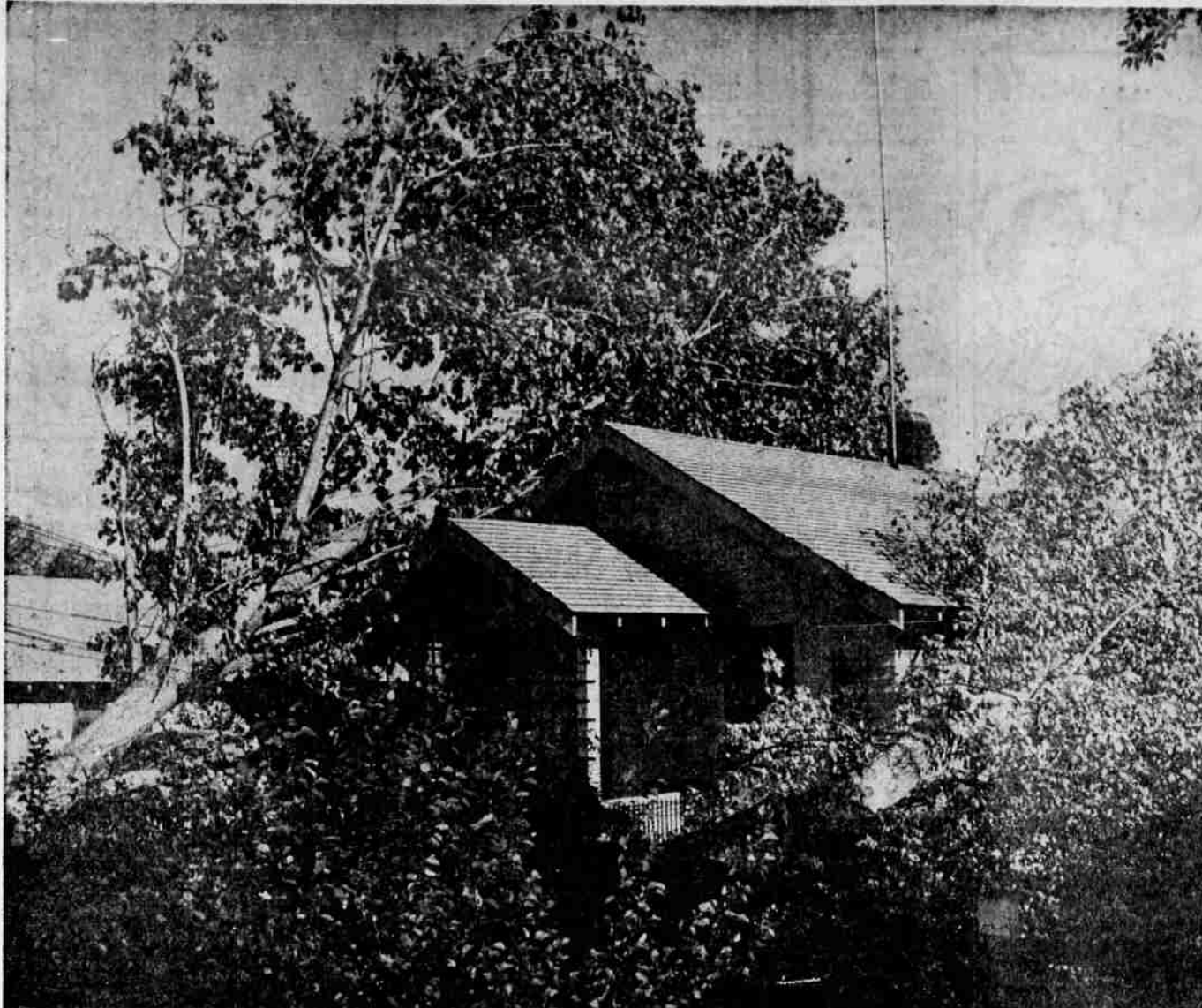


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Storm Of Rare Violence Hits Area; Causes Slight Damage Over Basin

By LAMAR HOOVER
A storm of rare violence struck Klamath Basin last night, toppling trees, tearing wires, and setting small fires over a wide area.
Thunder and a strong wind started at 6:58 p.m., and at 7:25 a peak speed of 55 miles an hour was recorded by the Civil Aeronautics Authority Station at Klamath Falls Municipal Airport. Twenty minutes later the wind had fallen to 30 m.p.h., and gusts continued until 9 o'clock.
Quantities of rain and hail fell, but the amounts varied greatly from one point to another. The CAA reported only .05 inch of precipitation, while the nearby Copco substation, located north of Memorial Cemetery, reported .23 inch. One Klamath Falls housewife, living in the northeast part of the city, reported collecting two inches of precipitation in a can.
The storm brought a hectic night to Copco.
"We got more local damage in that short period of time than I've ever seen around here," Truman Runyan, Copco assistant district manager, said this morning. "We're still cleaning up this morning, and most of the crews haven't been to bed. All the main circuits are back, however, though some individuals are still without service."
One of the power company's biggest headaches was caused by a limb which went through a power line near the Little Sweden Restaurant on Highway 66. This threw out a good part of the south-east suburban area at 7:30. By 6:44 switching had restored service to most of the area, but the line had to be repaired to get power to Hot Springs, and this took until 10:30.
Other troubles affected the Pelican City, Pine Grove and Spring Lake circuits. Minor difficulties elsewhere included fallen wires and transformers struck by lightning.
The roughest personal experience of the storm thus far reported was that of Floyd House and Ron C. Clawson, who were in a fishing boat on Klamath Lake when the storm began. Their boat had a sheared pin and was out of gas. By the time they were discovered it was 6 o'clock in the morning, and they were at the mouth of the Williamson River. Bob Sloan, of Harriman Lodge, and a Mr. Erickson rescued the two men. House was suffering from shock, but his condition was described as "good" by authorities at Hillside Hospital later.

Rocket Blast Cause Probed

MIDDLETOWN N.J. (AP)—Investigators combed a Nike base near here today in an attempt to learn what caused eight fully armed missiles to blow up in a furious mushroom of fire and death.
The explosion yesterday killed from 7 to 10 persons and scattered explosive warheads across a wide area of the countryside.
The disaster, described by a general as an accident that "could not happen but did," was set off by a single missile that exploded from undetermined causes.
A split-second chain reaction turned the entire area into a flaming pit of destruction that one eyewitness called "horrible beyond belief."
Mangled bodies and human fragments lay strewn about where it was impossible to set the exact death toll immediately.
Three others were injured, one seriously. Victims included civilian workers as well as service men.

General Tells Safety Plan

WASHINGTON (AP)—Lt. Gen. Elwood R. Quesada, who heads the President's Air Coordinating Committee, suggested Friday a reduction in the number of civilian airways to provide more space for military flights.
The retired Air Force officer testified before the Senate Aviation subcommittee at a hearing on ways to prevent collisions between military and civilian planes.
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UAW Demands New Contract

DETROIT (AP)—United Auto Workers President Walter P. Reuther Friday flatly refused to extend UAW contracts with the Big Three of the auto industry for another two years and said his union's original demands still are on the bargaining table.
Reuther also told a special conference of 600 union delegates at Detroit that "we are not dropping the profit sharing plan."
The conference was closed to newsmen but Reuther disclosed his views to reporters after the session.
"Reuther said definite strategy decisions on what workers will do if there are no settlements next week are to be made later Friday at separate sessions of General Motors, Ford and Chrysler union councils."

BULLETIN

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KLAMATH FALLS RESIDENTS were this morning working to repair damage caused by one of the worst short thunder storms in the Basin's history, which struck at 7 o'clock last night. Scenes like the above, snapped by Herald and News photographers, were common throughout the area. The H. J. Gwinn house, above, 3957 Boardman Avenue, was straddled by two toppled trees, one hitting the house while the other fell alongside. The scene below, left, shows part of the debris that fell along Radcliffe Avenue, near the homes of Margaret Lilly and Pete Robustelli who are on a cleanup detail. The house to the right, below, is that of Al Rider, 3842 Crest Street, where a tree limb scored a direct hit on the back porch.

Budget

The new school budgets for both District No. 1 and District No. 2 are printed in today's edition on Page 8-B.

NO JURY DUTY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (UP)—Alma Young was released without further question Thursday from jury duty in an assault with a deadly weapon case when it was determined she was the defendant.

CAR SALES

"You Auto Buy Now" sales for Thursday were reported as five new cars and 19 used cars by Ace Mimeo Service for 11 members of the Klamath Automobile Dealers Association. New car sales for the five days of the program were 106 per cent ahead of a month ago and six per cent ahead of the same days last year.

Troops Hold Iron Grip On Panama

PANAMA (AP)—Tough National Guard troops ruled Panama City today as President Ernesto de la Guardia Jr. grappled with a general strike called by rebellious students.
A large student group was holed up inside the National University after a day of rioting in which gunfire killed eight persons, three of them teen-age students. Another 61 persons were wounded.
The three National Guard chiefs the students want kicked out ran the country under a state of siege—modified martial law.
But this did not prevent the strike from getting under way. The first to walk out at midnight were printers at three morning newspapers, El Dia, the Star-Herald and its Spanish edition La Estrella.
The riots grew out of student complaints over school conditions and resentment over the killing of a student in an earlier demonstration.
Student hands armed with iron clubs, sticks and rocks roamed the city yesterday and the guardsmen went into action with tear gas. It soon appeared the students had lost control to hoodlums whose political alignment, if any, was not clear.
Traffic in Panama City was tied up by a bus strike. The rioters barricaded downtown streets with garbage cans at every corner. Many stores closed during the fighting as windows were shattered, cars overturned and traffic lights smashed. Airport authorities spirited arriving passengers to their hotels by special station wagons.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Variable cloudiness Friday night with low 37-44. Clearing Saturday, with high 70-75.
High yesterday 73
Low last night 45
Precip. last 24 hours (3 p.m.) 0
Since Oct. 1 14.80
Same period last year 14.80
Normal for period 11.20

Firemen Try To Contain Raging Blaze

LONG BEACH, Calif. (UP)—A 15-million-dollar oil refinery fire which claimed two lives continued to send flames and dense black smoke skyward today, but firemen hoped to bring it under control by 6 p.m. PDT.
The blast-ripped Hancock installation fire was being permitted to burn itself out. Firemen said they had contained the blazes within the tank farm area of the 10-acre plant of the 25 million dollar refinery.
Water pressure dropped briefly this morning, but a detective pump was repaired quickly, and firemen were not hampered. Most of their activity was directed toward a tank of tetraethyl lead. The tank of explosive, poisonous gasoline additive was sprayed with water to keep it cool, and firefighters said at late morning they hoped to save it. The 4,200-barrel tank is both under and above ground and near the fire.
Fire officials said their policy, once the dozen blazes were restricted to the Hancock area, was to let the fire burn itself out. They compared the blazing tanks to deep fat fryers as they watched the flames burn savagely on diets of gasoline, Naptha and fuel oil.
Control of the fire tonight depends on wind and water, according to Fire Chief Lloyd Colson of Signal Hill, where the refinery is actually located, he said the flames probably would continue to burn into Saturday. Some of them shot 300 to 500 feet in air as the tanks exploded.
Clouds of flame and smoke spread out, creating a huge pancake of greasy smoke over surrounding communities. A billow of black filth was left on structures, signs, cars, plants—everywhere the wind carried the smoke.
The refinery was almost destroyed by the fire, which broke out Thursday afternoon. Flames were carried from tank to tank by rivulets of burning oil.
Firemen from Signal Hill, Long Beach, Los Angeles County, the Air Force, Forest Service and nearby communities so far had succeeded in containing the fire to the refinery area.
Firemen threw up a curtain of water around the perimeter of the blaze and soaked down unsmoldered gas and butane tanks.
A dozen fires burned through the night, lighting up the sky for miles. The glow was spotted 25 miles away.
Fire officials said the blaze might be controlled today. The main worry was a 5,000-gallon tank containing tetraethyl lead.
A fire official said the material was poisonous and would pose a severe threat if the material was spread. Firemen wet down the tank to keep it cool.

Algiers Rebs Defy Paris

ALGIERS (AP)—What amounts to a revolutionary government for Algeria was set up Friday in defiance of Paris. It was established by a civilian-military junta set up here last week.
Calling itself the All-Algeria Committee of Public Safety, the new group demanded return of Gen. Charles de Gaulle to the helm of the French government.
A communique addressed to Frenchmen of the world said their countrymen in Algeria are firmly resolved to install a French government of public safety "presided over by Gen. De Gaulle to promote and defend the profound reform of the institutions of the Republic."
The committee resolved to stay in office until De Gaulle takes command in Paris. De Gaulle has said twice in the last few days that he is ready to do so, but he has not been summoned.

Peron Ceded Amnesty Pact

BUENOS AIRES (AP)—Argentine courts will have to decide whether exiled dictator Juan Peron can come home under a political amnesty bill signed into law last night.
President Arturo Frondizi fulfilled an election pledge by signing the bill after the Chamber of Deputies adopted it overwhelmingly. The Senate had already approved the measure.
Frondizi and the Congress which his supporters control were elected Feb. 23 with the help of Peron's followers.
The new law provides an "ample and general amnesty . . . for all political crimes . . . acts committed with political or labor purposes, or when it can be determined that someone was brought into court and charged with common crimes because of political or labor reasons."
After Peron was ousted by military forces in September 1955, he and a number of his lieutenants were charged with various common crimes. The government made clear it will be up to the courts to decide whether these charges were valid or were made for political reasons.
Peron said last week in the Dominican Republic that he was ready and eager to return to Argentina if Congress let him. Some sources have said the military leaders who ousted Peron will try to prevent his return.

Cool Weather In Midwest

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Topcast weather was back in the Midwest today as northerly winds fanned cold air across the north central region.
The nippy air headed eastward into the north and middle Atlantic states and southward into Arkansas and Tennessee.
Thunderstorms broke out during the night near the leading edge of the cool air mass as it moved into the Ohio Valley. Nearly 2 inches rain doused Cincinnati in a six-hour period and about an inch fell at Charleston, W.Va.
The shower belt was fairly widespread in the Northeast from Virginia northward to New England but rainfall was mostly light.

Missile Test Termed Great

WASHINGTON (AP)—Assistant Secretary of the Army Dewey Short Friday described last Sunday's 1,600-mile flight of the Army's Jupiter missile and recovery of its nose cone as "the greatest breakthrough yet in missile development."
Appearing before the House Armed Services Committee which he formerly headed as a Republican congressman from Missouri, Short told his one-time colleagues: "The performance of the Jupiter demonstrates that we have thrust, accuracy and the ability to bring a warhead back from outer space on target.
"It is the greatest breakthrough yet. It is more significant than all the Sputniks, Explorers and other developments put together."



ARTIST'S RENDERING of the new Mount Shasta High School building which is under construction was made in the office of the architect, Howard R. Perrin, 1121 Main Street, Klamath Falls. A contract for construction of the 37,202 square foot structure was awarded recently to Sirington Construction Company of Eureka. Bids were opened in the office of Dr. J. E. Hurley, superintendent of Siskiyou Union High School District at Yreka from six general contractors who bid on the job. The completed structure will cost in excess of \$600,000 and is one of a series of new high schools in Northern California for which Perrin's office has drawn plans and specifications. The Butte Valley High School at Dorris is under construction by Duncan Construction Company of Klamath Falls and Louis Kowolowski of Medras was awarded a contract for construction of the new high school at McCloud and is just completing the new Tulelake High School building. The Tulelake construction includes an administration wing, gym, music and cafeteria facilities. Plans are underway at Perrin's office for a new shop for that school, also.