



WEATHER
Max. (July 26) 75 Min.
Precipitation last 24 hours
Stream year to date
Last year 12.97
Forecast: Partly
and Rainy.

Klamath Falls, Oregon, Saturday, July 26, 1947 (Telephone 8111) No. 1093

Death Rides Highway 97, North, South

Death again rode the highways of Klamath county last night as two persons were instantly killed in separate automobile accidents on highway 97 only a few minutes apart. The fatalities were the eighth and ninth for the county thus far this year.

The first, happening about 11 p. m. on Algoma hill north of town, took the life of Harold Jerry Ambers, 20-year-old navy veteran residing on route 3. Ambers was driving a coupe in which Wilford O. Mitchell, 21, of 728 Owens, 1947 Auto was a passenger. Fatality Mitchell told state police that they were driving north on the hill when the right wheels of the car went off the pavement and into a slight barrow pit. The car traveled along the ditch a few feet, then swung back to the left in an angle across the highway and into the guard rail. It turned over and came to rest upside down with the right wheel hanging over the guard rail.

Through Glass Ambers was pitched out of the car, through a window or the windshield, and plunged 100 feet down a rocky embankment. He was dead when picked up. His injuries included a fractured skull and punctured throat. Mitchell remained in the car and was unhurt except for bruises and scratches.

The other fatal accident occurred a quarter of a mile south of Fre's store on highway 97, south, about 11:15 p. m. A sedan driven by William L. Parr, 28, of route 3, struck a pedestrian on the road, killing him instantly. The dead man was identified today as Fred Allen, about 47, of Tulelake.

1947 Auto Parr told state police that he was driving home from the Kalpine plywood mill at between 40 and 50 miles an hour. He was meeting traffic and dimmed his lights. He said that he did not see the man on the road until he was within five or six feet from him. The impact knocked Allen over into a barrow pit beside the road. His neck was broken, as were both legs, and his skull was fractured.

Hood Fits Up The hood of Parr's car flew up with the crash and he stopped immediately. State police said the evidence indicated that Allen was walking along the pavement and not on the shoulder of the road. He was wearing a pair of green twill trousers and a green sports jacket. Allen was not identified until this morning. There were no papers or billfold in his pocket, but his social security number, 518-01-0066, was tattooed on his shoulder. In his pockets were a safety razor and a leatherette cigarette case with "Tulelake 2541" penciled on it.

Deputy Coroner Marvin Albers called that Tulelake phone number this morning and talked with Mrs. George White who identified the man and said that he had been rooming at the White residence. He was working as a cook at the Homestead cafe in Tulelake. Allen is believed to be single and a war veteran.

Harold Jerry Ambers is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ambers; a sister, Norma Lavigne; a brother, Clifford, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ambers, all of Klamath Falls. The bodies of both men are at Ward's Funeral home.

Maybe She Could Read Backwards DES MOINES, July 26 (AP)—The woman motorist protected when she failed to pass the vision test in her driver's license examination. "Why, I just got these glasses, new." When she returned a short time later she passed the test easily. "They had put the lenses in backwards," she explained.

President's Mother Dies

Smooth End Of Congress Due Tonight

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) said today a resolution adjourning congress tonight will leave the way open for leaders to ask a special session although he does not expect one. Congressional leaders "will get together in October and look things over then," Taft told a reporter. "I do not expect a special session before congress convenes next January but conditions may look different."

Republican leaders were optimistic about winding up the final day's work without undue delay. Three of the large appropriation bills formed the principal job. The house disposed of one of its chores by passing by voice vote a bill continuing federal support prices for wool. It went to the White House.

Few Tasks Left Taft expected the senate to have time to act on pending nominations. This would come after appropriation bills and senate-house conference agreements on disputed legislation. Among presidential appointments awaiting senate action are three officials of the expanded labor board and Philip B. Perinan of Maryland to be solicitor general. "We won't get to those until everything else is cleared up," Taft said.

Republican leaders running the congressional show for the first time in 15 years were confident they could meet the adjournment deadline without difficulty. "But, if necessary, they stood ready to resort to the often-used legislative device of stopping the official clock of midnight to make the July 26 quitting date official." GOP Leaders Halleck of Indiana and Taft of Ohio carried in their pockets house and senate resolutions which, on adoption, will send congress home probably until next January 2, unless the republican leadership, or President Truman, recalls the legislators before then.

President Names Forrestal New Secretary Of Defense

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—James V. Forrestal was approved unanimously by the senate armed services committee today as the new secretary of defense. The committee's action, expected to receive quick senate ratification, came a little more than two hours after President Truman nominated his secretary of navy to head up the unified armed forces.

Forrestal's nomination went to Capitol Hill shortly after Mr. Truman signed legislation unifying the under one cabinet officer. The measure was signed in a dramatic ceremony at Washington national airport just before the president took off for Grandview, Mo. where his mother was reported dying.

Builder and Boss Mr. Truman delayed his hurriedly arranged flight home to await arrival of the unification bill, which passed congress only yesterday. Wiry, tight-lipped James Forrestal, younger in appearance than his 55 years, is known as builder and boss of the greatest navy in world history. He has "fired" admirals from top jobs with the abruptness of a mine explosion, but supports efficient administrators and men who plan far ahead.

Born in Beacon, N. Y., he is former president of a New York bond selling house, and the only Roosevelt cabinet minister still in Mr. Truman's official family. He came to Washington in 1940 as an administrative assistant to President Roosevelt; two months later became the navy's first under secretary—a war-created post.



JAMES FORRESTAL

Truman On Flight As End Comes

GRANDVIEW, Mo., July 26 (AP)—Mrs. Martha Truman died today at 9:30 a. m. (PST) just one hour after her son, President Truman, left Washington by plane in an effort to reach her bedside.

The president's plans, the Sacred Cow, was due at the Grandview airport between 12:30 and 1 p. m. (PST). He had delayed departure 17 minutes to sign legislation unifying the armed forces under a single secretary of defense.

Dr. Joseph Greene said Mrs. Truman had been unconscious since last night, but that she was able to converse with him yesterday and that she was alert at that time, although her condition has been exceedingly critical ever since she suffered a setback last week.

He telephoned the president at Washington this morning informing him that Mrs. Truman probably could not live through the day. Mr. Truman immediately took off for Grandview. Mrs. Truman was 94.

Broke Hip Mrs. Truman, spry and in general good health despite her advanced years, suffered a fracture of the right hip last February 13. She fell as she was preparing to retire in the yellow frame bungalow where she had lived with her daughter, Miss Mary Jane Truman, for many years.

It was the third time in seven years that she had suffered a similar injury. In 1940 she fell, fracturing her left hip. Again in 1944 she fell, fracturing the same hip and her left shoulder. Recovery from those injuries was complete.

After the third accident, Mr. Truman flew home, spent two days with his mother and left with encouraging news of her progress. Three times since then he flew out to be at her bedside, and each time physicians reported that the break was knitting and she would walk again. They praised her "fighting heart" her will to get well, and the care given her by Miss Truman.

For several hours a day she sat in her wheel chair. Temperature Then on May 9 complications involving the liver developed. She began carrying a temperature. Brig. General Wallace Graham, the White House physician, flew here from San Antonio where he was on temporary duty, and remained with her.

He reported that the complication was cleared up and that he was planning on having her try walking within a few days. However, on May 16 she suffered two sinking spells. General Graham ascribed the condition to a weakening heart.

President Truman, notified of the situation, flew home, landing in a thunderstorm. The president spent a 12-day visit at her bedside at that time, and physicians said Mrs. Truman's condition showed a remarkable improvement. He said it was due to the presence of her son who stayed by her constantly through the long days. "She has sat up with me many times," the devoted son said. "Now the least I can do is to sit with her when she needs me."

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS CONGRESS today is in the same fix as all of us on the day when we're trying to get things cleaned up to go away on vacation. It is doing its best to adjourn, but has not got enough of its work cleaned up to keep the boss in a good humor. It's a hectic job, as we all know from experience.

YOU must have noticed that in this last week congress, working with one eye on the boss and the other on the joys of a coming vacation, has been LIPPING appropriations at a fairly lively rate. Why? The answer is simple. Members of congress are smart. Being fairly smart, they have a sneaking notion that the boss (who in their case is the American people) LOVES spending and DREADS economy. So, in this final pre-vacation week, they have been tugging at the purse strings, loosening them a little here and a little there. Human nature is human nature, no matter where you find it.

UP in Portland a while back, a hotel maid found a roll of bills containing \$800 in a vacated room. She was honest and told her boss about it. He impounded the money and wrote a letter of inquiry to everyone who had registered at the hotel during the month. Nobody claimed the cash. That raised an interesting question. Did the \$800 had belonged to the hotel or to the maid who had found it? After fairly prolonged litigation, a judge has just ruled that it is "treasure trove" and therefore belongs to the finder. ("Trove" is a corruption of a French verb meaning "to find." "Treasure trove"—that is to say, "found treasure"—is so old in our history that it has found a place in the common law, which means law based on custom and usage. In this sense, it is usually defined as "any money, bullion or the like found hidden, the owner of which can not be found.")

THAT raises another interesting question: Who, stopping in a hotel, had so much money he didn't bother to think back and recall where he might have lost \$800 in bills? Most of us common, ordinary citizens would have emitted an anguished wail that could have been heard from here to the Mississippi river. To this writer, tattooing has always seemed a harmless bit of silliness—usually youthful silliness. The normal skin of the white races is a fairly presentable object as a display for our admiring gaze in their pages, the editors of our best picture magazines certainly agree with this conclusion. But it appears that even tattooing has its moral hazards. At any rate, a Portland judge thinks so. He cites in support of his theory the cases of two youthful delinquents, one 12, the other 15, who have come before him on bad check charges. Tattooing, it appears, doesn't fall like manna from heaven upon those who crave its alleged benefits. It costs money—folding money, usually.

These misguided youngsters had issued checks that bounced to pay the artist who had decorated their many forms with the monstrosities that among tattooers pass for art. SO, rather unexpectedly, we find that we must add tattooing to (Continued on Page 4, Column 3)

Confidence Vote Goes To Bidault

PARIS, July 26 (AP)—The French national assembly, with the communists abstaining, voted confidence today in the foreign policy of Foreign Minister Georges Bidault, adopting a motion which paid tribute to the United States for the Marshall aid-to-Europe proposal.

Sifters Want Hollywood Party Story

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—Senator Ferguson (R-Mich.) said today he wants a former publicity man for Howard Hughes to tell his story of parties given on behalf of the Hollywood multimillionaire's company whose \$40,000,000 wartime plane contract is under investigation. The publicity man, John Meyer, purportedly has given the war investigating committee expense accounts of parties at which Washington notables were entertained. The committee wants him here for hearings starting Monday.

The Michigan senator, chairman of a subcommittee which has been looking into the award of the plane contract to Hughes and Henry J. Kaiser, told reporters there have been "strong rumors" that Meyer is in South America. But only this morning, he said, he heard another that the witness is in Montreal.

Bevin Pleads For Support

DURHAM, Eng., July 26 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin appealed to British working people today not to let the socialist government fall because of Britain's economic difficulties. "I know there is a lot of hope and feeling that a crisis will be brought about, that labor will be brought down and will have to go into a coalition government or in opposition," he told thousands of miners at a rally in this northern England town.

"This is the first labor government you have got. Don't let it fall for the sake of generations to come." (Bevin did not clarify his reference to the "first labor government." British governments in 1924 and 1929 bore the labor label, but neither held a majority in the house of commons. Both were headed by Ramsay MacDonald.)

All Eastern Java In Hands Of Dutch

BATAVIA, July 26 (AP)—A Netherlands communique said today Dutch forces, moving almost at will under a fiery tropical sun, had cleared a broad 150-mile stretch of northwest coastal Java between Batavia and Cheribon, and indicated eastern Java now was firmly in Dutch hands. The Indonesian republican army claimed successes both in Java and Sumatra, but most of these were categorically denied by the Dutch. American-trained Dutch marines and infantrymen were mopping up both in Eastern and Western Java, the Dutch communique said.

80 Death Threats Found As Sealed Lincoln Papers Open

By ALEXANDER R. GEORGE WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—A long-secret collection of Abraham Lincoln's papers, opened to the public for the first time today, proved a gold mine of information for Lincoln scholars but a disappointment for seekers of sensationalism. That was the consensus of 30 experts of the life of the Civil War president, for whom Colton Storm, of the University of Michigan's Clements library, summed up: "This is definitely a scholar's collection." The papers, sealed by Robert Todd Lincoln, son of the president, 28 years ago, did disclose at least 80 death threats received by Lincoln before he was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth in Washington's Ford's theatre April 14, 1865. The Lincoln scholars said he kept a pigeonhole in his desk for such threats and refused to worry over them. They described his reaction as somewhat fatalistic, quoting his

Hotel Ruins Yield Body

SUSANVILLE, July 26—The body of Joe Munkittrick, one of two men missing after fire ravaged the Mt. Lassen hotel Thursday, was found in the basement of the burned-out building late last night. James Daugherty, night clerk of the hotel who also had a room in the basement, has not been located. A crew of workers under the direction of Fire Chief Fred Deal are still probing the ruins of the building trying to find Daugherty's body. Munkittrick's body was found near the door of a basement room and was identified by Coroner Bill Hoppe through personal effects and a social security card. The body was partially burned but Hoppe said that death probably resulted from suffocation. Workers are toiling night and day with a dragline and winches trying to get through the debris of the room occupied by Daugherty.

The three-story Mt. Lassen hotel, second largest structure in Susanville, caught fire Thursday morning but all guests with the exception of the two men in the basement were rescued, some 30 of them coming down firemen's ladders. The third floor and roof of the building collapsed after the flames had raged six hours and dropped through into the basement. Fred Abbey, owner of the building, estimated the loss at \$700,000. In addition to the hotel proper, a tavern, coffee shop, dining room and several businesses and offices on the ground floor were also destroyed.

Slides Peril Search Party

LONGMIRE, Mt. Rainier National Park, July 26 (AP)—Danger from rock slides and crevasses has brought to an end, for the present, the search for the bodies of 32 marines who died seven months ago in the transport plane which was found for the first time two days ago, shattered to bits on Mount Rainier's formidable South Tahoma glacier. Navy officials announced last night the end of the present phase of the search after members of a mountain ranger searching party, returning from the second day's trip to the glacier, told of increasing danger from rock slides and newly opening crevasses. Navy Lt. Gordon Stanley said some of the rock slides sounded like bombardments. They told of finding additional pieces of the shattered plane over a wide area and more personal items of the marines who died when the plane apparently hit a sheer rock cliff during a storm on its San Diego-Seattle flight last December 10. Stanley said some pieces of plane wreckage were spotted "as deep as 40 to 45 feet in crevasses, encased in ice."

G. B. Shaw Has 91st Birthday

LONDON, July 26 (AP)—George Bernard Shaw, 91 today, dismissed the occasion with snorts of mock exasperation and assertion that, few other could have survived so much "happy birthday rubbish." Birthdays celebrations are for those who think they can afford to waste time," the sage of Ayot St. Lawrence, drowsy Hertfordshire hamlet, told his listeners. "I've hardly recovered from the last birthday. It nearly killed me—and it would have killed most men." "However," utters that word, "birthdays, in my presence shall be set down as a man to be avoided."

Leave Bond Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, July 26 (AP)—President Truman today signed the bill permitting GI's to cash their terminal leave bonds any time after September 1, 1947. The president issued a statement suggesting that "it is to the veterans' best interest that they keep their bonds if they do not absolutely need to cash them now." He said if a large amount of the outstanding bonds he estimated at \$2,000,000,000 are redeemed soon general inflationary pressures "would receive a substantial boost." Passed without a dissenting vote by both the house and the senate, the legislation nullifies a provision of the 1946 law that required former servicemen to hold the bonds five years before cashing them.

Red-US Row Delays UN

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., July 26 (AP)—United States and Russian differences over interpretation of the United Nations charter threatened today to block effective security council action for peaceful settlement of the Balkan problem. These differences confronted the UN with a major crisis over the charter, since neither the U. S. nor the Soviet Union would budge from their announced positions. The differences arose in debate over the situation on the borders of Greece with Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia. At the core of the latest development is an American proposal that the security council set up an international commission to watch over the Balkans with the power to conciliate and investigate disputes.

Tule Slates Celebration

Tulelake's first post-war celebration, now being planned for Labor Day, will be in the form of an old-time jamboree, with such festivities as stake races, tractor races, tug-of-war, baseball game, barbecue, queen contest, street carnival and a dance in store for visitors. Tulelake citizens hope to make the jamboree an annual affair, as was the Sportsmen frolic, which used to herald the onset of hunting season, and was one of the big affairs of the year. The Volunteer Fire department of Tulelake is underwriting this year's celebration and funds raised will be used in financing lighting of the recreation field. Roy Granville has been appointed general chairman of the Jamboree and other civic organizations are expected to lend a hand to proceedings. Any girl interested in entering the Jamboree queen contest should write to the Jamboree committee, Tulelake, for information. Girls between the ages of 17 and 21 are eligible for the contest. Entries are also being accepted for horses in the stake races, and tractors for the tractor races. There will be no entry fee for these events and substantial prizes will be offered.

Disabled Boat Taken In Tow

SEATTLE, July 26 (AP)—The Seattle halibut Pater, disabled by fire, was taken in tow by the coast guard cutter Wachusett at 10:20 a. m. today as it drifted helplessly toward the Southeastern Alaska coast. The coast guard reported. They were expected to reach Keitchikan in about 12 hours. The skipper was Capt. Oscar Olson and two of the other six men aboard were John A. Haugseth, a fisherman, 8055 24th ave., N. W., Seattle, and Sophus Jensen, cook. Mrs. Haugseth said after being notified of the rescue.

Plane Spots Two Escapees

UKIAH, Calif., July 26 (AP)—Spotted from the air as they trudged along a railroad track, Paul Snelson and Van Shockey were captured in the Red mountain area southeast of here yesterday less than 24 hours after they had overpowered a jailer and escaped from the Mendocino county jail. A third escapee, Albert E. Hoth of Salem, Ore., had been recaptured earlier as he attempted to escape hidden beneath a blanket in the back of an automobile. Mrs. Vesta Meier, 35, of Portland, Ore., driver of the automobile, was being held for questioning in the case today.

Barnes Takes Two To State Prison

Deputy Sheriff Marion Barnes is on his way to Salem today taking two prisoners to the Oregon state prison for confinement. He is taking Isiah Francis Rogers Jr. up to begin a three-year term for larceny of livestock. He was sentenced earlier this week in circuit court here after pleading guilty. The other man is James Anderson, being returned to the prison for violation of parole.

Fifteen Injured In Trolley Crash



Wreckage litters an intersection in a residential area in San Francisco after the street car at left crashed into the midsection of the other trolley. Fifteen persons were injured in the crash. Robert Ferrine, 34, motorist of the 31 car, said his brakes failed as he started down the hill. —AP wirephoto