

DEATH CLOSES BOOK ON CASE OF SLAYING

TULSA, Okla., Sept. 27 (AP)—A soldier's death in France for a paratrooper Phil Kennamer had closed the book today on one of the country's most publicized slayings—the 1934 Thanksgiving slaying of socially prominent John F. Gorrell.

The war department notified the Tulsa death of Franklin E. Kennamer that his 28-year-old son, who was sentenced to a 25-year term in the Oklahoma state penitentiary for slaying Gorrell in action August 15, 1934, was killed somewhere in France. The death was the latest development in a case which received nationwide attention through a series of trial, appeals and competency petitions.

When Kennamer last visited Oklahoma—to testify at the competency conspiracy trial of a former state pardon and parole officer in November of 1943—he was confined to a newsman that something just seems to tell me that I won't come back.

"I hope," the paratrooper told the Tulsa World, "that I die under the flag of my country, those who have conspired with me will hold me differently in their memories."

Correll's body, shot twice through the head, was found in a Tulsa residential district at midnight, and a week later Kennamer appeared at the sheriff's office to surrender. He said he shot in self-defense.

At the 11-day trial, held in Pawnee county on a charge of murder, Kennamer testified he used Gorrell's pistol to slay his frequent companion in a quarrel over a plan to kidnap a Tulsa girl.

ASSAULT SHIPS GIVEN PRIORITY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (AP)—New types of assault ships designed to carry fighting forces and their supplies directly to an invasion shore have been given top priority in navy production programs, Navy Secretary Forrestal reported today.

Including both cargo and transport types, they are "a vital and essential link in any operation we shall conduct in the Pacific," Forrestal told a news conference.

"They're designed to go into a combat area with troops and

Sings Tonight



Phyllis Myles, above, will sing with Frankie Masters' orchestra at its appearance at the armory tonight.

FRANKIE MASTERS TO PLAY TONIGHT

With 20 top-flight musicians and entertainers, Orchestra Leader Frankie Masters arrived in Klamath Falls direct from the Golden Gate theatre this afternoon to play at the armory tonight.

Phyllis Myles, star of Masters Columbia records; Eddie Williams, youthful Texan; Frank Cook, harmonica-playing comedian; and Marty, Kay, Pat and Jo, Masters' newest singing discoveries, all will be featured along with "Music by Masters." Masters, himself, is a triple threat man, for not only does he lead his own band, but he does many of the vocals and writes music as well. One of the greatest hits that he penned was "Scatterbrain," the nation's No. 1 hit several seasons ago.

A record crowd is expected at the armory tonight to greet the band. Dancing will be from 9 until 1.

FINED

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 27 (AP)—Oliver Willard Minter, 27, of Salem, Ore., arrested in connection with the automobile injury of a woman, has been fined \$100 and costs and his driver's license suspended for a year, on a charge of drunken driving.

equipment to be disembarked ready to fight," he added.

It was explained that the ships can take aboard troops and supplies in the United States and transport them across the ocean ready to move ashore under battle conditions.

Forrestal said the people who are constructing these assault transports and assault cargo ships should "realize how important they are" in carrying out plans to crush Japan.

NAVY COMBAT DEMOLITION UNIT AWARDED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (AP)—A navy combat demolition unit of 171 men, of whom 31 were killed and 60 wounded while clearing enemy obstacles from the Normandy invasion beaches, received a Presidential Unit citation today for heroism.

The presentation was made by Navy Secretary Forrestal to Lieut. Comdr. Joseph H. Gibbons of Port Washington, N. Y., commanding officer of the unit.

The citation said the unit landed in the Vierville-Colleville sector "under devastating enemy artillery, machinegun and sniper fire."

"With practically all explosives lost and with their force seriously depleted by heavy casualties," it continued, "the remaining officers and men carried on gallantly, salvaging explosives as they were swept ashore and in some instances commandeering bulldozers to remove obstacles. In spite of these grave handicaps, the demolition crews succeeded initially in blasting five saps through enemy obstacles for the passage of assault forces to the Normandy shore and within two days had sapped over 85 per cent of the 'Omaha' beach area of German-placed traps."

Gibbons, a New York telephone company service manager prior to the war, told a news conference of one incident in which a rubber boat loaded with dynamite was hit by a German shell, killing all but one of the men working nearby.

Re-Broadcast of Dewey Speech Set

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (AP)—A re-broadcast of the Oklahoma City speech of Republican Presidential Candidate Thomas E. Dewey will be made tonight, Republican National Chairman Herbert Brownell, Jr., announced. The nationwide program will be carried at 9:45 p. m. PWT by the Mutual Broadcasting system.

One out of 20 steelworkers who have joined the armed services since 1940 are already back at work. Of the total of 14,000 ex-servicemen who now are employed in the steel industry, most are former steelworkers.

First Photo of Yank Armor in Germany



An American tank destroyer, followed by other armored units, crosses stream marking Belgium-German border to be first unit to enter Reich and open way for giant push into Siegfried Line. In background is destroyed German railroad bridge. Signal Corps radio-telephoto.

ATTENDANCE LARGE AT GOP MEETING

A large crowd attended a meeting of the republican central committee held at the circuit court rooms Tuesday night.

Routine business, including the appointment of several precinct committeemen to fill existing vacancies, took up most of the meeting, followed by a discussion concerning the coming visit to Klamath Falls of Wayne Morse, Morse, republican candidate for United States senator, is to make several appearances here on October 6.

Also discussed was the possibility of having Governor John Bricker, republican candidate for vice president, appear here in the near future. A letter from Bricker was read at last night's committee meeting, in which he expressed the desire to stop over in Klamath Falls on October 13.

Highway construction for 1944 is estimated at about 5500 miles, all of which is exclusively for the war effort, this also being true of the 8400 miles of roads constructed in 1943.

SEC to Consider Copco Finance Plan

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 27 (AP)—The California Oregon Power company's plan to issue \$13,500,000 principal amount of first mortgage bonds, due 1974, for sale under competitive bidding will be considered at a hearing October 13, the securities and exchange commission announced today.

Proceeds will be applied towards the redemption of a like amount of 4 per cent first mortgage bonds, due 1966.

Production of heavy-duty trucks totaled 37,611 in 1943, compared with 21,609 in 1942.

Clifford Dunn Gets Pump Plant Contract

Clifford A. Dunn, local contractor, received a contract Wednesday from the Denver office of the bureau of reclamation for the construction of pumping plants A, B and C in the Tulelake area.

If this is accepted by Dunn, and approved by the office of the secretary of the interior in Washington, D. C., the contract will go into effect.

Taxicab operations showed a gain of 50 per cent in passengers carried from December, 1941, to December, 1943, total fares soaring from 966,721,000 to 1,446,138,000.

RODEO HANDS TO PERFORM HERE SUNDAY

Top hands will perform Sunday at 2 o'clock at the fairgrounds arena at the rodeo slated by Mac Barbour before he takes his string of stock to the southern shows.

Jack Sherman, Australian champion in the bronc riding class and winner of the worlds championship at Chicago in 1939, and Jerry Ambler, winner of the Calgary show in 1943 and second place at Madison Square Gardens, New York, that same year, will be among those present.

Sonny Truman of Pendleton, who is a consistent winner, Tom Bride of Fossil, all-around champion cowboy at Tucson, Arizona in 1938, are two other names familiar to rodeo fans who will ride here Sunday.

Dee Hinton, who won the Molalla show this year in bulldogging, will enter in that event as well as calf roping. Others slated are Pat Fisk, Antelope, Ore.; Roland Gridley, The Dalles; Larry Baxter, Bend, and Shorty Lee, Malin.

This is an open show, contestants to include both amateurs and the professionals, better known as the Turtles. Between 60 and 70 cowboys are expected to register, Barbour said.

Marine Barracks Band, Orchestra to Play in Portland

The Marine Barracks band and orchestra, under the direction of Tech. Sgt. Jack Zamzow, appeared Wednesday at the Oregon Shipbuilding corporation as Portland celebrated Victory Fleet day until dawn Thursday. Marines are slated to return here tomorrow.

A pennant for wartime operation of government ships was presented to the Portland Steamship Operators association by the war shipping administration at ceremonies in the Oregon Shipbuilding corporation yard Wednesday.

TRESPASSING CASE UNDERWAY IN COURT

A civil trial arising out of a boundary dispute, was underway Wednesday in circuit court.

Principals in the trial are Marie A. Smith, plaintiff, who charges the defendant, Nora Fox, with trespassing on her property. The dispute is over a 15-foot wide strip of ground. The Smith-Fox adjoining properties are located in the Beverly Heights district east of town.

Attorneys for the plaintiff are William Chase and George Chastain. A. C. Yaden is defense attorney. Presiding at the jury trial is Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg.

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