

Day's News

Herald and News

WEATHER NEWS
July 22, 1946
Max. (July 21) 102 Min. — 62
Precipitation last 24 hours — .06
Stream year to date — 13.97
Normal — 12.15 Last year — 13.28
Forecast: Cooler tomorrow.

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Pair Feared Lost In Lake

President Told New OPA Draft Has Some Merit

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—President Truman today told the House of Representatives that the new OPA draft has some merit. He said the measure is an improvement over the one he recently vetoed.

Leaving a White House conference with Mr. Truman, Porter told newsmen he withheld a recommendation on whether the president should sign or veto the new compromise.

He preferred to withhold a recommendation, Porter explained, until congress has completed its action and the measure reaches the president's desk.

However, Porter said he told Mr. Truman: "This bill is better in many important and material respects than the one he vetoed."

Porter would not elaborate on this brief sentence.

Bolivians Kill President, Seize Power

LA PAZ, Bolivia, July 22 (AP)—Student and labor revolutionists took over the government of Bolivia today after assassinating President Guaberto Villarroel, who was thrown bodily from the presidential palace, hanged and then paraded through the streets on an army tank.

After the macabre parade in this highest capital in the world, the slain president's body again was hanged from a lamppost before the palace. The four days of bloody street fighting in which 2,000 persons were reported killed or wounded ended Sunday with victory for the rebels. Many of the president's close collaborators died with him.

Nestor Guillen, dean of the superior court, assumed office as acting president but vowed to relinquish the office when Thomas Monje, court president, was well enough to take his place. He called the regime "a provisional government to call elections and then turn over power to a government chosen by the people."

Council Faces Major Issues

Parking meters, a proposal for a modified manager system for city government, and proposed recreation financing are three major matters slated to come before the city council tonight.

The retail trade bureau will be represented in connection with parking meters. Nick Long, president, issued the following statement:

"It being apparent that the city council favors the idea of installing parking meters despite the strong opposition against them, a committee of the retail trade will attend the council meeting Monday night, July 22, to ask that the parking meter question be put up to the city voters for their approval or disapproval on the November election ballot. It is felt by retail merchants that parking meters are a form of taxation or rental of public streets and people of Klamath Falls should have the privilege of voting for or against them."

Memorial Held For Bikini Goats

NORTH HOLLYWOOD, Calif., July 22 (AP)—Four hundred goat owners paid silent tribute yesterday to the little goats that died and are dying in the name of science and research.

Plans to half-staff the American flag and sound taps in honor of the atomic-bombed goats of Bikini were cancelled after war veterans had protested.

Only sound to break the minute of silence during the San Fernando Valley Goat society came from the goats.

Madame Sun Yat-sen Says Reactionists Inciting U. S.-Russian War Over China

SHANGHAI, July 22 (AP)—Chinese communists and the government mutually claimed victories north of the Yangtze river today as Madame Sun Yat-sen accused government party reactionaries of striving to incite a war between the United States and Russia in the hope of this crushing the communists.

Madame Sun, highly respected widow of China's revolutionary hero and sister-in-law of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, declared in a rare statement that China was heading down the road to disaster and that American reactionaries were abetting Chinese reactionaries.

As steps toward solution, she urged formation of a coalition government, withdrawal of all American troops from China, and cancellation of all war materials and other military assistance from the United States.

Even as her statement was issued, however, the communists claimed a resounding victory and capture of 12,000 government soldiers on the important coastal plain only 60 miles northeast of Nanking.

Government quarters countered with assertions they had buried 20,000 communist dead after a long and bitter battle in the same area.

Madame Sun said that Kuomintang reactionaries were fostering a civil war they can't win "because they hope civil conflict in China will incite war between America and the USSR and thus at last crush Chinese communists."

"The American people, who are allies and long friends of China, must be clearly told of this road to disaster," she said.

"They must be told that American reactionaries are teaming up with Chinese reactionaries, each encouraging the other. They must be told that the presence of United States armed forces on Chinese soil is not strengthening peace and order among the Chinese people."

"They must be warned that loans should be given only to a reorganized and truly representative Chinese government. They must be told that if America makes it plain that she won't supply munitions or military assistance there will be no spreading of the Chinese civil war."

Madame Sun's statement, which some observers thought might mark her active reentry into Chinese politics, emphasized:

"We are threatened by civil war into which reactionaries hope to draw America, thus involving the whole world. Such a civil war, though undeclared, has already begun. This calamity must be stopped in its beginning."

"The present crisis is not a question of who wins—Kuomintang or communist. It is a question of the Chinese people, their unity, liberty and livelihood. It cannot be settled by balancing armed forces or bargaining for this city and that territory. No party rights but human rights hang in the balance."

May Enjoys Life



Rep. Andrew J. May (D-Ky.), chairman of the House Military Affairs committee (left), being hugged by Mrs. Muriel Garrison Herman, a daughter of Murray Garrison, while Garrison's second wife sits at May's left during reception at Hotel Pierre in New York City, Jan. 2, 1944, after wedding of Garrison's daughter, Natalie, to Maj. Louis K. Kiebaso. Garrison, now reported in Cuba, is one of two brothers who formed several Illinois war material firms now being investigated by the senate committee headed by Sen. James Mead (D-N. Y.).

CIO-PAC Backs Slaughter's Foe

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., July 22 (AP)—Official CIO-PAC support for Enos A. Axtell, president of the Kansas City Slaughter Co., was announced today by the organization's steering committee.

At the same time the political action committee leaders said they welcomed an investigation of the congressional campaign asked by Slaughter in the Kansas City fight and urged that the inquiry also include the sources of Slaughter's financial backing.

"It is reported that various individuals or firms have allegedly raised a 'slush fund' of proportions reaching a half million dollars to promote the re-election of Slaughter so that his services as the spokesman of corporate interests be uninterrupted," a PAC resolution said.

Freight Train Kills Itinerant

An itinerant fruit picker, identified as Henry R. Smith of Phoenix, Ariz., was fatally injured as he attempted to hook a ride on an incoming Southern Pacific freight train about half a mile from the SP depot west of the west end yard office early last night.

Assistant Coroner Marvin Albee said that Smith was struck by the 26th boxcar in the freight and he apparently fell under the car. His left foot was severed just above his shoe top, his right hand was badly crushed, his chest was crushed and he had a bad head injury.

Smith's shoe and foot were found about 21 feet from where his body had fallen between the rails. He was found by Louis Arnold, Great Northern car inspector, at 7:56 p. m., a few minutes after the train had passed by, and died at 8 o'clock.

The man, believed to be about 60 years old, was conscious when Arnold found him, and was able to talk a little. He asked Arnold to look after his two bundles of personal belongings, and mentioned something about being from Arizona before he died.

A social security card gave his name as Henry Smith, and his address as Phoenix, Ariz., but Phoenix police informed local officials that he was a transient fruit picker and had no known relatives there.

Smith was dressed in overalls and an overall jumper, and carried two bundles containing other clothing and a Bible.

There were no witnesses to the accident.

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Chinese Reds Warn Marines

TIENSIN, July 22 (AP)—The communist radio at Yenan today warned United States marines that a search of communist-held territory for seven marines seized in north China July 13 was a violation of Chinese sovereignty.

The warning was made at a time when there were indications that the marines were in the corps, that the seven have been found in a village 50 miles southwest of the port city of Chinwangtao.

Yenan radio said that unless the leathernecks called off the hunt, they must assume full responsibility for any clashes between marines and communists.

Howard Hughes Said Improved

LOS ANGELES, July 22 (AP)—Plane and movie maker Howard Hughes was "resting comfortably" today at Good Samaritan hospital following removal of a second quart of fluid last night from his left lung, battered when Hughes crashed in an experimental plane July 7. His physician yesterday reported "noticeable improvement."

Roseburg JP Pleads Innocent to Charges

ROSEBURG, Ore., July 22 (AP)—Justice of the Peace Thomas C. Hartfield of Deer Creek precinct, embracing the city of Roseburg, today entered a plea of innocence to the two counts in a recent grand jury indictment charging him with larceny of public money and malfeasance and negligence in public office.

The larceny charge alleged that he failed to turn over to the county on the date due \$4,377.51 in fines, costs and fees collected over a two-year period.

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly, before whom Hartfield entered plea, disqualified himself and turned the case over to Circuit Judge Dal M. King of Crook county, for trial in Roseburg.

Flyer Spots Empty Boat On Surface

No trace had been found late today of two men, Keith Gordon, 56, and John A. (Jack) Henry, 43, who disappeared in Upper Klamath lake yesterday, although their capsized speedboat was found about a mile off the west shore of the lake this morning.

The two men, both of whom live at 2834 Altamont, put the small red boat into Geary canal about 6 a. m. yesterday, and were planning to go through the canal into the lake and on up past Rocky Point, through Crystal creek and come ashore at Malone springs.

Their wives took the car from the canal and were to meet the men at Malone springs about noon, but Henry and Gordon never arrived. Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Henry waited at the springs all afternoon and all night.

This morning Cliff Hogue flew a Cessna plane low over the lake and spotted the boat, drifting upside down, with the outboard motor still on it. The boat was seen about two miles southwest of Eagle ridge, Hogue said, and was drifting toward the west shore.

He said that he believed the boat might have overturned three or four miles from where it was located.

Dragging Difficult
Sheriff Lloyd Deputy Jack Frayne and R. C. Woodruff are on the lake this afternoon with a drag, but Sheriff Low said that the area in which the men might have disappeared is too large to have much hope of locating them.

He said that he had received a report that two men in a small boat, apparently having motor trouble, were seen near Bear Island about noon yesterday, and another report that two men having motor trouble about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

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Educators Ask MB 'Freezing'

SALEM, July 22 (AP)—The state board of education voted today to join with the state board of higher education in a request that the war assets administration freeze the Klamath Marine Barracks until October 1.

The board said the freezing of the barracks would give the state time to obtain more information on possible use of the barracks as an educational institution.

The barracks could be used as a permanent vocational school at a cost of \$200,000 a year, plus an additional initial payment of \$200,000 for paying instructors for living quarters, State Vocational Director O. I. Paulson reported today to the state board of education.

Paulson told the board that 400 students could be enrolled the first year, 800 the second year, and 1200 the third year. He emphasized that the entire plant should be considered, rather than a part of it.

Paulson said classes in auto mechanics, body and fender work, auto servicing, machine shop, mill and cabinet work, carpentry, refrigeration, cooks and bakers, electricity, and painting could be started immediately when the school would be opened. Other classes could be added when the demand for them developed.

Even if the board wants the barracks, a big stumbling block would be to find the money to operate and remodel it.

Last week, Senator Cordon (R-Ore.) telegraphed that the WAA was freezing the barracks until the state determined whether it wished to use it.

Reserve Officers Pension Approved

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—The house military committee today approved legislation setting up for the first time a retirement system for army reserve and national guard officers.

The bill stipulates that an officer must be at least 60 years of age before being retired and must have a minimum of 20 years of satisfactory service either in the active or reserve components of the army.

Officers meeting those and other conditions would receive retired pay at the rate of two and one-half per cent for each year of active service plus one-half of one per cent for each year of inactive service, with a maximum of 75 per cent of annual base and longevity pay of the highest rank served.

Senators To Hold Inquiry On Delay In Strengthening Defenses At Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON, July 22 (AP)—A new but pin-pointed Pearl Harbor investigation hove into view today.

The senate war investigating committee—taking its cue from the voluminous report assessing responsibility for the Dec. 7, 1941, military debacle—decided to reopen its own inquiry into pre-war delays in fortifying the Pacific bastion.

Senator Brewster (R-Me.) said a similar effort two years ago was blocked by refusal of the house military committee headed by Rep. May (D-Ky.) to release a key witness to the senate group.

Brewster is a member of both the senate-house committee which delved into the blame behind Pearl Harbor and of the senate's special war investigating committee, now engaged in an attempt to summon May for testimony concerning his relations with a midwestern munitions combine.

Central figure in the projected new inquiry is Col. Theodore

Terrorist Blow Shatters Hotel In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, July 22 (AP)—Terrorists bombed and shattered part of the huge King David hotel, headquarters of the British army and the secretariat of the Palestine government, today killing at least 50 persons in a terrifying blast that shook the modern part of this ancient city.

The attack came 23 days after the British army occupied the Jewish agency and arrested 2000 Jews and leaders. A police communiqué gave the estimate of dead. Among the 60 reported unofficially as injured was an American, Correspondent Richard Mower of the New York Post, who was reported to have suffered a broken leg while walking past the hotel.

A curfew was clamped on. Pedestrians and traffic vanished from streets in Jewish quarters of Jerusalem. Tight cordons barred access to the King David hotel, one of the finest in eastern Mediterranean countries, while soldiers dug into the rubble for more bodies and for wounded.

KF Suffers Hottest Day In 18 Years

Today's 2:30 p. m. temperature was 91.

Sunday's temperature at Klamath Falls zoomed to 102, an 18-year record.

It was the hottest day since July, 1928, when the same temperature was recorded. There hadn't been a hotter day since July, 1911, when an all-time record of 105 was set.

The weekend heat wave was general over Oregon, bringing a record of 115 degrees at Medford Saturday. Medford's Sunday temperature dropped to 102, the same as Klamath's.

Unofficial thermometers in the Klamath region Sunday showed readings as high as 105. That was the recording of a good thermometer on the front porch of a store at Beatty at about 2:30 p. m.

The high temperatures brought a dangerous fire threat to this region. Blazes broke out on Bly mountain, near the Lakeview highway, and at Jenny creek, but alert crews quickly checked them.

Sawmills Destroyed

Two southern Oregon sawmills were destroyed in fires at Central Point Saturday night, while near Dallas foresters today were organizing crews to control the last of three Polk county timber tracts still burning.

All national and most state forests in the state were still closed to the public and State Forester Nels Rogers reported humidity in many areas continued low and timbered areas remained in danger.

One man was killed and another burned and injured at Lebanon yesterday (Sunday)

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Mexico Claims Pacific Isles

MEXICO CITY, July 22 (AP)—Mexico's claim to nine islands off the United States' Pacific coast is being prepared for presentation to Washington.

Replying to the International League of Mexicans abroad, the foreign office reported that a commission appointed December 9, 1944, is completing its work and that the claim may be filed before a century of U. S. occupation might seem to settle title.

The nine islands include the Farallones, off San Francisco, Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, Santa Catalina, famous resort off San Pedro; Santa Barbara, San Nicholas and San Clemente.

It is Mexico's contention that Spain owned all these, called the archipelago of the north, and that they became Mexican when Spain, December 28, 1838, recognized this country's independence.

Under the February 2, 1848 treaty settling the war with the United States, it is asserted that only continental territory was ceded, and not any of the islands.

By FRANK JENKINS
VIOLENT revolution flares over the weekend in La Paz, high-in-the-mountains capital of Bolivia (South America).

Dictator-President Villarroel is shot (apparently only wounded) in his heavily fortified palace. He was then thrown through a window to the mob outside and hanged to a lamp post, after which his lifeless and naked body was paraded through the streets on an army tank. After the parade, the body was brought back and hanged again to the lamp post in front of the palace.

It sounds strangely like Mussolini's end—which reminds us that throughout history's long story MANY, MANY dictators have died like that.

LET us pause here for a second to recall the historic pattern of dictatorship.

It arises normally because the PEOPLE become too lazy or too indifferent to carry the burden of self-government. In their laziness, or their indifference, they say:

"Let us have a Superman, who will DO IT ALL FOR US, so that we shall not have to bother our heads with such problems."

THAT is how dictatorship historically begins.

It proceeds historically to the ABUSES that follow inevitably when TOO MUCH POWER is placed in ONE set of hands.

It ends (not always, but FREQUENTLY) in outbursts of unrestrained hatred such as we are witnessing in Bolivia.

THE thing for us to remember is that down through the centuries dictatorships (in one form and another) have tended to arise WHENEVER the people become too lazy, too indifferent, too self-centered to face the responsibilities of governing themselves wisely and well.

THERE is another explosion in Jerusalem—where "terrorists" bomb the King David hotel, in which British army headquarters are located.

This morning's dispatches indicate some 50 deaths.

Palestine is an explosive spot because of a project to move Jews there from Europe—where, because of man's intolerance to man, they are a headache. The idea of the powers that be in Europe is to move the Jews bodily to Palestine, now heavily populated by Arabs.

The Arabs resist the colonization of Palestine by Jews. The Jews (already desperate because of injustices in Europe) RESENT the unwillingness of the Arabs to receive them.

Hence the disorders that are making Palestine a powder keg.

THE powers that be in Europe (we, the British, the French, the Russians, etc.) are unwilling to face the problem of absorption of the unwanted Jews AMONG US. So, in effect, we say: "Let's force them onto the Arabs in Palestine" (which is the ancestral home of the Jews).

If you are familiar with your Old Testament, you will recall that the Jews took Palestine FROM SOMEBODY ELSE.)

THE curtain is rising on civil war in China.

As usual, we get no clear picture of what is happening. We have the judge from CONFLICTING PROPAGANDA claims. The communists say they have won a resounding victory in which they captured 12,000 government troops.

The nationalists retort that after the battle they have already BURIED 20,000 COMMUNIST DEAD, and aren't through yet.

MME SUN YAT-SEN, widow of CHINA's revolutionary hero who seems by some freak to have been unselfishly devoted to improvement of the lot of the Chinese PEOPLE) gives out a statement in Shanghai today to the effect that REACTIONARIES in the Nationalist (Chiang Kai-shek) government are fostering a civil war in the hope of bringing the United States and Russia into the struggle and thus crushing Chinese communism.

She says we ought to GET OUT OF CHINA. . . that we should make loans only to a reorganized and truly representative Chinese government. . . that we should make it plain that we will supply neither munitions nor military assistance to EITHER SIDE.

PROBABLY the outcome of that policy would be that the communists, with Russian assistance, would win. Still, it is a little odd to hear ANYBODY assert that America should stay out of ANYWHERE.

THE world, you see, is in a mess.

It is a pity.

The principle of the Golden Rule, if honestly followed by everybody, would bring order and happiness out of the mess.

It is doubtful if anything else will.

TYPHOON TOLL UP
MANILA, July 22 (AP)—The army today relayed a radio dispatch from Baguio, northern Luzon, raising last week's typhoon death toll to 16 with the discovery of three more bodies.