

Klamath Man Third Lake O' Woods Victim in 2 Days

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy with thunder showers in mountains, occasionally crossing valley. Continued warm.
Highest Yesterday 55
Lowest this Morning 53

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Okinawa Planes Take Over Battering Of Japanese Mainland on 36th Day

CARRIER STRIKE WINDS UP WITH TERRIFIC RAID

Suicide Bases Lashed By Mustang and Thunderbolt Fighters — Expect More.

Pearl Harbor, July 11.—(U.P.)—Tokyo said today the U. S. third fleet had finally broken off its carrier strike against Japan with a mighty final blast that wrecked at least 173 Japanese aircraft and 32 ships.

It was the 36th straight day of the pre-invasion bombing of Japan. Even as the fleet withdrew army raiders from Okinawa took up the assault. Tokyo reported a flight of about 150 American P-51's and P-47's attacked the suicide plane bases on eastern and southern Kyushu for about two hours today.

Despite the fact that Halsey's fleet steamed almost into the mouth of Tokyo bay, it was allowed to withdraw without so much as an answering shot from the stunned enemy.

Fires leaped through Tokyo and the 80 airfields surrounding the city testified to the havoc wrought.

Speaking from Washington, Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal said last night that the third fleet's strike had proved that the U. S. "now controls the sea right up to Japan."

To do this, he said the navy has sunk more than 250 major Japanese warships, hundreds of merchant ships, and has destroyed thousands of planes.

From Kunning, Lt. Gen. Claire Chennault said the 14th airforce had achieved its first objective of sweeping Japanese planes from China's skies. He said in the future the 14th planes will swing to supporting Chinese ground forces.

The Chinese Central News Agency declared that Japanese forces are hurriedly abandoning their entire salient in southern Kiangsi province.

The high command's communique reported Chinese troops have recaptured Hain-Ch'eng (Sinchang) airfield and Nankang, both in Kiangsi province, as well as Chungtu, on the Kweilin-Luchow highway 35 miles southeast of Luchow in central Kwangsi.

It appeared that the Chinese are gradually gathering steam for an all-out blow against the Japanese transcontinental corridor across China.

In Borneo Australian troops secured completely Balikpapan harbor and the great Pandan-sari oil refineries. Now they must sweep the waiting Japs from 200-foot high Mount Bato-champar.

SAN FRANCISCAN HEADS NORTH AMERICAN SHRINE

Chicago, July 11.—(U.P.)—William H. Woodfield, Jr., 51, San Francisco real estate investor, today was elected imperial potentate of the Ancient and Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North America.

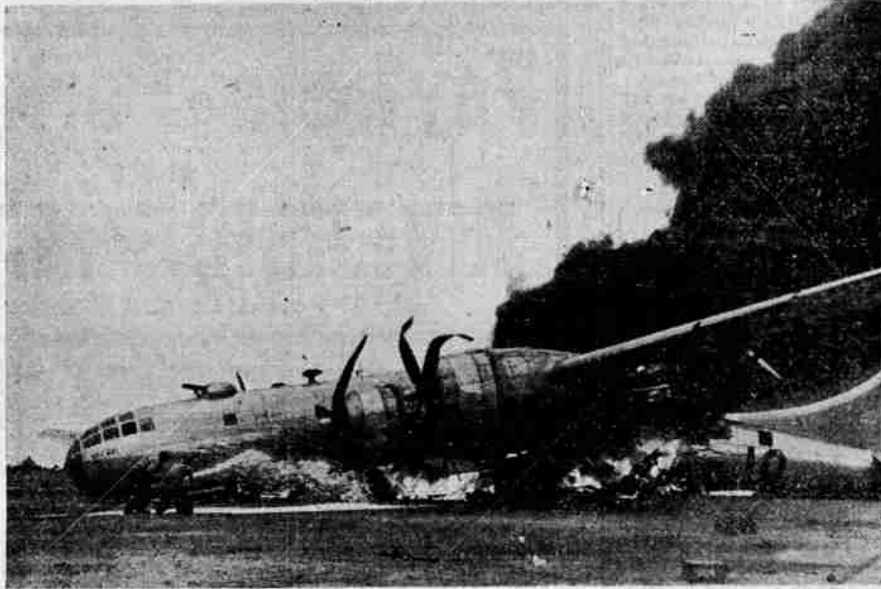
Woodfield, who succeeded Alfred G. Avid, Fargo, N. D., was elected at the closing session of the imperial council's annual meeting. Harold Lloyd, Beverly Hills, Calif., was elected imperial high priest and prophet.

POOR LITTLE RICH GIRL IN THIRD LOVE FAILURE

Hollywood, June 11.—(U.P.)—Barbara Hutton, poor little rich girl who married a prince, a count and a movie star in a frantic search for happiness, today admitted she had failed again. She has sued Actor Cary Grant, onetime English acrobat, for divorce.

Attorney Jerry Geisler filed the brief complaint against the handsome Grant, first commoner husband of the second richest woman in the world, charging he caused her "grievous mental distress, suffering and anguish."

Home From Raid, Super-Fort Crashes at Iwo Jima



Returning from a strike at the Jap homeland where it was badly shot up, this Superfort made a crash landing on Iwo Jima's 7th Fighter Command base. The entire crew escaped, some with minor injuries.

TWO FIRES RAGE UNCONTROLLED IN COASTAL TIMBER

Portland, Ore., July 11.—(U.P.)—Forest rangers today prepared for trouble in Oregon forests as two forest fires were reported burning out of control in the coast range mountains near Forest Grove and Astoria.

In the northwest section of Washington county a threatening blaze was burning out of control across cut-over and old burn sections in the holdings of the Oregon-American Lumber Co. The fire is along the boundary of Tillamook and Washington counties on the north fork of the Salmonberry river, only 27 miles northwest of Forest Grove.

In Clatsop county, the first major fire of the season was reported with flames of unknown origin burning through an 80-acre tract of Oregon-American timber land 50 miles southeast of Astoria.

35,000 VETERANS REACH NEW YORK

New York, July 11.—(U.P.)—The greatest number of European veterans to hit American shores in a single day since V-E day arrived in New York today aboard eight troop transports.

More than 35,000 cheering troops passed the grey-green statue of Liberty under a cloudless sky as the ships, paced by the giant Queen Mary and the West Point, steamed up the bay. They included five infantry regiments, a complete general hospital unit, numerous eighth air force groups and scores of smaller units.

The Queen Mary, jammed with 8,642 Americans and almost 7,000 Canadian troops, docked shortly before 1 p. m. after a noisy greeting from harbor tugs, two helicopters and a music-blasting navy blimp. Decks and porches were massed with cheering and waving soldiers as the ship sailed into the harbor, flying the union jack, the stars and stripes and a souvenir of war—a Nazi regimental banner.

50-YEAR-OLD SAILOR IS CHAMPION FATHER

Winona, Minn., July 11.—(U.P.)—A 50-year-old sailor, Roman L. Springer of Winona, today laid claim to the paternity championship among U. S. servicemen.

Springer has 14 children. He is a carpenter's job to enlist in the navy in March, 1944, said that his wife and 11 children at home, ranging in age from 8 months to 18 years, receive a total of \$280 monthly allotments.

Jap Diplomats Jeered By G.I.s On U. S. Arrival

New York, July 11.—(U.P.)—The Japanese ambassador to Berlin, Hiroshi Oshima, and 32 members of his staff slunk off the new transport West Point today under the guard of Japanese-American battle veterans and crossed a gangplank to a harbor ship. Their destination was not disclosed.

The 7,607 American troops who had shared the Japanese diplomats' voyage from Europe boomed and taunted them from the West Point's decks.

"Don't be so careful," one shouted. "We hope you fail."

The Japanese appeared amused at the taunts.

"Laugh, you B—d," another soldier yelled. "You'll be dead in an hour."

Two Japanese-American sergeants had Oshima in tow.

CHARTER TERMED COMMUNIST PLOT

Washington, July 11.—(U.P.)—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today heard a succession of witnesses against the United Nations charter, one of whom was escorted from the witness chair by two policemen.

The opposition witnesses variously assailed the charter as a "communist plot" and a plan for "empire rule" and protested the "sinister" speed with which it was being moved toward Senate ratification.

The committee put a general 15-minute limit on each witness' appearance.

Mrs. Agnes Waters, Washington, D. C., describing herself as representing the National Blue Star Mothers, was the first witness. She called the charter "a fraud, deceit and an international conspiracy that will knock down this nation and overthrow this government." She charged it is part of a general communist plot to control the world.

By Nelson Grabs PGA Tourney Lead

Dayton, O., July 11.—(U.P.)—Byron Nelson, Toledo, O., trying to beat the jinx which has been trailing him for three P.G.A. tournaments, grabbed a two-up lead over Gene Sarazen, New York today at the halfway mark in their 36-hole opening round match of the 1945 P.G.A. championship.

ROBERT RUCKER NEW PRESIDENT OF JR. CHAMBER

Robert Rucker was installed president of the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce at a dinner meeting at Rupp's Dining Room in Central Point Tuesday evening.

Marvin Hixson, Klamath Falls, vice-president of Oregon state Junior Chamber, installed Rucker and the following officers: Don Foote, first vice president; Gerald Latham, second vice president; Dale Stephenson, secretary and George Davis, treasurer. Directors installed were William Meyst, Lyle Kinney, Chet Weed, Alan Jewett, Carl Bennett, Jr., Robert Schenck, Arnold Depper and Lew Conger.

Retiring president Victor Milnes presided over the meeting and welcomed Ray Ish back to Medford. Paul Selby made a brief talk on why he wanted to live in Medford. Milnes praised the JayCeers for accomplishments since the club was organized last October and pledged full support for greater activities in the community.

Mrs. Victor Milnes installed new officers of the Lady JayCeers at the joint ceremony. Mrs. Alan Jewett was installed as president. Mrs. Dale Stephenson, vice president, Mrs. Harry Watson, secretary, and Mrs. Jack Denney, treasurer. Mrs. Paul Selby, retiring president, gave a brief outline of activities of the Lady JayCeers since its inception last fall and challenged the new officers to do bigger things during the year ahead.

Deaf Mute Admits Slaying Wife, Child

Peabody, Mass., July 11.—(U.P.)—A deaf and dumb prize-fighter beat his deaf and dumb wife and only daughter to death with a hammer early today and confessed by writing a note to police.

"I killed my wife and baby," read the note which Dave Horblit, 26, scrawled on a scrap of paper after walking into a police station.

Police accompanied the light-heavyweight fighter to his home on Maple street where the bodies of Mrs. Catherine Horblit, 22, and her 20-month-old daughter Caroline lay.

NAZI TERRORIST GANG BROKEN UP BY CZECHS

London, July 11.—(U.P.)—Radio Prague said today that a gang of Nazi terrorists, led by former German army officers, has been broken up by Czechoslovak authorities in the Sudeeten border district.

ELECTRIC STORM STARTS 18 FIRES IN ROGUE WOODS

Eighteen fires started by lightning during the electrical storm which hit the vicinity of Rogue River valley last evening have been brought under control by suppression crews of the Rogue River National Forest and the State Forest Patrol, it was stated this morning by headquarters of those two groups.

Weather Bureau officials said today that rainfall was spotty during the storm, large drops falling in some areas of Medford while no measurable amount fell at the airport. The temperature reached 95 degrees shortly before 4:03 p. m. when the storm began. Lightning continued through the evening with more rain and thunder between 8 and 9 o'clock, until the storm subsided about midnight.

Forecasts for tonight indicate electrical storms in surrounding mountains, and possibly in the valley, it was stated.

None of the fires was serious or threatened extensive damage, but crews have been alerted during the present danger period brought on by high temperatures and low humidity, coupled with lightning storms in the area.

Others Reported

Other blazes have been reported and are being investigated today.

Of the seven fires reported in the Rogue River National Forest area between 2 p. m. and 10 p. m. yesterday, four were in the Applegate district, two near Union Creek, and one at Lake O' Woods. Men dispatched to each blaze had the fires under control this morning.

Six fires in the Greensprings area were reported to the State Highway Patrol, the largest covering several acres. Two were started in the Moss Lake area, one near Dudley mountain north of Butte Falls, one at the mouth of Elk Creek, and one on the middle fork of Rogue river. All were started by lightning and have been brought under control.

A 25-acre "flash" fire at Prospect, of undetermined origin, was also reported yesterday and is being controlled by logging crews in the area.

Childless Woman Admits Kidnaping

Marion, O., July 11.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Helen Elizabeth Creviston, estranged wife of an army sergeant, cuddled her nine-day-old daughter in her arms today and sobbingly thanked police for finding the kidnaped infant before anything happened to her.

Tiny Jean Eileen Creviston apparently had no ill effects from her two-day stay with a war worker's young wife who told police she stole the child from a hospital crib because she was unable to have a baby of her own.

Plucky Portland-Built Ship Back For Kamikaze Repairs

Portland, Ore., July 11.—(U.P.)—Another plucky ship, the cargo vessel S. S. Brown Victory, was here today for repairs after four men were killed and the mast broken when a Jap bomber, loaded with two 500-pound bombs, crashed at a 45-degree angle on her forward deck off Ie Jima last May 28.

Launched at Portland only two months before her clash with a twin-engine Jap "Betty" bomber, the Brown Victory was only the day before narrowly missed damage when a Nip "Kamikaze" plane zoomed over her bow into the waters of Ie Jima bay.

Both times the vessel was laying at anchor in Ie Jima bay. The Brown Victory was unloading cargo when the Jap bomber, chased by three Ameri-

HORSES AND DOGS SIDETRACKED FOR TROOP MOVEMENT

Government Bans Transportation of Racing, Show Animals In Emergency.

Washington, July 11.—(U.P.)—The government today banned the transportation of race horses or show animals by railroads.

It also prohibited their transportation by truck operators doing business either as common carriers or on a contract basis.

The order was announced by Director J. Monroe Johnson of the Office of Defense Transportation. It was issued at his request by the interstate commerce commission in order to prevent unnecessary burdens on the transportation system during army redeployment.

The order is effective at once and applies to shipment of race horses or show animals in intrastate, interstate and foreign commerce.

All Show Animals

The ODT said the order applied to race dogs, as well as race horses and show animals of all kinds. The order is effective until July 1, 1946, unless countermanded or modified.

Johnson said the action was necessary "in order to expedite the movement of troops, material of war and civilian supplies needed for the successful prosecution of the war."

He said that most race horses and show animals are carried in express cars or in specially constructed livestock cars on express and passenger train runs. He believed that the new directive would release a considerable volume of equipment for other types of transportation purposes, as well as lightening the loads that passenger trains might otherwise be hauling.

TRUMAN PARTY IN SHIP CONFERENCE

With President Truman aboard the USS Augusta, July 11.—(U.P.)—President Truman conferred with Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy for several hours today in preparation for the Big Three meeting which will begin at Potsdam, Germany next week.

The veteran warship turned northeast during the night as it sped toward the northern European port where the president will disembark. He will complete the journey to the site of the conference by airplane.

Grandmother Held In Child's Death

Media, Pa., July 11.—(U.P.)—Mrs. Anne E. Dufficy, 44, was held without bail today on murder charges after police said she beat to death her two-and-one-half year old grandnephew whose soldier father was killed in Europe.

The victim, Sandra Lee McCann, lived with the grandmother in Ashton township, while her mother, Roberta Dufficy McCann was employed at a Bridgeport, Conn., war plant.

50,000 IDLE AS STRIKES FLARE IN MORE PLANTS

Largest Stoppage at Firestone Plant With 16,500 In 11th Day of Walkout.

By United Press

Almost 50,000 workers were idle today as labor disputes struck scattered war industries and civilian production.

The biggest work stoppage was in the Akron, O., plant of Firestone Tire & Rubber Co. where 16,500 members of the United Rubber Workers—CIO were in their 11th day of striking. The union called a meeting for Friday to discuss a war labor board order to go back to work.

A flare-up in the New York Shipbuilding Corp. yard in Camden, N. J., was settled after a walkout of 3,000 welders had paralyzed ship construction. Another 15,000 were idle for a few hours as the yard's activities virtually ceased.

14,500 In Detroit

Detroit, scene of spreading labor troubles a few weeks ago, again had its labor disputes. Already 14,200 workers had quit their jobs in various plants.

Domestic service to seven states by the United Fuel Gas Co., Charleston, W. Va., was at a minimum as the result of a strike over wages by the CIO International Oil Workers union.

In Pennsylvania, all four Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. coal mines were closed by a strike over the rehiring of a war veteran.

No Milk Delivery

A dispute over employment of three union cashiers left at least 130,000 families in Detroit without milk for the third day.

New York newspaper delivery men faced loss of closed shop privileges for refusing to end their strike against the New York Publishers Association at 8 a. m. today. Composing room employees at two Fort Wayne, Ind., newspapers also continued to strike.

Imports of strategic materials by air in 1944 totaled 7,133,000 pounds, or considerably less than half the carrying capacity of one Liberty ship.

Confident of Yanks

The road to Diamond Lake by way of Crater Lake National park will be ready for use Thursday, E. P. Leavitt, park superintendent, announced today. Rim road is not open in Wine Glass-Cloud Cap section but is expected to be ready for travel in about a week, Leavitt said. When the section is open autos will be able to go clear around the rim.

Leavitt said there were 302 cars with 867 passengers, at the lake Sunday. The figure includes four bus loads of Marines from the Klamath Falls Barracks. Weather was warm at the lake Sunday.

Special Autos For Battle-Maimed Is Promise By Ford

Detroit, July 11.—(U.P.)—Henry Ford, president of Ford Motor Co., announced today that special auto driving equipment will be provided free by the company for Ford cars owned by veterans who have lost arms or legs in battle.

The auto manufacturer's statement coincided with a demonstration at Washington today in which Thomas Parran, surgeon general of the United States, exhibited the special auto driving equipment before members of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

POWER LEAKS ELIMINATED

A new clamp has been devised to improve the efficiency of power feeder connections for electrically-operated machinery. Power leaks, resulting from less effective connections, are eliminated.

By The Side Of The Rogue

By Dale Vincent

One of our neighbors is a kind-hearted soul. He likes children, dogs, people and birds, but he also gets hungry now and then. A family of nine young quail formed the habit of joining his flock of chickens at meal times. Enjoying this free handout all summer, they had become quite tame—almost as tame as chickens, which would fly up on to our neighbor's shoulders and arms at feeding time.

Come last fall, and hunting season, and having a license and a shotgun, our neighbor who likes birds decided to shoot the quail. So, upon their arrival he leveled his trusty fowling piece intending to annihilate the nine quail with one terrible blast. One of his pet chickens flew upon the barrel. He lowered the muzzle and wiped the chicken off. Again raising his gun and taking careful aim, another chicken flew upon the barrel and another upon his shoulder. Under such handicaps, and being a kindly soul—our neighbor's quail still enjoy mealtime on schedule.

R. HOLLINGSWORTH HELPS SAVE FOUR, LOSES OWN LIFE

Sudden Windstorm Capsizes Boat With Five Aboard—Medford Girls Rescued.

The third drowning victim at Lake O' the Woods in a two-day period was a Klamath Falls man who lost his life about 10 p. m., yesterday, after aiding three Medford girls and a Talent man to reach safety after the boat in which the five were riding capsized.

The lake is being dragged today for the body of Richard Hollingsworth, 25, missing since the accident. Also involved in the accident and rescued with the aid of Hollingsworth before his disappearance were Billie Stewart, Georgian Weigt and Shirley DeMoss, all of Medford, and Merle Bradley, 40, of Talent. All four are apparently uninjured.

Storm Cause

According to information received here, the two men and three girls were on the lake about 10 o'clock last night when a wind storm came up, making the water choppy, and the boat capsized.

Ed Miller, a logger living near the lake, heard calls for help and paddled his 19-foot canoe to mid-lake where he rescued the three girls and Bradley. The girls were clinging to the overturned boat, where they had been helped by Hollingsworth, who then disappeared under the surface. His body had not been recovered at noon today.

The three girls had gone to the lake Friday on a vacation trip. They were to return to Medford this evening from a resort. Parents of the trio are Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stewart of the Old Military road, Mr. and Mrs. George E. DeMoss of the Old Military road, and Mr. and Mrs. George A. Weigt of 710 Dakota street.

Hollingsworth was staying at the lake resort where he had charge of the boats.

CRATER RIM ROAD TO BE OPEN SOON

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