

Sabre Jet Planes Reach Formosa

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Weather

FORECAST: Fair through Friday. Patches of fog and smoke in valleys Friday morning. Little temperature change. Low tonight 25. High Friday 52.

More Naval Units Reported En Route To Reinforce Fleet Carrier Midway Ordered To Straits

Taipei, Formosa — (U.P.)—A full wing of 75 U. S. Sabre jet fighters arrived here today and more naval units were reported steaming northward to reinforce the powerful Seventh Fleet for the defense of this Chinese Nationalist stronghold.

The U. S. ships and planes also would be available to help possible evacuation of Nationalist forces from invasion threatened Tachen Islands, 200 miles north of Formosa.

The big aircraft carrier Midway which had been scheduled to visit Singapore on a courtesy call in February, was ordered today to bypass that British port and sail directly to the troubled Formosan straits.

Four U. S. destroyers, the Brownstone, Roberts, Roan and Royal, were ordered to cut short their present courtesy visit to Singapore. It was believed here they also are en route to rejoin the powerful naval force standing guard over Formosa.

Nationalist sources said the Chinese Communists had an invasion fleet of 1000 junks carrying 120,000 men within 200 miles north of Formosa. At the same time Peiping Radio proclaimed anew its defiance of the United States.

To Send Jet Bombers The U. S. Air Force announced in Tokyo it also was moving up "offensive units" — jet bombers — to forward bases to cope with any eventualities as the 18th Fighter-Bomber Wing of 75 MIG-killing Sabres flew to Formosa airfields from Okinawa and the Philippines. The F-86s ran up a 13 to 1 victory over the MIGs in Korea.

Military observers here saw the movement of American air strength as a firm warning to Red China that the United States was dead set on carrying out a successful evacuation of Tachen when the final orders came from Washington.

These observers said the United States was bringing such powerful military forces to bear in the Formosa area that Red China might be "persuaded" to stand aside and allow the peaceful evacuation of the 30,000 Nationalists in the Tachens.

Whether the Reds would do that was a major question. Communist broadcasts said they would not be "intimidated" and Nationalist sources said the Reds had massed 120,000 men in the Tachen area, 150,000 opposite Quemoy Island, 300 miles to the south, and 50,000 at Matsui, midway between.

Lt. Gen. Roger Ramey, commander of the U. S. 5th Air Force in Japan, arrived here to supervise the deployment of America's first armed forces to Formosa, a move described by American military leaders as one "to provide U. S. Air Force power at any place needed."

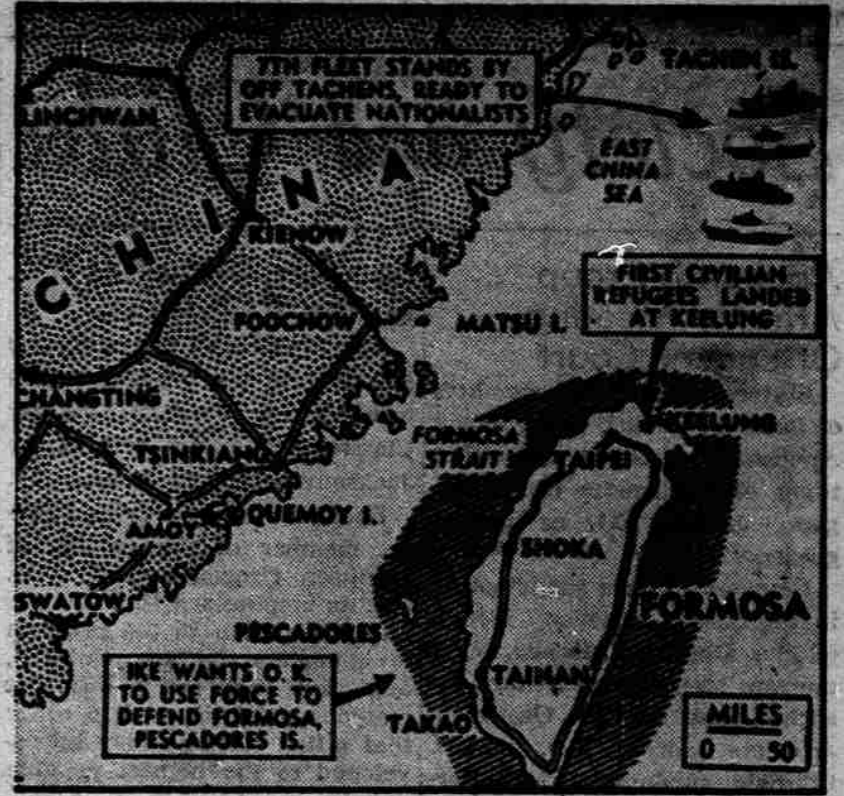
Paroled Convict Held In Woman's Slaying

Marianna, Fla. — (U.P.)—Police said today a 20-year-old paroled convict has confessed the brutal rape-slaying of an airman's beautiful young wife in her home at Panama City, Fla.

Sheriff M. J. Daffin identified the man as George Lowell Everett, who was picked up last night in Dothan, Ala., and brought here for questioning.

The nude body of Mrs. Leu Ellen Jones, 21, former high school beauty queen at El Reno, Okla., was found on a bed in the family's Panama City apartment last Jan. 18.

Authorities said she had been raped and strangled.



TROUBLE AREA—Newsmap locates areas of major importance in tense Far East situation. Pres. Eisenhower asked Congress for permission to use force, if necessary, to defend Formosa and the Pescadore Islands from invasion by Communist Chinese. First civilian refugees from beleaguered Tachen Islands have landed at Keelung, northernmost Formosan port. U. S. Seventh Fleet stands by, somewhere off the Tachens, ready to help evacuate Nationalist Chinese troops if necessary.

2 British Ships Trapped By Arctic 'Black Frost'

Hope Abandoned For 40 Crewmen Aboard Trawlers

Seaplanes Fly Radar Searches

Hull, England — (U.P.)—Two British fishing trawlers, trapped by a dread Arctic "black frost" were given up for lost today with 40 crewmen aboard.

Owners of the trawlers Lorella and Roderigo said they believe the two vessels capsized by the weight of ice deposited by heavy freezing mists in the Arctic cold off Iceland.

No Hope for Survival

The owners said there appeared to be no hope for the survival of the 40 crewmen in those icy waters. It was too cold even to abandon ship.

Three twin-engined SA16 Albatross seaplanes from the 53th U. S. Air Force Rescue Squadron at Keflavik, Iceland, flew radar searches through zero visibility yesterday and today in vain rescue missions off the frozen north cape of Iceland.

Radio Reports Received

It was in that area that the last desperate radio reports were received from the two vessels late yesterday.

"Black Frost," the messages said. "We are overturning. We are overturning."

The owners said that black frost is an enveloping, freezing cold of mist and fog that wraps a heavy cocoon of ice around everything it contacts.

The 559-ton Lorella radioed that it had heeled over in the "black frost," and the 810-ton Roderigo went to her aid.

Then the Roderigo radioed a distress message before losing contact.

Third Ship Recovers

The Coast Guard station at Lerwick in the Shetland islands said that in such weather survivors of a capsizing would have "no chance of living through the icy ordeal."

A third ship, the 498-ton Rossella, also sent out an SOS but later radioed it had recovered.

"Unable to abandon ship," the Rossella's last message said. "Hurricane and freezing gale."

British, French, German, Icelandic and Norwegian trawlers were searching for the missing ships.

Child Beating Case Enters Second Day

Oregon City — (U.P.)—The trial of 21-year-old Horace Crowley of Dayton, charged with beating a four-year-old boy, entered its second day in Clackamas county Circuit Court today with further testimony by police officers and other prosecution witnesses.

Crowley specifically is charged with assault with intent to kill in the beating of Rickie Lightle, son of Mrs. Mildred Lightle. Mrs. Lightle, her son and a daughter, had been living at the Crowley home in Dayton.

'Liar in Public Debate' Denounced on House Floor

Washington — (U.P.)—Three Republican congressmen today denounced "a liar in public debate" on the House floor.

The three Republicans said it "was shocking" . . . unwarranted . . . an all-time low in a smear campaign of personal vilification.

Reps. Oliver P. Bolton of Ohio, Craig Hosmer of California, and Alvin M. Bentley of Michigan made the charge in statements inserted in the Congressional record. They replied to a speech by Rep. Chet Holifield (D-Calif.), during the debate Tuesday on the President's request for authority to fight, if necessary, to protect Formosa.

Holifield said in his speech that Mr. Eisenhower has now "admitted" that he told an "untruth" two years ago when he said former President Truman had directed the Navy to

Architects Chosen To Plan Hospital; Engineer is Named

A New York architectural firm has been retained to design Medford's proposed new \$1,700,000 hospital, and a Medford engineer will be associated in the project, it was announced today.

J. F. Butler and C. H. Simmons, of the firm of Rogers and Butler, New York City, have been in Medford for the past four days, discussing details of design for the proposed new hospital, and aiding in the examination of various possible sites. The firm has had extensive hospital design experience in the east and mid-west.

Engineer Chosen

A. D. Harvey, well-known Medford engineer, a member of the firm of Harvey and Watkins, and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, has been selected as the engineering associate and local representative of the architectural firm.

The contract, details of which were not announced, was let by the board of directors of the Medford Hospital association, which operates the Community hospital for the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, owner of the institution. The new hospital is planned as a larger replacement for Community hospital.

Long Planning

Announcement of the design and engineering job awards is the culmination of long preliminary planning, according to members of the hospital board. The need for a new hospital has been recognized for a number of

Mercy Trip Saves Washington Man

White Salmon, Wash. — (U.P.)—The state patrol rushed blood plasma over 65 miles of fog covered highway and was credited today with saving the life of Henry MacDonald, 55.

MacDonald, a resident of nearby Bingen, was taken to Skyline hospital here for treatment of internal bleeding. Transfusions quickly used up the hospital's supply of his blood type and an emergency call was placed to a Portland blood bank.

The state patrol agreed to make the emergency delivery. Dense fog however, hung over the highway, cutting visibility to a minimum and slowing traffic to a crawl.

The squad car made the 65 miles in less than 90 minutes despite the adverse conditions.

Gunman Foiled in Bank Holdup Attempt

Redmond, Wash. — (U.P.)—A gunman followed the cashier and assistant cashier into the Redmond branch of the Seattle First National Bank before it opened today, but failed in his attempted robbery.

Shield the Chinese Communists from Attack by Chinese Nationalist Forces

Holifield noted that President Eisenhower's message to Congress Monday said the Truman administration in June, 1950, had directed the Seventh Fleet to "defend Formosa from possible invasion from the Communist mainland."

Duplicity of Messages "Thus, we see by the President's two messages — by his own words — the duplicity of his messages," Holifield said.

Bentley denied Holifield's charge that the President has now "retreated" from the previous statement included in a message to Congress Feb. 2, 1953. He said the President spoke the truth in both messages and accused Holifield of a "complete disregard of the logic and the facts."

years, but only in recent months has it become feasible to make definite plans.

A survey of hospital needs and possibilities in the Medford area was conducted last fall by the Stanford Research Institute for the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, and many private citizens have interested themselves in the project. The hospital is to be financed through private contributions and several substantial gifts toward the project have already been made or pledged.

Young Defendant Called as Witness

A 16-year-old defendant in a livestock theft case was called to the stand as a witness for the state this morning as the trial went into its third day.

The 16-year-old is a codefendant in the case. Also indicted by the grand jury on the charge was Robert Ellis Darrohn, 45, Star route, Trail.

The two are charged with stealing a calf owned by V. R. Mathews, route 1, box 650, Eagle Point, on Nov. 15, 1953.

The trial was recessed at 2 p.m. yesterday to allow the state to serve a subpoena on the 16-year-old. When he failed to appear in court at 4 p.m., the trial was continued until this morning.

The two defendants are represented by Medford Attorney Edward Kelly. District Attorney Walter Nunley is representing the state.

New Bomber To End Dependence on Bases

Washington — (U.P.)—Gen. Nathan F. Twining said today the Air Force is planning on an intercontinental, atomic-powered bomber which would end U. S. dependence on overseas supply bases.

The Air Force chief of staff conceded that "many difficult engineering problems" still remain before an atomic-powered bomber is built. But he said "we believe that the advances we have made to date have given us the basic knowledge from which we can project practical applications . . ."

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Serge Rubinstein, Noted Russian Figure, Murdered Body Found Gagged In Disarrayed Room

New York — (U.P.)—Serge Rubinstein, 46, Russian-born draft dodger and worldwide financial manipulator, was found today bound, gagged and strangled by a murderer who ripped his plush bedroom to pieces apparently without disturbing five other occupants of his swank Fifth ave. house.

Police said the multi-millionaire had been strangled with a piece of the same venetian blind cord with which his hands and feet were bound. His mouth had been sealed with adhesive tape.

His body was discovered at 8:30 a.m. by his butler, William Morley, who called police and the house handyman, Jimmy Morse, before returning to the wildly disarrayed bedroom.

Bed Ripped Apart

Rubinstein's 78-year-old mother, Stella, entered the room shortly after their return and was reported in hysterics.

The short, swarthy international finagler was lying on his back on the floor, clad in black pajamas, police reported. One of the twin beds was unmade. The other had been ripped apart, its sheets torn and its mattress tipped to the floor.

Police Commissioner Francis W. H. Adams, who followed his top ranking officers to the swanky town house murder scene, said there was no evidence of forced entry to the house.

Nor was there evidence of any violence to the priceless art objects and splendid furnishings in the rest of the five-story white stone town house overlooking Central Park.

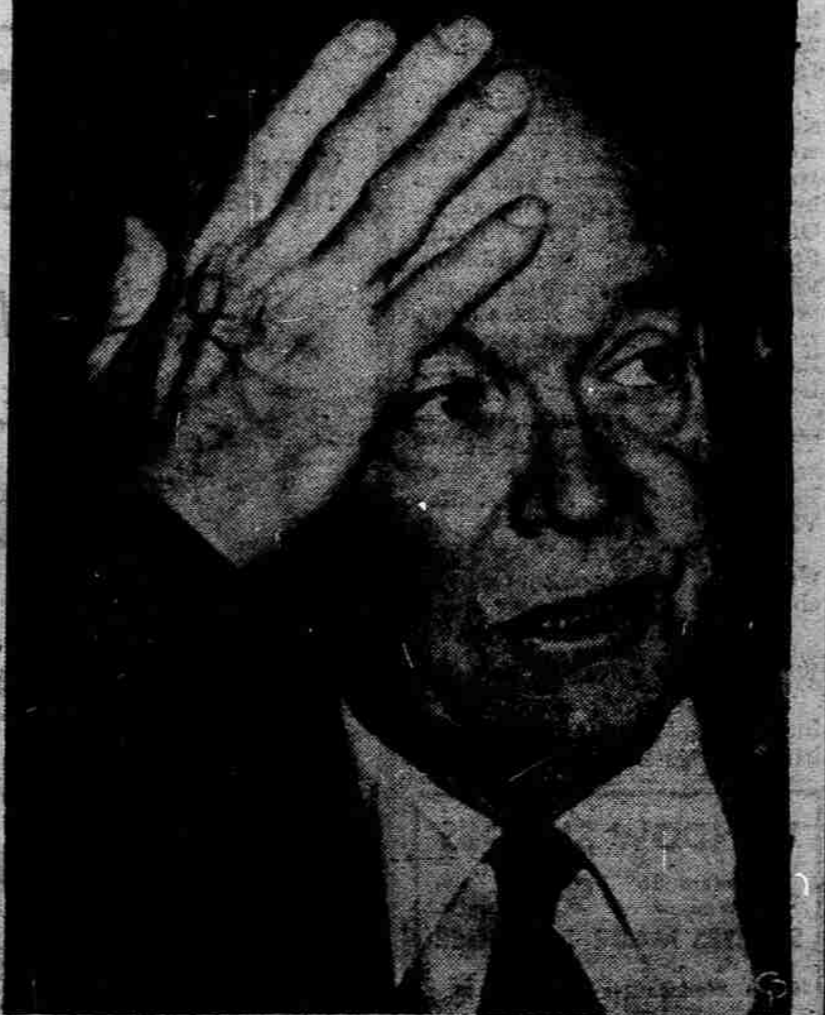
Others in House

In addition to his mother and the butler, Rubinstein's 82-year-old aunt, Genia Forrester, a cook and a maid were in the house through the night. The handyman, a day worker, had arrived shortly before the body was discovered.

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SHOWING STRAIN OF DECISION, President Eisenhower wearily puts hand on brow after asking Congress to declare "our readiness to fight" to safeguard Formosa from Reds. (International)

Anti-Mosquito Equipment Ordered Here; Eradication Program Planned by County

New equipment now on order by the county court is expected to give Jackson county the best mosquito control program in history during the coming season, Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, said this morning.

The equipment includes a four-wheel drive International pickup truck, and spray and fogging apparatus which will be manufactured at the county shops.

The new equipment is expected to be ready for use by the time the mosquito season starts in this area, usually in April or May, Dr. Merkel said. The control setup will be based on a program and equipment used successfully by Lane county, he

stated. Plans call for the spray and fogging equipment to be so set up that they can be interchanged on the pickup truck. This apparatus can not be purchased, ready made, in the form required by the county, and is to be constructed at the county shops. Dr. Merkel noted that it can be made by the county at a considerable saving.

The mosquito problem usually starts in Jackson county around the middle of May, when the pond-type mosquitoes which may carry sleeping sickness start to hatch out. As this period approaches, county health officials will keep a close check on water temperatures so they will know exactly when to

start the control program, Dr. Merkel said. Also For Nuisance Type The new equipment also will make it possible to control the nuisance type of mosquito, which usually hatches out later in the year, he noted. Excellent control results have been obtained in Lane county, which has had a greater problem than that which exists locally, Dr. Merkel stated.

The county health officer expressed the hope that Walter Sutherland, who recently retired as county sanitarian, would be able to head the control program during the coming year. Sutherland has done extensive survey and control work for the county during recent years.

Ike Said Confident Formosa Resolution Won't Lead To War

Washington — (U.P.)—President Eisenhower feels strongly that the Formosa resolution will not lead to preventive war, Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland said today.

The Californian disclosed the President's sentiments after a call at the White House at which he brought the President up to date on the situation in the Senate.

Amendment Hoped

Senate critics of the resolution which gives the President unlimited authority to defend Formosa hoped to amend it to forbid the U. S. forces to attack the Red China mainland.

Several senators saw the resolution as an active leading to preventive war.

But Knowland reported there is "clearly no question in the President's mind" about the purpose of the resolution. He said Mr. Eisenhower does not feel it will lead to preventive war.

Knowland said there is no "reasonable basis for anyone to assume that is the intent."

Indications were strong that the resolution will be approved as originally submitted by the President when it comes up for a final vote, perhaps tomorrow. It already has cleared the House.

No Shooting

Knowland said there would be no shooting on the part of American forces protecting Formosa unless they were attacked.

In event of attack, he said, no citizen expects "our ships to be shot at like sitting ducks and not return the fire."

Knowland predicted the resolution would pass overwhelmingly and without amendment.

Sams Valley Area Residents To Talk Oil Land Leasing

Sams Valley — A meeting will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the Sams Valley Grange to discuss possibilities of leasing lands for oil exploration in the Sams Valley-Beagle area. The area involved includes 15,000 acres.

The meeting will be conducted by representatives of the unidentified company which is now negotiating for oil leases in the area. The company has been represented by Paul Langworth, Los Gatos, Calif., geologist, who has told residents that he is "quite sure" oil may be found in paying quantities at about 8,000 feet depth, according to Mrs. Floyd Doland Sr., route 2, box 815, Gold Hill.

The company has been investigating the area ever since last summer, she reported. A plan is now under discussion by property owners, under which all would go together in a cooperative movement to back the exploration. If oil is found, profit-sharing would be on an acreage basis for land-owners above the oil table.

No leases have been signed as yet by the area's residents, she said. The company hopes that exploration and drilling can be completed in about 18 months, she added. The first drilling has been proposed on the Wes McDonough ranch.

Area residents have reported that there have been oil signs in the area for a number of years. Natural gas in water drillings, as well as various indicative mineral deposits, have long been noted, she said.

One resident reported that indications in a well in the Beagle area a number of years ago prompted deeper drilling, but nothing resulted except "a very fine water well."

Welfare Commission To Receive \$95,000

Salem — (U.P.)—The Ways and Means Committee of the Oregon Legislature said today it would release \$95,000 to the Public Welfare Commission.

House Turns Down Minority Report On John Day Dam

Neuberger's Attempt Beaten by 34-26 Vote

Salem — (U.P.)—The House today defeated an effort of Democratic members to substitute a minority report on the John Day dam partnership memorial to Congress.

Members voted 34 - 26 against Rep. Maurine Neuberger's attempt to kill the majority report of the House state and federal affairs committee which had favored a memorial including partnership proposals for construction of the dam on the Columbia river. Defeat of her motion meant automatic adoption of the majority report.

Final Vote Friday

Final house vote on the memorial itself will be taken tomorrow.

The measure calls for federal construction of the dam, but offers an alternative suggestion that local agencies be allowed to participate in financing if the congress feels federal funds are not available.

The minority report which was first up for debate as a substitute for the majority report, was made by Reps. Walter J. Pearson, and Mrs. Neuberger, Portland Democrats who favor construction of the John Day dam by the federal government alone.

Supporting the majority report were Reps. William W. Bradeen of Burns, chairman; Larson L. Stewart of Cottage Grove, Al Loucks of Salem, George Layman of Newberg and W. W. Chadwick of Salem.

Alcohol Committee Meets

In the Senate, the Alcoholic Traffic committee headed by Sen. Carl Francis of Dayton, held a hearing yesterday afternoon on a bill by Sen. Robert D. Holmes of Gearhart to abolish the Oregon Liquor Control commission and replace it with a paid, full-time commissioner. Members of the OLCC serve without pay.

Delegates representing the Oregon Dispensers association said that they though the present commission is functioning well and no change should be made at this time.

Elsewhere in the legislature, an employers' organization has objected to a new concept of unemployment compensation that would make employers alone responsible for the maintenance of Oregon's economic stability.

Heard by Committee

The objections were heard by the Senate Labor and Industry committee last night at a hearing on the report of the Unemployment Compensation Advisory committee appointed by the governor.

The committee had recommended higher employee benefits and a higher claims base, plus expansion of the compensation law to include employers of one or more persons and to employees of political subdivisions.

Most Prohibitive H. K. Merrill, representing Timber Structures company, of Portland, which has an annual payroll of some \$2,500,000, proposed that the Legislature should require employers as well as employees to contribute to the compensation fund. He claimed the increase in the employers' tax rate proposed by the advisory committee would be almost prohibitive for his firm. He suggested an employee contribution of not more than one per cent of the first \$3000 earned and asked that the advisory committee's recommendation of an increase in the claim base from \$3,000 to \$4,200 be eliminated.

JCs' Award Banquet Slated February 1

Otto Ewaldsen, young Medford businessman, will receive the Junior Chamber of Commerce's distinguished service award at a banquet on Tuesday, Feb. 1, it was announced today.

The dinner will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be in the Pioneer room of the Jackson hotel. Dr. Elmo Stevenson, president of Southern Oregon college, will be the principal speaker.

The public is invited, and those planning to attend are asked to make reservations with Chuck Jones, chairman for arrangements, by telephoning 2-9772.