

By FRANK JENKINS
In Portland this morning, the bells of Catholic churches ring for a Catholic service. Newspapers and radio stations are swamped with telephone calls from people wanting to know if the Korean war is over.

In New York, stock market trading up to noon is mixed, some prices up a little, more of them down a little. In Chicago, grains lose ground in the face of heavy selling. Hog prices, which have been high, drop a little this morning. Cattle prices hang more or less steady, and wholesale meats are steady to weak.

The speculators, too, think maybe the war is over, but aren't sure.

In Washington, the undersecretary of the treasury (Marion Folsom) tells the house ways and means committee, which writes the tax legislation, that an armistice in Korea will make no difference in the administration's plea for continued high taxes until the budget can be balanced.

Well, it SHOULD'T.

Our big job is to balance our national budget. There are two ways to do it:

1. TAX MORE.

2. SPEND LESS.

Until our national budget is in balance again, we ought to DO BOTH.

While we're on the subject of spending less, I certainly think every person who wants SPENDING CUT so that the budget can be balanced and taxes SAFELY reduced should write his congressman and his senators as often as possible and as positively as his vocabulary will permit.

Tell them this:

"I want spending cut as low as it can be cut without endangering the life of our nation."

The members of our congress spend the bulk of their time in the fantastic and unreal atmosphere of the fantastic and unreal city of Washington. Living in that atmosphere, they are too apt to get the idea that reckless spending is still popular among the people. They need to HEAR OFTEN from us people out in the sticks.

Speaking of spending:

The safety section of the Association of American Railroads is told by the editor of a traffic magazine that the interstate commerce commission will be forced to abandon its highway safety bureau unless MORE MONEY IS APPROPRIATED.

The editor tells the railroads:

"The interstate commerce commission budget as it now stands provides nothing—absolutely NOTHING—for federal safety policing of highway traffic. If the funds as now approved by congress become law, the ICC will have no other recourse than to abolish the safety bureau."

Well, why not try ABOLISHING IT and leaving safety policing of highway traffic to the states?

That ought to be enough for one day about spending. Let's change the subject.

Back in Cleveland a psychiatrist (Dr. Elias Savitsky) tells a social workers conference it has been discovered that fat people aren't really jolly and mentally roly-poly at all, but are SORE AT EVERYBODY ALL THE TIME, and take out their hostility to people generally in EATING TOO MUCH AND TOO OFTEN.

Aren't psychiatrists funny?

British Joy Continues Yet

LONDON (P)—The British capital was still in a happy post-coronation mood Friday. Thousands milled around Buckingham Palace or strolled along the six-mile royal procession route.

The priceless crown jewels used during the Westminster Abbey rites were back under close guard in the Tower of London.

The abbey setting—just as it was for the queen's crowning except that replicas took the place of the crown jewels—was thrown open to the public Friday morning. Approximately 3,000 people lined up four deep to see the interior.

A ten shilling (\$1.40) admission fee will swell the Dean's fund for rehabilitating portions of the ancient abbey building.

In the palace, Queen Elizabeth II officially took leave of visiting foreign envoys at a reception for more than 200 persons. Sixty nations were represented. The queen, haltered, wore a lemon silk gown. The Duke of Edinburgh was in morning dress.

Commissioning Set For Sunday

Fair weather or foul, Sunday will be Commissioning Day at the Klamath Yacht Club, according to the Commodore Robert Sprout.

The Commodore marking the official gala event of the yachting season opening here was originally scheduled for last Sunday but was postponed because of bad weather.

A full afternoon program, arranged by Chairman Ben Burgess and Fleet Capt. Orin Sisemore, is to get under way at noon.

Ring Lost 19 Years Ago Found

LOS ANGELES (P)—Nineteen years ago Sam Lythgoe, 64, offered a \$25 reward for a diamond ring he lost at the beach.

Thursday he paid off.

A 15-year-old girl scout, Dorothy Rodgers of nearby Burbank, found the ring on the seashore less than 200 yards from where Lythgoe lost it. She traced it to him through an inscription that gave his name and the name of his Masonic lodge.

Unlimited Source of Atom Material, Super Weapons Seem Assured

By ELTON C. FAY

WASHINGTON (P)—The United States seemed today to have solved the secret of making nuclear weapons of almost unlimited power and to have tapped a virtually limitless source of atomic raw material.

The dramatic advances in American atomic know-how were chalked up in two events:

1. The detonation at the Nevada proving ground of a nuclear fission device of such fierce heat and force that it appeared to end the quest for a trigger to fire a super-destructive, full scale hydrogen bomb. Scientists think that, unlike the standard fission weapon, there are virtually no reasonable bounds to the energy which could be released from the fusion explosion of a hydrogen bomb.

2. Announcement of success in a project to produce as much or more fissionable material than is

used up in the "burning" of fuel in an atomic furnace or reactor.

This "breeder" process means that the practically non-fissionable Element 238 of uranium—available in much greater supply than fissionable U-235—can produce plutonium, a highly fissionable substance. The success at the Idaho atomic reactor test station could point to an era of atomic abundance in the nation, for peace or war.

Test detonations of hydrogen explosive gadgets reportedly have been made at the Pacific Proving grounds during the past two years.

But an efficient trigger for a hydrogen atom bomb has been costly in matter understood that the intensity and pressure of two strength atomic devices are needed to detonate a hydrogen bomb. A plentiful supply of plutonium, fission explosions could end con-

cern about the use of A-bombs as triggers for hydrogen weapons.

The test bomb fired at Yucca Flats in Nevada yesterday was described in dispatches as probably exceeding 50 kilotons in energy. The "nominal" bomb of the 20-kiloton type used in the wartime attacks on Japan produced the equivalent of 20,000 tons of conventional explosives.

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HUNDREDS OF HELIUM-FILLED BALLOONS were released yesterday by children attending Vacation Bible School at the Bible Baptist Church here. Attached to the balloons were religious leaflets and slips carrying the name and address of the boy or girl releasing the balloon. The slips said persons acknowledging finding of the messages would receive a souvenir from the church.

Hopefuls Set For Parade

Klamath Basin Roundup queen candidates, last year's Queen Marianna Helekson, the Klamath Sheriff's Posse and Klamath Saddle Club are going to be featured in tomorrow's Shasta Rodeo parade at Redding.

Queen Marianna, the Sheriff's Posse and Saddle Club will be mounted and the seven queen candidates will parade in convertibles.

Originally, it was planned to take the queen candidates' horses along. But some of the girls feared their horses might suffer from the long truck ride and they want their mounts in top shape for the queen candidates' horsemanship trials at the Fairgrounds, Sunday June 14.

The girls are to leave here early tomorrow morning in a spacious station wagon provided by Dick Reeder.

Klamath Roundup directors were elated today at the volume of advance rodeo ticket sales. Reserved seat tickets have been on sale for several days from a booth in Coler's Exchange, 619 Klamath. Persons wishing to call about ticket reservations may phone 5554.

One of the largest committees in years is arranging this year's Fourth of July street parade. If present plans go through as expected, it should be the largest and most colorful parade in Klamath's history. Jesse House is chairman of the Parade Committee.

The committee, according to House, is particularly anxious to have every community in the Basin area represented in the parade. Each community is being invited to enter a float.

The queen candidates' annual ranch outing is set for June 11. Deadline for queen candidates to file their entries for the queen trials is noon, June 10.

8 Mig Jets Shot Down

SEOUL (P)—American Sabre jet pilots bagged eight Communist MIG jets, probably destroyed one and damaged five in air battles high over North Korea today.

Maj. Vermont Garrison of Tulsa, became the war's 32nd jet ace by downing his fifth MIG, the Air Force said.

It was the second time this month that Sabres and MIGs have tangled. One MIG was shot down and one damaged Tuesday.

On the ground, South Korean infantrymen fought with bayonets and grenades to win back Allied outposts which the Reds may claim if an early armistice halts the bloody three-year-old war.

The tough ROEs were fighting hand-to-hand with Chinese and North Koreans at some points along the muddy East-Central and Eastern Fronts where bitter battles have raged all week.

Truce negotiators agreed in November, 1951 that the cease-fire demarcation line would be along a line of contact across Korea. Since then the main battle line has changed little, but in recent weeks the Reds have grabbed important outposts in the west and a number of advance Allied positions in the center and on the eastern end of the line.

Observers said the Reds could be expected to claim the line of contact was south of Allied outposts they have seized—outposts which in many cases guard the main U. N. line.

Chinese and North Koreans Thursday hurled back six of seven South Korean counterattacks in Central and Eastern Korea and in at least two sectors grabbed additional territory.

North and South Koreans were reported locked in combat again today near the crest of Anchor Hill on the extreme eastern end of the line.

100 YEARS OLD

PORTLAND (P)—Ex-Farmer Lucien Derenleau observed his 100th birthday at the home of a daughter here Thursday. Born in Montreal, he has lived in Oregon 40 years.

The death of a man from a heart attack at, it was reported, a dirt slide blamed on several days of rain smothered two boys at Havre, northeast of here, early in the week.

Estimates on persons displaced from dwellings were lacking but one official thought the figure would be in the hundreds. In proclaiming an emergency, Gov. Hugo J. Aronson yesterday referred to discomfort for thousands.

Flood waters around Great Falls, Montana's largest city, still rose early Friday, although they were reported receding in the Bell area.

The Sun River crest was expected here late Friday morning. An average of five families an hour were being evacuated from West Great Falls.

Improvement in and around Great Falls will be "fantastically slow, thus resulting in serious damage and discomfort to thousands," Aronson said in proclaiming the emergency.

Red Cross officials here said "the job is getting rougher."

Robert Jacobbeck, Red Cross special disaster representative, arrived here late last night to gather information on the 14 counties, coordinate efforts to help in flooded areas and begin planning for rehabilitation.

Taft Favors Alliance With Britain in East

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By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN

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However, NBC correspondent Jim Robinson said in a broadcast from Korea Friday that Rhee told him South Korea would sign the present truce proposal "only because the U. S. forces us to."

South Korea's bitter opposition to the U. N. proposal was pointed up by Pyun in a heated attack.

Pyun said angrily in an interview:

"I have never come across more dishonorable—and more cowardly—plans. We are greatly disgusted with such an ignominious truce."

He said war prisoners who refuse to return to communism would "commit suicide in disgust."

The violent South Korean opposition has worried Allied leaders. The South Koreans have threatened to continue the fight if an armistice is signed on the present proposal and Pyun predicted bloodshed if some of its terms are enforced.

Clark met earlier with Lt. Gen. William K. Harrison, chief Allied armistice delegate, and Lt. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Eighth Army commander.

He also conferred with Maj. Gen. Thomas Herren, commander of the Korean communications zone and the man in charge of Allied-held prisoners.

A reporter called to Clark as he drove away: "Anything to say, general?"

CLARK MUM
"Not a thing, sorry," Clark called back, through the open window of his car.

He declined any comment on the armistice negotiations and reports of an imminent truce.

Harrison flew from Munson to Seoul to confer with Clark, then returned to the advance U. N. armistice headquarters.

Leaders of the South Korean government were represented as resigned to a truce soon on terms unacceptable to them.

They were said to be taking the position they would not recognize an armistice but that they would not offer physical resistance.

Eighth Army headquarters was rushing preparations for exchange of prisoners of war.

The prospects for an imminent truce sprang from a still-officially secret Allied proposal made May 25 to settle the fate of 48,500 Chinese and North Korean POWs unwilling to return to their Red-ruled homelands.

It was heightened Thursday by a Communist reply which asked the Allies to recognize the truce as a permanent one.

Washington considered so close to Allied terms as to amount to virtual acceptance.

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Pact Would Bypass UN's Veto Action

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (P)—Sen. Taft (R-Ohio) called Friday for a military alliance with the British in the Pacific to bypass the United Nations veto in that critical world area.

The Senate GOP leader issued a statement clarifying the views he expressed in a Cincinnati speech May 26 which caused President Eisenhower to say "no," that he couldn't agree with Taft that the U. S. "might as well forget the United Nations so far as the Korean War is concerned" if efforts to obtain an armistice fail.

Eisenhower said the U. S. would have to "go it alone" everywhere it operated single-handedly in Asia.

Taft conceded before he issued the formal statement. Taft made it clear that any early truce in Korea would likely put him back in the same foreign policy boat with Eisenhower in the Far East.

The Ohio senator said he is resigned to United Nations participation in the peace decisions which would follow a Korean cease-fire—a course Eisenhower apparently intends to pursue.

But if armistice negotiations fail, Taft indicated in the statement that he has not changed his view that the U. S. "might as well forget" the U. N. in dealing with the Korean situation. He denied he ever advocated "go it alone" policies and did not mention any differences of opinion with Eisenhower.

Taft said the United Nations had proved itself unable to halt aggression. He added that it was "ridiculous" to have nations such as India, "which say they are not on the side of the United Nations at all but are neutral" participating in truce and peace decisions.

"HOW RIDICULOUS"
His statement declared:

"How ridiculous that our course should be guided by nations claiming with one breath to be part of the United Nations and with the other to be opposed to the principles declared by the Assembly of the United Nations, namely, the driving of the Chinese from Korea and its unification."

Taft said that if the U. S. is able to "disentangle" itself from the U. N., it already has treaties with Australia, New Zealand, Japan and the Philippines "and a very definite understanding with the French in Indochina."

"I think we should have a free hand to form an alliance with the British if we possibly can do so as to how far Eastern affairs should be conducted," he said.

ALLIANCE ADVANTAGE
"An alliance has this advantage over the United Nations—that each member can express his views and no other member can veto his action, as the United Nations or Secretary Acheson vetoed the hot pursuit by our airplanes in Manchuria."

"I believe we should try to work with Britain in a military alliance in the East, but not one in which they possess any final veto against our policies."

Taft's reference was to former Secretary of State Acheson, who some critics say permitted U. N. Allies to overrule a decision by the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff that U. S. planes should pursue attacking Communist aircraft across the Yalu River border between Korea and Manchuria.

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MRS. FRANK BROWN

Mrs. Frank Brown Dies

A beloved Klamath County matron, Mrs. Frank (Christine) Brown, Bonanza, died at 6:18 p.m. Thursday at Hillside Hospital following a lengthy illness.

With her family she had lived here since 1928 and was active for many years in Red Cross work, bond drives and other community interests. She was a member and officer in the Associated Women of the Farm Bureau and of St. Francis Cabrini Catholic Church, Bonanza.

Mrs. Brown was responsible for organization of the church after a visit to Rome during Holy Year, 1950.

Surviving are her husband, one son, J. Martin Brown, both of Bonanza, a daughter, Mrs. J. L. Cohen, Bakersfield, Calif., three grandchildren, her mother, Mrs. D. W. Ferguson, Bakersfield, and an aunt, Mrs. Rose Dunbar, Bakersfield.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary will take place from the chapel of Ward's Funeral Home, 8 p.m. Sunday. Funeral services will be at St. Francis Cabrini Church, Bonanza, 10 a.m. Monday, when a requiem mass will be celebrated with the Rev. Patrick J. Lunhan, of St. Augustine's Church, Merrill, officiating.

Final rites and interment will be in Mt. Calvary Memorial Park.

Postmasters To Meet Here

Another state group has selected Klamath Falls for its convention city. This time, it is the Oregon Division of the National Association of Postmasters.

Klamath Falls Postmaster C. L. (Chet) Langslet sent word from Salem today that his invitation for the association to convene here next June had been accepted. This year's convention is now being held in Salem.

Langslet said Klamath Falls was selected over Gearhart and Baker.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Showers Friday night; partly cloudy with scattered showers Saturday. High Saturday 58; low Friday night 43.

High yesterday 61

Low last night 32

Precip last 24 hours 0.6

Since Oct. 1 14.12

Normal for period 11.39

Same period last year 15.17

Child Bitten by Pet Bear; Law Violation Questioned

A 6-year-old child has been bitten and scratched by a bear in the South Suburbs and the district attorney's office is trying to decide whether the incident amounted to a violation of law.

Little Joe Gordon Pruett was the victim; the bear was a one-year-old pet cub belonging to Jesse Marlin, 3028 Laverne. The boy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Pruett, 2941 Laverne.