postal details were so close behind the assault forces that their crews watched the pre-invasion bombardment.

With the invasion forces at Saipan was an LST carrying a fleet post-office unit. Delivery of mail to servicemen aboard assault ships began four days after the invasion. Two days later seaplanes were rushing the first airmail to the Marianas and four days later service was under way for troops ashore.

In spite of the care and speed with which the mail is handled the fleet records office has thousands of undelivered letters which were improperly or illegibly addressed. For instance, there are 11,000 Smiths in the Pacific fleet, Chance disclosed, suggesting that addresses should include service numbers.

COURT VACATION IS PLANNED IN AUGUST

Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna plans to take a vacation during August, the month in which the state court and circuit courts recess. The local circuit court docket has been completed, with cases on the calendar tried. A number of cases are pending, and will probably be set for the October term of court.

Judge Hanna also will work on decisions and routine matters before him. Since assuming the bench four years ago he has taken no formal vacation.

STORM IN CHAMBER

Ottawa, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—One of the most stormy parliamentary sessions since World War One was climaxed last night in the temporary expulsion from the chamber of Dr. Herbert Bruce, former lieutenant general of Ontario and a progressive conservative member, for criticizing a bill as a "piece of political bribery."

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LIFT LIMITATIONS ON ALASKA ENTRY

Seattle, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—Headquarters of the army's Alaskan department announced that beginning today no permits will be necessary for civilians entering, leaving or traveling in the Alaskan mainland, southeast Alaska or Kodiak island.

Although virtually removing restrictions for most of the territory, the army said regulations will remain effective in the Aleutian Islands and through most of the Alaskan peninsula with the dividing line placed at Becharof lake south of Naknek.

Entry of enemy aliens, persons of Japanese ancestry, families of military personnel stationed in the territory, and persons previously excluded from Alaska will still require prior approval of the commanding general of the department, it was announced.

VINEGAR JOE NAMED FOR FULL GENERAL

Washington, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, commander of American forces in the China-Burma-India theater, was nominated today to be a full general in keeping with the increasing emphasis on the war against Japan.

Stilwell will be the U. S. army's sixth full general on active duty. The others are: Gens. George C. Marshall, chief of staff; H. H. Arnold, commander of the army air forces; Dwight C. Eisenhower, supreme commander of allied European invasion forces; Douglas MacArthur, supreme commander of allied forces in the southwest Pacific; and Malin Craig, former chief of staff, who was recalled from retirement to head the army personnel board here.

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CAPT. KELLY FINDS FRENCH FRIENDLY DESPITE HARDSHIP

French civilians in Normandy, on the whole, are friendly to American and British invasion troops despite the terrible devastation wrought by the fighting and the intense suffering they are undergoing.

Capt. Edward C. Kelly said in a letter to his wife, who resides at 430 Haven street, Capt. Kelly, with a European civil affairs detachment, wrote that plenty of action has been taking place in the vicinity in which he is located, and that he has seen many German planes shot down by Allied anti-aircraft fire.

He wrote that he has been living in a pup tent and that heavy rainfall made things very uncomfortable. He also said that he saw evidence of robot bomb explosions in England before leaving there and that one landed near the camp in which he was stationed. Capt. Kelly, Medford lawyer prior to entering the service, arrived in England last February 1.

DAV Convention To Give Veteran Most Attention

Denver, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—James L. Monahan of St. Paul, Minn., national commander of the Disabled American Veterans, arrived in Denver today to make advance preparations for the national convention here, Sept. 12-15.

Delegates from more than 900 DAV chapters throughout the nation will attend the convention which, Monahan said, will be "streamlined and restricted exclusively to business programs."

Principal business of the 23rd annual conclave, he said, will be pledged toward the "protection of American fighting men and women disabled in World War II."

JUVENILES HEED THREAT TO CURB NIGHT GADDING

The sheriff's office reported today no juveniles were found out after curfew hours last night following a threat to take the names and addresses of boys and girls out late and notify their parents or guardians. On a second offense parents or guardian would be haled into court, along with the juveniles, the officers promised.

Complaints were also received of boys speeding autos on city streets and country roads and ignoring traffic lights when the travel was light.

MARRIAGES IN JULY SLIGHTLY OVER JUNE

Marriage licenses issued by the county clerk's office during July totaled 35, two more than in June, and approximately one-third of the monthly total during the height of the heavy occupancy of Camp White. A large number of the applicants during July were members of the Western Personnel Reassignment Center, several from northern California, and the remainder, local.

Daily Weather Report

Forecasts
Medford and vicinity: Clear to partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday. Little change in temperature.
Oregon: Clear tonight, but with fog on coast. Wednesday, scattered clouds. Little change in temperature.

Local Data
Temperature seven days ago today: Highest, 76; lowest, 56.
Total monthly precipitation, none.
Deficiency for the month, .01 inch.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1943, 15.93 inches. Deficiency for the season, .74 inch.
Relative humidity at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, 22%; 4:30 a. m. today, 75%.

Tomorrow			
Sunrise	6:06 a. m.	Sunset	8:29 p. m.
Past 24 hours:	High	Low	Prec.
Boise	79	54	—
Boston	88	70	—
Chicago	85	65	—
Denver	94	61	—
Eureka	92	56	—
Hayes	80	56	.41
Los Angeles	72	58	—
Medford	82	52	—
New York	89	71	—
Omaha	92	68	.73
Phoenix	107	74	—
Portland	74	54	—
Reno	85	44	—
Roseburg	79	50	—
Salt Lake	92	63	—
San Francisco	60	54	—
Seattle	74	52	—
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HILDA NYGREN, 83, TAKEN BY DEATH

Mrs. Hilda Nygren, 83, a resident of southern Oregon for 38 years, living most of that time in the Brownsboro and Lake Creek districts, passed away in Medford Tuesday. Mrs. Nygren was born in Smaland, Sweden, Jan. 10, 1861. She came to the United States in 1889, settling at Loveland, Colo., and was united in marriage to Gust Nygren at Fort Collins, Colo., on November 6, 1890. They came to Jackson county in 1906.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Anna Hulsey, of Klamath Falls; three sons, Frank Nygren, Brownsboro; Eric and Carl Nygren, Lake Creek; also three grandchildren and one brother, Frank Sundberg of Johnstown, Colo.

Funeral arrangements, in charge of Perl Funeral Home, will be announced later.

Playwright Doubts Ham Fish Eager To New Case In Court

New City, N. Y., Aug. 1.—(U.P.) Maxwell Anderson, playwright, and other members of the good government committee of the 29th congressional district said today that Rep. Hamilton Fish's announcement that he would sue them for libel was so much "bluff and blather."

Greeting the Fish statement as "wonderful news," Anderson said he and his committee had "little hope of getting Mr. Fish into a courtroom—he knows perfectly well that we have said nothing that is not true and in the record."

The congressman, in revealing that he would sue, challenged Wendell L. Willkie, who offered to defend Anderson, to accept service of complaint in the suit to "avoid the delay in serving so many defendants."

Fish objected to an advertisement which appeared in the New York Journal-News, linking his name with Fritz Kuhn, convicted leader of the German-American Bund, and others with known un-American leanings. He said the advertisement had "not one iota of truth to it as it is merely part of a baseless smear campaign."

Canol Probe Set For Coming Week

Los Angeles, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—A congressional investigation of the U. S. army sponsored Canol oil and pipe-line project in Canada, will be started by a subcommittee next week, Rep. Carl Hinshaw, (R.) Calif., said today.

Hinshaw, a member of the subcommittee on civil aviation, petroleum, communications and transportation, said the inquiry would include Alaskan military airfields, the Alaska highway, and west coast aviation plants, with a view to their post-war integration.

BRITISH NAVY MIGHT TO AID IN PACIFIC

London, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—Britain soon will shift a large proportion of her naval strength to the east for the growing battle of Japan, naval observers predicted today following the appointment of Admiral Sir Bruce A. Fraser to command her eastern fleet.

Fraser, who directed the sinking of the German battleship Scharnhorst and the crippling of the super-battleship Tirpitz in northern waters while commander of the home fleet, was named to the eastern command last night to succeed Admiral Sir James F. Somerville, who will take up another post in the near future.

SOUR NOTE IN SHAW BAND

Hollywood, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Artie Shaw revealing that she and the famed swing band leader have been separated for three weeks, today said she is planning to file suit for divorce. "My husband has moved to an apartment hotel and I am living with my parents," Mrs. Shaw, daughter of Composer Jerome Kern, said.

LORETTA MOTHER

Hollywood, Aug. 1.—(U.P.)—Film Star Loretta Young gave birth to a 7 pound 12 ounce baby boy early today at the Queen of the Angels hospital. Her husband, Lt. Col. Tom Lewis, commanding officer of the armed

forces radio service, announced that the infant was 22 inches long and had been named Christopher Paul.

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