

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 38%
Highest temperature yesterday 72
Lowest temperature last night 43
Precipitation for 24 hours 0
Precip. since first of month 1.10
Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939 31.40
Excess since Sept. 1, 1939 1.47
Cloudy.

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Great Britain faces one as critics clamor for new war leaders and strike threaten in the Mediterranean. History is in the making. Keep abreast of the times through the columns of your home-city daily, the NEWS-REVIEW.

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CHAMBERLAIN FIGHTS STORM OF CRITICISM

Teacher Kills Four Because Of Dismissal

Ousted South Pasadena School Principal Also Wounds 2 Other Persons Then Guns Self in Suicide Attempt.

SOUTH PASADENA, Calif., May 7.—(AP)—Death hovered near today for two critically wounded survivors of a deposed school principal's bullet-popping target pistol that cost the lives of four other educational authorities.

Shah were George G. Bush, 62, for 25 years superintendent of schools here and in nearby San Marino; John E. Almon, 50, principal of the South Pasadena-San Marino high school for 25 years; William Speer, 42, business manager of the combined school district, and Victor V. Vanderlip, 45, manual arts and printing instructor at South Pasadena junior high school.

Hospital authorities described as critical the condition of high-strung, erratic Verlin Spencer, 38, who suddenly went berserk after being told his junior high school contract would not be renewed, moved down the six school attaches and then turned his .22 calibre pistol upon himself.

Little hope also was held for the other survivors of his mad outburst of gunfire, Miss Ruth R. Sturgeon, 46, art instructor at the junior high school. The other victim, Miss Dorothy Talbot, 30, secretary to Superintendent Bush, rallied this morning and a physician gave her "a good chance to make it."

Police Chief Frank Higgins reported Spencer, an expert marksman, had had numerous recent alterations with school authorities following a nervous breakdown a year ago. He went to the board of education building yesterday, demanding a hearing on a notification his contract would not be renewed at the end of the school year.

Gun Ordy Described

Higgins said an argument developed and Spencer pulled the target pistol from his pocket and started firing. Bush, Almon and

ard Company Gets New Guns



News-Review Photo and Engraving
Captain R. L. Irving, commanding officer of Co. D, 162nd Infantry, is pictured above explaining to Private Robert Truss, Sergeant William Gilbreath and Corporal Lawrence Hill the operation of a 3-inch Stokes mortar. The high trajectory weapon is one of the several new pieces of equipment authorized for the Roseburg company, which also is being increased in personnel to 82 enlisted men and four commissioned officers. The company, which has been efficiently trained in the operation of 30 calibre machine guns, is receiving, in addition to the Stokes mortar, an .81 mm. mortar and two .50 calibre, anti-tank machine guns.

Dewey Adds 24 to His List Of Delegates

Maryland Backers Win 7 to 1 at Primary, Idaho Convention Favors New Yorker; Four Other States Vote Today.

By the Associated Press

Twenty-four republican convention delegates from Maryland and Idaho were enrolled under Thomas E. Dewey's banner today, while California democrats were registering their third term views in a complicated primary election.

Dewey delegates led an unstructured state by more than seven to one in Maryland's republican primary yesterday. At the same time the Idaho republican convention broke tradition and voted 132 to 68 to instruct its eight delegates to support the New York district attorney.

Maryland democrats, with no presidential aspirant running in their preferential ballot, renominated Senator George Radcliffe, longtime business associate of President Roosevelt, by nearly a two-to-one margin over National Committeeman Howard Bruce.

In the California democratic primary, four delegate states were covered. One was pledged to President Roosevelt and one to Vice-President Garner. Two others, one of which was led by "ham and eggs" pension forces, were unstructured. One unstructured state was on the republican ticket.

4 Other States Voting

Besides the California voting, there were primaries today in four other states, as follows:

Alabama: Democrats were choosing 22 national convention delegates from men pledged to the favorite son candidacy of Speaker Bankhead. Bankhead was unopposed for renomination to the house, but five colleagues had opposition.

Florida: More than half the 88

Curb Cutting Issue Given New Airing

City Council Mulls Advice Not to Make Regulatory Law Retroactive; Several More City-Owned Lots Sold.

A lengthy discussion over the problem of cutting street curbs for driveways and the marking of curbs for parking areas occupied the greater part of last night's meeting of the city council. Among other business transactions, the council authorized sale of several city-owned lots. The resignation of Councilman Orville Johns, because of his change in residence from the ward by which he was elected, was accepted.

The twin problems of curb-cutting and parking zones was revived last night for lengthy debate.

An ordinance was prepared several months ago to designate the size of driveways, requiring a permit from the council and providing that curbs and sidewalks should be restored when driveways were abandoned. The ordinance was not passed, but was held up for further consideration.

Non-Retroaction Advised

Councilman W. F. Harris, acting chairman of the street committee, following the resignation recently of Councilman E. R. Metzger, reported he and Councilman C. W. Wharton had made an inspection and advised that no action on curb-cutting should be made retroactive, but that some provision should be made for the future.

He also declared that the street department in the near future would be engaged in repainting pedestrian lanes and other traffic lines, and suggested that parking areas be designated at that time.

An ordinance recently was adopted forbidding the indiscriminate marking of curbs for "No Parking."

British Cabinet Branded In Debate as War Failures

Preparations For War Hum At Alexandria

Allies Mass Warships, Troops, Planes in Anticipation of Italy's Entry Into Strife; Balkans Now Armed Camp.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, May 7.—(AP)—Fervent preparations for defense against modern war hit a higher pace today in the land of the pharaohs. The entire Mediterranean area was fast becoming an armed camp.

British official circles hinted broadly that any future change in Italy's status as a non-belligerent ally of Germany could be expected within seven days.

A twentieth century blackout was ordered for this ancient land. The government posted police and troops to enforce compliance with practice air raid warnings starting at noon tomorrow.

Countless yards of black curtains and black paper were sold by shops and provided by the government to cover windows and doors in every home and building. Every automobile and railway coach was equipped with small black lights.

The period of waiting was particularly tense for 70,000 Italian residents of Egypt.

Among them hundreds of antifascists were reported applying to the ministry of the interior for Egyptian citizenship.

In the midst of all the bustle, however, the Egyptians staged a general holiday today to celebrate the fourth anniversary of the ac-

Back in Service As War Nurse



Miss Louise Tuliez (above), who was sentenced to death by the Germans along with the British nurse Edith Cavell in the world war, is now serving France as a canteen worker on the western front. The death sentence was rescinded, and Miss Tuliez was released by German revolutionaries after the armistice.

Cries Arise For Change In Leadership

Prime Minister Defends Course in Norway, Warns England to Prepare for Violent Attack Against Himself.

LONDON, May 7.—(AP)—An angry opposition cried out in the house of commons today for "different people at the helm" after Prime Minister Chamberlain, frankly admitting failure of Britain's central Norwegian military adventure, had defended its start and result with the plea: "I believe it was right."

In the most violent parliamentary debate since the war began, the old prime minister and his war cabinet were branded as "failures" by Clement R. Attlee, the labor opposition leader. He said they had been "missing buses since 1931."

Chamberlain, who is expected to keep his grip on the government despite the storm of parliamentary abuse, confessed the allied troops had to be withdrawn from mid-Norway because they could not get airdromes for fighting planes and because the German reinforcements came up too fast.

Churchill Given New Power

He warned again that Britain must be prepared even for attack "in the most violent form" against Britain herself, and he announced the appointment of First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill to supervise military operations from day to day.

Previously Churchill had been head of a committee of defense ministers in the cabinet. Now he will work directly with the chiefs of staff of army, navy and air force themselves.

After Attlee had exploded his attack, Sir Archibald Sinclair, the liberal opposition leader, assailed the situation "in Norway" and accepted defeat in Norway and attacked the government's ill-founded boasting.

It was the first day of a two-day debate on the Norwegian reverse.

The designation of new powers (Continued on page 6)

Narvik Port Rid Of All Nazi Warships

LONDON, May 7.—(AP)—Heavy losses by Germany's merchant marine in the Norwegian campaign were reported today by the British admiralty while naval sources indicated the British navy had driven all German warships from the waters around the besieged Norwegian port of Narvik.

The admiralty declared that the Nazi merchant shipping had lost 300,000 tons since April 1, most of it in the operations around Norway. This figure includes transport and supply ships used by Germany to reinforce shock troops rushed to Norway to huge planes.

The admiralty said seven British, allied and neutral merchant ships were sunk by enemy action in the week ending April 28.

The story of the allied retreat from central Norway was told partly by battle-weary troops who reached a northern English port. They said they were so short of explosives as they retreated up the Gudbrands valley that they used depth charges from warships to blow up bridges behind them and slow the German advance.

Turkeys Too Big For SCC Plan, M'Nary Is Told

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(AP)—It looks like there will be no turkey among commodities distributed by the federal surplus commodity corporation to persons on relief.

The turkeys in storage were too large, officials notified Senator McNary today. They averaged 18 to 25 pounds and the corporation said this did not constitute a desirable economical commodity for relief distribution.

The Roseburg, Ore., chamber of commerce appealed to McNary to help turkey growers dispose of the surplus crop, saying there were 60,000 pounds of turkeys in cold storage in this country.

The SCC told McNary it had urged the army and navy to increase turkey purchases. The services, it said, had increased the maximum weight of turkeys they purchased from 21 to 25 pounds.

British Fleet Cannot be Routed by Nazi Planes, U. S. Navy Head Opines

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(AP)—United States naval experts were said by Secretary Edison today to believe that Germany will not be able to destroy or even "seriously damage" the British fleet by aerial bombardment despite her superiority in the air.

The chief of the navy department also told the senate naval committee that cooperation between aircraft and surface vessels of the American fleet was much closer than had been displayed by British aircraft and ships in the Scandinavian campaign.

If the British fleet had received more support from aircraft, he asserted, it would have been able to cover allied landing operations in Norway much more effectively. But it appeared, he continued, that the British had lacked either suf-

Kiwanians Hold District Meeting

Kiwanians from Eugene, North Bend, Medford, Klamath Falls, Bend and Redmond were in Roseburg today to attend the spring district conference. Tom Parkinson of Roseburg, lieutenant governor for the district, presided.

Following luncheon at noon, the afternoon was given over to a conference of officers. The local and visiting Kiwanians and their ladies will enjoy a social meeting to night at Riverside grange hall, where the local club will present the entertainment which it has been carrying to the various granges of the county. Jack Godfrey, of Portland, district governor, will be the principal speaker of the evening.

Thursday night, the local Kiwanis entertainers will go to Ellendale grange, where a Kiwanis grange program will be presented. Wednesday night the directors of the club are meeting at the home of Vice-President D. E. Carr.

Announcement was made today of the election of Harry Black of the Douglas Creditors association to membership.

Hatch Political Measure Revived

WASHINGTON, May 7.—(AP)—The house judiciary committee voted 14 to 11 today to revive the Hatch political practices bill and give it further consideration.

The vote reversed the committee's 14 to 10 decision last Wednesday to table the measure.

The bill, which would extend to state employees drawing federal funds the political regulations now applied to federal employees by the Hatch law, enacted last year, won President Roosevelt's unqualified endorsement last night. It already has won senate approval.

An objection by Rep. Wolcott (R., Mich.) blocked house action yesterday on a bill to move up the November elections by a month.

The measure, by Rep. Sumners (D., Tex.), would fix the first Tuesday after the first Monday in October as the date for the election of the president, vice-president and members of congress.

"There was no indication whether the house would consider the proposal again this session."

Dublin Officers Shot in Fight With Irish Outlaws

DUBLIN, May 7.—(AP)—Two detectives were dangerously wounded today in a machine gun battle with a gang which authorities believed to be members of the outlawed Irish republican army.

The clash occurred in the heart of Dublin. It was the second recent outbreak. The Dublin Castle detective branch headquarters was bombed April 25 and five detectives were injured.

The two detectives flung themselves from a motorcycle and sidecar, opening fire with pistols.

The battle ended when one of the gang was killed and his companions picked him up and fled in their automobile.

Spokane Jury Decides Mrs. Hahn Slew Herself

SPOKANE, May 7.—(AP)—The future of official action in the case of Mrs. Sylvia Hahn, shot to death last Thursday, was in doubt today after a coroner's jury last night had decided she died from a "self-inflicted" wound.

Neither Deputy Prosecutor Leslie Carroll, in charge of the case, or police investigators would comment after the verdict, which was reached after the jury had heard a surprise witness, Theo Weller, a family friend, testify Mrs. Hahn had threatened previously to end her life.

Mrs. Hahn was found dead on her bed last Thursday after her husband, eccentric 71-year-old Dr. R. A. Hahn, had called police.

Truckers Ask Tax Ban, Fee Increase

SALEM, Ore., May 7.—(AP)—A new state motor transportation act under which truckers would pay higher annual license fees instead of taxes based on ton miles would be provided under an initiative measure filed today by the Oregon Association of Truckers, Eugene.

The law, to be administered by a three-man board to be appointed by the governor instead of by a commissioner appointed by the governor, would provide that all commercial trucks would pay \$10 per ton per year on the net carrying capacity of the trucks. The registration fees also would be increased by 20 per cent.

Bus operators would pay a six per cent tax on their gross monthly income, instead of a ton-mile tax.

The sponsors said the law would be similar to Washington and California laws, and that the administration expense would be reduced by \$200,000 a year.

The measure, 17th initiative to be filed, would appear on the November ballot if 25,531 signatures of registered voters are obtained.

Four Tie Votes Leave City Rule in Deadlock

SAPULPA, Okla., May 7.—(AP)—The city commission goes into overtime in the game of politics with the score deadlocked 5-5.

The commission elected Otis Humes, a druggist, as mayor but he resigned. Hudie Haston was nominated. The vote: Humes 5, Haston 5.

Warren K. Brown was renominated. Joe Rockwood was nominated. The vote: Brown 5, Rockwood 5.

But that's not all. Votes for other officers were:

For city manager: Fred Boone, incumbent 5; Clarence Dietz 5.

For city attorney: Dan Odell 5; T. P. Blakemore 5.

The game continues tonight.

Feed Store Owner of Medford Is Missing

MEDFORD, May 7.—(AP)—Authorities had found no trace today of Lester Irwin, feed store owner missing for a week. State Police Captain Lee Brown said the Albers Brothers Milling company, Portland, filed action to collect \$5600 for merchandise.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ALL over Oregon (and probably elsewhere) there is grief over preliminary census estimates, which in the main are disappointing. Oregon's cities, with a few exceptions, just don't seem to be as big as they thought they were going to be.

(No proposal has yet been made to hang them, but one suspects that census enumerators would win no popularity contests.)

THIS writer, who has a notion that the ideal population of any city is the number of people FOR WHOM EMPLOYMENT CAN BE FOUND, is left unmoved by all this grief.

ANY city in America could double its population in a year if it could find employment at fair wages for all comers. The world would get out that jobs are plentiful in So-and-So, and soon the highways and the skyways and the rail-ways would be clogged with people eager to get there and STAY THERE.

All we need in order to get more people is to MAKE MORE JOBS.

THAT brings up this question: "Who makes jobs?"

This is the answer: Jobs are made by men who are willing to TAKE A CHANCE—to put up buildings in the hope that they can find profitable tenants, to build factories in the hope that they can find a profitable market

Paper-Bag Bandit Pulls "Last Job" in Portland

PORTLAND, May 7.—(AP)—Portland police are anxious as anybody to see this city's population top the 1930 census but they wouldn't think of asking the paper-bag robber to break his promise.

The holdup man appeared at a Safeway store on Northwest 23rd avenue last night just as Manager Al Rouse was about to lock up. He prodded Rouse toward the cash register with his gun, flipped open a paper bag and made the manager deposit the receipts. This has happened about a dozen Safeway stores during the last couple of months.

The robber made Manager Rouse walk down to the corner with him and by way of taking leave said: "This is my last job. I will be out of town in an hour. I really must be going."

Rouse reported at headquarters that the fellow sounded as though he meant it.

Fugitive for 21 Years to Battle Extradition

PORTLAND, May 7.—(AP)—Frank Dalton, fugitive from a South Dakota penitentiary, said last night he would fight extradition because he believed he deserved his freedom.

He escaped in 1919, came to Oregon, married, raised five children and went straight. Governor Sprague Saturday asked South Dakota authorities to drop the charge.

Dalton said he served 21 years of a 13-year sentence for a morals offense. He was arrested near here last week.

Youth Jailed and Fined for Reckless Driving

D. P. Parazoo, 19, of Sutherlin, was sentenced to 30 days in jail and fined \$50, when he pleaded guilty before Judge R. W. Marsters in the Roseburg justice court to a charge of reckless driving. Parazoo was arrested last night by the state police following an investigation into an automobile accident at Sutherlin Saturday. Judge Marsters also revoked Parazoo's driver's license for a period of 90 days.

Automobile Theft Holds Transient to Grand Jury

Angeles Zamalloa, an 18-year-old transient, arrested by state police on a charge of theft of an automobile from Frank Medina, of Shady Brook camp, by whom he was employed, was ordered held for the grand jury today. Given preliminary arraignment in the justice court, Zamalloa, who Sergeant Paul Morgan of the state police said admitted the theft, waived examination. He was continued in custody in lieu of \$500 bail.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



OREN LEDGERWOOD behind the counter of the meat market in Myrtle Creek operated by his father, Joe Ledgerwood, and himself.

The market was moved last Saturday evening from the old location which is has occupied for many years, to its present one in the new, commodious concrete building just completed by the Ledgerwoods on the main street. It houses, also, Malcolm McElroy's bakery, in separate quarters.

"Indeed, we will like it here," Oren declared, "we have lots of space as you see, for the sales room, both in front of the counter, and back of it."

"Opening from this passage to the rear is a cool room for storage of our meats—a large place, in which we maintain a freezing temperature; while in this room—15 by 30 feet—we are building 200 storage lockers for the use of customers. Its temperature will be