

Fire-Scarred Carrier 'Will Recover, Sail'

NEW YORK (AP)—The smoke faded. The hissing steam was stilled. But the scars of violence remained on the mighty aircraft carrier Constellation, a warship that had its baptism of fire before it ever saw duty.

Through the night and into the early morning today a valiant and tireless brigade of firemen and rescue workers swarmed over the ship probing through the dark smoky passages, skimming the last flashes of fire and searching for casualties.

Tall ladders, moving hoists and a maze of ropes and hoses formed a weird pattern against the dark looming bulk of the huge vessel. In the glare of the shifting floodlights, the men were like urgent Lilliputians swarming over a prostrate husk of a giant.

"Stretcher-bearers over here, please," barked a loudspeaker, and the ship yielded up another of its mournful cargo.

The carrier had cradled death and had known destruction while it still lay majestic at the berth where it was built. The Constellation was a battle-marked veteran six months before it entered the line.

The officers wore the strained but dogged look of men after battle. But the Navy, true to tradition, mustered its "carry on" grit.

"I would like to emphasize that this ship will recover from her damage and will go to sea," said Adm. Schuyler N. Pyne, in charge of the Brooklyn Shipyard where the vessel, 90 per cent complete when the fire came, was moored.

The ship's newly assigned skipper, Capt. Thomas J. Walker, noted and conjectured that the fire and death might cause "superstitions about the ship."

"I feel certain that this is not the case," he added. "The attitude

Fish Are Poor Fashion Accents

By ANN LANDERS

Dear Ann Landers: A friend of mine who considers herself well-dressed spends a fortune on clothes. The other day she showed up at a dinner party in a complete set of fish jewelry. She wore a necklace of gold with a big fish in the front. I think it was a walleye. The fish had emerald eyes and sapphire gills. The matching earrings were also fish—hanging head down. She wore a fish bracelet—more walleye. When I looked across the table at her I lost my appetite.

I asked my husband what he thought about the jewelry and he said "It's hideous." What to you think?—GERALDINE

Dear Geraldine: It's a matter of personal opinion. If you want mine, here it is: I don't care for life-like reproductions of animals, reptiles, fish or fowl as fashion accents.

I can't imagine anything more unappealing than fish hanging from a woman's ear-lobes.

Dear Ann Landers: I am the mother of three children. If I don't get some help I'll have a nervous breakdown. My children are normal, healthy and full of pep. I wouldn't want them any other way. They love one another very much but I'm afraid one of these days they'll kill each other.

The 11-year-old boy is always pounding on his 10-year-old brother. The girl, 13, throws things at the boys and slams doors on them. The tattling, arguing and name-calling goes on 24-hours a day. My husband says to leave them alone—that this is normal behavior.

I had no brothers or sisters so I don't know if this is the way all kids grow up. Our neighbors' kids don't seem to act this way and there are seven of them over

there. Please set me straight before I lose my mind.—MOM

Dear Mom: Show me a family of brothers and sisters who never quarrel and I'll show you a bunch of vegetables. It's normal for kids to be high-spirited and noisy but what goes on in your house reaches beyond this.

The competition between your children has gotten out of hand. You must not permit yourself to be dragged into their petty squabbles. Play no favorites, refuse to reward tale-bearing, and don't act as a referee.

You won't suffer from battle fatigue at the end of each day if you call the signals and refuse to let the kids run you ragged.

Dear Ann Landers: When a well-to-do man takes out a divorced woman (who works for a living) who pays the baby-sitter? This is always an embarrassing situation for me because my friend insists on paying the sitter and I am not sure he should.

He claims it's part of the expense of going out, and since he can afford it much better than I, there should be no argument. Will you comment?—EVE

Dear Eve: The baby sitter is engaged by you, and it is your responsibility to pay her. The gentleman is generous to want to relieve you of this expense, but don't permit it.

Confidential to Can't Stand Them: They probably can't stand you either. Why don't you be good to yourselves and find other friends?

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Search Resumes For Drowned Man

ALBANY (AP)—Search was resumed today for the body of the foreman of a Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad bridge maintenance crew.

Tony Senger, about 48, Portland, slipped while working under a bridge replacing timbers, and plunged into Muddy Creek near Shedd, about 15 miles south of here.

Crew members did not go in after him, believing he would grab hold of a floating fallen tree toward which he was drifting. But he went under before he reached it.

An Albany fire department rescue crew and residents of the area failed in efforts to recover the body of Senger, who had been living in a maintenance crew railroad car nearby.

'It's Outmoded' PORTLAND (AP)—Rep. Carl Francis, R-Dayton, said Monday he will sponsor a resolution in the 1961 Oregon Legislature to do away with the national electoral college.

He said, "It's an outmoded way to elect a president. We have instances where the popular choice did not get the electoral vote. And I think this is a valid criticism of the electoral college. At the time it was designed, we did not have the party system as it is developed now."

Francis said the president should be elected by a direct vote of the people.

If two-thirds of all states approve such a resolution, Congress would call a convention to consider it as a constitutional amendment.

SANTA BURNS TREE RACINE, Wis. (UPI)—Santa Claus burned up a Christmas tree Monday.

Defective wiring in an electric Santa Claus started a fire which burned up the Christmas tree in the Walter Pincelham home, firemen said. The fire injured no one, but caused \$25,000 damage.

Stops Stock Sale

PORTLAND (AP)—Stock sales at Pendleton and Baker resulted Monday in a federal judge issuing an injunction against further sales by a Salt Lake City man.

District Judge William G. East ordered Erwin J. Druke to stop selling shares in the New Hemisphere Life Insurance Co.

A complaint by the federal Securities and Exchange Commission said Druke was selling the stock, principally in the Pendleton and Baker areas, at \$100 a share, representing that to be the market price, whereas the value was only \$40 to \$45.

Man Falls To Death

PORTLAND (AP)—A workman on a repair crew sealing leaks in an airshaft wall at the county courthouse fell from scaffolding 25 feet to his death Monday.

He was Robert W. Cairncross, 56, Portland.

Another workman, Walter K. Mays, 24, Portland, said Cairncross lost his footing and plunged to the cement floor.

Pleads Innocent

HILLSBORO (AP)—A Portland woman pleaded innocent Monday to a charge that she helped circulate a false political pamphlet impugning the character, morals and integrity of Monroe Sweetland.

The pamphlet appeared in the recent political campaign before Republican Howell Appling was elected secretary of state over Sweetland, a state senator and Milwaukee publisher who was the Democratic nominee.

Four other Portland residents also have been indicted in Portland on criminal libel charges stemming from the pamphlet.

No trial date was set for Mrs. Henry, whose husband is a Portland Fire Bureau employee.

BASIN BRIEFS

Malin MALIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and California Oregon Power Company will sponsor an outdoor Christmas lighting contest in the Malin vicinity. There will be cash prizes in both adult and junior divisions. Judging will be Thursday evening, Dec. 22.

Midland MIDLAND GRANGE will meet Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 8 p.m. All members are urged to be present and bring a gift for the Share Christmas program at the Klamath Nursing Home Thursday, Dec. 22.

Bonanza BARBARA WELTE has returned to her home at Mankato, Minn., after spending a month with her aunt, Mrs. Mildred Campbell.

MRS. LOU McREYNOLDS is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Crystal Cheyne of Klamath Falls, for several weeks before going south for the winter.

MRS. MAE GALE left Langell Valley Dec. 13 for San Diego where she will spend the winter.

MRS. LESTER JONES and Mrs. John Brown spent a few days in Portland where they attended funeral services for Mrs. Jones' cousin, Frank Quimby.

MRS. BERTHA VINSON has gone to Reno to spend the holidays with her sons and their families.

MRS. JOE HYNES and Debbie of San Mateo are spending a few weeks in Bonanza with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Givan.

LOUIS MONROE of Cave Junction is visiting his sister, Mrs. Reg Thomas, and family.

BONANZA RESIDENTS are reminded to decorate for the Christmas season and try for one of the three cash prizes to be awarded after Dec. 20. For more information contact Mrs. Glen Huffman of Bonanza.

Silver Lake MRS. VIRGIL LITTLE and son, Gary, Primeville, spent the past week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Iverson. They visited relatives in Paisley Wednesday.

LINDA HANEY of The Dalles is visiting here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eston Porter.

ALBERT JOHNSON is hospitalized in Bend with a lung ailment.

LAWRENCE DEADMOND, who has spent the past several weeks in St. Charles Memorial Hospital, Bend, is now able to sit up. He suffered a broken pelvis and other injuries in a one-car accident while en route to Eugene.

McAULIFFE are in Red Bluff for the winter months.

They spent the warm season at their ranch home. McAuliffe Jr. is associated in the cattle business in Northern California and here with his father and brother, Patrick J. McAuliffe and Jimmy McAuliffe, who are also wintering in Cottonwood and Red Bluff with their families.

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