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WORLD NEWS

Fire Loose

CHATSWORTH, Calif. — A brush fire roared down out of the hills above this Los Angeles suburb today to the edge of the San Fernando Valley's rich ranchlands. A fire official said that 15 structures were destroyed or damaged.

20 Indians Drown

BOMBAY — Official reports today said 20 persons were drowned in Godavari River when their boat capsized 50 miles from Ahmednagar. Ten persons swam to safety.

China Likes Purge

HONG KONG — Red China gave full approval and support today to the Soviet Union's purge of leading Communists, Peiping radio reported.

Icebergs Reported

NEW YORK — A heavy concentration of icebergs in dense fog off Newfoundland was reported today by the captain of the Greek liner New York on the ship's arrival here today.

Rocket A Dud

FT. CHURCHILL, Man. — The second rocket firing in a U. S. test series seeking scientific information on the upper atmosphere ended in failure early today. The first rocket went 160 miles up yesterday.

Army Depot Burns

HANAU, Germany — A fire in a U. S. Army depot at nearby Grossauheim was put out today after destroying an estimated \$400,000 worth of Army furniture. No one was injured in the hours-long battle against the flames.

AF Planes In Korea

SUWON AIR BASE, Korea — The first up-to-date U. S. Air Force planes to land in Korea since the end of the Korean war touched down today at this South Korean air base. Their appearance was for display only and they were to return to their base in Japan later today.

Norstad Takes Over

MARBURG, Germany — Gen. Lauris Norstad today took command of the first German forces assigned to the Atlantic Alliance.

STADY CUSTOMER

DALLAS, Tex. — H. W. Garner has cut L. O. Braden's hair more than 1,476 times in 41 years. The barber and Braden figured it on the basis of a hair trim every 10 days since 1916.

WEATHER

Partly cloudy and warm today with scattered showers and thundershowers this afternoon and evening. Partly cloudy and turning a little cooler tonight and Saturday.
Low this morning 67
Low tomorrow morning 66
High today 94
High yesterday 94
High tomorrow 87
Sunrise today 5:14 a. m.
Sunset today 7:41 p. m.
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Go First to FIELDS — Expert Watch Repair.

COLISEUM GETS NCAA PLAYOFF



Track Attendants Cluster Around Injured Men Following Accident (AP Photos)

Speeding Auto Mows Down 4 Exposed Race Mechanics

BY MAX MUELEMAN
Charlotte News Sports Writer

RALEIGH — A spinning race car cut down four men working in an exposed pit area yesterday when it went out of control on the main straightaway in a 230-mile stock car event.

An estimated 15,000 grandstand spectators shrieked a futile warning as a 1957 Chevrolet driven by Bobby Creek of Graham and a 1956 Ford piloted by Roger Baldwin of Belmont, N. Y., locked bumpers as they came off the fourth turn.

At a speed of nearly 80 m.p.h., Baldwin's car began looping to-

ward the inside of the track.

ON TRACK SIDE

Working on a 1957 Mercury which was parked on the track side of a three and one-half foot concrete retaining wall were four High Point mechanics, disregarding the speeding racers as they shot by only a few feet away.

Baldwin's car crashed into the Mercury, sandwiching two of the men and hurling the other two several feet.

Admitted to Rex Hospital were Charles J. Furr, Charles H. Payne and David F. Hayward, with internal injuries and pos-

sible fractured pelvises. Malvin Perkinson was dismissed after receiving treatment for a knee injury.

Furr was most seriously injured. His condition was "only fair" last night but was reported to be satisfactory today. Rex Hospital attacked, said Payne and Hayward, though initially injured, were also in satisfactory condition today.

Although working on race cars while they are parked on the track is an accepted practice at most speedways, it was noted to be a very dangerous one in a recent race track safety experiment by The News entitled "Death On Wheels."

Two Men Missing In Crash

EDENTON — Two diesel engines and the front cars of a freight train crashed through a 5.1-mile railroad trestle spanning the Albemarle Sound early today. Two crewmen were reported missing and three others were rescued.

The first survivor found clinging to the pilings of the bridge which spans the sound from Mackey to Edenton gave directions which led to the finding of two other crewmen.

J. C. Pove, general superintendent of the Norfolk Southern Railway, said in Raleigh two men were missing. S. R. Bray of Raleigh and W. M. Munden of Norfolk, Va.

PROGRESS SLOW

Pove added that progress in clearing the wreckage was slow and that the cause of the trestle's collapse was undetermined.

Searchers found C. E. Jones, 41, of Pantego, within 20 minutes after the northbound freight pulling 70 cars smashed through the trestle at 12:45 a. m., two miles from the Edenton side.

COPTER PICKUP

Quick relaying of information by Jones led to a helicopter pickup in the inky darkness of John Lowery, a 51-year-old fireman from Norfolk, Va., at 4:15 a. m. Burton Rankin, 39, another fireman from Norfolk, washed up on the beach clinging to a piece of piling. The three, taken to Bowman Memorial Hospital here, were reported in good condition. None received serious injury.

Supl. Pove said Joe Stephenson, 29, of Edenton, was killed. Pove said Stephenson, also of Norfolk, knew few details of the accident because of the darkness and distance separating him from the engines.

The train was headed from Mason, a switching yard near Washington, N. C., to Norfolk.

J. P. Ricks of Edenton, who owns one of the yachts used during the search operations, said the two engines were submerged under 20 feet of water and it appeared as if a boxcar was lying on top of the engines.

"The darkness, churning waters and the danger of running up the rocks boats against a piling combined to halt the rescue operations an hour before dawn. Jones, who swam to the trestle

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Boat's Shaft Scalps Woman

SAN PABLO, Calif. — Mrs. Lucretia Galbraith's scalp was torn from her head after her long dark hair was caught in a cabin cruiser's propeller shaft yesterday.

Mrs. Galbraith, 50, San Francisco, her head wrapped in toweling to stop bleeding, was rushed in an ambulance to Brookside Hospital in this San Francisco Bay city.

Surgeons sent Deputy Sheriff Lester Clark racing back to the boat harbor to free the scalp skin, tightly tangled by hair to the shaft.

Clark rushed back with the scalp and surgeons stitched it on Mrs. Galbraith's head. They hope the operation will result in a successful healing and restoration of scalp and hair.

CAUGHT HAIR

Mrs. Galbraith, a bookkeeper, caught her hair in the shaft as she inspected biglines in the 30-foot cruiser, T. R. Henry of San Francisco, piloting the boat, heard her scream as he backed down the boat.

He stopped the engine, cut Mrs. Galbraith free, then ran the boat to a dock and called an ambulance.

"Get me to the hospital quick," she pleaded. "And please keep my eyes covered. I feel much better with my eyes covered."

The hospital reported her condition is satisfactory.



ATOMIC FIREBALL from today's explosion appeared to have "horns" as it boils high above the Nevada desert a few seconds after the blast.

Fires Set Off

Giant Bomb Blast Shakes Marines

ATOMIC TEST SITE, Nev. — A giant atomic explosion rocked entrenched Marines "like an earthquake" and set fire to brush and trees on distant mountains today.

The Atomic Energy Commission said the blast could have been the most powerful ever set off in the United States.

The Marines were entrenched 5,700 yards from where the weapon was exploded beneath a balloon at an altitude of 1,500 feet.

In a telephone interview with the Associated Press, Brig. Gen. Harvey Tschirg, commander of the Marine brigade, said: "It was pretty rough. Lots of dust. It shook us like an earthquake. I felt like I was on roller skates for a few seconds."

One Marine was buried by a cave-in. He is Pte. Theodore Sturges of St. Louis, Mo. It took 15 minutes to get him out. He was not hurt.

As the dirt began to cascade down upon him as he crouched in his trench, he grabbed a buddy and was able to keep his head above the earth.

These grave charges appeared in Red Star, official newspaper of the Soviet Defense Ministry headed by Marshal Georgi Zhukov.

The mountain fires were several miles from the explosion site.

4 Soviet Leaders Publicly Denounced

By ROY ESSOVAN

MOSCOW — The Soviet army today accused the four deposed Khrushchev leaders of treachery and of threatening to undermine the Soviet Union's defenses.

These grave charges appeared in Red Star, official newspaper of the Soviet Defense Ministry headed by Marshal Georgi Zhukov.

The campaign of denunciation against the quartet picked up momentum at meetings and rallies throughout the Soviet Union.

SINGLED OUT

Lazar Kaganovich, one of the four leaders, was singled out for new and stronger accusations, which could foreshadow legal action against him.

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Cage Body Urges City For Tourney

(See Bob Quincy's Column On Page 3-B)

By BOB QUINCY
Charlotte News Sports Editor

Charlotte's dazzling coliseum, planned by men who predicted one day it would be the sports center of the South, today was recommended for one of the choice athletic plums in America.

The NCAA Basketball Tournament Committee named Charlotte and the coliseum as its choice for the Eastern NCAA Regionals, which will be played next March 14-15.

Like a Democratic nomination in Georgia, a recommendation by the committee is tantamount to election.

DECISION AUG. 25

The final decree will be made Aug. 25 at Denver, Colo., when the ruling body of the NCAA, the Executive Board, holds its annual confab.

The tournament committee, headed by A. C. (Dutch) Longberg, athletic director of the University of Kansas, made its decision at Colorado Springs, Colo., last night.

En route to Charlotte at the time were John Belk and Dr. Tom Scott, who had carried the Queen City's bid in a personal plea.

Scott, athletic director at Davidson, and Belk, who heads the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce sports and recreation committee, said they were "highly pleased the good news came so soon."

Actually, they had departed Colorado Springs without a firm

commitment from the basketball committee.

"A FEELING"

"We had a feeling," said Scott, who will serve as tournament director here when the announcement is officially made, "but there is always that slim chance of having your hopes shattered."

Belk: "This is a fine tribute to Charlotte and its citizens. It means the NCAA feels we can support big-time basketball and that our coliseum is going to be an even bigger lure in the future."

Other than Charlotte's four other recommendations were made by the basketball committee.

Louisville, Ky., which has a 17,000-seat indoor arena, was tapped for the 1958 national finals. This event went to Kansas City last March.

Other regional sites were named as Lawrence, Kan., Lexington, Ky., and San Francisco. Charlotte will play host to District 3 representatives to the nation's finest collegiate tournament. Last March, this meet was

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LADDER'S RISE ENDS PARADE FOR FIREMEN

PHILADELPHIA — The Rockledge volunteer fire company truck was on its way to a July 4 parade when its 75-foot aerial ladder began to rise.

As three firemen fought frantically to control the ladder and stop the truck, the vehicle, traveling 20 miles an hour, tossing the men to the ground. Two were injured slightly.

Some three thousand people flocked to the scene to watch other firemen dismantle the 320-foot truck with slow torches to clear the road.