

THE WEATHER
Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 71%
Highest temperature yesterday 45
Lowest temperature last night 36
Precipitation for 24 hours .09
Precip. since first of month 2.33
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939.....13.26
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939 3.88
Light Rain or Snow.

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FINNS
Can they continue their repulse of the Russians long enough to decide the war in their favor, and will they eventually get help of a military character? Follow NEWS-REVIEW who serve for the ultimate answer to these vital questions.

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SUB-ZERO WAVE CHILLS MOST OF NATION

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN harried Finland, temperatures range from 25 to 61 below zero. In this extreme cold, military operations are practically impossible. Today's (Wednesday's) dispatches tell of only one skirmish. This skirmish is described by Thomas F. Hawkins, of the Associated Press, as an eye-witness.

You will find portions of his description interesting.

HE says: "On the Salla front, the Finns yesterday were aroused by the stentorian voices of the red army POLITICAL COMMISSARS, exhorting their troops.

"With some of the soldiers shouting 'Ura!', about 400 Russians charged, while the commissars shouted encouragement FROM THE TRENCHES. So intense was the cold the attackers ran forward with their arms folded for warmth, rifles slung on their backs. Finnish machine gunners held their fire until the Russians could be slaughtered most economically, and the charge broke.

"The number of dead was unknown."

NO one can question the courage of men who walk into machine gun fire as these Russians did. In fact, no one ever has seriously questioned the courage of Russian common soldiers.

But common soldiers, however brave, driven into machine gun fire by the exhortations of POLITICAL COMMISSARS yelling encouragement from the safety of the trenches in the rear don't win battles in these days.

There was a time when massed infantry or massed cavalry could trample down determined and skillful defenders by mere weight of numbers, but that time ended with the invention of the machine gun.

IF Stalin's countless millions are to overwhelm Finland's small but determined and skillful army, there must be more BRAINS back of their leadership, than has been evident so far. Russia's cold-blood-

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Legal Code Eased For Local Lass

Waiver of Delay Hastens Nuptials

Justice may be blind but she has a heart, as was evidenced by the action of superior court at Seattle, Wash., in waiving the three-day waiting period for marriages, permitting Dennis E. O'Neill, 22, Anchorage, Alaska, and Laura Joy Gowler, 22, of Roseburg, to be married Thursday, January 18, at a ceremony which they had planned to keep secret. The wedding, performed by Justice of the Peace Charles E. Claypool, culminates a romance dating back to the early days of childhood when the couple were playmates in Roseburg. The waiting period was waived by the court because O'Neill is due back at his work as a fireman on the Alaska railroad Feb. 1. He will sail Saturday. Mrs. O'Neill will

Finns Harassing Retreating Foes In Frozen Areas

Swede Fliers Aid Neighbors To Swat Russ

Soviet Warplanes Again Raid Southern Finland, But do Little Damage; Casualty Toll Reported Slight.

HELSINKI, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The Finns tonight reported capture of a few enemy positions northeast of Lake Ladoga and the wiping out of a Russian detachment of five officers and 45 men near Ilomantsi.

The high command also announced Swedish volunteer airmen had taken part with the Finns during the past week in bombing Russian camps and columns.

The army's announcement, covering yesterday's events, said a battle had continued throughout the day at Markajarvi, where Finns were reported to have caught up with 40,000 Russians in retreat above the Arctic circle.

Widespread Russian air raids yesterday, the communique said, involved about 250 planes over the Karelian isthmus and the war zone and about 450 over the whole country, but the casualties were only one dead and four wounded.

HELSINKI, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Helsinki's population spent an hour in air raid shelters this afternoon while anti-aircraft batteries fought off Soviet raiding planes.

Fragmentary reports indicated that the attackers failed to reach the city but dropped bombs a short distance outside. Fires were visible in the distance.

Detonations were heard at the United States legation at Granikkala, a town 12 miles west of Helsinki, and the electric lights went out there.

Repeated air raids are not frightening Finnish workers away from their jobs, Minister of Labor Fagerholm said today. He said the workers generally volunteer to stay at their posts regardless of the raids.

Finns Harass Foe Stalked by knife-like cold, hun-

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Phone Workers Pay Last Tribute to Late Chief

Employees of the Roseburg telephone exchange joined at 4:30 p. m. today with others of the 30,000 persons employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company in a one minute pause to pay silent tribute to the memory of Horace D. Pillsbury, former president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company and former chairman of the board of the company, who died in San Francisco Thursday, following a brief illness.

Mr. Pillsbury, whose father was one of the organizers of the old Pacific Bell Telephone company in 1880, served the telephone industry on the Pacific coast for more than 40 years. He was president from 1925 to 1935 of the Pacific company and was chairman of the board until his retirement from active service on October 31, 1938.

Mr. O'Neill is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Gowler and the granddaughter of Mrs. Walter Cloake, all of Roseburg. She is a graduate of Roseburg high school and has been employed for considerable time as cashier at the Rose theatre.

Mr. O'Neill is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Somes and has been in Roseburg since the Thanksgiving holidays, having attended the golden wedding celebration of his grandparents late in December. His parents lived in Roseburg for a number of years and were neighbors of the Gowler family prior to moving to Alaska.

Sea Bases Of Nazis Raided Again, Claim

Confirmation of Report From Denmark So Far Lacking In London; German U-Boat Destroys British Tanker.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Advices to the effect that the royal air force had struck again at German North sea bases reached London today—25 years to the day since the first German Zeppelins drifted in from the North sea to bomb England in the world war.

However, the air ministry said it had no information to confirm dispatches from Tonder, Denmark, indicating the raids were carried out last night against the German seaplane base, the island of Sylt, and possibly the naval base of Helgoland, another North sea island.

Meanwhile, in maritime warfare a German submarine was blamed for the loss of the British tanker Inverclyde, 9,456 tons, which went down in flames off the southwest English coast Tuesday. The entire crew of 45 was believed to have perished.

(At least 2,773 lives and 318 ships of an aggregate tonnage of 1,127,355 are known to have been lost by belligerents and neutrals in the war at sea.)

Cotton Imports Halted Imports on surplus American cotton under the 1939 cotton-rubber barter deal will be halted for three months beginning in February, the supply ministry announced last night.

Without explaining the action, an authoritative source said it would be wrong to assume Britain (Continued on page 6)

Two Skaters Drown in Upper Klamath Lake

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—The bodies of Gerry Colvin and Earl Ray, both about 19, were recovered from beneath the ice of upper Klamath lake this morning.

Search was started shortly after midnight when a companion notified police his friends were missing when the hundreds of other skaters had departed from the lake.

The boys' shoes were still on the bank and later a hole was discovered in the ice near the south end of the lake.

Woodpecker Loses His Cupboard

Oscar Waterman, Roseburg piling contractor, is pictured above with a branch from a dead tree which shows how a woodpecker makes provision for times when food is scarce. The limb is covered with hundreds of holes into which acorns have been tightly pluggd with the skill of a master craftsman. Persons familiar with the habits of the birds report that as the acorns become wormy the birds break the shells and devour the worms which have been made fat on the meat of the acorns. Mr. Waterman procured the unusually fine sample of the woodpecker's industry when the limb was broken from a tree during logging operations in the Garden Valley district.



Officer Held in 'Revolt' Plot



Among the 17 members of the anti-Semitic "Christian Front" arrested by FBI agents in New York, for an alleged terrorist gun-bomb plot to overthrow the U. S. government, is John T. Prout, above, a captain in the New York national guard. In the basement of the home of one of the prisoners was found an arsenal that included guns and ammunition taken from a national guard armory.

Funds for Highway to Sea Make Eugeneans Happy

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Eugeneans were happy today with the news that another step in the completion of "Route F," their short cut to the sea, had been realized.

Word came last night from U. S. Senator McNary announcing that a sum of \$130,000 had been allocated by the federal government and approved by President Roosevelt for the long-sought project. The money will assure completion of grading between Mapleton and the west portal of the tunnel through the coast range mountains.

Series of Defeats Dealt to Japs, Chinese Report

HONGKONG, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Chinese officials declared today that a series of Japanese defeats in Kwangtung province had resulted in virtual encirclement of Canton, chief city of South China, by advancing Chinese armies.

The Chinese asserted Japanese outer lines defending Canton were "crumbling" and the Japanese had met in Kwangtung one of their most serious reverses of the whole war.

They declared that since the Japanese began a retreat from Yingtiao, important station on the Canton-Hankow railway 80 miles north of Canton, the invaders had been pushed back more than 50 miles.

Five Lives Claimed by Texas Residence Fire

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Five persons were burned fatally here early today when fire swept a small frame residence. The dead:

Tom Ruiz, Joe and Peter Hernandez, brothers; Edmundo Guzman and his wife, Dolores. All of the victims except Guzman perished in the blaze. He died in a hospital six hours later.

Mrs. Ruiz said she awoke to find the entire house in flames, which seemed to have started near a wood-burning heater.

She ran out of the back door with her daughters, thinking her husband and the others had reached safety.

Klamath Couple Robbed On Journey in Texas

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harrington, Klamath Falls, reported to police a man and woman robbed them of \$725 in cash and jewelry 10 miles west of Luling, Texas. The robbers drove up in a car, then the man got out and covered the Harringtons with a pistol and obtained \$108 and a watch valued at \$65 from Harrington and a diamond ring valued at \$550 from Mrs. Harrington.

F. D. R. Backs Community Forest Idea

President Says Proposal for Local Ownership Means Permanent Timber, Tax Reductions, Playgrounds.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Development of community-owned forests was advocated today by President Roosevelt as a method of producing timber and fuel supplies, reducing local taxes and providing additional playgrounds for the nation's children.

The chief executive's views were expressed in a foreword to a forest service publication telling of progress in establishing the community-forest idea.

"I am glad to endorse the forest service program to establish and maintain more community forests," wrote the president. "Community forests are an old and popularly accepted part of forest conservation. They have helped for many years to reduce local taxes by yielding profitable timber crops. They have also provided other benefits, such as watershed protection, outdoor recreation, shelter for bird and beast, and permanent jobs through the sustained production of cordwood, posts, telephone poles, railroad ties, Christmas trees, pulpwood and logs for lumber."

Great Benefit Foreseen "More of our communities could profit economically, socially, and spiritually by ownership and operation of their own forests close at home. Developments of such local forests would be an important step in the rebuilding of our national resources and would provide additional outdoor playgrounds for the children of America."

The forest service reported that about 1500 American communities operated forestry projects involving a total of more than 3,000,000 acres. New York state led with nearly 600. The largest project in this country and probably the largest in the world was owned, the service said, by Seattle, Wash.

Basin Project Boosted President Roosevelt said today national resources board plans for opening the Columbia basin in the northwest to settlement in a few years would save millions of dollars in the future.

At his press conference, Mr. (Continued on page 6)

Boiler Explosion Kills Family of 6 at Fireside

NEW CASTLE-ON-TYNE, Eng., Jan. 19.—(AP)—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sharpe, their three children and a young niece were sitting before the fire in their home at Wallkerville today when a boiler exploded. All six were killed.

Law Severs American-Born Woman From Kin For Spurning Arms Pledge

SEATTLE, Jan. 19.—(AP)—A refusal to bear arms in event of war compels a middle-aged mother to return briefly to Canada and reenter this country but her beliefs, disclosed at naturalization proceedings here, will prevent her from obtaining American citizenship again on her return.

The woman, Mrs. Alice Signe Aune, a one-time citizen, is arranging to cross the line soon to obtain an immigration visa which will permit her re-entry, George W. Tyler, chief naturalization officer, said today. She will be able to return immediately.

"She will also be permitted to remain indefinitely," Tyler added. "But she cannot obtain citizenship."

"She is doing this on her own wishes as she wants to adjust matters herself."

She is the second western Washington woman denied citizenship the past few weeks because of her beliefs on carrying arms in wartime. The other was Mrs. Kathryn Erickson, of Kamelaew.

Shies At Arms Pledge "They asked me if I would take

Seeks Assessor Post in Douglas



G. N. (Bert) Riddle, pictured above, who has served as representative from Douglas county to the state legislature for four years, announces he will be a candidate at the primary election for the republican nomination for county assessor. Mr. Riddle, a fruit grower and rancher at Riddle, is a member of a pioneer family prominent throughout many years in Oregon political life. Barton Helliwell, whose term as assessor expires this year, has announced that he will not seek reelection.

BORAH STILL IN COMA; END APPROACHING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—(AP)—Death seemed a question of "minutes and hours" today for Senator William E. Borah of Idaho.

Senator Barkley of Kentucky, sadly, brought that word after a call on the wife of his republican colleague. "There is not a chance," said Barkley.

An hour before, Borah's office had said he was "failing rapidly." The dean of the senate, Borah had been in a virtually continuous coma since a cerebral hemorrhage Tuesday.

The first report this morning was that Borah was "growing weaker."

Bankers Create Dept. to Extend Instalment Loans

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—(AP)—The American Bankers association announced today the establishment of a consumer credit department to serve the several thousand member banks engaged in the extension of instalment loans to the public.

Elderly Woman Dies Of Burns From Heater

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Mrs. Aune was born at Duluth, Minn., but lost her citizenship by marrying O. P. Aune, a Norwegian. They went to Canada to settle on a homestead near Winnipeg, where three of their four children were born. They lived there 25 years.

Last summer the family moved to Seattle to join her mother and a brother, a disabled American war veteran. Aune and the children entered as immigrants. Because repatriation is difficult, Mrs. Aune entered on a parole requiring an application for citizenship within three months. She complied, but her hopes were shattered on a rifle barrel.

At the mere suggestion of possible difficulties in arranging repatriation, she shuddered: "That would be terrible, to be separated from my family."

East, Dixie, Midwest, In Icy Grasp

Near-Blizzard Hits Western New York; Highway River Traffic Impaired; Crops Periled, Schools Closed.

By the Associated Press The bitterest cold wave of the winter penetrated deep into the eastern half of the United States today, sweeping over western New York with a storm that approached blizzard proportions.

Temperatures sank below zero in Michigan, Ohio, Maryland, Kentucky, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland, and freezing temperatures were recorded in every state in the south.

At Sand Mountain, Ala., near Huntsville, inhabitants stared at thermometers which read 8 degrees below zero.

At Tuscaloosa, Ala., the mercury dipped to 6 below zero. A reading of 3 at Memphis, Tenn., was the lowest since 1918, and temperatures throughout the south were generally lower than any time in the past four years.

Traffic Nearly Stilled Driven before a 36-mile an hour wind, the worst storm of the season almost paralyzed traffic over a large section of New York. The average temperature in three western counties was 12 below zero, while at Watertown more than two feet of snow had fallen since yesterday.

Traffic was halted in the Watertown vicinity, many village schools were closed and trains ran behind schedule. A reading of minus 10 at Jamestown was the coldest in 10 years. An ice jam in the Niagara river curtailed 60 per cent of the flow of the American falls.

In Michigan the temperature dropped as far as 20 below zero at Jackson, Ohio readings ranged from 20 below at Greenville to 10 below at Youngstown. The weather was generally clear.

Sub-zero readings were reported from every section of Kentucky—18 below at Owensboro in the west, 14 below at Louisville and from 12 to 16 below around the Cincinnati area, where the Ohio river was frozen from bank to bank.

Snow Covers Virginia A light snow covered most of Virginia, crusted by temperatures which ranged from zero in the upper Shenandoah valley to 20 above at Danville in the extreme south. Maryland temperatures dropped sharply last night, reaching 13 below.

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