

# 19 KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH

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### WEATHER NEWS

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Max. (Dec. 7) 38 Min. 26  
Precipitation last 24 hours Trace  
Forecast: Clear tonight and Sunday.  
Sunday Shooting Hours: Klamath-Tulelake,  
Open 7:11 a. m. Close 4:26 p. m.  
Monday: Open 7:12 a. m. Close 4:26 p. m.

### In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
FOREIGN secretaries of the United States, Britain and Russia (U. S. Byrnes, British Bevin and Russian Molotov) will meet in Moscow beginning December 15.

Eddie Gilmore, AP correspondent in Moscow, cables this morning that "members of the Moscow foreign colony hail the announcement as the best piece of diplomatic news in months."

IT could be.  
The meeting of foreign ministers in London in early October wound up in a snarl, with nothing CONSTRUCTIVE accomplished. (The London meeting, as nearly as can be learned from heavily censored accounts, was a dog fight.)

Maybe this upcoming Moscow meeting can soothe tempers that were ruffled in London.

GILMORE says it has been learned that preparations for the Moscow conference have been under way for some time and that an "agenda" (professional diplomatic big word for program) has been set forth in DEFINITE detail.

He adds that the breakdown in London has been attributed by many to a LACK of preparation. That is to say, the foreign ministers came to London without any clear idea of what they were to do.

Note that this time only the U. S., Britain and Russia will be represented. France and China took part in the London session, which was a five-power affair. Apparently that didn't work too well, and this time the BIG THREE, who hold the power, will go it alone.

IT is officially but CAUTIOUSLY announced by our state department that an "exchange of views on the subject of control of ATOMIC ENERGY definitely will be held."

It is added that strife in Iran, ALLIED controls for Japan, unification of China, getting European peace plans back on the track, etc., "may" be discussed. (Use of the word "may" is diplomatic double-talk. You may be quite certain they WILL be, although the reporters may not hear of it.)

We may assume that atomic energy will be the HOT subject around which all the rest will revolve.

LET'S pause a moment at this point to review some gruesome findings revealed to the senate-house atomic committee by Dr. Philip Morrison, who helped assemble the atom bombs we used against Japan.

Most persons within a mile of the bombs that fell on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, he said, died quickly—from heat or blast. But many who escaped blast or burn died LATER "from radium-like rays emitted in great number from the bomb at the instant of explosion."

These rays, he added, "affect the blood-forming tissues in the bone marrow, and the WHOLE FUNCTION of the blood is impaired. . . . The blood does not coagulate, but oozes in many spots through the unbroken skin and internally seeps into the cavities of the body. . . . The white corpuscles (which FIGHT INFECTION) disappear, and the

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### Klamath \$52,000 Short Of Quota

Noon today found Klamath county with just \$52,000 to go in order to make its E bond quota. To date \$688,956.25 in E bonds have been sold, with the drive ending at midnight tonight.

A last-minute rush at Bond Headquarters, 1011 Main, gave the bond committee reason for optimism in its hope for reaching its goal.

Standings in the Victory Queen contest were changing rapidly this afternoon. People interested in the progress of the contestants may call Bond Headquarters until 9 p. m. today for up-to-the-minute information, however, nothing will be given out after 8 o'clock. Final tabulation of the ballots will be completed tonight with the Bond Headquarters staff working until midnight. The queen will be publically presented at 8:30 Monday night at the Pelican theatre.

Chiloquin led the list of schools which have exceeded their quotas, by going over its goal 135 per cent. Other counties include Keno, Malin, Summers, Shevlin, Sprague River, Altamont elementary, Altamont junior high, Bonanza, Merrill, and the offices and shops of the county schools.

# LUMBER RUCCE NEGOTIATIONS IN KLAMATH BASIN DISTRICT FAIL

## Union Rejects GM Wage Offer

DETROIT, Dec. 8 (AP)—The General Motors council of the CIO United Auto Workers union today rejected the offer of General Motors corporation of a 10 per cent wage increase to end the nationwide strike at GM plants.

The council's action was taken at a special meeting of the representatives of GM's 175,000 strikers who were convened for the primary purpose of replying to President Truman's appeal for an end to the strike.

Vice President Walter P. Reuther of the UAW-CIO, in announcing rejection of the GM offer, said agreement already had been reached on Mr. Truman's request but that formal action would await a reassembly of the council this afternoon. Reuther would not disclose the nature of the agreement.

As its national GM council convened amid strong indications that the answer to the president would be "no," the striking CIO United Auto Workers union set in motion a huge motorized picket line ordered to roll up to GM's major plants of the city.

The motorcar caravans, formed by unionists of the UAW-CIO's Ford local 600 which claims 51,000 members, were organized in what union heads said would be a demonstration of support to the General Motors strikers.

Police alerted all precinct stations on the route from suburban Dearborn, headquarters of local 600, and arranged to divert traffic in Detroit if the need arose.

Police Superintendent Edwin Morgan said he anticipated no trouble except for possible traffic jams. The union plan was to concentrate its rolling picket line at the General Motors administration building about noon.

400 Pickets  
Approximately 400 pickets marched afoot at the Cadillac plant of GM, a much larger number than this appeared there previously during the 18-day-old strike which had idled a total of 213,000 workers throughout the country.

The auto union's GM council met to act on President Truman's request and to review the negotiations with General Motors over the demand for a 30 per cent wage rate increase within GM's present price structure.

As delegates reached the meeting hall, several told reporters they believed President Truman's appeal would be turned down. The union's leaders already had denounced Mr. Truman's proposal.

## Nip To Testify In McVay Trial

TOKYO, Dec. 8 (AP)—Kyodo News agency said today that Commander Ike Hashimoto, captain of the submarine I. 58, left by plane yesterday for Washington to testify in the court-martial trial of Capt. Charles B. McVay, skipper of the cruiser Indianapolis—which was sunk, Kyodo said, by Hashimoto's sub.

American authorities requested Hashimoto's attendance as a witness, Kyodo reported.

## Bulletin

DETROIT, Dec. 8 (AP)—The General Motors council of the CIO United Auto Workers today recommended rejection of President Truman's request that General Motors strikers return to work.

## Japs Were Expected To Bomb Seattle, San Diego

By J. W. DAVIS  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8 (AP)—The U. S. high command expected the Japanese to bomb airplane factories in Seattle, and San Diego, Calif., rather than Pearl Harbor, in 1941, Gen. George C. Marshall disclosed today.

Questioned by the joint congressional Pearl Harbor investigating committee, the wartime chief of staff testified that he and other officers thought this way early in December, 1941.

"I assumed Guam would be taken, probably Wake, though taking Wake Island would be more difficult. There was a possibility that an effort would be made to strike at the Panama Canal, our air plants in Seattle and San Diego."

Marshall said he thought "the most improbable" form of the

## Veteran Too Young To Marry



Louise Flores, 18, and Coxswain Robert Burrows, 18, look disconsolately at wedding cake and all the trimmings which they were not able to use after being refused marriage license at Los Angeles. Burrows who wears star for six major battles, was told he was too young for marriage without mama's permission.—NEA Telephoto.

## Christmas Gift Boxes To Aid Malin Park Program

Malin community today launched a drive to complete its widely publicized public park program, with a special Christmas-potato gift box project started as a new feature of the effort.

The committee in charge announced it is ready to take orders from anyone for attractive gift boxes of Malin potatoes to be shipped to any address in the

United States for the sum of \$5. Orders should be sent immediately to Malin Park Gift Boxes, Malin, Ore., in order that delivery may be made before Christmas. Gift purchasers should indicate on their order what name they wish placed on the greeting card to be enclosed.

Malin has the site, and has formed a park district, for developing an outstanding community park. At the end of last year's drive for funds, \$90,000 had been collected. It is felt that \$50,000 more is needed to complete the park building, landscaping and swimming tank. An effort will be made to raise the money in the next three weeks, with the potato gift boxes only part of the program.

Women of the community have been given leadership of the drive, with Mrs. W. C. Dalton as chairman. A complete list of residents of the community has been made and it is planned to have everyone approached for a contribution. Outside contributions have been made in a number of instances, and these are acceptable. A plaque or other suitable recognition of founder contributors is planned. There will probably be a veterans' memorial feature.

The park district board hopes to start construction on April 1. Architectural plans have been made by Sheldon Brumbaugh of Klamath Falls. Board members point out that the park will not only be a scenic project, but of cultural, physical, educational and social value to the community.

Here are names of the soliciting committee: Mrs. Dalton, Mrs. Louis Lyons, Mrs. Geoffrey Blohm, Mrs. Edwin Stastny, Mrs. James Ottoman, Mrs. Gerald West, Mrs. Wilford Dixon, Mrs. Vaclav Kalina, Mrs. Anton Steyskal, Mrs. John Reber, Mrs. Hubert Morelock, Mrs. P. G. Wilson, Mrs. Jerry Rajnus, Mrs. A. J. King, Mrs. Frank Paygr, Mrs. Ted DeMerritt, Mrs. Dick Henzel, Laddie Rajnus, W. C. Dalton, Emil Tofell, Dick Henzel, Ted DeMerritt, M. M. Stastny and A. Kalina.

## Lumber Ban Off Until January 1

PORTLAND, Dec. 8 (AP)—The "hot lumber" ban, which the AFL-Lumber and Sawmill Workers used to implement their strike, will be called off in the Willamette valley until January 1, a union spokesman said today.

William O. Kelsay of the AFL Willamette Valley District Council said at Eugene that the mills where the strike has been settled would need several weeks to resume full scale production.

Until then, Kelsay said, the AFL will not attempt to stop Willamette valley builders from using non-union or CIO lumber. "After January 1," he added, "we are going to insist that only fair lumber be used."

The official position of the AFL strike policy committee has been that the "hot lumber" ban would continue until the pine belt strike ends.

Who'll Be Queen?  
Virginia Lee Benoit ...6174  
Agness Winters .....5883  
Marie Dorlaque .....5438  
Betty Steinman .....4408

## Strike Goes On Here As Confab Ends

Negotiations between Klamath basin AFL unionists and lumber operator representatives, previously advertised as a test of strike settlement possibilities, were concluded here today without an agreement being reached.

Reports from the Pine Industrial Relations committee conference room, where negotiators for the two sides met Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, indicated that both sides had rejected offers made by the other, and that the AFL strike situation remains at status quo.

The negotiators adjourned at the call of either side through Louis Ziman, U. S. conciliation service agent at Eugene.

Second Offer  
The union made a second compromise offer to operators at this session. It agreed:

1. To a 15 cents per hour wage increase effective at resumption of operation, and (2) to join with operators in seeking price relief, with a view to eliminating of wage differentials between pine and fir.

Present sawmill wage minimums are 87 1/2 cents. The union has been asking for \$1.05, the minimum on which the strike in fir was settled. The Klamath basin operators have offered \$1.

Under the new union offer, the union would accept \$1.02 1/2 temporarily, permitting the matter of the other 2 1/2 cents—the pine-fir wage differential—to await further negotiation.

Competitive Cited  
The PIRC, which is the negotiating representative for the operators, rejected the new offer asserting it would place the operators at a disadvantage with "our pine competitors, many of whom have reached settlements with CIO and AFL unions for 12 1/2 cents across the board in-

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## Navy Gives Up Hellicat Hunt

The navy Friday officially abandoned the search for a Hellicat plane and the pilot, missing since Monday noon over the Seven-Mile area of Klamath county.

Planes which came down at the Klamath naval air station en route in a flight from the Pasco, Wash., naval air station to Red Bluff, Calif., left here Friday for Red Bluff. The navy may continue the search from some other field, but this was not certain.

In the meantime the Klamath Indian Agency patrol plane, a Cub, took to the air this morning and for three hours flew over the Fort Klamath-Seven Mile section, searching in vain for the Hellicat. The plane was to continue the search this afternoon, according to Superintendent B. G. Courtright.

Pilot of the plane reported the weather clear in the vicinity where the navy plane was reported, and flying conditions around Crater lake and for some distance west, were said good.

The name of the missing pilot has not been divulged by the navy.

## Mansfeldt Acquittal Will Mean Mental Treatment

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8 (AP)—The woman she believed to be a rival for the love of the late Dr. John H. Mansfeldt, hysterically denied any knowledge of Hallinan's decision, but said, "I will do whatever is for the best interests of my children."

Mrs. Mansfeldt was described yesterday by Dr. Joseph Cotton, defense attorney, as a person "frustrated at every turn" and a wife whose marriage was "not consummated" during its first three years.

Mrs. Marie Moore, 42, a key defense witness, was taken to an emergency hospital where Dr. J. V. Deininger said she was suffering from a caustic poisoning.

# C-47 Hits Tree Tops In Landing

BILLINGS, Mont., Dec. 8 (AP)—Sixteen army men, several of them under discharge orders, and two Northwest Airlines pilots were killed early today during a snow storm when their west-bound plane, a C-47, crashed and burned one mile west of Billings in a field.

The Northwest Airlines office announced the pilot was George D. Miller and the co-pilot, Vernon W. Pfannkuck, both of Minneapolis. Names of the army dead were withheld pending notification of next-of-kin. Army personnel aboard were veterans of overseas service who were being taken from Newark, N. J., to Seattle for discharge or reassignment.

Eight men were taken to a Billings hospital, where two of them, the plane's pilot and co-pilot, died shortly afterwards. Several hours later another soldier died, raising the toll to 18. Hospital attendants said the five injured were in critical condition.

The pilot was found pinned beneath the motor when police arrived at the scene at 2:15 a. m. (MST).

The crash occurred about 2:10 a. m. when the army plane, approaching the Billings municipal airport from the south for a landing, apparently came in too low, caught a wing in the tops of trees bordering a boulevard and nose-dived into the field.

Bodies Charred  
Six bodies, charred beyond recognition, were extricated from the smoldering, twisted wreckage by city and county officials, highway patrolmen and army and Northwest Airlines representatives.

An investigation of circumstances surrounding the crash will be made immediately upon the arrival of air corps officers from Cincinnati, O., headquarters of an army ferrying division, Major C. V. Prossers said. The accident will also be investigated by Northwest Airlines officials, who are expected to arrive from St. Paul, Minn., Howard Donaldson, Billings station manager, said.

Dewey Silent  
It came out yesterday when he was explaining how he heard Governor Thomas E. Dewey knew the secret and feared it might become public during the presidential campaign. Dewey kept silent at Marshall's urgent plea.

The general said he didn't know how the information got to Dewey. But—

Reports came to Marshall that army officers were "talking carelessly" in hotels and clubs about it.

The original code cracking staff of several hundred had grown to 16,000—a lot of chances for leaks.

Talk drifted back from the Pacific after army fliers shot down Admiral Yamamoto (who once said he would dictate the peace in the White House). They had to be told where to go and when, and could deduce that the Japanese communications were tapped.

FBI Called  
This "whispering" about how Yamamoto was caught was the most "dangerous" of all, Marshall indicated. He got so concerned he asked FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover to trail some army officers "so we could make an example of them."

Hoover was "hesitant," Marshall said, contending it would make a "gestapo" out of his force. So it wasn't done.

Marshall related how one of a group of 26 code-crackers working at an army station at Fort Washington, Va., was caught trying to "sell" the secret in Boston. The general didn't say what happened to that individual.

## Indian May Have Been Stabbed

Lee J. Hutchinson, 21-year-old Indian cowboy, who is in Klamath Valley hospital with severe cuts and bruises, may have been stabbed by his Indian girl friend, Arlene Riddle, reservation authorities believe.

Hutchinson, when he was admitted to the hospital Thursday night, said he had jumped from a moving car and landed on a rock pile, but his mother, Mrs. Ora Hutchinson, said he had been stabbed.

Miss Riddle had not been located by authorities today. The incident apparently occurred at the Riddle home in Beatty early Thursday evening.

## Arriving In United States

By Associated Press  
Lloyd L. Haskins, Sgt., Klamath Falls, arrived on Robert Owens due in Newport News December 8.

Sixty L. Ruge, T/4, 1805 Maximu, Klamath Falls, arrived on Bandera due in San Francisco December 8.

Robert M. Barlow, PFC, Dunsuir, Calif., arrived on Sea Cat due in New York December 8.

Edward B. Knoll, Sgt., Box 102, Tulelake, arrived on General Meigs due in New York December 3.

Alfred E. Meissner, T/4, 1111 Can drive, Tulelake, arrived on General Meigs due in New York December 3.

Attilio Landona, PFC, Weed, arrived on General Meigs due in New York December 3.