

THE WEATHER
Humidity 4:20 p. m. yesterday 82%
Highest temperature yesterday 59
Lowest temperature last night 39
Precipitation for 24 hours .29
Precip. since first of month .67
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939 .29.29
Excess since Sept. 1, 1939 1.47
Occasional Rain

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NORWAY DEMANDS ALLIES REMOVE MINES

WAR

The real stuff seems to be on at last, as the allies now neutral waters with mines to halt supplies for Germany. Watch for a probable decisive naval battle any day. The NEWS-REVIEW will keep you posted.

Dewey Faces Vandenberg In Another Test

G.O.P. Rivals Contend for Vote in Nebraska Primary, Dated Tomorrow; Illinois Also to Register Preferences.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—The 1940 presidential tryouts feature Thomas E. Dewey tomorrow in the double role of seeking a new farm-belt victory over Senator Arthur Vandenberg and measuring vote-getting powers in the Midwest with President Roosevelt.

The New York prosecutor meets Vandenberg, whom he trounced last week in Wisconsin's 24 delegates to the republican convention, in Nebraska's presidential preference primary.

Convention delegates are not directly at stake, but another Dewey triumph over the Michigan senator would threaten to make a "split-Dewey" contest the dominant factor in the republican race.

President Roosevelt is unopposed on the democratic preferential ballot in Nebraska, but his vote tally in relation to the republican turnout will be watched for hints of political trends.

Illinois Also Offers Test

A more direct test of Roosevelt-Dewey popularity occurs in Illinois, where the president is opposed by Vice President Garner in the preferential primary. Dewey supporters, lacking an opponent, are endeavoring to pile up a vote adequate to support claims of a republican trend in this key state.

The Illinois democratic machine of Governor Henry Horner and Mayor Edward J. Kelly of Chicago are just as determined to roll up a top-heavy showing for the president. Their avowed purpose is to translate efforts for his renomination into a powerful draft movement.

Against this possibility of a third-term wagon, Garnerites are battling for sufficient Illinois votes to demonstrate sizable popular opposition to a denature from the traditional two-term presidential rule.

Illinois sends 58 delegates to each of the national conventions.

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S. P. Dirt Sluicing Held Fish Threat

The Oregon State Game commission was requested by the Roseburg Rod and Gun club today to investigate reports that fish life and the natural migration of fish in the South Umpqua river are being seriously threatened by slide removal work being conducted by the Southern Pacific railroad company.

The railroad company is sluicing dirt from approximately 10 acres of a hillside at West Fork and is dumping tons of mud into Cove Creek, a tributary of the South Umpqua river, daily, the sportsmen's organization notified the commission. The hillside, the railroad company reports, has carved trouble for years by depositing large slides on the adjoining tracks during wet seasons. Water is being pumped from Cove creek to supply hydraulic giants used in the sluicing operation. The work will not be completed for another 30 days, the company states.

The rod and gun club has received reports, the game commission was told, that the extremely muddy water is endangering fish life. It also is feared that salmon, steel-heads and cutthroat trout, now on their way to spawning beds, will be turned away from the South Umpqua river by the muddy water.

The commission, in a telephone conversation today, informed the local club that an investigation will be made immediately.

Wm. Faversham, Famous Old Matinee Idol, Dies

NEW YORK, April 8.—(AP)—Broadway mourned in its noisy routine today to pay a final tribute to William Faversham, almost the last of the old school of matinee idols.

Leading man to Maude Adams and many other famous feminine stars, he died yesterday at the age of 72 from coronary embolism in a Long Island rooming house, not far from a luxurious mansion in which he once had lived at the peak of his career.

Faversham, born in London, was married three times, to Marian Merwin, Julie Opp and Edith Campbell, the latter a daughter of a former mayor of Phoenix, Ariz. He is survived by two sons, Philip, an actor of New York, and William, Jr., of Boston.

Generals Take New Army Posts



Major Gen. Edmund G. Gregory, left, was recently appointed quartermaster-general of the U. S. army. Pictured at the right is the new head man in one of the most important departments of U. S. national defense. He is Major Gen. Joseph Green, the U. S. army's new chief of coast artillery.



Contempt Review Granted to Bridges

Leader of West Coast C. I. O. Wins Round in High Court; Steel Co. Petition Denied.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—The supreme court today granted a petition by Harry Bridges, west coast labor leader, for a review of his contempt of court conviction for sending a telegram to Secretary of Labor Perkins, criticizing a decision by the Los Angeles superior court.

Bridges, in asking the review, contended the conviction deprived him of freedom of speech, freedom of press and denied a right to petition the federal government for a "redress of grievances."

This conviction in the Los Angeles superior court was affirmed by the California supreme court. He was given the alternative of paying a \$125 fine or serving five days in the Los Angeles county jail.

NLR Order Stands

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Company Sues Union

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Federal Fines Imposed on Oregon Amateur Fliers

PORTLAND, April 8.—(AP)—Two Portland amateur aviators were notified by the federal civil aeronautics authority Saturday that they had been fined \$1000 for flying "uncertified" aircraft.

Harold Wagner and Donald C. Wray, both Portland, were notified they had 30 days to offer "compromise payments" of \$100 each, otherwise the \$1000 fines would stand.

Charles Bernard, operator of the Beaverton airport where amateur-built ships base, said Wagner and Wray would seek a test case of the state's right to license such aircraft independent of federal regulations. Oregon's aviation law licenses amateur-built craft.

Senate Puzzled On Budget Item Plan

Bureau Asked to Explain How it Would Cut 700 Million Off Lending Agency Fund.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—The senate called on the budget bureau today to say just how the bureau proposes to make a \$700,000,000 reduction in the capital of government lending agencies.

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Barkley said that the resolution "carries the implication that the budget director has refused to give the information to the house or the senate."

"It is a truthful implication," Byrd snapped back. "He has refused to give it to the senate from Virginia except in confidence, and I did not want it that way."

Prison Goods Ban Favored

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Congressman Smith of Maine Passes On at 63

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—Rep. Clyde H. Smith of Maine died this morning, just a day after he had expressed the hope that his district would elect his wife to succeed him. He was 63.

The congressman, a republican who had served in the house since 1925, died suddenly while his wife and a nurse were at his bedside. He had been ill of coronary thrombosis since April 3.

He was the 24th member of the 76th congress to die in office.

Dr. Cyrus Adler, Noted Jewish Leader, Passes

PHILADELPHIA, April 8.—(AP)—Dr. Cyrus Adler, the son of a small-town merchant who became the spokesman and leader of American Jews, died last night after an illness of nearly two months. He was 76.

He was internationally known as an educator, writer and philosopher.

Tragedy Toll in Oregon In Week-End 8

Automobile Accidents Take Six Lives, Drowning One; Youth Killed by Officer; Seven Persons On Injured List.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 8.—(AP)—Violent death laid its heavy hand on Oregon over the week-end, taking six lives in automobile crashes, one in a shooting and another in a drowning.

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Motor Vehicle Director Quits in "Snoop" Inquiry

SACRAMENTO, April 8.—(AP)—Howard R. Philbrick, who unexpectedly resigned as state director of motor vehicles yesterday, said that the recent investigation of the planting of a record device in Assembly Speaker Gordon Garland's hotel room was one of the reasons he was quitting.

The resignation, effective April 15, was accepted by Governor Olson. In a statement released here, Olson deplored the fact that the dictaphone incident "should be connected with your departure from the state service."

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 8.—(AP)—The moon turned the sun into a flaming golden band of light yesterday afternoon with a spectacular show that won't be repeated in the United States for 54 years.

In a rare alignment of heavenly bodies, the moon came directly between the earth and the sun.

The effect—seen through smoked glass, overexposed photographic film and special filters—was that of a big black polka dot with a shining orange rim around it. It was the first eclipse of such wide-spread visibility in the United States since 1865.

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Songs Help Him Win Mayor Job



Member of no political party but of a score of civic, fraternal and religious organizations, Carl Zeidler, above, 32, who sang for as well as spoke for votes in his campaign, deposed Daniel W. Hoan, socialist mayor of Milwaukee, Wis., for 24 years and previously city attorney for six years. Zeidler campaigned against socialism in opposing Hoan and contended that despite the mayor's boast that Milwaukee was the best governed major city in the land, there was room for improvement. As an assistant city attorney four years ago, Zeidler wiped out the pin-ball machine operators. Although Zeidler ran as an independent, his younger brother, Frank, was elected county surveyor on a socialist ticket in 1938.

Tiller-Trail Job Allocated \$45,000

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—C. M. Granger, acting chief of the forest service, notified Representative Mott today \$500,000 of the 1941 forest service road appropriation had been allocated to Oregon highways.

The road authorization bill has not been reported to the house but Mott, a member of the committee, said it would contain \$11,000,000 for forest service roads, trails and highways.

The Oregon allocations by roads were:

Oregon coast highway \$20,000; Hubbard creek bridge, Oregon coast highway, \$25,000; Tiller-Trail highway, \$15,000; Crater Lake highway, \$5,000; Trail creek bridge, Crater Lake highway, \$25,000; Willamette highway, \$100,000; Santiam highway, \$100,000; North Santiam highway, \$125,000.

California Area Feels Earthquake; No Damage

BISHOP, Calif., April 8.—(AP)—A sharp earthquake was felt here at 5:26 a. m. today, lasting three to four seconds. It rattled windows and awakened sleepers, but there were no reports of damage.

Eclipse That Transforms Sun Into Band of Flaming Light Offers Brilliant Show

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Protest Voiced as Rumors Rise of North Sea Approach Of Nazi, British War Fleets

Danube River Blast Plot Is Bared in Time

Seizure of Barges Laden With Dynamite to Block Channel, Ruin Bridges Accompanies Arrest of Band of Britons.

BERLIN, April 8.—(AP)—Authorized German sources today revealed to foreign correspondents details of what they described as a gigantic British plot to make the Danube impassable and to carry the war into the Danubian basin—that is, southeastern Europe.

(In London official sources said they declined to "signify" the reports of a Danube plot by comment.)

The plotters, these sources said, planned to send a half dozen barges loaded with dynamite up the river, blast the channel and blow up bridges.

More than 100 British army, navy and air force men who were to have participated in the coup were arrested by Romanian police before they had time to carry out their design, the Germans said.

The barge fleet was reported to have been seized at Giurgiu, directly south of Bucharest.

The chief plotter was described by the nazis as an English vice consul at Bucharest, who, they said actually was the chief of the British secret service in Romania.

Police Credited

They said that the scheme had been disclosed through the watchfulness of Rumanian police.

German officialdom said the Danube plot was a worthy companion piece to the mining of Norwegian waters by the allies, which they said might have "consequences nobody can foresee."

The fleet which figured in the alleged Danube plot was said to have consisted of several English tug boats and barges and a few chartered Greek vessels.

German sources said 400 boxes

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Theft From Automobile Charged to J. B. Moline

Joe B. Moline, 42, resident of Roseburg, was ordered held to the grand jury today and was continued in custody in lieu of \$500 bail, following his arrest on a charge of larceny from an automobile. Moline was arrested, Chief of Police John L. Lister reported, while attempting to start a car and a flash light allegedly stolen from a parked automobile. Moline waived preliminary examination when arraigned this morning before Justice of the Peace R. W. Marsters.

Jewish Expert Serves Vatican



Recognized as the only man capable of restoring a 394-year-old map of central Europe, Prof. Roberto Almagia, Jewish geography expert of the University of Rome, has been assigned by the vatican to the task.

British Torpedoes Take Toll of Foe

Steamer Destroyed Off Coast of Norway, Tanker Sunk in North Sea, 3rd Boat Struck.

By the Associated Press

Britain carried the war hard to the coast of Norway today, sinking three fields of mines through Norwegian territorial waters and torpedoing a German steamer just four miles off the Norwegian coast with the loss of at least 150 Germans.

The German vessel was the 5,261-ton freighter Rio De Janeiro. She was said to have had 300 men aboard and 80 horses, and her presence in Norwegian waters with such a cargo puzzled Norwegian authorities.

There was the possibility of still other fighting at sea off Norway between British and German ships, as British warships were reported being washed ashore over a wide area.

A Norwegian schooner reached port with at least nine bodies and many surviving Germans in uniform.

According to the crew of the schooner, two German submarines attacked the British vessel which was armed.

The schooner herself was so close to the battle that she was damaged slightly from the explosion of a torpedo.

Reuters, British news agency, reported that the German tanker Pomorian also had been torpedoed by the British in the North sea.

The German steamer Kreta today radioed Stockholm she had been attacked by a submarine and was in distress, but still afloat off Faerder on the south coast of Norway near Oslofjord.

To Tighten Blockade

Meantime, Britain's many-sided war on the economic front was intensified also with dollars and diplomacy.

British envoys home from central and southeastern European capitals were called to the office of Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax for the first of a series of discussions with cabinet officers on plugging leaks in the blockade of Germany's Italian "back door"—her principal source of oil and wheat.

Both sides indicated exceptional air activity Sunday both over the North sea and the western front. The score of downed planes, according to the Germans, was several. Three German, according to the allies, seven German, two allied.

Mines Sown To Halt Nazi Ore Supplies

Allies Admit Illegal Invasion of Neutral Waters but Say Action Justified by Nazi "Terrorism" in Sea War.

OSLO, April 8.—(AP)—Norway, shocked by the laying of allied mines in Norwegian territorial waters at dawn today, immediately charged Great Britain and France with an "open breach of international law" and demanded that the mines "be removed at once."

As soon as it became known that the allies were laying the mines in three regions off Norway's coast, to cut off shipment of iron ore to Germany through Norwegian territorial waters, the Norwegian cabinet met and then parliament was called into special session.

Foreign Minister Koht, in a public statement charged that the allies had violated Norwegian "sovereignty and neutrality" by laying the mines and patrolling the affected areas with warships.

"The Norwegian government," he said, "protests gravely and solemnly against this open breach of international law . . . the Norwegian government must demand that such mines be removed at once and that the guard by foreign warships cease."

Koht charged Britain with violating an agreement of last March 11 which he said provides that all Norwegian goods, including contraband,

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Alien Deportation Bill Hit by Roosevelt Veto

WASHINGTON, April 8.—(AP)—President Roosevelt vetoed the Starnes alien deportation bill today, maintaining that its penalties for alien spies and saboteurs were "superfluous" and that its application to narcotic addicts was too harsh.

The bill would require the deportation of alien spies, saboteurs, narcotic peddlers and addicts. Regarding the spy-saboteage provision, Mr. Roosevelt said:

"Amply authority is found in the existing law for the deportation of aliens guilty of such activities, for the secretary of labor is already authorized to deport them if, after hearings, it is found that they are undesirable residents of the United States."

Legion Heads to Visit Veterans Facility Here

Neil R. Allen of Grants Pass, state commander of the American Legion, and Jim McLeure, Los Angeles, national rehabilitation officer of the American Legion, will be in Roseburg later today for an inspection of the veterans facility here and a meeting with local veterans. Their visit to Roseburg originally had been scheduled for Tuesday, but information was received this morning by Vincent Malone, commander of Umpqua post of the American Legion, that it was necessary to advance the trip by one day.

Local veterans and their wives are being invited by Commander Malone to meet with the visiting officials at a dinner to be held at Carla Tavern at 7 p. m.

Louisiana Tornadoes Take Lives, Flatten Buildings

AMITE, La., April 8.—(AP)—Citizens and relief agencies tolled today to clear away tangled debris in the wake of a tornado, which left three persons dead here, 25 seriously injured, and property damage estimated at \$500,000.

Another tornado at Barataria, 100 miles away, caused widespread damage and took at least one life, with another person missing.

The two tornadoes and smaller storms in Mississippi, Alabama and Florida occurred early yesterday.

The twister here flattened six square blocks of the business area. Amite, a town of 3,000 population, is in the heart of the rich strawberry belt.