

# SONOMA SLAYER SURRENDERS

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#### In The Day's News

STILL seem to be hipped on the Fourth of July. It was on a fourth day of July, about a century and a half ago, that the NEW DEAL HUMAN AFFAIRS really began. It was then that our ancestors got together and, knowing exactly what they were saying and what it meant, proclaimed:

"We're fed to the teeth with the mess that is the Old World. From here on out, come what may, we'll have none of it. To the ash-can with the kings and the dukes and the earls that are the hangover from feudalism. To heck with big shots that tell us what to do. Whatever the cost, we're going to found here in this wilderness a nation where each man of us will be a man in his own right, free to choose what he wants within the limits of the rights of others."

The cost was plenty. It included nearly eight years of war. But they did found just the kind of nation they said they would. From that day on, Americans have BEEN THEMSELVES. They have been free to choose. When they have wanted to sound off, they have SOUNDED OFF — without first looking fearfully around to see who might be listening.

It has been wonderful. IT STILL IS wonderful. (PERHAPS it's all the more wonderful because of the cloud, no bigger than a man's hand, that is beginning to show above the horizon. If this cloud means what a lot of us think it means, it portends a time when Americans will AGAIN have to think twice before speaking out. Already more than a few Americans, before doing what they would like to do, must say respectfully to the government and to THE MEN WHO COMPOSE THE GOVERNMENT: "Please, sir, may I do this and so?" The time is just around the corner when farmers must say "please, sir" to the government before choosing the crops they will be allowed to plant.)

FOR a long, long time, our Fourth of July orators climbed up on the platform, with the flag flying and the bands playing, and the people sitting on hard board benches drinking pink lemonade and probably eating watermelon and strewing the rinds around to be fed upon by the flies and the hornets and smelling awful the next day, and MADE THE EAGLE SCREAM. They told us that in all the world there was no nation like ours, no people as free as we, no people as (Continued on Page Two)

### Madras Planing Mill Burns Down

MADRAS, July 6 (AP)—The planing mill of the Warm Springs Lumber company was destroyed last night in a four-hour blaze that firemen prevented from damaging the main sawmill. Damage estimates varied from \$100,000 to \$200,000, but a company official said the planer operation would be rebuilt. Mill workers' families living near the mill—located 15 miles from here and the principal industrial operation in the community—evacuated their homes briefly. Picket fences were ignited, but a bulldozer cut off the spread of the fire to the houses. The cause of the fire was not certain, but millmen said a construction crew had been using welding torches at the mill over the holiday when a new planer addition was being installed. It was believed a spark from the torch might have smoldered until late yesterday.

### Ambitious Thief Snatches Freight Truck, Trailer, But Runs Afoul Of The Law

GRANTS PASS, July 6 (AP)—Thief of a \$15,000 Pierce auto freight truck and trailer carrying 15,000 pounds of assorted merchandise valued at \$7000 from the company's warehouse yard here resulted in a hectic game of hare and hounds early today. The thief's failure to give the customary road salutes when heavy equipment drivers meet kept authorities informed through other truckers of his course and led finally to his capture within a mile of the scene of the theft. A Pierce driver first reported the stolen rig headed north on Pacific highway. State police from Roseburg established road block north of Myrtle Creek. For an unknown reason, the thief evaded it by backtracking. Another trucker reported

### Red-Headed 'Wild-Man' Run To Earth

WILLITS, Calif., July 6 (AP)—The red-headed "wild man" of the redwood forests was run to earth yesterday after six weeks of hide and seek with law enforcement officers. State Highway Patrolman Roy L. Burton captured the red-haired, red-bearded man, barefoot and clad only in overalls, in the Mendocino mountains 25 miles north of here.

The mystery man, who had been seen a score of times by travelers and farmers in the region but who always fled into the hills, identified himself as Orby Kelle Meeks, 38, "from Arkansas." Taken to Ukiah, he told Sheriff Beverly G. Broadbent that he had escaped from the Camarillo state hospital in Ventura county, Calif., and "I followed a deer all the way until I found myself in the mountains." The fugitive lived fairly well, raiding cabins and feed bins at ranches, the sheriff said. For a month he had grown his own vegetables in the mountains and appeared in "good condition," Broadbent added. The wanderer had been caught in hopes that he might be Col. Archibald Y. Smith of San Francisco, U. S. air force officer who has been missing since last April when he disappeared with two other fliers on a B-26 flight from Hamilton field to Portland, Ore. Mrs. Evelyn Smith, the officer's wife, had believed the mystery man might be her husband. She said he might have survived but suffered a loss of memory in the plane crash.

### Fire Razes Orcas Island Installations

ORCAS, Wash., July 7 (AP)—A waterfront fire was brought under control today after it worked its way through a general store, post-office, ferry slip and dock at this Orcas Island community. The blaze, starting on the ferry slip about 7:15 a. m., was controlled before it reached large gasoline storage tanks and the Orcas Hotel. The fire, fanned by a strong south wind, burned most of a large general store owned by Mrs. E. C. Van Moorhem. The Orcas postoffice was in the store. The coast guard dispatched two 83-foot patrol boats, one from Bellingham and the other from Friday Harbor, to give assistance. The coast guard also was informed the navy was sending 150 men and equipment from its Whidbey Island station.

### Legislature Cost Sets New Record

SALEM, July 6 (AP)—The 97-day legislature this year cost a record total of \$463,318, the state department said today. The previous record was \$335,000 for the 83-day session of 1947. The cost of this year's session does not include the \$300,000 which will be spent by legislative interim committees.

### Five Missing After Wind Storm

NEW YORK, July 6 (AP)—Five persons are still missing and nine known dead from a violent wind and rain squall that raked the New York metropolitan area Monday. The coast guard early today added two more yachtsmen to the list of seven persons already reported dead in the storm, which knifed across Long Island sound and capsize hundreds of boats. The two new victims were identified as Walter K'oune and Edward Maloney, both of Flushing, Queens.

### Vandenberg Pleads For "Shield"

WASHINGTON, July 6 (AP)—Senator Vandenberg of Michigan today asked the senate to ratify the North Atlantic pact as a shield for free men against "embattled, greedy communism."

He opened the second day of debate on the 12-nation alliance with the double-barreled statement that (1) communism is the sole threat to world peace and (2) its final target is the United States. The treaty will be a warning to would-be conquerors, Vandenberg said in his prepared-in-advance text, that 300,000,000 people will resist aggression. As republican leader in foreign affairs, he added the weight of his prestige to that of Senator Connally (D-Tex.) who led off in the debate yesterday. Chances Good As Vandenberg spoke, senate leaders saw a good chance to win final approval of the treaty in less than a week of debate. They were encouraged by a general lack of opposition to the pact and its stated purpose of heading off any attack on the western, non-communist world. A two-thirds vote of approval by the senate is needed to bind the U. S. to the treaty. Vandenberg called the treaty "the best available instrument to discourage armed aggression and thus to stop another war before it starts." And then he turned to communism. He said the world's "precious values" are in jeopardy in today's "tortured world." "This jeopardy does not stem from us," he went on. "Not from Mr. President, it stems from embattled, greedy communism abroad and at home." Vandenberg declared that "open" conspiracies are aimed ultimately at the United States. "We cannot run away from it," he told the senate. "There it is, pact or no pact. . . . We are the final target, though other independent peoples are in nearer jeopardy."

### Bridges Loses Appeal For French Trip

SAN FRANCISCO, July 6 (AP)—Harry Bridges today lost in his efforts to leave the United States under bond and attend a worldwide maritime conference in France. Bridges had been named by the CIO Longshoremen's union, which he heads, and by the CIO marine cooks and stewards, as their representative to the World Federation of Trades Unions conference at Marseilles. The longshore leader is under federal indictment here, accused of perjury and conspiracy in obtaining citizenship papers in 1945. He is at liberty under a \$5000 bond pending trial. The union offered to post \$100,000 bail to guarantee that Bridges would be here for his trial. Federal Judge Michael J. Roche rejected the idea. The government offered no objection to Bridges' proposed trip to Honolulu, where longshoremen have been on strike since May 1. Judge Roche said he could go after the necessary papers are signed. Bridges' attorney, Norman Leonard, said Bridges would be in Hawaii about three weeks.

### Time Petition Work Speeded

PORTLAND, July 6 (AP)—A committee working to refer the state law on daylight saving time to the voters stepped up its activity today. Lee Stidd Jr., committee chairman here, said an office-to-office canvass would be made in downtown Portland to obtain enough signatures to block the state law scheduled to go into effect this month. He said the petitions would refer the issue to the voters in the 1950 election. Of the 15,296 required names, only 8325 certified names have been obtained to date. The filing deadline is July 15.

### Hiss Defense Wins Up Case

NEW YORK, July 6 (AP)—The defense in the Alger Hiss perjury trial closed its case at 10:37 a. m. (EST) today. With the government's case also completed, Federal Judge Samuel M. Kaufman denied defense motions to dismiss the charges of two perjury counts against the former state department official. The jury of 10 men and two women is expected to begin deliberating tomorrow afternoon after both sides have completed summations.

### Celebration, Inspection Tour Planned For SP's Streamliner Thursday

The new Southern Pacific streamliner, the Shasta Daylight, which starts daily Portland to San Francisco runs July 16, will not go unnoticed in Klamath Falls. The widely-heralded 15-car train will be previewed by the Klamath Falls public Thursday morning when the train makes a stop on its way north prior to going into regular service next Sunday. The Klamath County chamber of commerce is sponsoring a no-host breakfast at the Winema hotel tomorrow morning at 7:30 as part of the train-preview program. The breakfast is open to the public. All those who wish to attend are urged to make reservations by 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. A special prize will be awarded at 7:31 sharp. The breakfast group will make an inspection of the train before the public display set from 9 a. m. till 11:30 a. m. After the welcoming breakfast, the crowd will head for the train and make a pre-opening inspection tour. Main speakers at the breakfast will be Southern Pacific Vice President C. E. Peterson and Assistant General Passenger Agent C. O. Olsen.

### "Robot Co-Pilot" Needed By Air Force To Help In High Altitude Fighting

WASHINGTON, July 6 (AP)—The air force is looking for a one-man fighter plane with a "robot co-pilot" to help hit bombers flying at ultra high altitudes and speed. If planners can make their present ideas come true, the pilot of such a plane may never even see the enemy; his radar-guided assistant discovers and shoots down the enemy. The newly-announced XP-94 radar-equipped jet fighter, a two-man plane in its present version, is viewed as a first step toward this goal. It was learned today. The Lockheed XP-94 is considered a "34-hour fighter"—which means that by the use of its radar eyes it can battle either day or night, or in any weather, at extreme altitudes which place a severe strain on a pilot. Although basically an F-80 standard jet fighter, the XP-94 has two features which convert it into a specialized interceptor type: A radar operator to locate an enemy bomber and help the fighter pilot close in on it; and an "afterburner" device to boost the normal power of the jet engine and thus enable the airplane to climb rapidly to the altitude of the attacking bomber. But an extra man and extra radar equipment aboard a fighter plane already over-stuffed with weighty equipment limits the performance of the aircraft. So designers are working on a one-package job, an entirely new model in which automatic electronic equipment would replace the radar operator. Air fighting at altitudes 40,000 feet or more above the earth confronts jet pilots with new, tough problems: the extra-high speed, the loss of contact with the ground, and disappearance of the horizon, which a pilot sights on to maneuver his plane. These problems keep a pilot so busy he hasn't time to let his glance shift to a radar screen. To meet this situation, several plans are being made or considered, including: 1. A radar set which will show the pilot at a glance (a) the position of the bomber he is attacking; (b) whether his plane is in the correct flying position; (c) the horizon, even though it is obscured by underlying clouds or darkness. 2. The possibility of linking the interceptor's radar eyes to the plane's controls and guns so that it "homes in" on the bomber target and opens fire when in range, all automatically. Should this ultimate objective be attained, a fighter pilot may find he is just going along for the ride, except for the job of taking off and landing his plane.

### Sprague River Water System Lease Signed

An at least temporary solution has been reached to the critical Sprague River community water situation. John Atchley of Dairy is taking over the water system on a one-year lease from the owner, Ivy Clark, and the water has been turned on at Sprague River after the community was dry for about two weeks. Clark had previously asked the public utilities commissioner for permission to sell out his water business and after a recent PUDC hearing, the residents of Sprague River were urged to get together somehow to assure themselves a continued water supply. Atchley's one-year lease carries an option to buy and he expects water users to sign an agreement on rates to be paid. At the end of three months Atchley can call a meeting of users to discuss a revision of rates if needed. At the time the Sprague River water troubles came up there were 34 users. At least two users have put in private wells now.

### Too Hot In This Guy's Greenhouse

LANCASTER, Pa., July 6 (AP)—Hot! Think nothing of it. After all, you could have been hotter. You could have been in Albert Retts' greenhouse. Retts was mopping his brow, looking at the thermometer that registered 101 degrees yesterday when suddenly, wham! A terrific blast shook the greenhouse and 30 panes of heavy glass were blown from the building. Retts made his way carefully through the glass and entered the greenhouse to find an unbroken thermometer registering 142 degrees. Apparently, Retts said, sunlight beating through the glass kept expanding the air inside until the glass was shattered. BULLETIN WASHINGTON, July 6 (AP)—Senator Knowland (R-Calif.) said today that legislation authorizing President Truman to intervene in the longshoremen's strike in Hawaii will be introduced tomorrow.



ATTACK VICTIMS—Mrs. Eva Paget, 27 (above, right), of Berkeley, Calif., reported to sheriff's deputies that she had been beaten and raped after being summoned to a mountain cabin near Sonoma, Calif. Investigating authorities found the bodies of Peter J. Flint, 31, (above, left), a lieutenant in the merchant marine, and Peter J. Jensen, bludgeoned to death.

### 132 Deaths Counted Today As Mid-West Heat Hangs On

By The Associated Press A toll of at least 132 deaths was counted today in the longest heat wave so far this summer. No immediate break in the torrid temperatures was in sight, although hindershowers cooled scattered sections of the hot belt temporarily yesterday and last night. In addition to deaths induced by the heat, seven were known dead and five were missing from a sudden, violent squall that raked the New York metropolitan area yesterday. The storm knifed across Long Island sound and capsize hundreds of boats. The estimated dead due to the heat included heat prostrations and heart attacks attributed to the heat. The deaths of this nature by states included, Illinois 54 (including 50 Chicago area, coroner's office estimate of deaths from heat and heart attacks aggravated by heat); Indiana 8, Iowa 6, Maryland 2, Michigan 8, Minnesota 14, Missouri 10, Nebraska 3, New York 5, Ohio 10, Pennsylvania 12, Virginia 2 and Wisconsin 2. Most of the Midwest was weary from a week of heat, sticky weather. The eastern state, also stifled in the searing heat, and in the northeastern area there was no sign of rain to break the long drought. The new heat wave only added to further damage to farm crops already badly weathered by seven weeks of rainless weather. Crop losses in the region have been estimated at more than \$50,000,000. The U. S. weather bureau said the only comfortable spots over the two-thirds of the country in the grip of the hot weather were the northern border states. Temperatures also were pleasant along the Pacific coast. But the heat was on full blast in the central, eastern and southern states. Some rain fell in the upper lakes region and north central states. But generally after the showers the mercury started to climb and humidity increased. A mass of cool air from northwestern Canada brought relief to parts of Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin. It never reached sweetening Chicago, where the mercury hit above 90 yesterday for the sixth consecutive day. A high of 95 was forecast today. New temperature records for the date were set in many cities yesterday as the mercury ranged between 90 and 100. Philadelphia's 99.3 is the summer season's hottest day. At Lancaster, Pa., the reading was 101 for the second straight day.

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### Police Seek Slayer Of B.C. Woman

MILWAUKEE, B. C., July 6 (CP)—Police today sought a mysterious slayer who shot down Mrs. William Thom, 45-year-old mother of 13 children, as she worked in the garden at her home on the Indian reserve. The unknown killer pumped a bullet, believed to be a .22 calibre, in her head as a 10-year-old son, Francis, worked near his mother Tuesday morning. Two of the Indian woman's children rode seven miles on horseback to report the slaying to police here. Mrs. Thom, who was expecting a 14th child, was well known to gold seekers in the Cariboo district along the bridge and Fraser rivers where she often panned for gold. The remote Indian reserve is 10 miles west of here and 150 miles northeast of Vancouver. The slayer, believed to be a male member of the reserve, used a rifle taken from the Thom home.

### Murder Charge Filed In Rifle Slaying Of Chesapeake Bay Crabber; Maryland Names Officer, Pilot In Border Ruckus

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### Killer Calls Newspaper; Tells Story

EUREKA, Calif., July 6 (AP)—A bulky, 34-year-old merchant mariner and ex-convict surrendered last night and in a signed statement admitted the Fourth of July bludgeoned slaying of two men in a cabin overlooking the Valley of the Moon. The man, Henry Brun Gulbrandsen, gave himself up to Ed Neumeier, a club reporter, and Elmer Hodgkinson, editor of the Humboldt Times. In a long, wandering statement, he for the most part corroborated the hysterical tale told by Mrs. Eva Paget, 27-year-old mother of two, her story of rape and murder set off one of the most intensive man-hunts in recent Northern California history. But Gulbrandsen denied he had raped Mrs. Paget, a Berkeley woman who had been vacationing in Jack London's old territory 200 miles south of here in the Sonoma valley. Gulbrandsen said she had submitted to him to "soothe" him, after he had bludgeoned her. In the Sonoma hospital where she is in critical condition from the attack and beating, Mrs. Paget reiterated she had been raped. And hospital attaches commented on Gulbrandsen's assertion: "That's ridiculous." Slays Friends Gulbrandsen signed a statement, first for the newspaper and later for the sheriff's office, admitting slaying his friend, Lt. Peter J. Flint, 31, of the merchant marine, and Flint's longtime friend, Peter J. Jensen, 35, landscape gardener for the Sonoma state hospital. The nude bodies of Flint and Jensen, covered by sheets, were found in beds in separate rooms in Jensen's curio-laden home in the Yreka mountains, northwest of Sonoma. Officers went there yesterday after Mrs. Paget, bleeding, hysterical, and wearing only a T-shirt, stumbled down a canyon road and told a party of picketers that she had been raped. Gulbrandsen was booked in the Humboldt county jail on the technical holding charge of "en route to Santa Rosa." The climax to the manhunt set in motion by the revolting crime was as astonishing as it was sudden. Gulbrandsen called the newspaper, said he had a good news story and asked that a reporter be sent to a designated bar and ask for "Johnny."

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