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The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

It was a thought today to the steam-jungle village of Dien Bien Phu in northwest Indochina, where, outnumbered and surrounded, getting supplies of food and ammunition only by air, French soldiers are grimly awaiting attack by superior numbers of reds.

Whatever we may think about the wily-wasby government of France, we must admire and respect the courage and the stamina of these FRENCHMEN out there in the Indochina jungle.

Personally, I'm sure there's nothing wrong with France that GOOD GOVERNMENT couldn't cure.

It's turn, for a moment, to Germany (which is roughly 50 percent pre-war Germany) and a new record in home building, completing 475,000 new homes. That brings West Germany's total of new homes built since 1949 to 1,700,000.

They were building about a million new homes a year since we started on our postwar construction program. Proportionately, the Germans have been doing about as well as we have since 1949.

Comparing Germany's record with France's record, we are forced to this conclusion:

West Germany, in her postwar years, has been blessed with good government. It started with Mayor Ernst Reuter, who arose to meet the crisis created by the Russian blockade of Berlin. It was continued for all of West Germany by Chancellor Adenauer. Both were able, patriotic men. (Reuter died. Adenauer is still going strong.)

During the same years, France has been cursed with bad government.

The moral: Never overlook the importance of good government.

Western Europe has been battered by gales for the past 24 hours but so far the sea walls that protect the lowlands (Holland, Belgium and Denmark have been known memorably as the Low Countries) have held firm.

That's on the good side. On the bad side, there have been heavy snowfalls in Italy, whose winters are supposed to be mild. Sweden was swept over the week-end by a blizzard that snarled road, air and rail traffic. On the high seas adjacent to the Scandinavian countries, small craft have been sent scurrying to the shelter of nearby harbors.

London and Brussels, more or less in the midst of this storm area, are basking peacefully under clear skies and brilliant sunshine.

Is the weather going screwball? Or are our communications now so much better all over the world that we hear of all these freaks, whereas our fathers and our grandfathers (due to lack of communications) didn't?

It's an interesting question—interesting because it has a bearing on the widely-held theory that people are getting worse instead of better. I'm inclined to think that we are more nearly perfect communications we just HEAR OF MORE BADNESS.

Governor Dewey of New York, in a speech at ceremonies commemorating Columbia University's 200th anniversary, says today:

"The fight against traitors in our country must be waged carefully. The traitors should be eliminated without injuring the reputations of the innocent."

Situations precisely like that arise in every business establishment when little thefts of money begin to happen around the place. In such situations, everybody is under suspicion. The problem is to find the guilty ones and put a stop to the evil that is going on without hurting the innocent.

Every employer knows that things like that have to be put a stop to. They can't be allowed to continue. If they are permitted to continue, the organization's morale will be wrecked and when an organization's morale is wrecked the employer goes broke unless the situation is mended. The way to mending it is to find and punish those who are guilty.

It's the same way in government.

Volcanoes Action Again

Two famous Japanese volcanoes have been erupting sporadically on a small scale since Dec. 27, the Central Meteorological Observatory said Monday.

The observatory said Mt. Mihara, a 1,500-foot island about 60 miles from Tokyo, erupted briefly Sunday.

Mount Asama, about 75 miles north of Tokyo, erupted briefly Sunday.

Snowstorm Traps Family



HARROWING EXPERIENCES while trapped in a snowbound automobile for 12 hours were recounted by members of the Ted J. Wright family of Klamath Falls. Shown at top are (left to right) Mrs. Mickey Wampler, participant in the rescue; Betty Wright, holding cocker spaniel pet; Mrs. Ted Wright and her husband, Eddy Wright, 4, is standing in front of his father, below is pictured a Greyhound bus which also was a victim of the weekend storm. State policeman Dick Finnell is shown diverting traffic around the ditched bus.

Boat Accident May Claim Four

WALDPORT, Ore. (AP)—Four men, the fathers of 14 children, apparently drowned on windswept Alsea Bay on the Oregon Coast, state police reported yesterday.

They were identified as Lyle Marion King, 44, the father of five children; Henry Lee King, 24, the father of three; Alton Robert King, 42, the father of two; and Loren McWhorter, 25, the father of four.

The Kings were brothers. The four left Waldport in a rented boat to a point across the bay. The boat was found on the beach upwind down. Police believed heavy waves had overturned it.

No Special Privileges For Klamath Tribe When Freed, Says Patterson

SALEM (AP)—Klamath Indians won't get any special privileges if the federal government gives them their freedom, Gov. Paul L. Patterson said Monday at a meeting of his Indian Affairs Advisory Committee.

The governor made his comment after Boyd Jackson, member of the Klamath tribal council, said his people expect some property tax exemptions, and some income tax exemptions for older members of the tribe.

The governor said that if Congress passes the bill to relinquish federal control of the tribe, the Klamath Indians would be on the same footing as any other citizen of Oregon.

"I have serious doubts," Gov. Patterson said, "if the Legislature could be convinced that one set of citizens should have special privileges."

"There is no state machinery to take over the Indians and attempt to perform in the manner the

Bus, Car Accident Near Chiloquin Road Hurts One

A 73-year-old Vancouver, B.C., woman was in Klamath Valley Hospital suffering head injuries Monday after a collision between a northbound Greyhound bus and an automobile near Chiloquin junction on Highway 97. The accident occurred Sunday night.

The victim, Miss Jessie Fish, was one of 39 passengers on the bus which plunged off the highway into a ditch.

The automobile involved was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Capersen of Spokane, Wash., who escaped injury. They were driving

north ahead of the bus. Both vehicles started to slide on a sheet of ice which covered the highway.

The bus driver, William E. Plau of Brooks, said when he felt the bus sliding, he quickly shifted to second gear. He said he was unable to stop the vehicle and it plowed into the rear of the Capersen automobile.

The bus and car plunged into ditches on opposite sides of the highway.

Miss Fish was brought to Klamath Falls in a Kaler ambulance. The other 38 passengers, bound from San Francisco to Portland, were transferred to another bus. State police had to divert traffic around the scene of the accident for nearly two hours.

Historical Group Plans Meeting

"Frightening and Stage-coaching in the Early Days," with picture displays will be reviewed at the meeting of the Klamath County Historical Society, Wednesday, Jan. 6 in the Chamber of Commerce rooms. Time will be 7:45 p.m. but the doors will be open at 7:30.

The subject will be presented by Mrs. Jim (Ida) Grimes, Mrs. Irene Foster and Mrs. Hal (Florence) Ogle. Mrs. Neil Hancock will be program chairman.

Jackson said that revenues from the sale of timber owned by the Indians are paying all costs of running the Klamath Reservation. The Klamath Indians have 825,000 acres of timber lands, Jackson said.

He said most of the Klamaths want to make cattle raising their primary occupation. They also want an irrigation project to enable production of hay.

SALEM (AP)—High winds and heavy rains slowed highway traffic in Western Oregon Monday.

The weekend storm also brought new snow to the Cascade Mountain passes.

The highway commission reported winds up to 80 miles an hour on the coast.

Chains are required at Timberline Lodge, which reported a foot of new snow.

Motorists were advised to carry chains at Government Camp and Warm Springs Junction, as well as Willamette Pass, Chemung, Ochoco Summit, Austin and Seneca.

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BROADCAST President Eisenhower's speech tonight will be carried by both Klamath Falls radio stations, first over KFLJ at 9:15, followed by a round table discussion, and secondly a re-broadcast by KFLW at 9:45.

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Afternoon Drive Ends In Terror

By LYLE DOWNING

Twelve hours of terror while snow-bound near Lake of the Woods was described Monday by four members of a Klamath Falls family after they returned to their home here.

What started out as a Saturday afternoon drive along the scenic route to Lake of the Woods turned out to be a prolonged nightmare for Mr. and Mrs. Ted J. Wright and their children, Betty, 14, and Eddy, 4.

While driving along the Lake of the Woods road beyond the West Side highway junction about 2 p.m. Saturday a blinding snow storm whipped by gale-like winds enveloped their car.

Within a few minutes, according to Wright, the automobile was bogged down in a rapidly mounting snow drift. It grew steadily colder and darkness closed in on the stalled automobile.

"I knew we were hopelessly trapped," Wright declared, "and I also realized that we wouldn't get out alive unless there was some way to get help."

Wright finally decided to strike out on foot through the storm to seek aid. It was approximately 6 p.m. Saturday when he left the stalled automobile and started bucking his way through the drifts toward the junction.

At midnight, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Wampler, who were returning to their ranch near the junction from Klamath Falls, saw Wright almost exhausted, staggering east along the highway. He was suffering from cold and could hardly talk, they declared.

After taking Wright to their ranch where he quickly revived, Mr. and Mrs. Wampler prepared to join him in an attempt to rescue his wife and children.

In the meantime, Mrs. Wright and the children and their cocker spaniel dog huddled under a strip of canvas in the back seat of the car while the storm roared about them. Within an hour after Wright left them, all but the roof of the car was buried in snow.

"We were afraid to keep the motor running," Mrs. Wright explained. "The snow was packed so tight around the car that monoxide fumes would have probably killed us. It seemed like we had been waiting for years when my husband and Mr. and Mrs. Wampler reached us with a car and tractor."

"We got awfully hungry and thirsty," Mrs. Wright continued. "And we were terrified at being alone in that wilderness."

After news of the plight of the Wright family reached Klamath Falls, Deputy Sheriff Dal Reed and Don Hammond went to the bus and car. They quickly shifted a highway department road crew was called out to clear the road to the Wright car. It was brought to the Wampler ranch Sunday afternoon.

The family then returned to Klamath Falls. The Wrights live at 1531 Avalon. Betty Wright is a sophomore at Klamath Union High School.

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Night Raids Hit Coolie Supply Line

By LARRY ALLEN

HANOI, Indochina (AP)—French fighters and bombers resorted to moonlight attacks early Monday to hit coolie supply lines to the Communist-led Vietnamese forces threatening an assault on the French fortified plain of Dien Bien Phu.

The enemy - surrounded position just north of Laos is the last French stronghold in the mountainous Thai country of northwestern Indochina.

By night and by day, French fighters heavily strafed the rebel troop columns and thousands of peasants packing in war supplies on their backs. The Vietnamese have been moving their coolie convoys mostly at night in an effort to escape air attacks.

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MRS. CYRIL (EVA) COOK

Eva Cook Eyes County Office

Mrs. Cyril (Eva) Cook, deputy county treasurer for nearly two years filed Saturday for the office of Klamath County treasurer. Mrs. Cook resigned to devote her entire time to campaigning.

She has been a resident of Klamath County for the past 23 years, is alternate vice-chairman of the Klamath County Republican Central Committee, a precinct committeewoman, is Past President of the Wood River Unit Republican Women, and a member of the Republican Club here.

Mrs. Cook has also been active in FTA, Parents and Patrons, 4-H, Camp Fire Girls and the Eastern Star.

In announcing her plans if she is elected, Mrs. Cook stated, "since I have been in the treasurer's office for nearly two years and understand all phases of the work, I feel qualified to operate the office of county treasurer in an efficient and capable manner. I also plan to operate without a deputy except in case of an emergency or when on vacation."

WASHINGTON (AP)—A Texas housewife Monday met her third setback in a campaign against the federal law requiring the payment of social security taxes on domestic servants.

Mrs. Carolyn M. Abney, of Marshall, Tex., was denied a Supreme Court review of her unsuccessful suit in two lower federal courts to have the law declared unconstitutional.

The federal government took \$12.57 from her bank account for non-payment of taxes for domestic servants and Mrs. Abney sued for return of the money. Her was a test case on behalf of 11 Marshall housewives.

U.S. District Judge William H. Atwell of Dallas ruled against the refund and the U.S. Circuit Court in New Orleans upheld Atwell.

A 1950 amendment to the federal insurance contributions act extended coverage of the law to domestic employees and made employers responsible for withholding the tax and reporting it to the government.

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Huge Waves Pound Walls Along Coast

LONDON (AP)—Western Europe's dikes and sea walls, age-old bastions against the raging oceans, stood strong and firm Monday after 24 hours of battering by gale-churned seas.

Anxious watchers, remembering when flood waters burst through the dikes and wrecked vast areas of the low countries, and Eastern England last February, sighed with relief as they watched the seas die down.

In England, police and coast guards kept an all-night vigil in low coastal areas, then left their watch as weathermen reported soon after 10 a.m. that the crisis hour of high tide had passed safely.

In the Netherlands, where overnight water levels were the highest since last winter's floods in which 1,705 persons died, the situation was reported nearly back to normal.

HEAVY SNOW But the storm which smashed the calm of Europe's winter with sudden force Sunday still raged in many places. Blizzards and heavy snow falls were reported from Scandinavia down to Italy.

In Denmark, the little Jutland town of Randers was flooded during the night by the worst gale in several years. Townsfolk rowed streets to salvage their belongings. Rescue squads in rubber dinghies borrowed from the Army plucked in.

In Odense, salvage workers toiled with sandbags to patch up dikes protecting the town from a nearby canal, which threatened to burst its banks.

Swedish road, rail and air transport was snarled after an 80-mile-an-hour blizzard swept the country. Stockholm Airport was snowbound, roads in Northern Sweden were completely blocked by deep snowdrifts, and some rail services were canceled.

ROADS BLOCKED In Italy, too, heavy snowfalls—particularly in the Alpine regions—blocked roads and delayed trains. Weathermen reported more snow on the way.

The storm took its toll of shipping and sent tiny coastal vessels scurrying for shelter. The German freighter Trausen and the Greek tanker Leros both ran aground off the North German coast in a heavy snowstorm. The British collier Foch Rose ran ashore at Shoreham, southern England, and partly blocked the harbor mouth. Off Sweden several coastal vessels were reported missing in the overnight blizzards.

FLOOD At Kiel, Germany, a blizzard that howled in from the northeast piled up water in Kiel Harbor, causing the worst flooding since 1870.

Autos and buildings were flooded. The water stood a foot deep in some areas of the harbor section.

The motor ship Jan Meeder was torn from its mooring. It drifted across the harbor and went aground. The only person aboard was a cabin boy, who managed to reach shore safely.

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