



FIRST MARINE VISIT—President Harry S. Truman looks down the barrel of a rifle while inspecting his Marine honor guard at Quantico, Va., during his recent visit. The President witnessed the newest form of storming an enemy beach with the use of helicopters. President Truman's visit was another in a series of tours of military units to see field tests of the latest U. S. weapons and tactics.

County Red Cross Conference Host Here Last Week

The Jackson County Red Cross chapter was host to a four-county conference at an all day meeting here last week. Veterans claims were discussed and interpreted, with Max Novak, Red Cross field director from the regional veterans administration office, Portland presiding. Also present was Miss Catherine Little, regional home service consultant for the northwest area.

The conference was attended by representatives from Jackson, Josephine, Douglas and Klamath counties, as well as volunteer social service aides from the local office.

Novak said there are approximately 232,000 veterans in Oregon, with some 6,200 in Jackson County. On a national basis only 50 per cent of these men have filed claims for any government benefit, he said, and the peak assistance need for World War I veterans is anticipated in three or four years. As these men grow older, less able to find employment and become more subject to illness, applications to VA hospitals and domiciliary centers increase. The peak of assistance to World War II veterans is expected in 1975. Of the total veterans claims filed, 20 per cent have been handled by Red Cross, he said.

GI Bill Expires

Novak reminded that the GI educational benefit act will expire next year. It will be necessary for veterans to have registered and to have been working in school before July 20, 1951, in order to continue education. On the other hand, rehabilitation training will not expire on this date, however training or retraining under rehabilitation requires an adjudged disability of 10 per cent or more, Novak said. The regular GI educational act requires no degree of disability.

Two other items were reported by Novak. They were the fact that time has been extended during which former prisoners of war may report personal or property losses under the war claims act, and eligibility time for terminal leave pay has been extended to June 30, 1951. The local Red Cross office has necessary forms for application on both these items, it was reported.

All VA hospitals had an 84 per cent occupancy in 1949, Novak said—a rate far in excess of army, navy or other public hospitals, and he said the veterans hospitalization need is still growing. He said that in these hospitals, top-ranking specialists assist in diagnosis and treatment of illness.

Sound Waves Tried In War on Cancer

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.) The same principle that you can use to call your dog without disturbing the neighbors may prove a weapon against cancer.

Scientists at the Rand Foundation in Cleveland are experimenting with the use of high-pitched sound to kill or slow down the growth of cancerous tissue.

Equipment now in the Rand laboratory can batter the tissue at 1,000,000 times a second. The scientists hope to raise the figure to 3,000,000 times a second.



BUSSES BOY FRIEND—Channel swimmer Shirley May France, 17, Somerset, Mass., gives her boy friend, Francis McMahon, a congratulatory kiss after his graduation from high school. Shirley and her party will leave for England from New York aboard the Queen Elizabeth. This will be Shirley's second attempt to swim the English Channel.

Espee Train Strikes Man Near Ament Dam

Grants Pass, Ore., June 17 (U.P.)—A man killed instantly when struck by a Southern Pacific passenger train north of Ament dam, 1 1/2 miles east of here, was identified today as Owen Luke Long, 36, of Hayward, Cal.

Wesley Harris, an acquaintance, made the identification. Harris said Long arrived by bus Wednesday to visit friends. The engineer and fireman on the train said they sighted Long as they rounded a curve at 35 miles an hour. They said they blew the train's whistle but Long did not respond. He was walking with his back to the train.

The train made an emergency stop, but Long was struck before it halted. Tom Williams, Ashland, was conductor of the train.

Fire swept through a rural home yesterday and killed an entire family of five.

Girls' Ceramics Class to Start At 'Y' Wednesday

The Medford YMCA announced Saturday a girls' ceramics class will be held in conjunction with its summer activity program, beginning on Wednesday, June 21, from 9:15 to 11:15 a.m.

Mrs. Arthur E. Brereton will supervise the ceramics program, with Mrs. Earl D. Bruing and Mrs. J. J. Kennedy instructing in the morning classes, and Mrs. A. C. Cameron instructing in the evening classes.

The morning ceramic classes are open to all members of the YMCA between the ages of 9 to 15. Classes will meet on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. for girls between the ages of 9 to 12, and classes for girls between the ages

of 13 to 15 will meet from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

For "Y" members of high school age, there will be girls' ceramics class meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. These classes will begin on Thursday, June 22.

All girls interested in enrolling should register at the main desk at the YMCA by Wednesday, June 21.

In addition to the girls' ceramics classes, there are adult classes meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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Isotopes in Industry Raise City Problems

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.)—Increasing use of radioactive isotopes in industrial plants here is creating an atomic age problem.

H. G. Dyktor, city commissioner of air pollution, said the residue is becoming a menace since it remains radioactive for years and safe disposal methods have not been developed.

The possibility of dumping in the sewers has been ruled out, Dyktor said, for fear of contaminating areas through which the sewers pass.

It also seems the discarded isotopes can't even be buried because continued accumulation might affect the health of the neighborhood.

Dyktor said the only thing left was to consult the Atomic Energy Commission for a solution.

Rebuilt Ice Cream Cart Helps Traffic

Buffalo, N. Y.—(U.P.)—One of the strangest sights on the University of Buffalo campus is the contraption Richard W. Bigelow built to travel to and from school.

The conveyance resulted from a boost in transit fares in the city. Bigelow figured there must be a cheaper way to get around.

The 23-year-old engineering student bought a used ice cream scooter, patched up its worn-out electrical system and built around it a bad-weather protection made of steel, aluminum, wood, canvas and equipped with safety glass for the windshield.

Bigelow figures that the 20 cents worth of gasoline he buys every three days amounts to only a third of the transit fares he would have had to pay in a similar period.

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