



A JUMBLED TWISTED MESS of boxcars and wheels was strawn for a considerable distance down Southern Pacific tracks at the Worden elevator when a hot box derailed portions of a freight about 8 p.m. Friday. Photographer

Don Kettler viewed the wreck scene from an overhead vantage point in the elevator. The stretch of torn out track and piled up boxcars still presented a confused tangle to

cleanup crews. In upper portion of photo, at left, another train can be seen taking the spur detour built around the wreck during the early hours of Saturday. At 8:30 a.m. Sat-

urday, traffic was flowing again over the route. Far right, is a closeup view of the scene, clearly exhibiting the torn up condition of cars and track bed. No estimate on damage was available.

In The Day's News

SP Freight Spills Cars At Worden

By FRANK JENKINS
As this is written, the highways of America are full of cars. The National Safety Council predicts that 45 MILLION of them will take to the roads over the Fourth of July weekend and will travel NINE BILLION car miles. It adds the grim prediction that the traffic death toll in the United States from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Sunday will probably be somewhere in the neighborhood of 50, with another 13,000 persons suffering disabling injuries. The moral that is normally drawn from these statistics is that the automobile is a KILLER—because of the speed that it makes possible, a deadly and merciless killer.

Hmmmmmm. I wonder. Among those who will read this piece will be many who can recall a day when cars were few and far between and horse-drawn vehicles were numerous. In that period of our nation's history, there were no WEEKENDS. The economics of those days forbade such luxuries. The MACHINE, with its fabulous capacity to multiply human effort and GET THINGS DONE FASTER, had not yet come into universal use. The job of making a living had to be accomplished by strong backs and busy hands, with only a few rudimentary tools to help. Consequently, Sundays and big national holidays were about all the time that could be spared from work.

But— In those bygone days — The dusty country roads on the Fourth of July would be FULL of horse-drawn vehicles and the dusty streets of the county-seat towns would be simply CRAWLING with them. Don't think those days didn't have their traffic jams. They did. Unless you've driven say a dozen

Twenty one cars of a northbound Southern Pacific freight train were derailed at Worden at about 8 p.m. Friday.

No one was injured, but there was considerable damage to freight cars and contents.

The cars were part of a 100-car freight train and were derailed just as they were passing the Worden elevator. Later inspection led to speculation that a hot journal box may have been the cause of the wreck. Portions of one wheel were found with considerable damage to the axle of one car, leading to speculation on the hot box.

The freight pulled both loaded and empty cars. Some of the loaded cars that were tumbled from the track contained cement and other supplies, while two cars that were derailed but remained upright carried truck trailers.

A special crew surveyed the damage and began construction of a spur line around the wreck scene. They utilized portions of a spur line that existed to one of the huge elevators at Worden, completing this line back to the main line and around the wreck.

The southbound Cascade was held for three hours at McCredie Springs and the northbound Cascade was delayed about six hours, but work on the bypassing spur was completed and traffic was flowing by the scene at 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

Railroad officials could not be reached for an estimate on possible damage.

Last big train derailment for the Southern Pacific was in March of 1958 when the Cascade Limited jumped the track near the summit of the Cascade Range. In that accident, 197 passengers miraculously escaped death.

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Long Ends First Seige Of Campaign

LAKE PROVIDENCE, La. (AP) — Gov. Earl Long, who defied his doctors' orders not to take the stump for reelection, completed his first day's campaigning here Saturday night.

Aides said he left for his farm home in Winnfield, 125 miles southwest of here, to rest for the weekend.

Long attended the Miss Louisiana beauty contest here, and told the crowd, "you've heard I was dead, and you've heard I was nutty."

"I just wanted you to judge for yourself what a nutty man looks like."

The 63-year-old governor just four days ago was flat on his back as a heart case. Just eight days ago he left a mental hospital.

He came here from Lake Arthur.

Doctors had warned Long that the rigors of this Fourth of July campaign opening might prove too much for his ailing heart, hit only last Wednesday by what was described as a slight failure. But he shrugged off warnings and in midmorning left Baton Rouge on a 65-mile plane trip to Ville Platte.

Two Newest States Mark Own Holiday

ALASKA
JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — The land of the midnight sun Saturday hailed the 49th star in the nation's flag.

Throughout Alaska, whose statehood is symbolized in the first change in the American flag in 47 years, gala celebrations were scheduled honoring Independence Day and the Star Spangled Banner.

The 49th state, a member of the union since Jan. 3, began observances of Independence Day Friday with a legal holiday to provide residents and visitors a three-day weekend of pageants, parades and fun-making.

HAWAII
HONOLULU (AP) — Hawaii combined an observance of the nation's Independence Day Saturday with a celebration of its own statehood.

The dual observance was accompanied by a loud mixture of political oratory and fireworks.

Gov. William F. Quinn headed a statehood celebration that saluted 600 "Fighters for Statehood" — men and women who worked for years to make the island chain the 50th state.

The ceremony included a parade by a Navy band and a combined armed forces honor guard and a fly-by of jets of the Hawaii Air National Guard.

Red Deputy Makes Vital Trade Appeal

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Kremlin's current traveling salesman made an important bid Saturday for expansion of U.S.-Soviet trade. He met informally and in private with a number of West Coast business leaders.

Reporters were barred from First Deputy Premier Frol R. Kozlov's activities.

Kozlov requested a day of freedom from newsmen and photographers, saying he wanted rest from questions. It was possible that Kozlov also sought a degree of privacy in his discussions with the business leaders he was to meet.

The man who may one day succeed Nikita Khrushchev as premier of the Soviet Union laid heavy stress on trade upon his arrival in California.

In an exchange with Gov. Edmund G. Brown at Sacramento, Kozlov noted that Brown might one day be president of the United States and said the chances for American-Soviet trade might then be improved.

This high opinion the Soviets seem to have of Gov. Brown's political standing and influence may be one of the reasons why Kozlov decided to visit Sacramento, a city skipped by First Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan on a similar barnstorming tour of the United States earlier this year.

In addition to this, San Francisco's mayor has been offering his city's facilities for a prospective summit conference, should one be agreed upon.

49-Star Flags Go Up, Down By Hundreds

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new Old Glory sporting 49 stars flew proudly over the Capitol Saturday — proudly and very, very often.

Flags went up and down on specially erected poles like red, white and blue yo-yos.

This fast and furious activity was because about 1,800 requests came in from individuals and organizations wanting one of the first new banners to fly over the Capitol the first day the 49-star flags became official.

To meet these requests—all relayed through senators and representatives — Capitol architect J. George Stewart erected four temporary flag poles at the lower level of the dome.

On each pole new flags went up and down as fast as teams of Capitol policemen and workers could hoist and lower them. The early rate was about one per minute per pole.

But the very first 49-star flag to flutter in the spotlights over the Capitol was up for 12 hours and

Ike Lays Cornerstone For Capitol Extension

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower, laying the cornerstone of a 17-million-dollar extension of the Capitol called on all Americans to join the never-ending task of preserving freedom.

Under a beaming, Fourth of July sun in 83-degree weather, Eisenhower spoke from a temporary stand erected on the east front of the Capitol. A crowd estimated at 3,000 persons was present.

Above the President, two of the new 49-star flags fluttered in the mild breeze.

Eisenhower had flown by helicopter from his Camp David, Md., mountain retreat to officiate at the third cornerstone laying in the 166-year history of the Capitol.

The President said that in the world collision of ideas between freedom and despotism, "freedom is neither won nor held in a climate of spiritual stalemate."

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Traffic, Drowning Fatalities Mount

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Traffic	145
Drownings	95
Miscellaneous	29
Total	269

The NSC prediction was considerably higher than the 310 auto fatalities for the Memorial Day weekend, also a Saturday-Sunday affair.

The July 4th holiday traffic death toll rose slowly Saturday. The slow rate of climb in the morning brought this comment from the National Safety Council: "This is definitely encouraging."

The weather was dry and warm in most areas, and millions of cars were on the roads.

But one of the worst accidents occurred on water — a new area of concern in view of the rapid growth in the ranks of boating enthusiasts.

A cabin cruiser and a car ferry collided in Lake Michigan near Muskegon, Mich. The cruiser, 24 feet long, sank to the bottom in 18 feet of water.

Two persons drowned — Alvin Kemney, 49, owner of the cruiser — and his wife, Dorothy, 43. Four other persons were missing.

A freight train struck and killed three men on a railroad track near Danville, Va., late Friday night.

Earlier, a head-on collision of two cars near Lunenburg, Va., killed three persons.

The council estimated that 350 Americans may lose their lives in motor vehicle accidents in the 54-hour holiday period that began at 6 p.m. (local time) Friday and will end at midnight Sunday.

Weather
FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Mostly fair and warmer with some high clouds today. High 78-85; low 44-52.
High Saturday 75
Low last night 49
Northern California — Fair today with some cloudiness later. Little change in temperature.

For comparison, The Associated Press made a survey during a 54-hour non-holiday weekend of June 20-21. Some 240 highway deaths were reported during that period.

The 340 auto deaths over the Memorial Day period were 48 more than the 262 fatalities made in another AP survey in mid-May.



THE TRADITIONAL FOURTH OF JULY parade took more than one and one half hours to pass in review Saturday along Main Street. Parade honors had not yet been decided

by press time. Photographer Don Kettler snapped these points in the parade. Far left, the 4-H Wranglers trooped into sight, center, Sandra and Karen Edgar seem delighted

with the prospect of being hauled off to a cave by one of the visiting cavemen from Grants Pass. Far right, killed lassies parade with the Rainbow Girls float. Huge crowds thronged the downtown street for the long parade which drew compliments from the viewers.