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MISSOURI SNAPS DIKE CAUSING NEW ALARM

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
A new rise sent the Mississippi River over the top of a levee and caused fresh alarm at other points today.

The Missouri River broke through a dike and spread across additional acres of land. The Mississippi spilled over a levee in two places south of Clarksville, Mo., about 70 miles north of St. Louis, and began flowing into 5,000 acres of rich farmland. State Route 79 was closed.

Sheriff Charles Dunn reported that 100 persons had fled from that area. A break in a levee near Augusta, Mo., poured Missouri River waters over 2,000 acres of fertile bottomland.

The swollen Mississippi had dropped after bursting levees north of Quincy, Ill., early Monday. But the big river rose again today in that area.

A new appeal for flood workers came from Gregory Landing on the Missouri side near the southern border of Iowa.

Break throughs were threatened in two places in the barrier at the northern edge of the Gregory Landing district.

The Mississippi swelled anew at Canton, Mo., and National Guardsmen relieved civilians on levee patrol duty there.

The river approached the top of the levee at Ashburn, Mo. The spring floods in the Midwest, hitting hard in Nebraska and Iowa and also causing trouble in Wisconsin, Kansas, South Dakota and Michigan, have forced evacuation of 28,000 persons from their homes, the Red Cross estimated. A spokesman predicted

the number would rise to 40,000 before the waters recede. The Missouri, which Army engineers said already has inundated more than 300,000 acres of land, continued to rise. Army engineers, after an aerial inspection of the Missouri basin, estimated damage at about 5 million dollars.

The flooding at St. Joseph, in northwest Missouri, was the second worst of the century, second only to the 1932 spring overflows, but damage was not heavy. Subsidings of the North Grand and Chariton rivers was expected to bring a slight drop in the Missouri at Booneville, in mid-Missouri.

A stage of 37.1 feet was reported at Hermann, Mo., a small community west of St. Louis. A crest of 29 feet was expected Thursday night, with danger of flooding some 29,000 acres of levee protected land.

At St. Charles, a town of about 14,500 near St. Louis, the stage was 30 feet and another 2 1/2 feet is expected by Friday with overflows threatening to cover 10,000 acres of farm land.

The Missouri and Mississippi converge just above St. Louis but no serious damage was expected. Flood threats in most other Midwest states appeared over but in the East, the swollen Hudson River in New York spilled over its banks into streets and homes in the upper valley area. More than 30 families were evacuated from their homes at Waterford, N.Y., as overflows from the Mohawk and Hudson rivers covered a six-block area.

The flooding Hudson also forced families to evacuate their homes in Troy, Pleasantdale and Kingston, N.Y. An 18-block area was under a foot of water in Troy.

The Susquehanna River began to recede after rampaging through Ontario and several smaller towns, forcing more than 400 families from their homes.

Local Woman Perishes In Accident

One woman was killed and another was injured seriously early today when a car pitched out of control and rolled over near Bly.

Deputy Sheriff John Holloway identified the fatality as Mrs. Mabel Shney, 2408 Homestead Road, Klamath Falls. She was dead when Holloway reached the accident scene, two miles east of Bly on State Route 66, about 3:30 a.m.

Another passenger, Mrs. Evelyn Miller of Bly, was taken by Peace Ambulance to Klamath Valley Hospital. There she was reported in fair condition with head and neck injuries.

Holloway said other occupants of the car were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lanegan of Portland, and two Miller children, ages unknown. Mrs. Lanegan apparently was driving the car.

State police said the car slipped off the road and ran along the shoulder for approximately 225 feet before it hit a juniper tree. "It wasn't skidding or anything," an officer said, "but the wheels were clear off the road."

After the car hit the tree, it rolled another 200 feet.

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CASH AWARDS will go to these three Malin eighth grade students who wrote winning essays in the recent Americanism essay contest sponsored by Malin American Legion Auxiliary. Left to right are Jill Johnson, second place winner; Dawn Hale, first place, and Lois Owens, third. Their topic was "Why I Love My Country."

'Ben Hur' Sweeps Oscar; Heston, Signoret Win

By VERNON SCOTT
HOLLYWOOD (UPI)—"Ben Hur," rugged star of "Ben Hur," and France's Simone Signoret, the wayward wife in "Room at the Top," ruled as king and queen of the movies today—Oscar winners for the best actor and actress of 1959.

The stars shared the spotlight with "Ben-Hur" at Monday night's 32nd annual Academy Awards program when the 15-million-dollar spectacle won the best picture Oscar and 10 other awards, more than any film in history.

Shelley Winters, playing a dowdy housewife in "The Diary of Anne Frank," won the best supporting actress honor, and English star Hugh Griffith won best supporting actor for his role in "Ben-Hur."

Scores of stars crowded into the Pantages Theater on Hollywood Blvd. where their enthusiasm was somewhat dimmed by the month-long strike of the Screen Actors Guild against the major movie studios.

Jokes About Strike Master of ceremonies Bob Hope joked about the strike on the nationally televised show saying, "Welcome to Hollywood's most glamorous strike meeting."

The winners were both excited and grateful in their acceptance speeches. Miss Signoret, a 39-year-old blonde, told the 2100 celebrities and fans in the theater, "I can't say anything. All I thank you. You can't imagine what it is for me, being French."

Before leaving his seat Heston hugged and kissed his wife. Then he marched stiffly to the stage to say, "When you stand here you want to thank everybody you ever knew in this business. Ten years ago next month I made my first picture. Since then I worked with many of you and all of you did something to help me get here."

Breaks Award Record Jubilant William Wyler, winner of two previous directing Oscars, said, "We broke the record," referring to "Ben-Hur's" 11 awards in the 12 categories for which it was nominated.

The M-G-M religious epic filmed on location in Rome, surpassed the previous record holder, "Gigi," which collected nine awards last year.

M-G-M topped the studio totals with 11, all for "Ben-Hur." Next was 20th Century-Fox with three.

Miss Winters broke into tears backstage, crying, "I got it, at last, at last. I would like to thank the memory of that wonderful little girl (Anne Frank) who wrote with such depth and perception about human beings."

WASHINGTON (AP)—The West today rejected Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's plan for total disarmament, bringing the 10-nation conference to a deadlock. The Soviet Union previously turned down the West's proposal for gradual disarmament.

U.S. Ambassador Frederick M. Eaton, declared the Soviet plan was so faulty it would threaten the world with anarchy.

Eaton also accused the Soviet Union of misrepresenting the motives of the U.S. government in the conference.

The American delegate labeled as untrue accusations made Monday by Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Valerian Zorin. The Soviet delegate claimed the United States was trying to twist the negotiations to secure a military advantage.

Eaton and French disarmament expert Jules Moch told the Communist bloc countries that the Soviet plan to disarm the world within four years is unacceptable in any form.

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3 Hospitalized After Accident

WEED—Three Sacramento men are in Mount Shasta Community Hospital following a one-car accident on Highway 97 north of here at 1:29 Monday morning.

The men were southbound when the driver lost control on an "S" curve south of Cougar Pass and the car went over an embankment.

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Commie Youths Endorse Fidel

HAVANA (AP)—Pro-Communist youths from around the world thunderously endorsed Fidel Castro's revolution early today at a rally marked by a near-hysterical display of anti-Americanism.

Nearly 1,000 delegates, 800 of them from Cuba, jammed a Havana theater for the start of the week-long meeting of the Cuban Congress of Socialist Youth. Foreign delegates came from Asia, Europe, Africa and other Latin American countries.

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Skunk Snafus City Election

DETROIT (AP)—The election wasn't fixed but it sure smelled. Voters in suburban Hamtramck went to Copernicus Junior High School Monday to ballot on a mayor and other city officials in a municipal election.

Unknown to the voters or to election and school officials a skunk lurked in the school's heating and utility room — right next to an opening in the ventilating system. Then the skunk was spotted and police called. An officer shot and killed the animal.

The 900 students in the school were sent home. The election workers and voters had to contend with the smell.

Nun Sentenced

VIENNA (AP)—A Communist priest in Czechoslovakia has sentenced a Roman Catholic nun to 2 1/2 years in prison for trying to spread religious influence among schoolgirls.

New Violence Outbreak Rips Strife-Torn Africa

By ADRIAN PORTER
CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP)—Two South African white policemen were injured and a Negro policeman backed to death today in a new outbreak of race rioting at the big Nyanga Negro settlement east of Cape Town.

The South African Press Assn. reported these casualties were announced by Maj. J. J. Rheeder, district commandant of police at Athlone, east of Cape Town.

The outbreak came as police with armored cars ranged through Nyanga, beating up Africans in an attempt to get them to go back to work, witnesses reported.

Witnesses said the police, backed by troops, used gunfire, whips and clubs on rebellious Negroes as they did Monday.

Col. V. Reay, acting deputy police commissioner for Cape Town, confirmed that the police had opened fire but said only warning shots were fired over the heads of Africans who gathered.

Reay said the police entered Nyanga Township to offer protection for Negroes who wanted to go to work and to round up "intimidators" preventing them.

Africans in the township claimed police smashed windows and doors of houses and ordered Negroes into the streets. If they refused, they were dragged out and beaten, they said.

Other reports from the township said Africans had decided to resist police and began gathering, armed with sticks and rocks. It appeared that when police saw Africans banding together, they charged in to scatter them.

Just before dawn helicopters dropped leaflets, telling laborers in the township to go to work before 8 a.m. and warning against forming groups. Helicopters flying low over Nyanga broadcast the message. A military cordon, clamped around Nyanga since Monday, was lifted at dawn but only a few Africans came out to go to work.

After the police moved in and began their raids, the cordon was closed again, and no more Negroes were allowed out.

Scattered outbreaks of violence by Negroes opposing South Africa's white supremacy laws also were reported at Johannesburg and Durban after a quiet night.

Reports trickled in from other areas of Negroes arrested on charges of inciting to riot and burning the pass books all non-whites must carry.

For the second straight day, however, the center of trouble was Cape Town, the legislative capital.

Rheeder said the two injured white policemen were struck with clubs.

Rheeder said a police patrol made up of an armored car, an armored troop carrier and several riot trucks moved into the big Nyanga settlement early today to protect Negroes who wanted to return to work.

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Drilling Firm To Get Hearing

PORTLAND (AP)—An oil drilling firm interested in the Summer Lake area of Lake County will get another hearing before the state Game Commission April 22.

The Humble Oil Co. was turned down earlier on the ground that drilling at Summer Lake would damage the waterfowl management area there.

Now the oil exploration firm proposes to set the drill rigs up some distance from the lake and marshes and drill down at an angle. That proposal will be the subject of the new hearing.

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Move Rejected; Aide Named

ELLENVILLE, N. Y. (UPI)—Acting Police Justice Alex Nirenberg told village officials a few months ago he could not accept his salary without doing any work.

Monday night he was fired. Nirenberg had returned \$250 to the board because he was called on no cases.

At the annual meeting, the board rejected a move to reappoint Nirenberg and named lawyer Lawrence Levine the acting justice.

Diplomat Dies

LONDON (AP)—The marquis of Bristol, for many years a British diplomat in South America, died today. The 89-year-old peer had broken his hip in a fall at his London home.

Out Of Frying Pan Probe Scheduled

LONDON (AP)—Sir Gladwyn Jebb, Britain's ambassador to France, retires from a 36-year foreign service career this month only to enter another branch of government. Queen Elizabeth II today conferred a barony on the 60-year-old diplomat, making him a member of the House of Lords.

MANILA (AP)—President Carlos P. Garcia today ordered an investigation to find out who recommended that he pardon four prisoners who had already died in jail. The President pardoned the dead men last week, on recommendation of the Bureau of Prisons.

Two Youths Being Held For Murder

PORTLAND (AP)—Two young Negroes, one of them the brother of prizefighter Eddie Machen, were in jail on first degree murder charges today, awaiting a grand jury investigation into the botched death of a white man.

Police continued to probe into other Saturday night beatings—all isolated affairs that came as a car pulled up alongside pedestrians on dark streets—to determine whether the assailants were the same. They thought they were.

Paul Arnold Machen and Charles Ivan Patterson Jr., both 21, faced the murder charge. Two others, Benjamin Joseph Irwin Jr., 21, and Elroy Ron Grandberry, 20, were held as material witnesses.

The dead man was Edward J. St. George, 44, an unemployed farm worker. He was found dying on a street early Sunday, his skull fractured.

Police Lt. William Hoff said yesterday one of the men told him they got to brooding about troubles of their race in Africa and in the South, had a few drinks, then started out "to do something about it."

Today Hoff said it still looked the same. He called it particularly regrettable since there has been little racial trouble here.

Heavyweight fighter Eddie Machen said his young brother "doesn't have any chip on his shoulder. I don't think he's the kind of a guy who would do a thing like this."

Chessman Loses Latest Appeal

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Caryl Chessman's latest move to escape execution May 2 was rejected today by three judges.

The State District Court of Appeals judges rejected the convict's habeas corpus without comment.

Talks Canceled

GENEVA (AP)—The session of the three-nation nuclear test ban talks was canceled today at U.S. and British request. The two western delegates told Russia's Semyon K. Tsarapkin they needed more time to prepare replies to a series of questions Tsarapkin had asked about the Camp David proposals for a partial test ban linked to a moratorium on small underground explosions.

Willing Workers

13 students of the Wesley Foundation of the Methodist Church, Eugene, and the University of Oregon, arrived in Malin and spent their spring vacation working on the Migrant Ministry Building at the Malin Potato Harvest Camp. The group, accompanied by their college pastor, the Rev. Robert Kingsbury, included two students from Hong Kong, one from Korea and one from Honolulu. Others were from Oregon towns. Burton Hoyle, Tulalee, supervised the work. A similar group was previously present in Malin to help put up the building used for many purposes by volunteer members of the Klamath Council of Churches to aid families during the harvest season.

Photo by Burton Hoyle



BEATNIKS overran Altamont Junior High School recently during the school's traditional "Hick Day." These youngsters were winners of a costume contest during a beatnik dance. From left, they are, Barbara Holston, Tom Day, Cynthia Crain and Gerry Valentine. Jim Rogers, Klamath Union High School Krater photographer, got this excellent shot using a Speed Graphic press camera.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Washington:
The government's investment in price-supported wheat, corn, cotton, tobacco and other SURPLUS farm commodities totaled \$9,026,600,000 (nine billion, 26 million, 600 thousand dollars) on February 29 of this year.

This was down more than 200 million from the previous month, chiefly because of heavy sales of government-owned cotton (the cotton was sold at a loss, to get rid of it.)

Wheat, long the government's prime surplus bugaboo, was the most expensive item at \$3,384,522,428. The government owned 1,065,205,401 bushels of it, worth \$2,843,971,928. Loans on 303,037,161 bushels were valued at \$340,550,500. The corn investment (surplus) amounted to \$2,744,378,495.

The cotton inventory was 5,816,923 bales, worth \$1,016,875,694. No cotton loans were reported because, under the current cotton program, the government takes over virtually all choice cotton.

That is to say:
The government holds in its warehouses a little better than NINE BILLION DOLLARS worth of SURPLUS agricultural crops—chiefly wheat, corn, cotton and tobacco, none of which are grown to any extent in the State of Jefferson.

Here's what it means:
As long as this IMMENSE surplus remains in the hands of the government — subject to DUMPING at any moment when a change in voting resulted in a change of government policy—it will hang like a dark thundercloud over the agricultural markets.

Farm surpluses aren't the only surpluses.
For example:
You've heard of the "strategic materials" stock piles. The theory is that we should in time of peace collect a big store of these strategic materials—including copper, lead, magnesium, tin, etc.—so that, when some war, we'll have plenty of them on hand. It is a quite logical theory, just as logical as that in years of big agricultural production we should stockpile surplus farm crops for use in years when production slips.

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TICKETS, TICKETS! Who has the tickets? All members of the Klamath Falls Shrine Club will sell tickets to the annual Shrine Club benefit dance for crippled children. All proceeds of the dance, to be held Saturday, April 30, at the Klamath Falls Auditorium, will go to the Portland Crippled Children's Hospital where there are now four Klamath County children receiving help. Since 1943 there have been 160 from this area to receive aid. Two bands will play, Baldy's and Dennis Wayne of Longview. These four Shrine Club members, left to right, Fred Hedlock, Gracie Sanders, dance chairman, Joe Steele and Van Mollison, helped put tickets in the mail.