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FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday with evening showers mostly in mountains. Little change in temperature.

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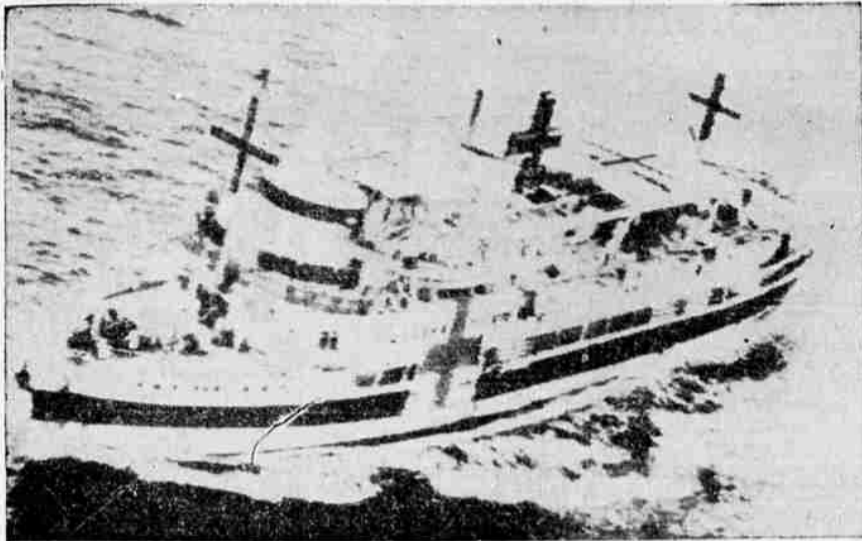
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Jap Hospital Ship Carries Fake Patients



Jap hospital ship is brought into Allied port for examination after routine boarding party discovered unauthorized contraband aboard, including 23 heavy machine guns, 15 light machine guns, shells in boxes marked "hospital supplies" and 1500 Japs listed as patients although examination of bandages revealed no wounds.

Japanese Hospital Ship Transporting Arms Seized by Navy and Taken to Allied Harbor

By Ralph Teatsorth United Press Correspondent An Allied Pacific Port, Aug. 7 (U.P.)—A navy prize crew from two seventh fleet destroyers brought the Japanese hospital ship, Tachibana Maru, into an allied harbor Monday after it had been discovered to be carrying arms, ammunition and other contraband.

grenades, bayonets, knives and sabers were found on the ship. Red Cross Label I saw many such packages wrapped in fiber matting and labeled with large red crosses such as are placed on medical supplies.

two tiers in two large rooms in the interior of the ship. The vessel had never carried more than 700 passengers before. However, only a few of the Japanese were seriously ill and most of them appeared plump and able to fight.

KNIFE AND FORK CLUB FORMATION UNDER WAY HERE

Organization of the Rogue River Valley Knife and Fork club in Medford is being completed with a committee of sponsors now formed, and invitations are being sent to prospective members throughout the valley, according to E. E. Schlotz, executive field director of the associated clubs, which comprise over 100 affiliates in the United States and Mexico.

The seizure of the ship was one of the most delicate naval tasks of the war. It was the first Japanese ship taken and the operation was carried out without firing a shot.

Conditions among the patients were appalling. Medical, surgical and sanitary facilities were badly deficient.

CEILING ON PEARS SAME AS IN 1944

Washington, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Ceiling prices for canners for the 1945 pack of canned and frozen pears in Washington and Oregon will be the same as those in effect last year, the Office of Price Administration and the Department of Agriculture announced today.

Valuable Left In Rest Room Returned

Mrs. J. R. Barr, resident of Tule Lake, Calif., laid her purse down in a service station rest room in Ashland yesterday and drove back to Tule Lake without it. On arriving home, she discovered her mistake and frantically telephoned state police, who in turn asked Ashland police to look for it.

MARSHAL PETAIN DOUBLE-CROSSED NAZIS IS CLAIM

Dicker With England to Keep Fleet Out of Axis Hands Is Claimed By Witness.

Paris, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Marshal Henri Philippe Petain was depicted in court today as negotiating a secret agreement with Great Britain while maintaining a pretense of complete collaboration with the nazis in 1940-41.

Another former Vichy official testified that Petain told him in February, 1944, that he wanted to unite France with the allied administration in Algiers.

The witness was Francois Martin, former radical socialist delegate in the chamber of deputies and a departmental prefect under the Vichy regime. Martin said that when the Vichy militia took over power in January, 1944, he asked to be relieved of his duties. He had a talk with Petain in February, and quoted the old marshal: "You are doing well to leave. You can lay down your duties, but I am charged with duties that I cannot hand over to anyone. I have taken a pledge not to leave France. I am a prisoner of the Germans."

CHINESE CAPTURE AIRFORCE BASE IN DRIVE ON CANTON

Chungking, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Chinese troops advancing along the West river in the direction of Canton have captured the U. S. 14th air force base at Tanchuk and opened a drive toward Teng-yun, 26 miles to the east near the Kwangtung Province frontier, a high command communique announced today.

TRUMAN CRUISER DUE TOMORROW

Newport News, Va., Aug. 7 (U.P.)—President Truman returned to this country today, exactly a month after he left to attend the momentous Big Three conference at Potsdam.

FIREMEN EXTINGUISH SMALL GRASS BLAZE

Work on the opening of the southern end of Ivy street from Twelfth to Monroe streets will be started Wednesday by city street engineers, said today.

8-Year-Old Girls Solicit Funds For Overseas Soldiers

Beverly Yarnold and Esta Ault, both eight years old, will be outstanding workers for the next Red Cross drive, according to Seth Bullis, chairman of the local Red Cross chapter.

Atomic Bomb Damage So Great Full Scope Not Yet Determined Broadcast From Tokyo Reveals

Return to School Drive Started For Nation's Children

Washington, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Three government agencies today opened a back-to-school drive aimed particularly at high school age youths who have taken summer jobs.

SECRETARY HABIT CONTINUES WITH ATOM WORKMEN

Richland, Wash., Residents Forbidden Interviews with Visiting News Writers.

By Willard D. Eberhart United Press Correspondent Richland, Wash., Aug. 7—(U.P.)—"It's atomic bombs."

RAGING FLAMES CONTINUE TOLL NEAR TILLAMOOK

Portland, Ore., Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Raging flames today continued taking their toll of timber at fire areas in western Oregon and threatened the water supply of two towns.

STREET OPENING WORK TO START

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Boys Face Burglar Charges in J'Ville

Three brothers, 10, 12 and 14 years of age, have been turned over to Juvenile Officer Robert M. Elder on a charge of burglary at Jacksonville. According to a report by the sheriff's office, the youths entered a house where they stole about \$100 worth of camping equipment and also entered a cabin where they took a billfold containing about \$150 in change and some other small articles.

Scientists Who Escaped Hitlerism Aided in Harnessing Atom Energy

Washington, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Five scientists who escaped from Hitlerism helped cheat Germany of science's greatest discovery—harnessing of atomic energy—and possibly of victory in the war.

Simple Funeral For Sen. Johnson Monday

Washington, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—Simple funeral services in accordance with his own wishes, will be held in San Francisco Monday for the late Sen. Hiram W. Johnson, R., Calif.

Tot Has Perilous Jaunt on Tongue Of Dad's Trailer

Frank Walton was today convinced that a guardian angel hovers over his three-year-old daughter, Karen, after the youngster survived a mile and a half ride perched side-saddle style on the tongue of a trailer fastened behind her daddy's car.

Lightning Storms Start 139 Fires in Forest Areas

At least 139 forest fires were started in southwestern Oregon Sunday evening and Monday by lightning from three electrical storms in the area covered by the state forest patrol and Rogue River National Forest, according to reports at the two headquarters in Medford today.

Barbaric Method

"In these circumstances, the enemy began to employ a barbaric method as a last and desperate resort. By employing a new weapon designed to massacre innocent civilians, the Americans have opened the eyes of the world to their sadistic nature."

Chickenpox Tops Disease Report

Communicable diseases in Jackson county declined in number last week with only seven new cases of chickenpox, three of measles and two of whooping cough listed on the report of Dr. A. Erin Merkel, health officer, for the week ending Aug. 3.

Home Rent Ranges From \$33.50 to \$67.50 for Four Bedroom Single Homes

Home rent ranges from \$33.50 a month for two bedroom duplexes to \$67.50 for four bedroom single homes. Men pay from \$15 to \$22.50 for dormitory rooms.

Guam, Aug. 7—(U.P.)—A fleet of 125 Superfortresses hit the Toyokawa naval arsenal with 880 tons of high-explosive bombs today while smoke still belched from atom-bombed Hiroshima, 300 miles to the west.

Radio Tokyo Said 40 Iwo-based American Mustang Fighter Bombers Led by a Lone B-29 Almost Simultaneously Bombed and Strafed Military Installations and 'Cities' in the Southwest Section of the Tokyo-Yokohama Area for an Hour for the Fourth Time in Five Days.

Several British planes participated in the Tokyo raid, Tokyo said. It marked the first time British land-based planes have been reported in action over the Japanese capital.

From Okinawa came a belated report that 400 bombers and fighters of the Far Eastern air force had utterly demolished what appeared to be robot plane launching installations and other military targets at Taramizu in southern Kyushu. The city itself was left a sea of flames, air-men said.

PROPAGANDISTS SAY NEW WEAPON IS ENEMY NO. 1

"Considerable Number" of Houses Demolished and Fires Kindled, First Word.

Think More Dropped

The enemy version of the attack said a small number of American planes dropped a "few" of the new-type bombs. It was announced officially at Washington that only one bomb was dropped. It was apparent that the Japanese could not believe a single plane and a single bomb could cause so much destruction.

Scattered generally throughout the district, the state forest patrol had dispatched men to about 80 fires, the two largest of which are located just south of Rogue View Inn. Three thunder storms, passing over Sunday evening, Monday morning, and Monday evening, concentrated most heavily in the southwest district around Josephine county, and Applegate-Murphy-Provoit area, the patrol headquarters says. The fires are generally small, they add, and state patrol crews are being assisted in controlling them by logging crews, farmers and army ground troops.

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