

# REDS ADMIT FIGHTING MARINES

In The Day's News

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# Mainliners Arrive On Schedule

## Regular Air Service For City Starts

"It's just the beginning," was the civic theme today as two big United Air Lines Mainliners set down on the Klamath municipal airport to inaugurate mainline air transportation for this city and its big trade area. Cheers rose from the crowd as the north and southbound planes came to a stop on the concrete ramp, after landing within a few seconds of each other at about 10:20 a. m. The planes brought regular passengers as well as numerous civic, airline officials and Governor Earl Snull. After a five-minute pause, the big birds took off, taking the first regular passengers from Klamath Falls to San Francisco, Portland and Seattle. Climax of years of effort to bring a major airline here, the event today was viewed by municipal and civic leaders as the first phase of air transportation development they hope will make the huge Klamath airport one of the busiest smaller city terminals in the west.

"This is significant because of what it portends for the future," remarked C. A. Dunn, chairman of the airport commission. "We expect to see not only increasing passenger flights through here, but cargo planes will add tremendously to the importance of the Klamath Falls air terminal. This is a grand start toward something still bigger."

**Crowd Awaits Planes**  
A big crowd swarmed over the concrete apron in front of the operations building—United's office structure now—as the time approached for the arrival of the first planes. John Houston, president of the Klamath County chamber of commerce, was master of ceremonies for the preliminary program, and W. T. McIntyre, Klamath station manager for United, took over the microphone as the planes came in.

The ship in sight was the northbound Mainliner 180, which circled the field several times waiting for a landing on the east-west runway, the southbound plane landing first.

The ships taxied quickly to the ramp, and swung around in front of the crowd.

Attention turned to the speakers' platform as Mayor Ed Ostendorf introduced prominent visitors.

Mayor A. Kalina of Malin greeted Dolores Trout, Malin girl, who was stewardess on the northbound plane, and pinned a corsage on her.

**CAB Grants Pacific Routes**  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—The Civil Aeronautics board today authorized Northwest Airlines and Pan-American Airways to establish new air routes to Alaska, the Orient and Australia.

Trans-World Air Lines also received an extension of its international route which, in effect, establishes a second United States flag round-the-world service.

In its decision in the so-called Pacific case the board authorized two routes to the Orient. One goes via the Great Circle route across the north Pacific into Tokyo, Seoul, Shanghai and Manila, and the other across the central Pacific via Honolulu, Midway, Tokyo, Shanghai and Hong Kong.

The northern route will be operated via the Seattle gateway as well as via the Chicago-Minneapolis-St. Paul gateway which also includes New York as a co-terminal point.



KLAMATH AVIATION MILESTONE—General view across the huge apron at the municipal airport this morning as a crowd swarmed across the concrete to greet the first regular passenger flights through airline service. Tail of the other big plane, which participated in the ceremonies, is shown at right.

## 'First Flight' Letters Sent

"First Flight" special cachet letters dispatched out of Klamath Falls on the inaugural northbound flight of United Air Lines reached a total of 3687, according to Postmaster Burt E. Hawkins.

Besides the bulk of cachet mail sent out on the northbound flight, 199 "First Flight" letters were sent out on the initial southward trip by special request from stamp collectors.

The mail was delivered to the planes by the Klamath Sheriff's posse, with Postmaster Hawkins accepting the first sack for loading.

There were 264 regular air mail letters taken off the first two incoming flights and it is expected that approximately 800 air mail letters will be coming into Klamath Falls on each daily flight. There will be two trips from the north and two from the south daily.

## Social Security Deadlock Stands

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—Another attempt to break the deadlock on social security legislation was blocked today, raising new doubts that congress will be able to adjourn tomorrow.

Rep. Jenkins (R-Ohio) objected when Chairman Doughton (D-N.C.) of the ways and means committee sought to send the legislation to a house-senate conference committee to iron out difficulties.

## AFL Lumbermen Will Meet Here

PORTLAND, Aug. 1 (AP)—The AFL Oregon state council of lumber and sawmill workers will meet August 10 at Klamath Falls to discuss wage boosts based on the increased cost of living, Secretary Doyle Pearson said today.

He said that two districts—Portland and Willamette valley—already have notified employers that they want a wage adjustment. Under the contract, Pearson said, 30 days' notice is required to open wage negotiations.

## Ship Founders After Collision

NEW YORK, Aug. 1 (AP)—The new, 8258-ton freighter, American Farmer, carrying six passengers, 51 crew members and 8500 tons of vitally needed food for Great Britain, sank last night about 400 miles west of the English coast after being in collision with the cattle ship William J. Riddle.

The Riddle, a specially designed ship used in the war for carrying uncrated planes, radioed that she had rescued all aboard the Farmer. A London dispatch said none was injured. The Riddle was damaged at the water line and her speed was slowed to seven knots.

The U. S. Lines said the ship also carried 7811 bags of mail which was presumed lost. Her cargo included 5500 tons of buckwheat and 3000 tons of mixed foods including evaporated and dried milk, dried eggs and lard.

The Riddle had delivered a load of UNRRA cattle at Danzig and was bound for Norfolk when the collision occurred. She carried a crew of 45 and 20 cattle attendants.

## Oil Companies Jump Gasoline

Gas at Standard Oil company stations in Klamath Falls went up one and a half cents a gallon today, prices at Signal stations advanced one cent and all other distributors in the area expect to receive word to go ahead with a boost by tomorrow.

Standard's one and a half cent increase covers two separate boosts, one brought on by an 84-cent barrel price rise in crude oil, and the other a hike in freight rates north of California.

The Signal dealer here has received word of the one cent boost, but not the other. Richfield, Mobiloil, Associated, Shell and Union have received no word of an increase yet and gas at those stations still is priced at 23 cents for regular, 25 for ethyl.

Standard's prices today were 24 and 26 and Signal prices 24 and 26.

The Standard Oil company's price raise was one cent in California and one and a half in 24 points in Oregon, including Klamath Falls, Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass.

From San Francisco, the company explained that the price increase for gasoline and allied products was permitted by the new OPA law. Stove oil and diesel fuel prices also went up.

## Planes Salute Howard Hughes

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 1 (AP)—On orders of Brig. Gen. John P. Doyle, commanding officer of the 12th air force, March field, squadrons of bombers and fighters flew today over Good Samaritan hospital, where Howard Hughes, millionaire plane manufacturer, lies recovering from injuries suffered in the crash of an experimental bomber he had manufactured for the army.

General Doyle said the flight was made "in tribute to your invaluable contribution to modern aviation progress."

## Truman Seeks Spending Cut

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—President Truman today called on all federal officials to keep public expenditures "at the lowest possible level."

In a formal statement, Mr. Truman declared that reductions in federal expenditures are imperative in view of "the present inflationary situation."

The president's statement was contained in a letter to the heads of all executive departments and agencies. It said:

"We must do everything within our power to reduce inflationary pressures. One of the most effective means of doing this is to reduce federal expenditures."

## Autoist Sued Over Injuries

A law suit for \$7000 damages growing out of an auto-pedestrian accident on Main street February 21 was filed with the circuit court yesterday by Mrs. Maude A. Wright, 438 High, against Stanley E. Grate, 2540 Orchard.

Mrs. Wright was knocked to the pavement and severely injured when she was struck by Grate's car at Fifth and Main February 21 and the suit charges that Grate was reckless and negligent in his driving.

The complaint maintains that he was operating his car at a high rate of speed, did not keep a lookout for pedestrians, made no attempt to avoid hitting Mrs. Wright and failed to yield the right of way to the pedestrian in the crosswalk.

There is no traffic signal at the corner. Grate was arrested after the accident and posted \$25 bail with city police for failure to yield the right of way.

Grate was making a left turn off Fifth onto Main when Mrs. Wright was crossing Main and at the time of the accident said he did not see the woman until his car hit her.

Her injuries included a fractured vertebra. Harry D. Bolvin is Mrs. Wright's attorney.

## Death Toll Heavy In Bomber Crash

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Aug. 1 (AP)—At least 11 service personnel, one of them believed to be a woman, were killed today in the crash of navy Privateer four-engine bomber four miles west of nearby Camp Kearny.

The 11th naval district reported that the plane, a land-based patrol bomber, crashed and burned four minutes after taking off from Camp Miramar marine air field en route to Dallas.

The craft carried a crew of five and six army and navy passengers. The navy said all the passengers were officers.

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## Communists Shift Blame For Attack

PEIPING, Aug. 1 (AP)—The Chinese communists acknowledged today that regulars of the eighth communist route army fought United States marines southeast of Peiping Monday, but contended it was not an ambush and that the marines were the aggressors.

The marine corps said three marines were killed and 12 wounded when a marine motor convoy was ambushed by 300 Chinese in a highway defile.

The marine corps has refrained from identifying the attackers as communists but flatly described it as an ambush. Headquarters added today that 12 of the Chinese were killed and an undetermined number wounded when the marines defended themselves.

The official New China news agency and the official communist radio at Yenan gave their version of the battle in a news dispatch and broadcast today, asserting that about 60 marines and 80 national government soldiers "made a surprise attack" on communist positions near the village of Anping Monday morning.

"Aggravation Avoided"  
"Both sides suffered casualties in fighting which ensued when the eighth route troops were forced to resist. Towards afternoon, when American reinforcements were rushed to the scene from Tientsin, the eighth route troops withdrew to avoid aggravating the clash," communist accounts said.

The communist agencies then launched into a long reiteration of their demands that Americans withdraw from China entirely and said, "we should demand an apology" and disciplinary action from the marines for the Monday battle.

The marine corps' announcement said the number of Chinese wounded was not known. It listed the marine dead as one officer and two enlisted men.

The officer was killed at the outset by a grenade hurled at his command jeep.

Going into detail for the first time, the marine announcement said the Chinese selected an ideal spot for the ambush. The road ran between deep ditches, with tall corn growing to the edge of the cuts. On one side of the road was a clump of trees, on the other side a small-walled compound. A road block of two wheel-less cars had been placed between the trees and the wall.

Machineguns were placed on the compound wall, covering the highway. When the convoy reached the road block, the Chinese opened fire without warning, the marine announcement detailed.

At one time, the marine version continued, a white flag was raised on the compound wall but when a navy corpsman and two interpreters started forward, one was shot in the leg.

## Strike Off, Workers Idle

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1 (AP)—CIO longshore bosses postponed their strike scheduled today but partially tied up ports along the Pacific coast by continuing work stoppages.

The foremen in the principal coast ports voted to leave the strike call up to a negotiating committee, but ships at berth remained idle as a result of stop-work meetings.

The waterfront employers' association reported that only 10 or 12 of the usual 200 longshore crews were working in San Francisco yesterday as a result of the absence of gang bosses. An employer spokesman said he did not know whether the bosses would return to work later today.

## Pageant Calendar

Anyone having material for exhibit during the week of the pageant should call Edith McLeod, 4290. The window decoration committee is anxious to obtain items of pioneer clothing for its window exhibits.

## Indian Bill Action Delayed

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—The senate Indian affairs committee postponed today action on a bill to liquidate property of the Klamath Indians in Oregon and distribute the assets to members of the tribe.

Chairman O'Mahoney (D-Wyo) said he will appoint a sub-committee to investigate the affairs of the tribe.

Boyd J. Jackson, a member of the tribe, opposed enactment of the bill. He told the committee the tribe had voted against the proposal. Wade Crawford, former superintendent of the reservation, urged passage of the legislation.

## Whiskerinos?

NEWCASTLE, Calif., Aug. 1 (AP)—Police throughout California today pressed a search for three bearded, roughly dressed bandits who with drawn pistols yesterday robbed the Newcastle branch of the Bank of America, north of Sacramento, of about \$2400.

## Adak Diphtheria Outbreak In Hand

SEATTLE, Aug. 1 (AP)—The navy reported today a diphtheria outbreak at Adak island, Alaska, was under control with two serious cases out of danger, 18 others hospitalized and quarantine restrictions continuing. Additional medical personnel was flown from Seattle to Adak this week.

## Bulletin

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (AP)—President Truman today vetoed the tidelands bill, designed to give the states a clear title to off-shore areas often rich in oil.

## Baseball Scores

NATIONAL  
BROOKLYN, Aug. 1 (AP)—Repulsing a late Dodger surge with some effective relief pitching by Howie Pollet, the St. Louis Cardinals today carved Brooklyn's National league lead to 1 1/2 games with a 3-1 decision in their series finale.

St. Louis	3	8	0
Brooklyn	1	10	2
Brecheen, Pollet (8) and Rice; Lombardi, Behrman (7), Branca (9) and Edwards.			

AMERICAN  
Philadelphia ..... R. H. E.  
Chicago ..... 6 11 1  
Harris, Flores (6) and DeSautels; Haynes, Maltberger (3), Hollingsworth (5), Caldwell (7) and Hayes.

Boston	1	8	1
Cleveland	2	4	0
Dobson and Partee; Harder, Berry (9) and Hegan.			