

FALLS RESERVIST CRASH

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In a letter he doesn't sign (he says he doesn't want to invite notoriety) a reader tells me this: "I have been reading your column for four years now and I think you do just about as much harm as good. . . . You do entirely too much provoking in your one-sided opinions. Your arguments only infuriate the people who disagree with you."

May I offer a suggestion, sir? Why don't you give some thought to Voltaire's famous statement: "I disapprove of what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it."

If you will read and digest that statement, which contains the vital essence of democracy, you will get more good out of your reading and will find more pleasure in your associations with people.

Or—

If what you read in this column infuriates you, you might just skip it.

At any rate, sir, I'm sorry if my opinions have offended you. They are not so intended. Expressing opinions is a part of my business and I offer them merely for what they may be worth. I am not trying to convert you. I am not trying to convert anybody.

Incidentally, here is a good thing to remember. If some guy program director calls you on the phone and asks you, for \$117, what was the real name of the famous 18th century philosopher, essayist and dramatist who wrote under the pen name of Voltaire: It was Francois Marie Arouet (pronounced Al-roo-ay).

Voltaire is generally credited with having written to a friend: "I hope you will pardon me for this long letter. I haven't time to write a short one."

If you don't do much writing, you will think this is utterly trivial. But if you are a reporter, bossed by a city editor who is acutely aware of how little space the advertising department has left him and how many stories he has to crowd into it, you will recognize it as sound thinking. It's duck soup to a down to earth reporter and a rattler off a rambling yarn a yard long, but it takes hard work to tell the same set of facts in a quarter of a column.

All of which goes to prove, the soundness of the basic economic doctrine that wealth is created by human labor applied to natural resources. The more (efficient) labor it takes to produce an article, the more valuable the article is apt to be.

Voltaire was a strange character. As a young man, he made a lucky business venture that brought him what in the 18th century was an enormous sum of money. He was shrewd enough to hang onto it and his wealth gave him a sense of freedom and independence.

He was fond of making satirical cracks about the Big Wheels of his time—which in the 1700's in France was just about as safe as tweaking an angry tiger's whiskers. He wrote a sarcastic piece about the Duke of Orleans, who was then regent of France, and the Duke clapped him in the Bastille, where he languished for 11 months. It didn't cure him. When he got out, he lampooned the powerful Chevalier de Rohan and was again thrown into the Bastille.

You will note, I hope, that times have changed since the 18 century in France. In these days, the writer who takes a pot shot at a Big Wheel is as safe as if he were picking daisies in a churchyard. It is when he gets crosswise with the big blocs with the mass votes that the modern writer is in bad trouble.

In all, however, Voltaire lived a happy life. He doubtless got a huge lift out of being thrown in the clink by the stuffed shirts whose fur he had rubbed the wrong way, and in his later years he was the wealthiest and most famous writer in the world.

At the ripe age of 84, he rode to Paris in triumph and received a laurel crown in the theater where his play Irene was being performed. The excitement was too much for his aging arteries and finished him off—which is as good a way as any.

Nature Study, Cooking Does Not Mix Well

McALESTER, Okla. (AP)—Things began to go wrong when Mrs. Dave Bloxham started making the gravy to feed 40 Boy Scout leaders gathered at Camp Tom Hale here for an annual budget dinner.

The gravy lumped. The roast beef became hard enough to bend a fork.

Then the truth dawned. Somehow the plaster of paris used by scouts in their nature study work was mistaken for flour.

The leaders ate canned tuna and pork and beans.

MINISTER DIES

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP)—Foreign Minister Bernardo Ocampo, 66, of Paraguay, died in a hospital here Friday of a heart ailment.

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200 Dead In Secor Jap Flood

TOKYO (AP)—At least 200 persons are dead and more than 1,000 missing in Japan's second devastating flood in three weeks, the newspaper Asahi reported Saturday.

Torrential rains that struck yesterday in southern Kyushu Island and central Japan sent water raging into rivers, breaking dikes and washing out whole towns and villages, Asahi said.

Most of the deaths were on the east coast of central Honshu—Japan's main island—about 200 miles southwest of Tokyo.

The rains struck suddenly, causing hundreds of landslides within hours, Asahi said.

U. S. Air Force bombers and helicopters dropped life rafts to stranded flood victims. The Japanese Coast Guard rushed patrol boats.

Northern Kyushu, hit by the worst flood in Japan's modern history three weeks ago, apparently was bypassed by the new downpour.

Houston Firing Faces Probe

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—The Senate Judiciary Committee may be asked to investigate the dismissal of Dr. George W. Ebe, a deputy superintendent of Houston Public Schools.

Attorney Bernard Golding, who said a national association of university professors had engaged him, reported that the investigation planned by the professors would include "the man who started the investigation of Ebe."

That is John Rogge, an attorney, who said he had been hired by persons he did not name to press charges against Ebe, who came here from the Portland school system.

The Houston school board refused Wednesday night to renew Ebe's contract after Rogge had challenged his loyalty.

Golding said he asked the assistance of several Senate committee members "to determine whether there had been any violation of Dr. Ebe's civil rights—or a conspiracy."

The National Education Association reported Friday that it also will investigate Ebe's dismissal.

Plains Indians In Assembly

SHERIDAN, Wyo. (AP)—The greatest gathering of plains Indians in 100 years assembled here Saturday to help celebrate an award to Sheridan for its fight to end racial discrimination against the Red men.

More than 2,500 Indians, many of them full bloods, swarmed into this northern Wyoming community where only last year merchants hung signs in doorways reading, "Indian trade not wanted."

The signs are no longer here, and in recognition of this and other steps to end discrimination against the Indians, many of whom live on the nearby Crow Reservation, the Freedom Foundation of Valley Forge, Pa., presents an award Saturday afternoon to the city.

Slick Pair Of Women Work J. C. Penney Co.

Two women, who are alleged to have worked a clever ruse on the J. C. Penney Co. of Klamath Falls to fraudulently obtain approximately \$300 in merchandise, were held by Chiloquin authorities Saturday.

The accused are Laura Jackson, alias Jean Christy, and Myona Jackson, alias Janet Donnelly.

According to District Attorney Frank Alderson, two days ago Harold Buck, assistant manager of the Penney store received a telephone call from a woman representing herself as an official of the Klamath Agency on the Indian Reservation, asking that credit be extended to Jean Christy and Janet Donnelly, who were coming into the store.

Attorney Alderson said the store official was instructed to limit the credit to \$150.

Two hours later the women appeared at the store and picked out nearly \$300 in merchandise. When the store started to call the Indian agency for approval of the additional credit, the women are reported to have fled with the merchandise. They drove off in a car.

Buck signed a complaint charging the suspects with larceny. Deputy sheriffs were sent to Chiloquin to take them into custody.



OFF TO BOYSVILLE for a vacation are Marcue Murray, 13, and James Bradbury, 15, who are sponsored by Klamath Falls Chapter of the International Footprinters Association. Shown with the boys at the going away party at the Grayhound Station are (left to right) Buster Gordon, Sgt. Earl Tichenor, Marcus Murray, James Bradbury, Clarence Ward and Judge Frank Blackmer.

Two Klamath Falls Boys Off for Boysville

Two happy Klamath Falls boys boarded a Greyhound bus Saturday for Bass Lake, Calif., site of the famous Footprinters Boysville.

The youths, sponsored by the Klamath Falls Chapter of the Footprinters, were Marcus Murray, 13, 1503 Delta St. and James Bradbury, 15, 3950 Shasta Way.

A delegation of Footprinters at the bus station to see the boys off included Judge Frank Blackmer, Buster Gordon, Sgt. Earl Tichenor, and Clarence Ward. They will remain at the recreation center until August 15.

Judge Blackmer explained that Boysville at Bass Lake was founded by the Footprinters to promote a sound program of good citizenship among the youth of America.

"Another aim of the Footprinters is to engender in juveniles respect for law enforcement," Judge Blackmer continued. "At the camp all counselors and instructors, except full time paid employees, are law enforcement officers." He added that the boys are given instruction in many branches of law enforcement and all the various branches found in a big city police department.

"In addition to being a fine vacation," Judge Blackmer declared, "Boysville supplies each enrollee with an outstanding educational program which helps him to become a good, law-abiding citizen."

The Klamath Falls delegates to Boysville were selected by a committee composed of Ben J. Goddard, Clarence Ward, Judge Blackmer and Sgt. Tichenor.

Feather River Project Sought

WASHINGTON (AP)—Pacific Gas and Electric Co., San Francisco, asked the Power Commission Friday for a 36-month preliminary permit for a proposed hydroelectric project on the Middle Fork of California's Feather River.

The company wants to build five dams, ranging in height from 20 to 380 feet, on the Middle Fork and its tributaries and on French Creek, in Butte, Plumas and Sierra Counties.

The dams would form five storage reservoirs with a total capacity of 415,000 acre-feet, and the project would have an installed capacity of 265,000 horsepower.

The development would be near Quincy and Oroville, Calif. It would include four diversion dams, about 23 miles of tunnels and four powerhouse. The company said it would distribute the power to the public in Central and Northern California.

The commission has before it two applications which would conflict with the proposed project. The other developments are proposed by the Richvale Irrigation District and by Robert F. Wilson of Taylorville.

A preliminary permit gives the holder priority while making the surveys necessary in preparing an application for a project license.

Eight States Pay Half The Freight

WASHINGTON (AP)—Eight of the most populous states, the Internal Revenue Bureau reported, Friday, paid more than half of the nation's income tax bill in the year ended June 30.

The eight, accounting for payment of \$40,165,535,000, out of a total of \$89,595,916,000, included New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Texas.

Included are individual and corporation income tax payments and miscellaneous revenues collected by the department.

Payments by other states and territories with the comparable 1952 payments in parentheses included:

Idaho—\$117,486,280 (\$117,674,164); Oregon—\$471,709,073 (\$464,268,308); Washington including Alaska—\$843,200,128 (\$799,417,875).

Poe Valley Barn Burns

MALIN—Flames completely destroyed a hay storage building and contents on the Bill Rajpus farm in Poe Valley Friday evening at 5:45.

Malin Volunteer Fire Department rushed both the rural and city fire trucks to the scene but were unable to save the property since no water was available.

The building, recently completed, was filled with baled straw. Damage was estimated at \$10,000.

The Wednesday before, a tractor on the Edwin Stastny farm caught fire but volunteer fire crews squelched the flames before they spread to a nearby gas tank. Estimated loss on the tractor was \$600.

'Dragon Lady' Only Woman In World Who Can Be Shut Up With Artillery, Soldiers Claim

By JOHN RANDOLPH

WESTERN FRONT, Korea (AP)—For the past 10 months a warm, romantic woman's voice frequently has drifted across the Korean battle front, appealing to U. S. troops to give up the fight and join her in a good time.

U. S. Marines dubbed her the "Dragon Lady" and jokingly claimed she was the only woman agent in the world who could be shut up only with artillery. She is reminiscent of "Tokyo Rose" of World War II.

She speaks English with an attractive, slightly oriental lisp, and the things she sometimes says would make a statue blush.

No one has seen the Dragon Lady, but thousands have heard her needling broadcasts:

"Why don't you go home? Your wife may write that she is in love with somebody else."

"Surrender now. What's your girl doing back home?"

Then she may invite the boys over to the Communist side, describing in earthy language the pleasures awaiting them.

On occasion the Dragon Lady will go all out and in heartfelt words tell the Marines: "I don't want anyone to get hurt. I love you all."

"You are fighting for the U. S. government—not for peace." Another time she told the Marines:

"You will be relieved on May 8—if you can walk off the hill."

She was only a few days off. They were relieved on May 8—and they walked off the hill.

Often the Dragon Lady will play music, then broadcast:

"If you hear these records fire two shots. If you like the music fire two shots."

Usually the shots aren't fired, and if the music is good the dough boys may leave her on the air for a while.

The only thing to date that has shut up the Dragon Lady is a few well placed artillery shells. Her position is quickly spotted by sound and then the gunners take over.

East Zoners Face Terror Offensive

BERLIN (AP)—East Berlin was an armed camp of Soviet tanks and troops today as the Russians and their German puppet shelled their "soft approach" and went over to a terror offensive against the threat of new East German revolt.

Less than a week after martial law was lifted, the elements of two armored divisions clanked back into East Berlin yesterday. They were dug in today, apparently for a long stay.

Communist propagandists, who had been trilling promises of reform and clemency suddenly changed their tune. They barked warnings that the "Fascist underground" which they blamed for the June 17 workers revolt, is still active. They called for "increased vigilance" which in Communist jargon means a witch hunt for scapegoats.

A purge was under way in the Communist hierarchy of East Germany. Two menacing developments caused the Communist alarm:

1. Scattered strikes and slow-downs throughout the Soviet zone.
2. Hungry East Germans boiled with resentment against their Communist masters who turned down an American offer of 15 million dollars worth of food relief.

The get-tough policy was designed to frighten the population before they work themselves up to a new open revolt.

Official Western sources confirmed that more than 200 tanks and about 14,000 Russian soldiers have occupied East Berlin, poised to pounce upon the first stirring of rebellion.

Idaho Power's Foes Lose Bid

WASHINGTON (AP)—Opponents of the Idaho Power Company's plans to build three dams on the Snake River apparently have lost their bid for the rights to postpone cross-examination of witnesses.

Mrs. Evelyn Cooper, attorney for the National Hells Canyon Association, had only a few questions Friday for John S. Cotton, consulting engineer, and then asked that she be permitted to reserve the right to ask further questions later.

Power Commission Examiner William J. Costello made no direct ruling on her request, but after Cotton had been questioned by John Mason, commission counsel, the examiner excused Cotton "permanently."

Mrs. Cooper's request was in line with earlier contentions that the association and other opponents of the Idaho plan have not had enough time to prepare either cross-examination concerning the company plan or an affirmative case endorsing the government's proposed large dam.

The association, which supports the government proposal, has asked for a 90-day continuance to prepare their case. The requests have been denied.

Cotton, a consulting engineer whose studies favor the proposed government dam over the company plan, told commission counsel under questioning that his cost estimates for the three company dams—more than twice company estimates—were "judgement figures."

He said that because no large projects have been built on the Snake River in recent years it was impossible to base estimates on experience.

On the stand when the hearing recessed until Monday was Dr. Harold T. Stearns of Hope, Idaho, a geologist. He said there is more than enough rock in the area to build the three rock-fill dams proposed by the company.

'Catfish' Gets Jail Stretch

A 17 year old Indian youth, known as Catfish, who appeared intoxicated and "clannetted up" at an Oregon Liquor Control Commission hearing June 17, was fined \$75 late Friday by District Judge D. E. Van Vactor.

Catfish, who weighs 210 pounds and boasts he has been drunk continuously since he was 13 years old, caused a furor when he staggered into the liquor hearing and refused to testify.

He had been slated as the star witness against the M & M Grocery, charged with selling beer to minors. When shown a statement he was supposed to have signed admitting he bought beer in the grocery store, Catfish declared it was "all a lie."

"What do you mean by coming here drunk?" Commissioner Examiner Sam Mothershead of Portland, asked Catfish.

"I accepted a subpoena to appear here," the youth declared. "But I didn't guarantee what kind of shape I'd be in. I've been drunk since I was 13 years old."

Motherhead adjourned the hearing after Catfish refused to testify. When he was unable to produce \$75 to pay his fine, Judge Van Vactor ordered Catfish incarcerated in the County Jail for 35 days.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Sunday with high of 85; low Saturday night 52.

High yesterday 81

Low last night 51

Boy Explains Walking After Indo Shows Up

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—A boy told his parents why he was suddenly able to walk after the Lone Ranger, a kid cowboy favorite, visited James Whitcomb Riley Hospital.

Frank Shell, 7, Terre Haute, Ind., whose legs were burned in an accident, confessed he'd pretended to be sicker than he was so he would not be sent home before the Lone Ranger came.



41 Die In Fiery Cargo Plane Crash

A Klamath Falls naval ROTC man was among 41 reservists and crewmen carried to death when a marine cargo plane crashed on a farm and burst into flames after taking off from Whiting Field last midnight.

He is Elwood A. Tracy, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tracy, 2525 Applegate Ave., Klamath Falls. Tracy was a student of Oregon State College.

Elwood Tracy was a student, majoring in engineering. He was rated a midshipman and had been home on leave shortly before the crash of school in early June.

Elwood was a native of Klamath Falls and would have been 21-years-old July 14. He was an honor student and, on graduation from KUHS, received a four-year scholarship for study of medicine. He was one of 11 candidates chosen from Oregon for the summer NROTC summer training course in Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy were 46.

Major Issue To Be Made Of Walkout

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Republican decision to let Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.) hunt for Communists without Democratic help threatens to make his committee a major issue in next year's congressional campaign.

Three rebellious Democrats are expected today to send individual letters to McCarthy, saying they will not return to membership on the investigating subcommittee he heads.

From all indications, no other Senate Democrats will accept appointment to the places vacated by Senators McClellan of Arkansas, Symington of Missouri and Henry Jackson of Washington. They walked out in protest when the committee's GOP majority voted McCarthy the sole right to hire and fire staff personnel.

Sen. Dirksen (R-Ill.), a member, said if the Democrats want to take that attitude, the committee will go about its business without benefit of minority members.

"I think the committee can function in an orderly and legal way and its investigations will go on just the same," Dirksen said.

As time goes on, he said, the Democrats may face a developing belief on the part of the public that they walked out because they really weren't interested in digging Communists out of government.

McClellan, who already has drafted a politely curt letter to McCarthy rejecting the Wisconsin senator's proposal that he resume committee membership, said he doesn't think for a minute the country will believe any such thing.

"I'll let the record of my activities refute any such ridiculous accusations, so far as I am concerned," McClellan said. "I don't think there is any senator not willing to investigate Communists under the established congressional procedures and within the committee's jurisdiction."

McClellan and Sen. Mundt (R-S.D.), who has supported McCarthy in the current controversy, will be up for reelection next year and thus directly affected by the political reaction. Mundt and Sen. Potter (R-Mich.) are the other committee men.

Crash Among Year's Worst

By The Associated Press

The crash of a Marine cargo plane at Milton, Fla., killing 41 Naval ROTC men and crewmen ranks among the major military air disasters of the past year.

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Other major military air disasters of the past 12 months:

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Nov. 14, 1952—Air Force C-119 crashed in Korean mountains, 44 killed.

Nov. 15, 1952—A C-119 with 30 aboard disappeared in Alaska.

Nov. 23, 1952—Air Force C-124 Globemaster crashed in Alaska, 53 killed.

Nov. 28, 1952—C-54 military transport crashed near Tacoma, Wash., killing 26.

Dec. 20, 1952—C-124 crashed at Moses Lake, Wash., killing 87.

Jan. 7, 1953—Forty killed in crash of C-46 in Idaho.

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Another Truce Delay Granted

MUNSAN (AP)—A possible show-down meeting of Allied and Communist truce negotiators was postponed for 24 hours today at the request of the Reds.

The recess put off until 2 p. m. tomorrow (midnight EST today) an expected Red reply to reported Allied demands that the Communists sign an armistice now or face the prospect of a breakdown in the negotiations.

The second consecutive 24-hour recess requested by the Reds was arranged during a 1-minute meeting of liaison officers at Panmunjom.