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Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

NEWSPAPER dispatches dealing with the expected war between Japan and China contain this interesting paragraph:
"While Japan's action in dispatching troops from Japan proper apparently convinced China that war is inevitable, Japanese officials declared they desired peace and would make strenuous efforts to maintain it."

ALL they ask is ALL THEY WANT. If China is willing to grant that, peace will be easily obtained. Peace is ALWAYS easy to obtain on that basis.

ANOTHER dispatch says:
"Spain rounds out a full year of civil war today (Saturday). A million men, women and children have been killed."

THE Spanish war, as nearly as puzzled readers can learn from rigidly censored news, is being fought to determine whether Spain shall be governed by a communist dictatorship (similar to Russia) or by a fascist dictatorship (similar to Italy).

Over on this still partially sensible side of the water, we wonder if it is worth what it is costing.

WE have to have government. That goes without saying. But if governments throughout the world, by common consent, would confine their activities to preventing crime, building roads, carrying the mail and a few such simple, fundamental services, human beings would be a lot better off.

One of the troubles with this modern world is that governments more or less everywhere take themselves so seriously, feeling that they have to do everything and be everything.

YOU will note that the total of a million dead in Spain includes women and children. There was a time in the history of the world when men made war on men, and killing women and children was barred by the rules. But that was back in the dark ages, before we became CIVILIZED.

LIGHTNING STARTS 150 FOREST FIRES IN NORTHWEST

PORTLAND, July 19 (AP)—The fire control division of the United States forestry service reported all weekend blazes started by lightning either out or under control today.

Portland, July 19 (AP)—The heavy lightning storm which struck western Oregon and Washington Saturday night started more than 150 forest fires, burned a residence near Vancouver, blew out transformers in this area and played some freakish tricks.

Forestry officials reported last night that timber was burning on scores of fronts, some furiously despite the combined efforts of CCC squads, the forest service and logging camp employees.

The Zigzag ranger station reported more than 100 lightning strikes in the Mount Hood national forest sector. From the Washington side of the Columbia gorge, K. P. Cecil, supervisor at Vancouver reported that of 81 lightning set fires in that area 45 had been placed under control last night by 200 fighters.

The home of Bert Anderson, a mile east of Vancouver, was razed by flames when a bolt hit the 66,000 volt main power line from White Salmon. Most of Vancouver was in flames.

COAST MAN SAITS SOUTH ON RAFT

MEDFORD, Ore., July 19 (AP)—Perry Stoughton, ex-sailor of Crescent City, Cal., set sail Sunday afternoon aboard a crude log raft for San Diego, Cal., according to H. U. Mitchell, who with a number of other Medford residents witnessed the departure.

Mitchell reported today that the sea adventurer got his clumsy raft in the grip of a favorable tide and wind about 4 o'clock Sunday and was soon lost to view in the open sea. For equipment Stoughton had a barrel of water, a suitcase, a life preserver, a few cans of food and a compass, Mitchell said.

The craft is doomed to go to pieces in the first rough water. Mitchell holds, adding he felt like calling an officer to halt what he viewed as "a suicide trip."

NAVY GIVES UP IN SEARCH FOR AMELIA'S PLANE

Husband of Famous Flier Reported Planning Private Ocean Expedition

HONOLULU, T. H., July 19 (UP)—Agents for George Putnam, husband of Amelia Earhart, reportedly were attempting late today to contact Captain Bill Anderson, veteran mid-Pacific skipper, to persuade him to undertake a further search for Miss Earhart, missing since July 2 on a flight from Lae, New Guinea, to Howland island.

Putnam was in Los Angeles where he proceeded from Oakland, Calif., after his wife and her navigator, Fred J. Noonan, disappeared on the longest and most difficult leg of a proposed round-the-world flight, started at Miami, Fla.

Last night the U. S. Navy, which sent the huge airplane carrier Lexington, the minesweeper Swan, the battleship Colorado and three destroyers to search the mid-Pacific, gave up the pair for dead.

By the Associated Press
HONOLULU, July 19—The mystery of Amelia Earhart's fate was left unsolved today in the south Pacific vastness where she and her navigator disappeared July 2, as weary searchers gave the pair up for dead and started homeward.

Four naval vessels, manned by more than 1500 beat-plagued men, sailed away empty handed from the torrid equator where they completed the greatest ocean hunt ever launched.

More than 250,000 square miles of ocean, reefs and islands were searched by ships and planes in desperate efforts to find Miss Earhart and her companion, Frederick J. Noonan.

Somewhere near the equatorial dot which is Howland island, the plucky aviatrix and her companion dropped from the skies in their fuelless land plane on a 2570 mile flight from Lae, New Guinea, to the mid-Pacific sandslip.

The trouble-headed, 39-year-old flier, known the world over for her aviation exploits, was circling the earth "just for fun," she said, but also to blaze possible new commercial routes.

Husband Grief-stricken
The great naval unit, which began a few minutes after the pair were overdue at Howland, was called off late yesterday when navy authorities estimated they were dead.

Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago	9	13	0
Brooklyn	0	4	4
Carlton and O'Dea; Hamlin and Phelps, Spencer.			
St. Louis	3	8	2
New York	2	6	1
Johnson and Owen; Gumbert, Coffman and Danning.			
Pittsburgh	6	14	1
Philadelphia	8	13	1
Borwan, Brown, Weaver, Brandt and Todd; Walters and Grace.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Washington	4	8	4
Detroit	8	13	0
Appleton, Chase and Millien; Poffenberger and Hayworth.			
Boston	4	5	1
Chicago	6	10	0
Marcum, Thomas, Walberg and Desautels; Kennedy, Rigney and Sewell.			
New York	8	13	0
Cleveland	5	10	0
Gomez and Dickey; Hudlin, Wyatt and Pytlak.			

LONE BEAVER CLOSES SAWMILL

LA GRANDE, July 19 (AP)—A lone beaver, protected by Oregon law, three times has closed one of the largest pine sawmills in eastern Oregon and each time reported 12 men three days to repair the damage—say nothing of the monetary cost.

The animal's penchant is to know holes in the flume from the log pond, causing the water to drain into the mill basement stopping operations of the plant.

H. N. Ashby, manager of the plant—the Bowman-Hicks Lumber company, knows the mischief the beaver is doing, but watches helplessly. He has appealed for help to the state game commission.

SHE COULDN'T WAIT
BOZEMAN, Mont., July 19 (AP)—Mrs. R. P. Bailey, drawing 13 spades in a bridge hand, didn't bother to bid her hand. She hurried to telephone a Montana State college mathematics teacher, who told her she would have to play 155,753,359,900 more games before expecting another perfect hand.

Klamath Golfers Had a Big Sunday



Klamath golfers turned out almost 100 per cent Sunday for the tournament between Weyerhaeuser players and others at the Reames Country club. The Weyerhaeuser team, challengers in the match, were defeated. The typical scene above was photographed at the ninth hole. Left to right: Oscar Peyton, Curt Strong, Dr. Ray Oldenburg and Bob Sloan.

PLUNGE KILLS CAR SALESMAN

John Butler of Klamath Falls Dies After Auto Skids Off Greensprings

Injured when his car plunged down a sheer cliff on the Greensprings highway near the summit, John Asher Butler, 37, Klamath Falls automobile salesman, died Sunday at the Ashland community hospital.

Butler left the Locke Motor company plant here, where he was employed, about 6 o'clock Saturday evening. He was found at the bottom of the cliff three hours later, indicating that he may have been there for some time before a passing motorist saw the skid marks where his car left the highway.

This motorist, whose name was not learned here, drove on to Ashland junction after seeing the marks. As he drove he decided that the marks might indicate a hitherto undiscovered accident, and he stopped at the junction to tell what he had seen.

A party went back to the spot and found Butler at the base of the 130-foot embankment. His head and chest were badly injured. A net building riding with him had been killed.

Butler was taken to a nearby ranch house and given first aid. From there he was taken to the Ashland community hospital.

Strikes Ditch First
State police at Medford said that they believed Butler must have proceeded around a sharp curve at a lively speed. When the tires struck soft dirt, the car careened down the embankment.

Tracks indicated the car first struck a ditch and then crossed a gulch.

JAPS THREATEN SEVERE ACTION IN CHINESE TROUBLE

TOKYO, July 19 (AP)—A Domei (Japanese) news agency dispatch from Tientsin tonight said the Japanese army command there had served a virtual ultimatum on the Chinese military, declaring it would "take independent action" unless all Chinese firing against Japanese ceased immediately.

This threat followed a renewal of fighting in the zone west of Peiping, where Japanese and Chinese troops have been in intermittent conflict since July 7.

Japanese military reports said Chinese soldiers making a concrete pillbox near Lukouchiao, on the Yungting river 10 miles west of Peiping, fired on a Japanese detachment, gravely wounding Captain Misayoshi Yamazaki.

RASKOB BECOMES BIG SCALE FARMER

NEW YORK, July 19 (UP)—John J. Raskob, financier, announced today that he is about to become a rancher, but by remote control. With Thomas D. Campbell, Montana wheat king, he has acquired a 250,000-acre ranch in Socorro county, N. M., for "under \$1 an acre," he said.

"I don't know anything about farming," Raskob said, "but Mr. Campbell knows enough for both of us. We plan to spend much more than what we paid for the land in irrigation and soil development."

He denied reports that he planned to establish legal residence in the southwest and run for the U. S. senate.

Glaciers Begin Annual Trek Down Shasta

Mt. Shasta's migratory glaciers, Whitney and Bolan, are moving down the mountain again, and there is danger of another traffic tie-up on the Weed-Klamath Falls highway and the Southern Pacific railroad.

Both lie in the path of the subsequent flows of these glaciers. In the past two years, rock and silt from the glacier movement have been deposited on the railroad and highway in such volumes that traffic has been blocked for several days.

Hot weather gives the impetus to the glaciers, and the current heat wave has definitely started their annual movement.

Bell mountain and Herd peak fire lookouts in the Goosee nest district of the Shasta National forest observed the first activity of the glaciers two or three days ago. The lookouts are so located that with the aid of powerful field glasses they can observe all movement on the ice fields.

They reported that early Friday morning a crevice formed on the east side of the upper end of Whitney glacier and gradually worked across, reaching the west side of the glacier by noon.

TWINS SAY TWINS WERE ALREADY MARRIED TO TWINS
LOS ANGELES, July 19 (UP)—Hubert and Herbert Sharp, 25, twin brothers, who married twin sisters, sued to annul the twin marriage today by contending their wives were still married to a pair of other twins.

Hubert said his wife, the former Lois M. Coats, 24, never had obtained a final divorce decree from Ray Sebring, a marine; and Herbert made the same charge against his wife, Louise, once married to Roy Sebring, Ray's twin and fellow marine. The Sebrings married the sisters at Fort Orchard, Wash., December 27, 1934, and were divorced last year. The Sharp brothers married them at Marian, Ark., last December 28.

Night Wire Flashes

CHINA DENIES PACT
NANKING, Tuesday, July 20 (UP)—The Chinese foreign office today denied reports that an agreement was signed at Tientsin last night providing for complete settlement of the North China crisis.

GIO GETS WOODWORKERS
BOSTON, July 19 (UP)—Delegates to the annual convention of the Federation of Woodworkers voted by an overwhelming majority tonight to forsake the American Federation of Labor and affiliate with the Committee for Industrial Organization. The vote was 350 to 74.

CLAIMED BY BRITAIN
LONDON, July 19 (UP)—Great Britain has asserted her claim to Canton Island in the Pacific ocean, rejecting the United States claim. Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the house of commons today.

WILL FOUND
PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 19 (UP)—Dr. George W. Webster, 80, prominent obstetrician, executed a will naming his wife sole beneficiary two days before he was mysteriously slain. It was revealed today.

REBELS WAGE FIERCE FIGHT NEAR MADRID

Climax of War Reached As Insurgents Try to Regain Lost Territory

MADRID, July 19 (AP)—The heaviest battle of the Spanish civil war thus far raged west of Madrid today as insurgents launched a fierce drive to hurl government troops back to the capital.

Insurgent a and government planes and artillery crashed bombs and shells into opposing lines near Brunete, newly-won government position 12 miles west of Madrid.

In the air, an estimated 150 planes fought for supremacy, with government forces gradually gaining a slight advantage.

The insurgent air force renewed a smashing bombardment of government front lines and communication routes. A duel between big guns—ranging in size from three to 10 inches—echoed all day in the capital.

Besides the Brunete spearhead into insurgent lines, government forces kept chipping at insurgent positions closer to Madrid.

Government guns shelled a military camp near Carabanchel, outside the southern limits of the city. Government aircraft followed up with a heavy bombardment of the camp, where insurgents have concentrated a reserve contingent in former air force barracks.

Re-capture of Brunete was regarded as vital for insurgent forces because government artillery from new emplacements, is shelling insurgent positions near Madrid from both the front and rear.

MRS. ROOSEVELT SIGNED TO WRITE MOVIE BLURBS
HOLLYWOOD, July 19 (UP)—Samuel Goldwyn, regarded by his friends as the P. T. Barnum of the motion picture industry, added a new laurel to his crown tonight by announcing that he has "hired" Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the president, to write movie ads.

Goldwyn said Mrs. Roosevelt would write blurbs for "Stella Dallas," a Goldwyn picture which will be released within a few weeks.

The announcement said the president's wife, a newspaper columnist in her own right, has been "hired" as a special advertising writer to work only on the "Stella Dallas" publicity campaign.

The ad was leaked out, by accident or design, in advance of the picture's preview showing at the Hollywood theater Thursday night. A studio spokesman said it had not been intended to release the announcement at this time.

"Proofs" of the first advertisement have been read by the studio but it was not known whether it has been formally approved.

The new ad was said to have scored a "ghost writer" in Mrs. Roosevelt's own words. She will write the entire series, the studio said.

TIN FENCE HALTS CRICKET ADVANCE

SUNDANCE, Wyo., July 19 (AP)—Farmers in this district appeared to have halted temporarily the advance of millions of the huge Mormon crickets by use of gleaming tin.

Taking a tip from ranchers east of here, crews of men started construction of a barrier consisting of eight-inch boards set on edge with four-inch strips of tin curving outward nailed to the top of each board.

Cricket, trying vainly to climb over the tin, were falling back in to pits dug along the fence, where they were trapped in oil or cricket dust.

KING GEORGE NOW BUCK PRIVATE

LONDON, July 19 (UP)—King George VI, who has more titles than you can shake an English hutton at, collected a new one today—buck private in the Boston unit of the Massachusetts national guard.

The British monarch accepted an honorary membership in the ancient and honorable artillery company of Boston, whose only actual authority consists of being a unit of the Massachusetts national guard, thereby adding a buck private to his lengthy list of titles.

High School Construction Bonds Sold

A bond issue to finance Klamath Union high school's \$205,000 expansion program was sold Monday night when bids were opened by the high school board.

The successful bid was submitted by the First National Bank of Portland, through G. C. Lorenz of the Klamath Falls branch. The First National offered \$100.17 and interest at 2 1/2 per cent.

Seven firms bid for the issue. Construction will begin August 2, according to Percy Murray, chairman of the high school board, with the first unit consisting of a small addition to the field house on Modoc field and building a roof for the stands.

The complete program includes several new class rooms on the western side of the school building and shops and a playing floor in another building adjoining the school on the eastern side.

COUNCIL EYEING HIGHWAY ROUTE

Change Left to Traffic Survey Results; Condition of Ninth Watched

City councilmen made it plain at their meeting Monday night that they are not "taking sides" or attempting in any way to influence selection by the state highway commission of a route through the city.

Councilmen said that their sole interest is to find out, where possible, what state highway authorities have in mind for future routing, so they may handle city affairs in connection with the highway accordingly.

Ninth Shows Wear
It was reported that several Ninth street residents had expressed the hope that the highway would eventually be moved off that street. Fire Chief Keith Ambrose, who lives on Ninth street, told the councilmen that rats are already developing in the asphalt paving there, the result of travel on the street by heavy duty trucks.

Councilmen agreed that it would be well to keep an eye on the situation, but the highway authorities would be moved off of Ninth street and leave the paving in such condition the city would be put to expense to repair or reconstruct it.

Flasher Accepted
No definite word has been received from the highway commission as to its plans for routes through the city.

The council accepted a proposition made by John Beakley, state highway traffic man, to the effect that the state highway department would install a flasher at the end of the South street viaduct if the city would provide the electricity for its operation.

Mayor of New York
WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—Senator Cappelletti (D-N.Y.) said today he definitely intended to be a candidate for mayor of New York on an anti-new deal platform.

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—James J. Walker, former mayor of New York, said here today he would not run for that office this year.

TODAY'S NEWS DIGEST

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LOCAL	Bonds for high school expansion sold to First National Bank of Portland for \$100.17 at 2 1/2 per cent interest. Page 1.
LOCAL	John A. Butler, 37, Klamath Falls, killed in automobile accident on Greensprings highway. Page 1.
LOCAL	Oregon State auto association driver testing school will be here this weekend. Free use of testing equipment available to Klamath motorists. Page 8.
LOCAL	Whitney and Bolan glaciers, reacting to heat wave, start movement down side of Mt. Shasta. Traffic tie-ups on S. P. and Weed-Klamath roads may again result. Page 1.
LOCAL	Wool sale begins in Klamath basin with approximately 15,300 fleeces sold Saturday. Sale price about \$34.675. Page 7.
GENERAL	Heaviest fighting of Spanish civil war waged west of Madrid as insurgents seek to regain lost ground. Hundred and sixty planes clash in air battle. Page 1.
GENERAL	Governor Lehman of New York, political friend of president, takes stand against Roosevelt court bill, urging senator to voice opposition. Page 1.
GENERAL	Navy gives Amelia up for dead, vessels head for port. Husband reported planning to take up search. Page 1.
GENERAL	Brooklyn, rest of Long Island and southern Connecticut feel earthquake shock at midnight Sunday. Page 1.
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N. Y. GOVERNOR OPPOSES COURT STUFFING PLAN

President's Friend Sees Independence Threatened; Foes Hail Blow

WASHINGTON, July 19 (UP)—Sources close to the administration said tonight that President Roosevelt and his advisers feel confident that the senate will defeat attempts to recommit the supreme court reorganization bill to the judiciary committee, and will pass the measure in its present compromise form.

By JOE ALEX MORRIS
United Press Staff Correspondent
A B O A R D CONGRESSIONAL SPECIAL EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON, July 19 (UP)—Vice-President John Nance Garner tonight proclaimed the administration's neutrality in the contest for leadership of the senate to replace the late majority leader, Joseph T. Robinson of Arkansas.

His announcement was made at a time when it was believed the senate vote on President Roosevelt's judicial bill would be delayed until after Robinson's successor is chosen Wednesday, and as foes of the administration court bill were heartened by the addition of Governor Herbert H. Lehman, New York Democrat and friend of Mr. Roosevelt, to their ranks.

May Delay Vote
It appeared that the proponents of the court bill still wished to delay the vote until after Wednesday's democratic caucus, when it would be known whether Har-

FILM EXTRA HELD IN LOS ANGELES MURDER PROBE

LOS ANGELES, July 19 (UP)—Mysterious death of Dorothy May Garland, former dignity district attorney, was attributed to chronic alcoholism in an autopsy report tonight, which virtually exonerated an actress friend who had been held on suspicion of murder.

Dr. A. F. Wagner, county autopsy surgeon, reported the victim had a history of acute alcoholism and was undergoing treatment at the time of her death.

Arrest of Kay Tutwiler, 25, on suspicion of murder and the detention of Luther Allen, 32, as a material witness resulted from a report by Mrs. Garland's physician.

Dr. Wendell W. Starr told detectives he has been treating the pretty woman lawyer for alcoholism and last Wednesday, on a professional visit to her home, saw her thrown to the floor and kicked in a quarrel with Miss Tutwiler.

The two women and Allen had participated in a drinking party. Dr. Starr asserted Mrs. Garland refused to go to the hospital until Friday, he said, and died the next day.

Miss Tutwiler, employed by a WPA project, denied there was an altercation.

BALLOONS "PRACTICAL"

ROCHESTER, Minn., July 19 (AP)—Dr. Jean Piccard announced today he expects to make a stratosphere flight in a new type aircraft, made up of many small balloons, which his ascension yesterday was declared to have proven is practical.