

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 52%
Lowest temperature yesterday 45
Precipitation for 24 hours .00
Precip. since first of month .59
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939 .29.61
Precip. since Sept. 1, 1939 .73
Partly Cloudy.

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WAR, POLITICS

There're still the top current events. Whatever happens of importance in either field will be promptly and accurately chronicled in the NEWS-REVIEW.

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5 DIE, 100 HURT WHEN TRAIN LEAPS TRACK

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

When the streamliner City of San Francisco was wrecked in New York, a man's jacket, supposedly lost in the wreck, was found. Police at once went to work. Men's clothing jobbers, found 1800 garments of the same make and had been made by a New York factory last year.

They then obtained the names of all retail outlets handling them and started the tedious task of tracing each one. Nothing has come of it as yet, but hopes are still held.

GOOD detective work, contrary to the mystery stories and movies, seems to consist largely of infinite capacity for taking pains.

180 interesting:

Edward Philbrick, center of the California telephone temper, who recently resigned as state director of motor vehicles, takes a job with the movie central casting company in Hollywood. His job is to work with the district attorney and other law enforcement officials in ousting from the ranks of the movie workers hoodlums and racketeers who are reportedly collecting tribute from actors in return for getting them parts. (Philbrick is a former G-man.)

Who are the racketeers, big and little, who are preying on American business and American workers? They are got together in one crowd, the "inside prison wallers." Their number would be surprising.

KATHERINE Lenroot, U. S. labor department children's bureau chief, speaking in Portland, says approximately half of all the babies born in America are of parents with an annual income of \$1,000 or less.

Had we must go on trying to improve such a condition. With CONTINUED CREATION OF NEW WEALTH (wealth, please remember, is created by applying labor).

Major Battle in Norway Nears With Strengthening Of Allied, German Armies

Allies Land 3 Divisions With No Loss

Naz's Reported Repulsed With Heavy Loss at Elverum but Concentrate in Effort to Hold Trondheim, Key City.

LONDON, April 20.—(AP)—Two German transports were hit by torpedoes from British submarines in an attack on a German convoy, the admiralty announced tonight. It also was announced that three German planes were shot down and others were damaged during aerial attacks on British naval units. The British freighter Hawby, 5,401 tons, sank off the southeast coast of England today after an explosion. The crew of 29 was picked up by rescue ships. The British coastal steamer Moray, 1,637 tons, struck a mine for today and sank off the southeast coast of England. Two members of the crew of 18 were killed and 11 were missing.

By the Associated Press. A battle of major proportions appeared to be in the making in Norway today as the German and allied expeditionary forces, augmented by a steady flow of reinforcements, felt each other out on an ever widening front.

Unofficial reports said that one French and two British divisions, totaling between 30,000 and 40,000.

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Convict Commandeers Car, Flees to Portland

SALEM, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—Fred J. Carter, 41, trustee at the state penitentiary, escaped from the guards quarters last night. He was driving a car when he was spotted by a guard. Carter was serving a term of 4 years and 10 months for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Hamm told the officer the fugitive took \$13 and left the car on a downtown street. Carter was serving a term of 4 years and 10 months for obtaining money under false pretenses.

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Hitler's 51st Birthday Celebration Brings Laudation From His German Aides, Predictions of War Triumph

BERLIN, April 20.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler celebrated his 51st birthday today by holding his usual morning conference with his military advisers and briefly acknowledging the cheers of a throng of Berliners gathered before the fuhrer's official residence.

Field Marshal Goering, head of Germany's air force, Grand Admiral Erich Raeder of the navy, and General Von Brauchitsch, commander-in-chief of the army, brought Hitler the congratulations of the fighting services.

Goering reported "astonishing success" in the metal collection, which is the German people's birthday gift to Hitler. Germany celebrated the birthday with the controlled Nazi press eliminating all war news from the front pages to devote space exclusively to eulogy of the fuhrer.

The keynote was sounded by the reich press chief, Dr. Otto Dietrich, who wrote in Hitler's own newspaper, Volkischer Beobachter, that the fuhrer is a "genius" living in a century ahead of his time.

Other Nazi leaders addressed the people similarly. Goering, whom Hitler has named to succeed him in event he should die, pledged the air force he commands to do everything in its power until the war ends with a victory which safeguards the reich of Adolf Hitler and the eternal life of the German people. The commanders of the army and navy made similar announcements.

Rudolf Hess, the fuhrer's deputy party leader, who has been named next to Goering in the line of succession, told the nation's youth in a radio address that "the world will open to you after the great struggle which we are waging presently has been won."

Hess said that Germany, shorn of her overseas possessions following the world war, "will again possess colonies after this war."

"In those German lands youth will find plenty of opportunity for work and adventures. Those of you who feel the blood of Vikings pulsate through your veins can undertake discoveries on our own German territory."

Ohio River Floods Towns, Lowlands

Hundreds of Families Forced to Flee Homes; Heavy Rain to Continue, Forecast.

CINCINNATI, O., April 20.—(AP)—Hundreds of families fled their homes today as Ohio's Hocking valley suffered its worst flood since 1913, and the rain-burdened Ohio river swept into lowlands and entered Marietta, O., pioneer city of 15,000.

Athens and Logan, O., virtually were isolated with roads impassable. A boy was drowned in one of many swollen tributaries flowing into the treacherous Ohio.

Much of southern Ohio was under water after barely a week of rains totaling more than four inches. More rain was forecast. Four inches of water covered the first floor of the Gordon hotel at Gloucester, O., as Sunday creek left its banks and poured down the main street. Business houses there and in Nelsonville moved stock and equipment to second floors.

Two hundred families in the Athens-Nelsonville area abandoned low-land homes. Six hundred were homeless in Morrow and South Lebanon. South Newark had 400 homeless as the Hocking river covered all but two roads leading into Newark. Pomeroy, O., anticipated four or five feet of water in its business district by Sunday morning. A town of 3,500, its business district is built along the water front.

Other States Affected. The weather bureau said a "tentative" crest of 58 to 59 feet for Wednesday in Cincinnati but emphasized that "it all depends on rain which seems to be continuing." The river already was approaching flood stage of 52 feet here.

The bureau predicted the Ohio would go one to five feet over flood stage next week at Huntington, W. Va., Portsmouth, O., and Mayaville and Ashland, Ky.

Twenty persons were rescued by boats in low residential sections in Washington Court House, O. A landslide at Hartford, W. Va., blocked Baltimore and Ohio railroad tracks and forced re-routing of passenger trains.

At Parkersburg, W. Va., the Ohio reached flood stage of 56 feet and the weather bureau predicted it would hit 42 feet Sunday and go still higher.

Japanese Envoy Voices Assurance on East Indies

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—Hirotsugu, the Japanese ambassador, said after a conference with Secretary Hull today that the United States and Japan were in substantial agreement as to the future status of the Dutch East Indies.

He added that both governments, along with the Netherlands, the island's mother country, "want to maintain its status quo."

Prospects Of Wagner Law Shakeup Dim

Action on Changes Proposed by Labor Committee of House Impeded by Pressure For Early Adjournment.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—Uncertainty, heightened by pressure for an early adjournment, clouded the outlook today for final action at this session of congress on proposed changes in the Wagner act.

The house resigned itself to a knock-down, drag-out on the long-smoldering revision controversy, but many friends and foes of the present act agreed that, regardless of what the house did, the senate was not likely to complete congressional action on this subject before the tentative June 10 adjournment date.

In the senate wing of the capitol signs multiplied that campaign-minded legislators were in a mood to pigeonhole major measures, if necessary, in order to wind up the session by early June.

F. R. Wants Quick Ending. It was reported authoritatively President Roosevelt had reiterated to congressional leaders this week his hope that congress adjourn as quickly as possible. He was represented as believing virtually all pending legislation except appropriation bills could be deferred until next session.

The reported white house suggestion fell in with known desires of both republican and southern democrats. The committee approved procedure for unlimited debate on the whole question of amending the national labor relations law.

Registration For Douglas Upped 713

Republicans, Still Dominant in Party Totals, Show Gain of 457, Democrats 302.

The number of registered voters in Douglas county at the close of registration April 16, 1940, shows a total gain of 713 over registration for the primary nominating election of 1938, County Clerk Roy Agee announced today. Voters registered for the primary election to be held May 17, Mr. Agee said, total 14,348, as compared with 13,635 in 1938.

Republican lists showed a gain of 457, from 7,806 in 1938 to 8,263 in the current registration. Democratic voters increased 302 from 5,463 in 1938 to 5,765 this year. Voters with miscellaneous affiliations dropped from 266 to 229, a reduction of 16 in total number.

Comparative figures for primary election registrations by the two major parties for the years 1936, 1938 and 1940 are listed by the county clerk as follows:

Year	Total	Rep.	Dem.
1936	14,348	8,263	5,765
1938	13,635	7,806	5,463
1940	14,348	8,263	5,765

OREGON EVENTS FLASHED FROM WIRE SERVICE

Naval Officer Dies

PORTLAND, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—Jay H. Walker, 48, consultant engineer and commander of the Portland naval reserve area, died yesterday after a six-month illness.

A graduate of the University of Washington, he was a veteran of the World war. He was consulting engineer on Bonneville dam.

Loggers Strike Ends

KLAMATH FALLS, April 20.—(AP)—More than 100 loggers will return to work Monday in the Pacific. The lumber company's loggers camp. A four-day strike ended last night.

The company agreed to rehire old employees on a seniority basis, reinstate two workers discharged last week and not discriminate against strikers or picketers.

Reappointment Stated

ASTORIA, Ore., April 20.—(AP)—M. E. Chesman, Astoria publisher, will be reappointed state fish commissioner in June when his term expires, Governor Sprague said here yesterday.

Did Census Overlook You? If Reply is "Yes," Notify Chamber of Commerce

Arrangements for a census "cleanup" campaign are announced by the Roseburg chamber of commerce. Secretary W. C. Harding states that Enumerator J. Baxter Davis has been assigned the duty of listing all residents of the city who might have been overlooked by enumerators in the regular canvass.

The enumeration has been finished in all except Benson precinct in the city. Census taking now is being taken in that precinct and will be completed in a few days. Any persons who have been overlooked by enumerators and who have not been listed in the 1940 census are urged by the chamber of commerce to report the fact. Persons omitted from the census are asked to notify the chamber of commerce either in person or by telephone, No. 282, and Mr. Davis will call and prepare the census report.

"It is impossible to stress too strongly the need for enumeration of every Roseburg resident," Mr. Harding declared today. "Census figures are largely used for many important purposes. Industries seeking new locations are influenced by census reports. Here in Roseburg we recently had the importance of a correct census particularly emphasized. Because the last census showed Roseburg to have a population slightly under 5,000 persons, several hundred WPA workers received only \$40 per month, when they would have been paid \$44 per month if the 5,000 mark had been reached in the previous census report. As a result many thousands of dollars were lost to this community."

Mr. Harding urges cooperation of every Roseburg resident in the effort to secure a complete and correct check on the city's population.

Roosevelt Speech Set for Tonight

Young Democrat Clubs to Hear Broadcast to Nation; Hull Held Candidate Prospect.

WARM SPRINGS, Ga.—April 20.—(AP)—Back in the familiar surroundings of the Little White House and the Warm Springs infirmary, President Roosevelt concentrated his attention today on completing a potentially significant political speech to be made to young democrat clubs tonight.

At 7:45 p. m. (Pacific Standard Time) he is going on the air with his speech.

Young democrats assembled at dinners over the nation will hear it. Many a politician will be listening, too, for a possible clue to Mr. Roosevelt's intentions toward a third term or to whom the president prefers as his successor.

Some of these politicians recalled how the chief executive, in a message to a young democrats convention at Pittsburgh last August, demanded the democratic party nominate a liberal and threatened to withhold his support should the party select a conservative.

Ford Co. Accused Of Terror Tactics

WASHINGTON, April 20.—(AP)—The Ford Motor company, charged by a labor board examiner with using a "strong arm squad" to beat and terrorize union members, was confronted today with an unprecedented proposal that it not only individually its more than 100,000 workers that they are free to join any labor union of their own choosing.

The recommendation that the company be required to give such notification was made by Robert N. Benham, the examiner, in a report to the board holding that the company had "gathered together the most brutal, vicious and conscienceless thugs in its employ" to defeat union organization at the Ford plant in Dallas, Texas, in 1937.

Gabe P. Allen, an attorney for the Ford company, commented at Dallas that the examiner's charge was "just a conclusion and wild inference" designed to carry out the labor board's policy of "persecuting" the company. Declaring the findings were not warranted by the evidence, he said he and Co-Attorney Neth L. Leachman would file exceptions to them and to the accompanying recommendations.

Benham cited testimony taken in a five weeks' hearing on a complaint filed by the Ford company at Dallas, which he said showed that plant officials organized a "strong arm squad" which beat up union sympathizers.

He recommended that any remedy prescribed under the Wagner act be applied to all Ford plants in the United States.

Governor Compelled to Revoke Official's Ouster

ATLANTA, Ga., April 20.—(AP)—Bowling to Georgia's supreme court, Governor E. D. Rivers yesterday restored to office a highway board chairman ousted by executive decree and barred from his desk by soldiers acting in defiance of lower court orders.

The governor announced that W. L. Miller would return at once to the \$5,400-a-year appointive job from which Rivers removed him last December.

This move apparently concluded the month-long court fight which started with Miller's defiance of the governor's order.

Noted War Veteran of France Passes at 102

PARIS, April 20.—(AP)—Viscount Hilaire de Bonald, last survivor of the national assembly of 1871 and veteran of the Franco-Prussian war, through which he fought as a captain, died here today at the age of 102.

Election of the assembly of 1871, which ended the peace of Frankfurt ending the war with Germany, marked the transition from the second empire to the third republic.

N. Y. Central Line Scene Of Night Crash

Nine Cars Turned Into Mass of Twisted Steel as Limited, Traveling at High Speed, Fails to Round Wide Curve.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., April 20.—(AP)—The New York-Chicago Lake Shore Limited, roaring westward along the Mohawk valley 15 minutes behind schedule, hurtled last night shortly before midnight last night carrying at least 25 persons to death and leaving 100 injured.

With most of the 250 to 300 passengers asleep, nine cars of the 16-car New York Central fast express were turned in a flash into a mass of twisted steel as they were derailed on a wide curve and piled up for a half mile along the main east-west highway and the Albany-Buffalo barge canal.

Railroad men, investigating the New York Central's first passenger fatality in 13 years, voiced belief the train taking the curve at high speed sprung a rail.

The locomotive plowed across the highway into a rock embankment, tossing Fireman J. Y. Smith, Schenectady, N. Y., to instant death and pinning Engineer Jesse Earl, Albany, N. Y., in a battered cab where he died three hours later.

Scene Like Junkyard. The high-powered locomotive carried with it the tender and baggage car. One coach, uncoupled, sped down the tracks and apparently was not damaged. Another coach was cut open like a can of sardines. Its top ripped off and the inside a complete wreck. (Continued on page 6)

Destruction Hits Nazi Warplanes

WITH THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, April 20.—(AP)—British fighting planes were reported today to have shot down four and possibly five German planes in the first large-scale air encounter over the western front since the war spread to the north.

Five British fighters fought nine single-engined Messerschmitts during the engagement.

AMSTERDAM, April 20.—(AP)—A German warplane crashed in southern Limburg province, extreme southeastern Holland, today after being fired upon by Netherlands anti-aircraft guns.

The five members of the crew, one of whom was wounded, were interned.

Earlier three planes, apparently German, attacked two others, presumably British, near Siebenbrunn, northern Limburg province. Machine-gun fire was heard and after a few minutes the two planes being attacked disappeared to the north under cover of a smoke screen.

PARIS, April 20.—(AP)—French anti-aircraft gunners today shot down a two-motored German plane in central France. The crew landed safely and was captured.

Drunken Driver Draws Fine and Jail Sentence

A fine of \$100 and a 30-day jail sentence was imposed in city court today upon Walter Mulholland Jr., who pleaded guilty before City Recorder A. J. Geddes to a charge of drunken driving. John Perry, arrested with Mulholland, pleaded guilty to drunkenness and was fined \$10 and went to jail in lieu of payment.

Oddities Off the Press Wire

(By the Associated Press) Dental Detection. ST. LOUIS—Police were confident they arrested the right man—an ex-convict—for attempting to hold up John Lopiccolo.

The space between teeth marks, registered in Lopiccolo's arm when he was bitten in resisting robbery, matched four missing teeth in the ex-convict's mouth.

Surprisers Surprised

OMAHA, Neb.—Friends gathered at a surprise baby shower party for Mrs. Earl W. Brown.

They were surprised when Mr. Brown hurried over to announce that his wife had given birth to a six pound son—a month earlier than expected.

"Luck" Improves

CAIRO, Ill.—Leonard Cherry thinks his luck is improving. He is mending a broken leg in a hospital. However, at this time last year, he was in the same hospital—both legs broken.

Officially Classified

WACO, Tex.—The census will list one cow thief. "His folks said he had been sent to the penitentiary twice for stealing cows, so they guessed that was his profession," explained the enumerator to his boss.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



MRS. C. O. MARCH kneeling under a beautiful Japanese tree peony growing in her lawn at Myrtle Creek.

"They call it a Japanese peony," she told me, "but really it is native to China and Tibet. But then the Japanese claim so many things..."

There must have been a hundred or perhaps fifty more, huge, fluffy, pinkish-white blossoms on the tree. They were just a trifle past their prime when I secured the photograph of these you see above—but beautiful withal.

I believe Mrs. March told me the tree was about a dozen years old. Immediately back of it, although not visible in the picture, is a Missouri persimmon. Now, there's a tree—but that is another story.

Dye know, I reckon I was fifteen years old before I knew what

News-Review Photo and Engraving the word peony meant, when I heard it spoken, if ever I did. I'd always known the flower by the name of "pinney."

Which makes me think of the word rhubarb. I don't know why my education, if any, seemed so decidedly to start at the age of fifteen years; but I was that old before I learned that rhubarb simply was my old childhood friend, pie plant.

"This tunnel (on the Roseburg WPA sewer job) when completed will be 400 feet in length, seven feet high and six feet wide. Workmen have encountered unexpected trouble in connection with this work due to the rock formation, which is hard on the bottom."

News-Review news story. WHAT, no cushions?