

By FRANK JENKINS

From Berlin:
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None of the passengers or crewmen was an American.
Trigger-happy Soviet pilots? I doubt it. Members of the Russian armed forces who do something like the Kremlin doesn't want any soldiers in the line.
There was some purpose behind it. What purpose? That I wouldn't know. But the Russians are gunning to break Western Germany loose from our side. They might figure that shooting at a French plane wouldn't be unpopular with Germans, who are hereditary enemies of the French.
Time will tell—maybe.

Aboard USS Boxer off Korea:
A cool sailor averted possible tragedy aboard this aircraft carrier the other day by sticking his finger in the mechanism of a live bomb to keep it from exploding.
The bomb, a 100-pounder, was returning jet fighter and went bouncing and sliding up the carrier's deck. The arming propeller on its nose spun ominously. Ralph O'Dell, a 17-year-old ordnance man, touched up, jabbed his finger into the space between the striking pin and the fuse body to prevent discharge and held it there until the bomb had been carried to one side.
Then he slipped a piece of wood into the mechanism and calmly removed the fuse.

That's quick and accurate thinking. We need more of it in this hair-trigger world.
Here's one from Leghorn, Italy: People here are saying a thirsty American in the middle of a desert would probably stub his toe on a bottle of champagne. "They're just THAT LUCKY," the populace is saying.

How come?
The U.S. army supply port command needed water. Water is so scarce in Leghorn that it is rationed even for drinking purposes. The communist city council refused to allow an adequate supply for the Americans.

So the army engineers DUG A WELL. At 170 feet they struck a supply yielding 1,000 quarts a minute. The doctors analyzed it and found it was a healthy mineral water of a kind that sells in Italy for 20 CENTS A BOTTLE!

Lucky?
Heck, no! The Americans had had the wits to DIG for the water they needed. Quick wits, horse sense and WILLINGNESS TO DIG have made America what it is.

By the way—
That crack about thirsty Americans in the middle of a desert being so lucky they'd find a bottle of champagne is horsefeathers. When Americans are thirsty, there's sensible enough to WANT WATER.

They use champagne for celebration purposes only.
M. I. Johnson sends me a clipping in an editor's name from the Chronicle dealing with rapidly rising costs of automobile insurance and why. The Chronicle says:
"The increase in the cost of driving an automobile resulting in the 'death' hike in insurance costs adds to almost everyone's cost of living, but this is one case of inflation in which the victim can blame nobody but himself.

"Insurance rates are determined by the loss experience of the insurance companies and the loss experience is determined by the way drivers drive automobiles and the way juries award damages for injuries in accidents."
M. I. says: "I am just bringing this to your attention for whatever you may see fit to say about it."
Well, here goes:
When people drive carelessly and bash fenders and collect from the insurance company, or when juries award excessive damages on the theory that the insurance company pays it anyway so who cares, it isn't a case of GETTING SOMETHING FOR NOTHING. Insurance is based on the wise principle of spreading the loss among a LOT OF PEOPLE instead of forcing one poor devil to bear it alone. When losses get too numerous, the cost of insurance goes up.

That's it. In such a thing as something FOR NOTHING.
QUEEN SYMPATHIZES
LONDON (AP)—Queen Elizabeth II sent a message to President Truman Tuesday expressing "deep sympathy" over the sinking of a U. S. destroyer-mine sweeper Hobson with an apparent loss of 174 lives.

Councilmen, Merchants Kick Time Gong Around

By DAVE UNDERHILL
It's still Standard Time in Klamath Falls, but who knows what time it will be this time next week?
That was City Council's reaction last night when faced with prospect of acting to bring about fast time. Mayor Robert Thompson was told to contact League of Oregon Cities Secretary Herman Kehring, who in turn was to contact Governor McKay and tell him we don't like what he is doing to our economy—or words to that effect.
While on the topic, City Attorney Henry Perkins gave his opinion there was no penalty attached to the law which forbids cities going on daylight time if the governor still stands it illegal to do so by act of the 1940 legislature.
Frank Drew president of Klamath Merchants Association, told the Council majority of the merchants were in favor of unanimous action of the Council in proclaiming the fast time.
But he added, "We are not in favor of action that would result in confusion for everyone," and let it go at that.
Greer Drew, 144 Lowell, took the stand that any action should be on



BUMPED FROM BEHIND

this Chevrolet Suburban flipped over at intersection of Kit Carson Way and Portland St. Monday afternoon. Raymond T. Johnson, Marysville, Calif., was arrested for violation of the basic rule. City Police reported Johnson bashed his car into the Chevrolet operated by Julius Barney, 721 N. 3rd. No injuries were reported, although three persons were taken to Klamath Valley Hospital for observation.

Ike Rated Winner In Massachusetts

By RELMAN MORIN
BOSTON (AP)—In spite of cold, cloudy weather, a record-smashing vote appeared to be building up Tuesday in the Massachusetts primary, an election that could put Gen. Eisenhower on almost even terms with Sen. Taft in the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

Eisenhower is favored to win a majority of the 28 GOP convention delegates seats at stake, and to top Taft in the popular vote.
Boston election officials said the early voting was "very heavy". In some precincts, they reported, more ballots were cast during the first hour than during the entire day in the 1948 primary.

Forum Eyes Bureau Plan For Basin

In a couple of years the Bureau of Reclamation will have a "blueprint for the future" of the Klamath Basin, detailing what can and should be done with the area's basic water resource.
And the Bureau has no direct plan to divert water from the Upper Klamath Basin.

Those were the apparent prime points brought out during Monday night's "Build the Basin" radio forum which was supposed to deal only with future use of water for irrigation but at the insistence of listeners and questioners spilled over into the much more controversial subject of power.

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Massachusetts has 38 Republican convention delegates. Two each already have been allotted to Taft and Eisenhower, and six will go to the convention uncommitted.
The remaining 28 will be elected Tuesday. Both candidates have full slates in the 14 districts.
Some of Eisenhower's backers have claimed he would win all 28, but others place the figure at 20 to 24.
If their forecasts are accurate, Eisenhower will draw almost even with Taft in the box-score of delegates won up to this point in national campaigning.
An Associated Press tabulation, based on known alignments of delegates, put Taft's total at 265 and Eisenhower's at 234. Taft's managers, however, claim more than 300.

Taft Effort

Taft campaigned personally in a three-day swing through Massachusetts last week. On the ballot, the names of his delegate-candidates are designated as "pledged" or "favorable" to him.
Eisenhower's are not, since he did not give formal consent to having his name entered in this primary when the filing was done.
To counteract this apparent disadvantage, his managers said they have sent out thousands of sample candidates.
On the preferential ballot, the direct "popularity contest," all names must be written in. The attorney-general recently ruled that nicknames would be counted as valid votes for "Ike" or "Bob."

Smoke Causes Nightie Outing

Tenants of the federal housing project on Washburn Way were brought from their apartments in various stages of fire last night as two city fire trucks went through the area looking for a fire to fight.
But there was no blaze, although smoke hung heavy in the air.
Apparently someone turned in a false alarm for 1614 Nimble St., since the people at that address knew nothing of placing a call, firemen reported.
Shortly after 7 p.m. last night an overflooded oil stove resulted in a call to 339 9th St. There was no fire.

Port and Defies State, Adopts Daylight Time

Other Cities Expected To Follow Suit

PORTLAND (AP)—The Portland City Council Tuesday proclaimed daylight saving time for Portland, to go into effect at 2 a.m. Wednesday.
Surrounding cities were expected to follow suit. Vancouver, Wash., Oregon City, Forest Grove and other communities in the area indicated earlier they would follow Portland's lead.

The action came exactly a week after Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon had announced he would not put daylight time into effect for the state, as he did last year. Protests, mostly from radio and retail trade sources, were immediate.

There was some speculation over legality of Portland's action in defiance of the governor's decision to keep the state on standard time.
The council sought to dodge that, at least momentarily, by not passing an ordinance on the issue. Instead the council issued an unanimous proclamation for daylight time. The effect of this was expected to be the same as an ordinance.
It could not be determined at would follow Portland's action. Although on standard time, several have moved up work shifts to conform with daylight time. In communities where this practice is not general, some private industries and stores have moved opening and closing times up an hour.
Oregon radio stations changed to daylight time Sunday, when Seattle, California and much of the east did.

Young Demos To Reorganize

A reorganization meeting of Klamath County Young Democrats is scheduled for 8:30 tonight at the Naval Housing recreation hall, 1627 Washburn Way.
Party leaders, announcing the meeting, said the reorganization was prompted by a growing demand from young Democrats.
Several candidates or their aides are expected to attend tonight's session.

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VICTOR—Clayton Hannon talks over KUHS election results with George Hanson (r) as pretty Jackie Hayden looks on. Hannon defeated Hanson in a runoff election held at the high school yesterday for student body president. (Additional pictures on Page 2)

Council Tables Sale of Park

Recreation Park, long abandoned by the city as a recreation project, has a buyer. But applicants of Sacred Heart Academy to buy the playing field portion of the dilapidated and rundown park was tabled by the City Council last night for another week.
In fact the project is so broken down that City Building Inspector Walter Salsbery last night reported the bleachers are unsafe for occupancy and the grandstands and entrance are in dire need of repair.

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TRUMAN REVERSED

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. District Judge David A. Pine Tuesday ruled the government's seizure of the steel industry was illegal.

Fire Strikes Board Plant

CORVALLIS (AP)—Fire raged through the million-dollar hard-board plant just south of Corvallis Tuesday morning.
Two of the big plant's three smokestacks toppled over an hour after the flames broke out at 8:30 a.m. It was feared the plant would be a total loss.
Flames from the plant, located on the Willamette River a half-mile from the city limits, could be seen from Corvallis. Smoke rose high. More than 100 firemen from Corvallis fought the flames.
Fire Chief Percy Tallman said overhauled kilns were suspected as the cause of the fire.
The plant was known as the Chapman Manufacturing Co. It was operated here by Chapman about six years, then sold last year to a co-operative with David Gilkey as manager.

Flood Battled In Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Flood waters continued to rage down Utah's mountain canyons Tuesday as thousands of workers battled the state's worst flood crises in history.
The flood waters knocked out a railroad bridge, ripped out a dam, drove families from their homes, blocked highway traffic and continued to spread over farmlands.
At Nephi, an 11-year-old boy tumbled into the Big Hollow Creek, and was swept downstream. The youngster, Kirk Sanders, was rescued unharmed, however. First reports were that he drowned in the murky waters.
Streets in Salt Lake City were sandbagged into emergency canals to carry off the overflow from several canyons to the east in the Wasatch Mountains.
The Jordan River, carrying the west side Salt Lake City runoff into the Great Salt Lake, spilled over its banks near the Salt Lake County fairgrounds early Tuesday.
"This is the most dangerous flood situation the city has ever faced," said City Engineer Roy W. McLesee. "It's anybody's guess whether we can continue to control it."
Heavy flood waters received one assist early Tuesday. Temperatures dropped in Northern Utah and a cool wind raced in from the north. Officials expect this to ease melting of the state's record mountain snow pack.

KU Students Elect Hannon

Clayton Hannon will be president of the Klamath Union High School student body for the 1952-53 school year.
He was chosen Monday in a runoff election at KU defeating George "Butcher Boy" Hanson. The number of votes was not announced.
Don Dexter was elected first vice president in the runoff defeating George Knight.
Four other student body officers were selected in voting last Thursday.

Tamara Goes With Parents

Little Tamara Michele Powell, aged 4 months, was returned to her mother Monday afternoon and is on her way back to her home at Hawthorne, Nev.
The child was the central figure in what started out as a family quarrel and became a kidnapping case. She was returned to her mother, Mrs. Nadine Moore, at the direction of Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg after spending three days in the juvenile home.
Tamara was brought to Klamath County by a Hawthorne couple, Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Sharkey, who had come here seeking work. She had been placed in their care by Mrs. Moore after the latter quarreled with her husband.
After the child was taken from Nevada, Mrs. Moore swore out a warrant charging them with kidnapping. That charge later was dismissed.

SHIPPING RESUMED

TOKYO (AP)—Nippon Yusen Kaisha, Japan's largest shipping firm, announced Tuesday it would resume European service after a lapse of eleven years. The Hiei Maru, a 6,851-ton craft, will reopen the run.

300 Visitors Expected For State Jaycee Meet

Jaycees from all over Oregon will gather in Klamath Falls this weekend for the annual Junior Chamber of Commerce state convention.
Registration will start at noon Friday, and the convention ends Sunday. Some 300 persons are expected to be registered.
The Willard Hotel will be headquarters and most of the activity will be located there.
First activity will be a get-acquainted party Friday night. Business sessions will occupy most of the daylight hours Saturday and again Sunday morning.
A cocktail party at 6:30 p.m. banquet and then a dance—all at the Army—are scheduled for Saturday night. Baldy Evans' orchestra will play.
Officers will be elected at 3 p.m. Saturday.
Dr. Phil Reams of Long Beach, national Jaycee vice president, will speak at the Saturday noon luncheon at the Willard, and Roger Deas, former California Jaycee president and now public information director for American Can Company, San Francisco, will be principal speaker at the Saturday night banquet.
The various state officers planning to attend the convention include John Luvas Eugene lawyer who is president; Dave Knox, Eugene, secretary-treasurer; directors Don Forbes, Roseburg, and Don Churchward, Portland; and vice presidents Dale Hollingsworth, La Grande, Ralph Hooper, Ashland, Buzz Robinson, Tillamook Larry Moore, Salem, and Harry Withers Burns.
Delegates from all 33 Jaycee chapters in the state are expected to attend. Most of the visitors will be housed at the Willard and Winema hotels.

Hundreds Of Klamath Men Idled

PORTLAND (AP)—Logging halted in most of the Pacific Northwest Tuesday as more than 40,000 CIO woodworkers began a strike against some 700 employers.
The midnight strike deadline had been set by workers of Northern Idaho and Western Montana to back up their demands for improved contracts.
The walkout began minutes before last-hour negotiations with the Willamette Valley Operators Association collapsed. Two years ago the Willamette Valley operators settled with the union only a few hours before the strike deadline. That kept workers on the job and other employers settled along similar lines.

'NO BETTER'

But Willamette Valley operators Monday night "made no better offer," A.F. Hartung, international president of the union, said.
That was the third surrender the union has had on its contract demands.

The Lumbermen's Industrial Relations Committee, an employer group representing a large part of the industry, earlier offered to the union a 7 1/2 cent hourly increase, three additional paid holidays—making a total of six—and a 2-cent hourly increase in night differentials.
The companies balked at the added demand they pay the cost of a health and welfare program which would amount to about 9 1/2 cents a work hour.

Then Monday afternoon the union met with Plywood Mill operators. Hartung said the employers' only offer was to continue the old contract. It provided for a 7 1/2-cent welfare program financed by deductions from the workers' paychecks. The union rejected this proposal.

WEYERHAEUSER

That left the union on strike against the entire forestry with the exception of Weyerhaeuser operations. Weyerhaeuser settled earlier this spring by continuing to finance the welfare program, granting the three holidays, paying the 7 1/2-cent hourly increase and the increased night differential.
Unless settled soon, the strike is expected to affect the operation of Pacific Northwest Lumber mills, many of them with AFL crews.

Meantime the AFL Monday opened its negotiations for new contracts. At a meeting with the Committee union negotiators asked for a 20-cent hourly increase. After the demand was presented the meeting was recessed subject to call by either the union or employers.
The LIRC represented Columbia River and Oregon General employers at the Monday talks.
No strike deadline has been set by the AFL union.

Local Scene

An estimated 325 employees of two Klamath mills were off their jobs today in the lumber industry strike affecting much of the West Coast.
Frank Kesterson, Klamath Basin Pine Mills, said his mill employees were maintaining a crew of about 20 men while another 225 were off their jobs.
Car-Ad-Go officials reported about 100 men had quit working. Plans had been set up at both plants.

Russ Jets Hit French Liner

BERLIN (AP)—Two Russian jet fighters attacked an Air France commercial airliner with cannon and machinegun fire in the Allied air corridor over the Soviet zone today. Two crew members were wounded and two crew members were killed by bullets.
The airliner, enroute to Berlin with 11 passengers and six crewmen aboard, ducked behind cloud cover after the fighters made four passes. It reached Berlin's Tempelhof airfield safely half an hour after the attack.
The fuselage was riddled, but fortunately none of the shots hit a vital part of the plane. None of the passengers or crewmen was an American.

The Allied high commission at Bonn sent a stern protest to the Soviet Control Commission immediately.
The French pilot said he was flying precisely in the center of the air corridor over the Russian zone, when the two jets made four passes at him and unloaded blasts of cannon and machinegun fire.
The co-pilot and steward also were nicked by bullets.



FRESHMEN—Deanna Nicodemus, 829 Grant, and Tommie Phipps, 818 Grant, were caught for the Special as they walked to KUHS together. Both are freshmen.