

Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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WARSHIPS SHELL SOLOMON JAPS

POLISH PREMIER KILLED

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
ON all the far-flung fronts of this global war, over the current Fourth of July weekend, American men in uniform LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES FOR A CAUSE.

ON Vangunu Island, just southeast of New Georgia, where we are closing in on the Jap airfield at Munda, they died storming a village that commands an anchorage where the little yellow men have been landing supplies and reinforcements.

The losses at Vangunu are described as "relatively light." If your boy was among them, the loss is crushing heavy so far as you are concerned.

OVER Europe, from Sicily to the Baltic sea, they died in bombers and fighters. Likewise in India and China. Whenever, whenever, however the finger of duty tapped them and said "come."

All the while, the uniformed men of our allies were dying in the same ways.

HERE on the home front, we were dying also. Up to this (Monday) morning, some 190 of us had died violent deaths connected in one way and another with the two-day holiday—74 in traffic accidents, 55 by drowning and 61 from miscellaneous causes.

THERE were deaths from INDUSTRIAL accidents (not listed in the above total), striking ON THE JOB to produce material for the use of the men on the fighting fronts.

ALL over the nation, there were parades, watched by crowds that packed the sidewalks. The crowds were made up of ALL KINDS of people.

There were wounded men, home from the fronts. There were deeply reverent men, women and children, fully aware of the tremendous significance of the Fourth of July as an epochal event in human history, ready to die, if need be (if tapped by the finger of duty) in defense of what the Fourth of July means.

There were frivolous people, light and shallow of mind, untouched (as yet) by the dark shadows of war, to whom the parades were all a spectacle.

(You can't tell about these; many of them would die readily enough, uncomplainingly enough, if tapped by the fateful finger.)

THERE were (undoubtedly) people who were muttering about the lack of liquor to make the kind of holiday they wanted. There were even shifty-eyed ones computing the black market price of sugar with which to make bootleg liquor to be sold at lofty prices to those willing to pay.

WE are like that. It takes all kinds of us to make the United States of America. To some of us liberty is ALL PRIVILEGE and NO RESPONSIBILITY.

THE soured cynics maintain bitterly that the less admirable kinds of us are greatly in the majority. Those of us who are more evenly balanced know better.

Americans are just Americans—not all heroes, not all heels. Taking us AS A WHOLE, we are reasonably decent.

JULY FOURTH BOMBINGS BASH SICILY, FRANCE

Italian Landing Fields Hit; Plane Factory Damaged

LONDON, July 5 (AP)—A Fourth of July three-day bombing carried American Flying Fortresses deep into France during daylight Sunday to smash at an airplane engine factory at Le Mans, and U-boat works at Nantes and La Pallice.

It was the first anniversary of the first American aerial thrust against Europe in this war, when a handful of pilots borrowed half a dozen Boston bombers from the RAF to celebrate the Fourth by hitting at German positions in northern France.

The Eighth U. S. air force raid in daylight followed a strong Saturday night assault by RAF bombers which laid a concentrated cargo of explosives on Cologne industrial districts on the east bank of the Rhine and also Hamburg and other targets in the Ruhr.

Fields Blasted By DANIEL DE LUCE
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 5 (AP)—With air supremacy over Sicily at stake, United States squadrons attacked more than a half dozen of the island's major landing fields yesterday and shot down 43 axis fighters, it was announced today.

Despite the heaviest opposition from German and Italian fighters since the height of the Tunisian campaign, all but 13 of the allied planes returned from (Continued on Page Two)

Legion Presents Instruments to Bomber Group

"Good hunting" was the wish expressed by L. L. Lombard, first vice president of the American Legion, when he handed over 20 instruments of the Junior Legion drum and bugle corps to Colonel Terrel of the 445th Bombardment group of Wendover, Utah, in a brief, but impressive ceremony in the area at Sunday afternoon's rodeo.

One big bomber winged over Klamath Falls early in the afternoon, bringing Colonel Terrel, his crew, and two former Klamath physicians, Captain Neil F. Black and Captain Merle Swanson, both now stationed at Wendover field.

Although the bomber was expected here Monday to take (Continued on Page Two)

Allies Help Americans Around World Celebrate Fourth of July Yesterday

By The Associated Press
Americans around the world celebrated the 167th anniversary of their nation's independence yesterday enthusiastically assisted by their allies.

In Moscow's Philharmonic hall, London's Hyde park, at allied headquarters in North Africa, and in the capitals of Latin America, Americans and their friends gathered to celebrate the day which has become a symbol in the present-day battle for the four freedoms.

Join Celebration
British and French officers and men joined the celebration at allied headquarters in North Africa at which General Dwight D. Eisenhower was the principal speaker. The British Royal navy under Admiral Sir Andrew



Killed
General Wladislaw Sikorski, premier of the Polish government-in-exile, was killed in a plane crash after taking off from Gibraltar.

GEN. SIKORSKI DIES IN CRASH OFF GIBRALTAR

Pilot Lone Survivor As Plane Takeoff Fails

LONDON, July 5 (AP)—General Wladislaw Sikorski, premier of the Polish government-in-exile and commander of its armed forces, was killed last night when the Liberator plane in which he was travelling crashed shortly after taking off from Gibraltar, the air ministry announced today.

The plane was reported to have crashed into the sea when its engines failed soon after the takeoff.

Pilot Survives
Sixteen of the 17 passengers and crew members aboard lost their lives. The only survivor was the pilot, a Czech, who was seriously injured. Officials said his name would be kept secret because of the possibility of German reprisals.

Among the victims was Sikorski's daughter, Mrs. Sophia Lesniokski, 28, who was traveling with her father as liaison officer between the London headquarters of the Polish auxiliary territorial service (women's forces) and the Middle East. She was wearing an ATS uniform. Her husband is a prisoner of war in Germany.

Sikorski had been visiting Polish armed forces in the Middle East and was in Cairo as recently as last Thursday.

Forces Organize
His death came at a moment when the forces which he had (Continued on Page Two)

BIG CROWD SEES BUCKAROO PARADE

Horse-drawn Carts, Bond Sale Floats Featured

Shades of the gay nineties were felt this morning in the annual Buckaroo Days parade when horse-drawn vehicles entirely replaced gasoline buggies. Factors which departed from the mood of the early 1900's were also felt however, when many floats advertising bonds and the absence of young men in the parade lineup were witnessed.

Main street was crowded with thousands of spectators who watched Queen Faith Hunziker and her five princesses, the 12 visiting wounded service men, horses, pet entries, marching units, and floats make their way down the street.

Colors Lead
Leading the parade were the (Continued on Page Two)

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Washington 3 6 3
Detroit 10 14 —
Leonard, Haefner (5), Adkins (7) and Early; Trout and Richards.
Philadelphia 2 4 2
Cleveland 1 4 1
Black and Swift; Bagby, Rossar (8) and DeSautels.

Miners Fete Fourth by Going Back to Work

PITTSBURGH, July 5 (AP)—Smashing tradition by trooping back into the mines on what had always been a holiday, the miners of the nation celebrated Independence Day by effectively breaking the strike of the nation's stubbornest back since Pearl Harbor.

The coal picture was brighter than at any time since June 1 as through both the bituminous and anthracite fields the back-to-work current, a mere trickle last week, swelled to a roaring flood. From every corner came indications that before the end of the week, the great wartime coal strike would be ended.

The 100,000 or more men in Pennsylvania, Alabama, Virginia and Tennessee who continued rebellious at the United Mine Workers' back-to-work orders (Continued on Page Two)

Gas Shortage Predicted

SEATTLE, July 5 (AP)—Navy Secretary Frank Knox predicted today an acute gasoline and oil shortage for Pacific coast civilians.

"There is a shortage now," he said at a press conference, "but you haven't felt anything yet compared to the Atlantic coast." Secretary Knox repeated assertions Americans have taken

Yanks March Through New Georgia



Here's how American forces in the New Georgia Island area have Japs at Munda in a pinch. Heavy artillery on newly-captured Rendova Island blasts away at the air base five miles across the water as assault troops, fresh from capturing Viru Harbor, push through the jungle toward Munda. Sunday Gen. MacArthur's men thrust forward in the Central Solomons to capture a strategic village on Vangunu island shown in the lower right hand corner of the map.

THREE INJURED IN RODEO ACCIDENTS

Raymond Ivory, Edgar Rollins, Moved to Hospitals

Three persons suffered injuries during Klamath Buckaroo Days rodeo Sunday afternoon, and two of them were moved to local hospital for treatment of serious hurts.

Raymond "Buster" Ivory, 21-year-old professional received a badly fractured left shoulder and is suffering from shock when he fell during an exhibition ride on "Satan" the early part of the afternoon. Ivory, nephew of Perry Ivory of Turtle fame, lives at Canby, Calif., where he is employed by the R. L. Smith Lumber company. His condition was said to be good at Hillside hospital late Monday morning.

Several facial lacerations, multiple fractures of the facial bones and an injury to the left side of the chest were received by Edgar N. Rollins, about 45, a Mack Barbour employe. Rollins was sitting on the fence when he went to the aid of two teen-age boys attempting to get a fractious horse into the chutes (Continued on Page Two)

Farm Appropriation Bill Sent to White House Today

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—The \$848,295,883 farm appropriation bill was sent to the White House today after the senate yielded to house demands for abandonment of federal insurance on wheat and cotton crops.

The senate vote for final approval of the compromise bill was 44 to 23.

Senator Nye (R-N.D.) announced he would seek to nullify the effect of this action by offering an amendment to a pending \$343,800,599 deficiency appropriations bill to restore \$7,818,748 for administration of the federal crop insurance corporation (FCIC) another year.

The house provision in the farm bill allows the FCIC only \$3,500,000 with which to liquidate, after payment of losses on the current year's crops, and prohibits the writing of insurance on subsequent crops.

Senator Reed (R-Kan.), who opposed backing down to the house on crop insurance, also protested the previous acceptance of house language banning parity payments on 1944 basic crops, including wheat, corn, cotton, tobacco and rice.

The agreement writing off parity payments on future crops, Senator Russell (D-Ga.) told reporters, was embraced in a partial report on the farm bill, accepted by the senate last weekend.

Payment Increase
Russell said: "Persuaded the house to accept an increase from \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000 for soil conservation payments, and authorizing the secretary of agriculture to make commitments on next year's crops to the extent of \$300,000,000 for soil and water conservation payments.

"The house would not agree to further commitments for parity (Continued on Page Two)

Rodeo Draws Full House to First Showing

A jammed crowd watched the rodeo events during the first day, Sunday, and saw Bill Ramsey win first day money in the bronc riding event.

Second in the bronc riding event was Buck Scott; third, George Christenson, and fourth, Phil Hathaway.

In the bareback riding, Ernie Messner won first day money, and Bill Holden second. Nine riders tied for third and fourth places, H. L. Kirkpatrick, Johnny Jackson, Bud Travis, Lee Hunter, Pete Gale, Moon Jackson, Johnny Ruff, Jerry Chatman and Neil Driscoll.

Results of the best reined cow horse event for Sunday were not announced. Ropers did not have time enough to finish their event and were scheduled to finish Sunday's contest Monday morning.

Final times and scores will be given in Tuesday's paper.

Camp White Soldiers Injured In Accident

Two Camp White soldiers were injured in an accident early Sunday afternoon six miles off The Dalles-California highway on the Diamond Lake road, and were brought to Klamath Falls by Ward's ambulance for hospitalization.

Pvt. Harold Goff and Pvt. J. T. Skipper suffered head injuries, it is understood. A truck, in which they were riding, left the road. Both young men were members of a company of engineers from Camp White en route to Camp Abbott.

Congress Nears Recess at Great Odds With President

By JACK BELL
WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP)—Congress will go home this week, barring last-minute changes in plans, at greater odds with President Roosevelt on domestic issues than at any time since the new deal came into power 10 years ago.

Predictions vary as to the mood, in which the lawmakers will return seven weeks hence, but all sides are agreed that as the hour for a summer recess draws near the legislators and the president are more hostile toward each other than ever before.

dent's crackling rejection, later sustained, of congress' effort to kill the administration's roll back subsidies on food items. And those are only two of a long list of controversies in the last six months.

Congress has dealt what amounts to death blows to two favorite new deal agencies, the National Youth administration (NYA) and the national resources planning board (NRPB). The farm security administration (FSA) barely was saved from a house firing squad.

Tax Rebuff
In the tax field, Mr. Roosevelt was rebuffed by congressional cancellation of his order limiting salaries to \$25,000 after federal levies. His request for an (Continued on Page Two)

VURA VILLAGE CAPTURED BY M'ARTHUR MEN

General Takes Field In Thrust Forward On Vangunu

WASHINGTON, July 5 (AP) Big shells from American warships screaming onto New Georgia and Kolombangara Islands set numerous fires in the Japanese positions in a Fourth of July bombardment, the navy reported today.

The American surface craft steamed into the narrow waters between the islands in the Solomons, the navy reported, then trained their big guns on Vila, reported on the bombardment and Bar Bairoko on New Georgia island.

Key Points
Both are key points in the drive to knock out the big Japanese air base at Munda on New Georgia island, serving as supply points for that airdrome.

Shrieking over Kula gulf, only about eight miles wide, the shells blasted into the enemy positions and presumably caused much damage to supplies and equipment. No details were reported on the bombardment carried out during the night of July 4 and 5.

The communique said that "a number" of United States warships bombarded the two Japanese positions.

Village Taken
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN AUSTRALIA, July 5 (AP)—American forces, with General Douglas MacArthur in direct charge of operations, thrust forward in the central Solomons Sunday, capturing a strategic village on Vangunu island and destroying 21 Japanese planes over Rendova.

News that General MacArthur had taken the field for the second time in eight months was followed closely by the announcement that Americans had seized Vura village on the southern tip of Vangunu island. Three hundred Japanese were killed in the operation and the remainder of the garrison was dispersed. The noon communique (Continued on Page Two)

DIG UP DOLLARS FOR DOOLITTLE!

It will take \$1.00 in War Stamps from every man, woman and child in the country to build the

"SHANGRI-LA"

—\$35,000
—\$30,000
—\$25,000
—\$20,000
—\$15,000
—\$10,000
—\$ 5,000
\$40,000 is Klamath county's goal in War Stamps for July. Please take part of your change in War Stamps. Let's help "Doolittle Do It Again."