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Tourists See This



This sign, designating the Klamath chamber of commerce travel bureau at the junction of the Weed-Klamath and Pacific highways at Weed, is stopping increasing numbers of tourists who inquire about travel advantages on route No. 97. When the last count was announced, 56 per cent of the travel into Crater lake this year had gone in from The Dalles-California highway, indicating that the Weed bureau is helping bring travel this way. Vernon Kaykendall, KUHR teacher, in charge of the bureau this summer, was a visitor from Weed Tuesday.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS GOVERNOR LEHMAN of New York urges Senator Wagner to OPPOSE President Roosevelt's bill to weaken the independence of the supreme court.

That is the biggest political news of the summer.

WHEN enemies of Roosevelt oppose the scheme to stuff the supreme court with New Dealers, their motives (no matter how good they may be) are questioned by large numbers of people. But when FRIENDS of Roosevelt oppose the stuffing of the supreme court with consequent weakening of its independence EVERYONE must take heed.

GOVERNOR LEHMAN is one of Roosevelt's OUTSTANDING friends. This is the first time he has opposed any Roosevelt administration policy.

When Roosevelt was governor of New York and Lehman was lieutenant-governor, Roosevelt often referred to Lehman as "my good right arm."

This close friendship has continued unbroken up to now.

GOVERNOR LEHMAN in his letter to Senator Wagner (author of the Wagner labor relations act) says: "This bill (the court-stuffing

bill) I believe to be contrary to the social well-being of our people. Its enactment would create a GREATLY DANGEROUS PRECEDENT which would be availed of by future less well-intentioned administrations for the purpose of OPPRESSION or for the curtailment of the constitution." (Continued on Page Five)

16-YEAR-OLD BOY KILLS FATHER FOR BEATING MOTHER

PORT MOODY, B. C., July 20 (UP)—William Metcalfe, 16, tonight shot and killed his father, Major Samuel Metcalfe, 60, World War veteran, as he was beating the boy's mother, then notified authorities, police said.

The shooting occurred after a family quarrel at which William and his sister, Shirley, were present, the boy told officers. The boy said he had warned his father he would shoot him if he abused his mother again.

Police said Metcalfe took the slugs out of the cartridges which fitted the boy's .22 caliber rifle, but the boy procured more shells, and reloaded the gun.

The boy told police his father taunted him when he returned to the house after being "chased out once."

The boy fired one shot, hitting his father in the heart and killing him instantly.

M'KENZIE REOPENS SALEM, July 20 (AP)—The summit of McKenzie Pass, closed several days for oiling, was opened at noon today, the highway department said.

Guglielmo Marconi, Inventor Of Wireless, Dies at Rome

ROME, July 20 (AP)—The Marquis Guglielmo Marconi who invented wireless telegraphy when he was only 21 years old, died unexpectedly at 2:45 a. m. to day (9:45 p. m. Monday EST) at the ancient palace in downtown Rome where he lived and worked.

The 63-year-old conqueror of the ether died quietly of heart paralysis. His widow, the Countess Cristina Beatrice, was at his bedside. She had been called back from the seaside resort of Viareggio when he began to feel ill yesterday afternoon.

His daughter, Elettra Elena, whose godmother is Queen Elena of Italy, remained at the resort and will not return to Rome until time for the state funeral. Today is her eighth birthday.

Premier Mussolini, whose ar-

POLICE HELD INNOCENT IN RIOT DEATHS

Chicago Coroner's Jury Rules Strike Killings "Justifiable Homicide"

CHICAGO, July 20 (AP)—A coroner's jury returned a verdict of a justifiable homicide today in reporting on the deaths of 10 persons slain in the Memorial day steel strike riot in South Chicago.

The jury, comprising six unemployed members of the American Legion, deliberated slightly less than an hour. Presentation of evidence required six days.

In each of the 10 fatalities the jurors found the "deceased came to his death from bullet wounds inflicted by an unknown police officer."

Police Testify "We believe that the death (name) was justifiable homicide," the jury announced in each case.

The jurors said they found that the victims came to their deaths while marching with a large body of "well armed" persons attempting to "force their way" through police lines to reach the plant of the Republic Steel corporation.

During the inquest several policemen testified to having been clubbed and struck by stones, and other witnesses testified the first shot was fired from the marchers' ranks.

No Comment Four attorneys represented the steel workers organizing committee during the inquest conducted by Coroner Frank J. Walsh with Assistant State's Attorney Mal Coghlan and Chief Deputy Coroner James Whalen questioning most of the witnesses.

Neither the union attorneys nor the prosecutor made any immediate comment on the verdict. The inquest had been adjourned. (Continued on Page Three)

WRESTLING FAN INJURES THREE AT MEDFORD ARENA

MEDFORD, Ore., July 20 (AP)—Harvey E. Snider, 23, taxi driver, who threw an empty whiskey flask at a wrestling match last night injuring three spectators, entered a plea of guilty in circuit court this morning on a district attorney's information.

Passing of sentence was deferred by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton, pending the outcome of injuries sustained by Mrs. Ray Love, who was struck in the temple by the flying missile. An x-ray examination this morning revealed no concussion as first feared. Physicians said she was still suffering from dizziness.

Robert Neilson, wearing spectacles, sustained a severe cut over one eye, and the flask narrowly missed the glasses. Tony Daily, seated nearby, was hit in the head but sustained no cuts.

Snider, who admitted hurling the flask, was a gallery patron and became incensed at the rulings of Referee Sammy Kohlen during an exhibition between Frankie Clemens and Jack Laitue. The bottle was hurled a distance of 100 feet with a downhill slant and travelled at terrific speed.

Snider was arrested by Chief of Police McCredie and escorted from the grandstand following an angry crowd. Snider was accompanied by his wife and infant child.

Snider waived a preliminary hearing in justice court this morning and was taken to the higher court for pleading.

ATTRACTIVE GIRL FOUND DEAD NEAR HARLEM SPEEDWAY

NEW YORK, July 20 (AP)—An attractive young woman was shot and killed early today and left by the roadside of the old Harlem River speedway where the town's gay blades raced their trotters in the nineties.

Hours later she was identified as Irma Louise Pradler, 35-year-old French domestic, by a Catholic nun who had known her through religious work. Police were unable to learn immediately however, where she lived or worked or to discover any motive for the slaying.

Police concluded from the rumpled condition of the woman's clothing and a dirty abrasion on her face that she had been thrown from an automobile.

Klamath Polls Increased to Speed Vote

Klamath Falls will have 22 precincts instead of 25 when the next election is held.

Precinct revision work at the county clerk's office has proceeded to the point where that result was apparent Tuesday.

Notices will be sent out to all voters whose precinct number has been changed in the general re-vamping program, according to Deputy Clerk Al Croup. Croup has been working on precinct revision for several weeks.

Purpose of the changes is to make smaller precincts. This is expected to facilitate voting and counting the votes. Congestion at the polls will be relieved and the distance to the polls from residences in the precincts will be shortened.

Under the revision, Mills addition will have seven precincts instead of four.

Precincts where changes have been made are 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.

Average number of voters in each precinct is about 280 now. Total city registration is 8327.

Croup suggested that voters living in precincts affected by the (Continued on Page Three)

MOB LYNCHES NEGRO YOUTHS

MASKED MEN SHOOT PAIR SUSPECTED OF STABBING POLICEMAN IN FLORIDA

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., July 20 (AP)—Two young Negroes accused of stabbing a Tallahassee policeman were taken from the county jail—located two blocks from the state capitol—early today and shot to death by a small mob of masked men.

Five placards, one of them saying "Warning, this is what will happen to all Negroes that harm white people," were found at the scene of the lynching, three miles from the capitol and within sight of the heavily-travelled Tallahassee-Jacksonville highway.

Persons living near the scene said they heard shots about 4 a. m.

Desk Sergeant Locked Up Awakened by cries for help from the cell block of the jail, County Jailer Robert Malge said he found Harry Fairbanks, city desk sergeant, locked inside the block.

Fairbanks told him, Malge said, that a band of men entered police headquarters and forced him at gun point to go to the county jail and deliver the Negroes to them.

Fairbanks was off duty when the Negroes' bodies were found and could not be located. Authorities yesterday charged the two Negroes, listed as Richard Hawkins and Ernest Ponder, each about 18, with stabbing Patrolman F. Kelly Sunday. Police said both confessed, each accusing the other of the actual stabbing. The patrolman is in serious condition.

Other placards at the lynching (Continued on Page Three)

CLYDE PANKBORN HELD IN RUSSIA ON PLANNING TRIP

MOSCOW, Wednesday, July 21 (UP)—Clyde Pankborn, American pilot who is planning a non-stop round the world flight, was reported today to be under arrest at the isolated town of Kikileki.

He allegedly attempted to enter Russia without a visa. Pankborn took the plane at the last minute and was unable to obtain a visa, hoping to get one across the border.

He reportedly was completing arrangements for his long-projected round-the-world flight, originally announced as scheduled for the summer of 1936. He planned to use a giant "Flying Wings" monoplane, designed especially for long distance flying. Three planes stationed at various points around the globe would refuel the flying wing.

LIPPMAN QUITS NEWSPAPER GUILD

NEW YORK, July 20 (AP)—Walter Lippman, New York Herald-Tribune columnist, informed the American Newspaper Guild today he would pay no more membership dues as long as the organization "stands committed to . . . political opinions."

Heywood Brown, president of the guild, and William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, had brought the name of Lippman, Westbrook Pegler and Dorothy Thompson into their controversy over the guild's change of membership from the A. F. of L. to the CIO.

Neither Pegler nor Miss Thompson was immediately available for comment.

FORD CONCERN, WORKERS FACE ASSAULT TRIAL

Formal Charges Grow Out Of Beating Of Union Men At Plant May 28

DETROIT, July 20 (AP)—Common Pleas Judge Ralph W. Liddy today ordered eight individuals and the Ford Motor company as a corporation held for trial in the Wayne county circuit court, on an assault warrant based on the riot at the Ford plant gates May 26.

The formal charge was assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than the crime of murder, in connection with the beating of United Automobile Workers members attempting to distribute union literature near Ford's River Rouge plant in suburban Dearborn.

Two Broken Vertebrae Judge Liddy acted after hearing evidence that William Merrifield, in whose injuries the warrant was based, suffered two broken vertebrae. He said he found "probable cause" has been established against all of the defendants.

Conviction on the charge might result in a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment and \$1000 fine.

The individuals held for trial in the court's September term are Everett Moore of the Ford service department which polices company property; Wilfred Comment, Samuel Taylor, Worshon Sarkisian, Charles Goodman, Oscar Jones and Theodore Greig, all Ford employes, and Russell J. Edick, former newspaper circulation employee.

Ninth Disappears A ninth defendant, Angelo Caruso, has disappeared. The warrant was issued after Judge Liddy conducted a one-man grand jury inquiry to wipe out all Ford employes, and Russell J. Edick, former newspaper circulation employee.

Two Jurors, Charles Atkinson, Lake City rancher, and Ed McConaughy, Ft. Bidwell rancher, submitted affidavits today denying allegations in an affidavit filed by Royal Payne, an uncle of the defendant.

Payne claimed the jurors after the first trial, July 2, in which French was convicted of the murder of McCracken, publisher of a rival Alturas newspaper, carried on a conversation about the trial contrary to the court's instruction.

McConaughy was foreman of the jury which convicted French and found him sane last week. The jury failed to recommend leniency, making imposition of the death sentence mandatory.

POLICE WIPE OUT VICE OPERATIONS IN ASTORIA AREA

ASTORIA, July 20 (AP)—The two months' campaign of state and county officers to wipe out a vice ring in Clatsop county resulted in a plea of guilty by 13 men to morals charges involving young boys and girls. Sheriff Paul Kearney said tonight in announcing the suicide of one of those arrested, believed to be the ringleader of the organization.

The sheriff reported that Harry Joffe, Astoria shoe shine parlor operator, hanged himself on the bars of the county jail after making his confession Friday before Circuit Judge Howard K. Zimmerman.

The investigation, which started May 9 at Seaside, brought admissions of crime dating back as far as 1916. The sheriff said he revealed the results of the concentrated drive. He declared most of the ringleaders were captured but that investigations would be continued.

Joffe was charged with luring youngsters into his shop, paying them and threatening death if they told of the violations committed.

Sheriff Kearney said Dr. Thomas O. Withers, 64-year-old optometrist, was among the men pleading guilty to charges. Four of those arrested were released on bail.

The sheriff said investigating officers discovered parties in private homes and cottages along the beach, where in some instances boys were dressed as girls.

Night Wire Flashes

RETURN HOP NEW YORK, July 20 (UP)—James Mattson has bought a Ford tri-motor plane from T. W. A. Airlines in Kansas City and plans to make a non-stop, refueling-in-air flight from Oakland, Calif., airport to Moscow via the north pole, it was learned tonight.

SUSPECT HELD

SAN RAFAEL, Cal., July 20 (UP)—Because he babbed about "shoving a boy in a well up around Tacoma," a bare-footed and hatless itinerant was arrested today at Ignacio, in Marin county, for questioning by department of justice men in connection with the Mattson kidnap-murder case.

CHARTER REVOKED

LOS ANGELES, July 20 (UP)—The Spiritual Psychic Science church was deprived of its charter late today at a court hearing in which witnesses testified that Joe Penner's duck "Goo-Goo" and a fictitious "Nellie Poor Cluck" were made duly ordained "ministers." Nellie in exchange for a stray bulldog.

"Suicides" Lead Sudden Sally In Chinese War; Japs Sieze Control of Tientsin Harbor

By F. M. FISHER United Press Staff Correspondent PEIPING, Wednesday, July 21 (UP)—Led by naked warriors of the "suicide brigade" who rushed screaming into the face of Japanese machine-gun fire, Chinese troops of the 29th army flung themselves against Japanese lines below the walls of Peiping early today in a sudden attack that threatened to explode the north China crisis into open war.

While the Japanese cabinet met in Tokyo in emergency session, with rumors that a formal declaration of war might be made, the Japanese military command in North China ordered an advance on Chinese positions along the Yungting river, southwest of Peiping.

The roar of Japanese guns along the river, a dozen miles southwest of Peiping, broke out again, increasing in tempo until it was apparent general fighting had begun. The Chinese batteries on the right bank of the Yungting, near Lukouchiao, opened fire after hours of silence, and the Japanese replied, shelling the barracks at Lukouchiao.

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Their fate was not known, but it was supposed they had been annihilated by sputtering Japanese machine-guns. About 20 youths were in the attack.

Japanese Advance. Inspired by the death charge, Chinese troops swarmed out of trenches and attacked Japanese positions, but apparently failed to dislodge the veteran fighters of the Kwangtung army.

The attack, however, was a signal for a general Japanese advance in what their military leaders called a "punitive expedition" against the Chinese.

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Motion Delays Sentencing of Harry French

ALTURAS, Cal., July 20 (AP)—Sentencing of Harry French, 30, for his first-degree murder conviction in the "newspaper feud" shooting March 25 of Claude McCracken, 36, was deferred today until August 6.

The postponement was ordered by the court after defense attorneys submitted a motion for a new trial. Superior Judge Ferdinand Jamison said he would rule on the motion August 6, and pronounce judgment the same day.

Two Jurors, Charles Atkinson, Lake City rancher, and Ed McConaughy, Ft. Bidwell rancher, submitted affidavits today denying allegations in an affidavit filed by Royal Payne, an uncle of the defendant.

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Baseball PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Table with columns for Pacific Coast League teams: Seattle, San Diego, Smith, Plekrel and Fernandez; Chaplin and Starr; Los Angeles; San Francisco; (10 Innings); Fibbers, Evans and Collins; Gibson and Woodall; Portland; Sacramento; Pasedel and Tresh; Newsome and Cooper; Missions; Oakland; Nitcholes, Beck, Ardizola and Outen; Piechota and Raimondi.

Table with columns for American League teams: Washington; Chicago.

GOVERNOR FLOODED WITH APPLICATIONS FOR COURT POST

SALEM, July 20 (AP)—Candidates for the supreme court post vacated Friday by the death of Justice James U. Campbell have snowed Governor Martin under with applications, the governor said today.

He did not reveal who any of the applicants were, but seven persons were mentioned prominently.

Leading candidates were believed to be Ralph E. Moody, assistant attorney general; Circuit Judges Hall S. Lusk of Portland, G. F. Skipworth of Eugene and Earl Latourette of Oregon City. Oscar Hayter, Dallas attorney; Evan Reames, Medford and John Beckman, Portland, who served as the governor's legal adviser during the last legislature.

All are democrats except Moody, whom republicans are believed to be sponsoring with the argument that the governor could gain republican support by appointing him.

Lusk also is a candidate for U. S. district judge in Portland, and doubt was expressed that he would accept the supreme court position. Justice Campbell's successor would serve only until the November, 1938, general election.

DEMOS SIGNED TO BOTTLE UP COURT REFORM

Move Hinges On Failure Of Compromise Within Two Days; Eight Agree

By JOHN R. BEAL United Press Correspondent WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP)—Sen. Edward R. Burke, D. Neb., tonight jubilantly claimed enough opposition votes to pigeonhole President Roosevelt's supreme court reorganization bill after eight democratic senators agreed to join the movement to bottle it up for this session.

Sen. Clyde Herring, D. Ia., one of the group, said the agreement was contingent on failure of the administration and opposition to work out an acceptable compromise within two days.

Day of Surprises This development climaxed a day of uncertainty and surprises as senate democrats prepared to select a successor to their dead majority leader, Sen. Joe T. Robinson, at a caucus tomorrow. The opposing candidates, Sen. Alben W. Barkley, Ky., and Sen. Pat Harrison, Miss., were confident of victory.

The administration denied taking any part in the contest although the impression on Capitol Hill was that the White House preferred Barkley.

Demos Join Move Barkley and Harrison figured in a late conference with President Roosevelt at the White House, along with Vice President John N. Garner and Sen. Key Pittman, D. Nev., president pro tempore of the senate. None of the participants would discuss the parley. They said there was no talk of the leadership fight and that the court bill was mentioned only in connection with the general legislative program.

The democratic senators joining the pigeonholing move, in addition to Herring, were John H. Owen, La.; Alva B. Adams and Edwin C. Johnson, Colo.; Charles O. Andrews, Fla.; Prentiss Brown, Mich.; Richard B. Russell, Ga., and William J. Bulow, S. D. They met at Overton's invitation and agreed to join the attempt to send the bill back to the senate judiciary committee.

Copyright, 1937, by United Press MADRID, July 20 (UP)—Nearly 250,000 picked rebel troops and 200 warplanes tonight abandoned their savage three-day assault on newly-won loyalist positions west of Madrid after suffering "staggering" casualties, the government high command announced.

"We threw back the cream of Gen. Francisco Franco's troops without losing a single inch of ground gained in the government offensive in the Guadarrama sector," a member of Gen. Jose Miaja's staff said.

Calm Descends A sudden calm descended upon the shattered battlefronts, 24 miles west of Madrid after five days of slaughter in which nearly 500,000 men fought the greatest military engagements since the World War.

Many observers believed the casualties of rebels and loyalists would reach 15,000 or 15,000.

REBELS DESERT MADRID ATTACK

Newly Won Loyalist Positions Withstand Blast Of Franco's Insurgents

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP)—The navy's failure to find Amelia Earhart and her navigator, Fred Noonan, lost in the Pacific ocean near Howland island, was unfortunate but the search provided valuable training and experience for those who took part in the hunt, President Roosevelt said today.

He branded as plain prevarication reports that the search had cost the government \$4,250,000 and struck back at those who publicly questioned whether such a hunt would have been ordered if the victim were a poor fisherman or any other American less prominent than Miss Earhart.

The navy, the president said, will go into action again in the future to search for missing Americans, rich or poor, if information is available giving the slightest hope of a rescue. The cost of the Earhart-Nonnan search could not be estimated, he added, because fliers are required to have a certain number of flying hours each year as part of their training and it matters not whether the hours are obtained on search duty or on maneuvers.

PRESIDENT HITS CRITICS OF HUNT FOR AMELIA

WASHINGTON, July 20 (UP)—Premier Benito Mussolini of Italy has offered to furnish Nationalist Generalissimo Franco (Continued on Page Three)

NEW CANDIDATES FOR JUDGESHIP MAY BE ASKED

WASHINGTON, July 20 (AP) The department of justice may call for a new list of candidates for the federal judge vacancy in Oregon, Congressman Walter Pierce said today.

Pierce said he received this impression in a conversation with Attorney-General Cummings. The new list would eliminate candidates mentioned since the first of the year.

The congressman discussed the name of Miss Celia Gavitt, The Dalles, with the attorney general but made no recommendations.

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