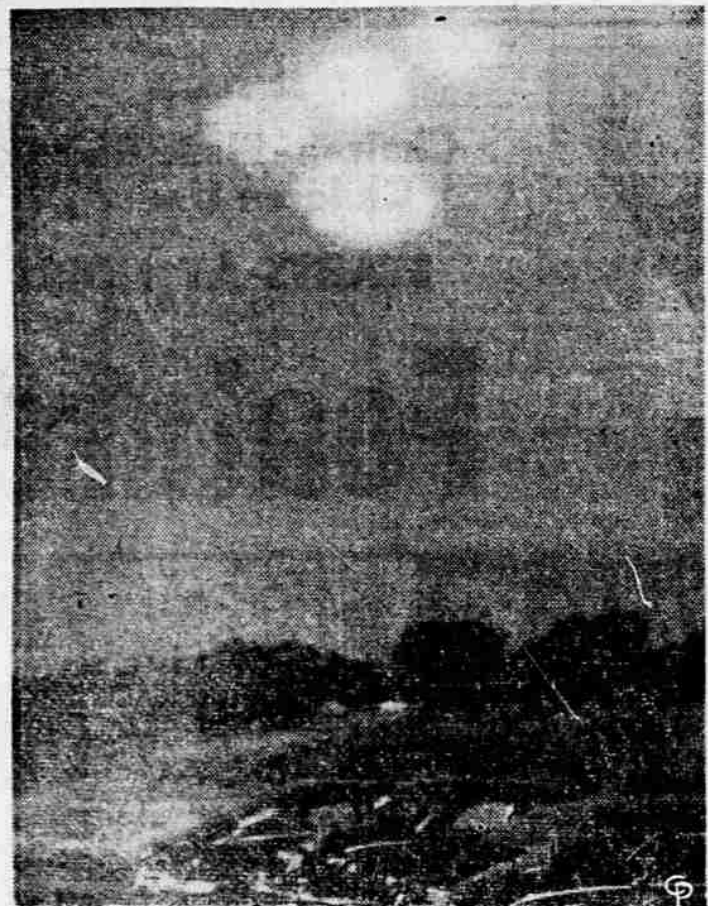




FLYING OVER SALEM, MASS., these "flying saucers" were photographed by Coast Guardsman about 8:35 a. m. July 16. Air Force intelligence experts are studying them. (International Soundphoto)

\$60,000 Available in Two Counties for Farm Loans

The Farmers Home administration will have \$60,000 available for initial operating, or "production and subsistence" loans to farmers in Jackson and Josephine counties during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, it was announced today from the local office. Funds for loans made to farmers who already have a loan from FHA are not being allocated by office this year but will be retained as a lump sum and each office will make the subsequent loans needed in line with FHA policy.

At least 45 per cent of the funds allotted for initial loans must be made to farmer-veterans, according to a recent letter from State Director Walter A. Duffy to the Jackson-Josephine County Supervisor, Arthur F. Koning.

Loaned \$134,475

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, the Farmers Home Administration loaned \$134,475 in Jackson and Josephine counties for production and subsistence purposes, Koning said.

During the same period the Grants office collected \$104,675 in principal and interest on its loans.

Production and subsistence, or operating loans are made only to persons on full-time, family-size farm units, under FHA rules, Koning explained. None is permitted to part-time farmers if they intend to continue their farming operations on that basis.

Other Loans

In addition to operating loans, the Farmers Home administration

Dairy Cows Said Least Since 1928

Washington —(U.P.)— The Agriculture Department has reported 21,581,000 head of dairy cattle on American farms on June 1. This is the smallest number since June, 1928, and is one per cent below a year ago.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economics said its June 1 survey indicates continuation of a seven-year downward trend in the milk cow population.

But it said the decline in the last four years has averaged only about one per cent annually compared with a more than three per cent annual decline from June, 1944, through June, 1948. The number of cows on farms fell from a record of 25,636,000 in 1944 to 22,320,000 in 1948.

Falls City, Neb. —(U.P.)— Sheriff Vern Atkins investigated when a motorist complained that he had followed road signs to Nebraska City and wound up 20 miles off course. Atkins discovered that a practical joker had turned the junction sign around along highway 75.

Malayan Railway Continues Despite Communist Attacks

Singapore —(U.P.)— The show must go on, is the motto of the Malayan railway department.

Communist terrorists have made more than 1,000 attacks on trains, permanent way and stations of the Malayan Railway since the beginning of the emergency in June of 1948.

More than 175 trains have been derailed, 145 fired upon and 18 members of the staff and 33 passengers killed. Despite the calamities the trains have continued to run to cope with the expanding trade with the outside world.

The trains carry precious cargoes of rubber and tin ingots from remote parts of the federation to Singapore and Penang, from where ocean-going ships carry them to the free world.

Continuous Battle

Maintenance of the traffic is part of a continuing battle by the authorities, since lengthy disruption of it would be a major victory for the Communists.

Often derailments occur in thick jungle country or beneath dominating hills, which first have to be cleared by troops. Machine guns and mortars are as much a part of the equipment of repair gangs as heavy cranes and jacks.

To clear the line quickly, derailed locomotives are rolled down slopes and recovered later, piece by piece. That is rough treatment but railway engines are sturdy machines and all casualties are repaired in the company's workshop at Kuala Lumpur.

The railroad engineers are mostly Eurasian, many of them sons of Englishmen who drove the first trains in Malaya.

Trains Armored

They ride on armor-girded footplates equipped with radio transmitters in contact with police headquarters, troops or police traveling in armored cupolas or old armored cars carried on goods wagons at both ends of the train. None of the precautions, however, has proved effective against derailment.

To protect night mail trains and goods trains, a patrol engine with two crash wagons to detonate explosives leads the way. Mounted in front of the armored section are searchlights trained on the whitewashed track plates. Should a tampered rail be seen, there are powerful brakes designed to stop the patrol train within the length of the beams of the searchlight.

At the back is another armored cupola equipped with a

Plane Explodes Aboard Carrier Off North Korea

Washington —(U.P.)— The Navy announced Thursday that a jet plane exploded aboard the carrier Boxer off North Korea Wednesday killing nine men, injuring many more, and seriously damaging the 27,000-ton craft.

Of the injured, only two were listed as being in serious condition. Both are enlisted men. The Navy identified them as:

Michael F. Hanniffy whose mother lives in Miami, Fla. He was seriously burned.

Leg Fractures

Ralph L. Finley, Fort Belvoir, Mo. He is in a critical condition with compound leg fractures and multiple injuries.

Names of the dead — a medical officer and seven enlisted men — and of the others injured will be published after next-of-kin have been notified. The Navy said 63 men trapped by flames jumped overboard and were picked up later by small boats and helicopters.

The Boxer, a carrier of the Essex class, was one of the first U.S. warships to fight in the Korean war.

Production of Butter Lowest in 17 Years

Portland —(U.P.)— The lowest June output of creamery butter in 17 years was reported in Oregon's monthly dairy report issued jointly by the State Department of Agriculture, Oregon Milk Marketing Administration and the Federal Crop Reporting Service.

The June output was estimated at 1,670,000 pounds, four per cent below June of last year and two per cent below this year's May figure.

Milk production for June was estimated at 133,000,000 pounds, equal to the June 1951 output, but down four per cent from May.

Buck Deer Entertains Motorists at Delake

Delake —(U.P.)— A surf-loving buck deer has been entertaining motorists near here in recent days.

The deer splashed happily about in the surf while curious witnesses stopped their cars and slowed traffic. The deer made a simultaneous appearance last Saturday.

searchlight to cover the jungle front for lurking terrorists. Wireless contact with following trains is maintained.

Hoover To Receive Award in Portland

Portland —(U.P.)— Former President Herbert Hoover will be given an award naming "Engineer of the Century" at the Northwest Engineering Centennial here Saturday.

Presentation of the award will be made by W. C. Williams, president of Professional Engineers of Oregon.

Hoover will address the dinner meeting of the centennial, which is expected to draw more than 1,000 engineers from Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

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