

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 33% Highest temperature yesterday 69 Lowest temperature last night 42 Precipitation for 24 hours 0.0 Precip. since first of month 1.10 Precip. from Sept. 1, 1939 31.10 Excess since Sept. 1, 1939 1.06 Partly Cloudy.

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DECISIVE

That's the great battle which opened today between the Germans and the allies. The winners will in all probability be the ultimate winner of the war. Follow NEWS-REVIEW wire reports.

BLITZKRIEG SLOWED, GREAT BATTLE OPENS

Douglas, Coos Funds Rise In Law's Change

Wagon Land Grant Revenue to Be Trebled July 1, Attorney Cordon Advised; Payment Made to Coos County.

Attorney Guy Corlon, legal adviser for the Oregon land grant counties, was informed today from Washington, D. C., that a certificate for payment of \$5,702.10 to Coos county has been made for the first fiscal year, and that, beginning July 1, 1940, the new regulations, greatly increasing the returns to Coos and Douglas counties, will become effective.

Previous to this year Coos and Douglas counties, in which the Coos Bay Wagon road grant lands are located, have received only 25 per cent of the income from the grant lands. The counties were advanced money in lieu of taxation, under the provisions of the Chamblin-Forris act, with the agreement that money so advanced should be paid back to the federal government from the receipts.

While Mr. Corlon was in Washington last year on behalf of the grant land counties, he succeeded in securing a change in this law to provide that the counties shall receive from the revenue the full tax value of the lands. If, however, the income fails to equal the tax value, the counties then shall be paid 75 per cent of the income.

Under the new arrangement, Coos county, which has been receiving from \$5,000 to \$6,000 annually, will now receive about \$15,000. Due to the rapid rate of timber cutting, Coos county's debt for money advanced under the old act has been reduced.

The rate of cutting, however, has slowed down during recent years, due to the removal of choice timber, so it is doubtful, Mr. Corlon states, that the county will receive the full tax value, but will receive 75 per cent of the income instead of 25 per cent as before.

Douglas county, which has only a (Continued on page 6)

Shirley Temple To Quit Films At Age of 11

HOLLYWOOD, May 13.—(AP)—Shirley Temple—with her first million, and more, in the bank—is "retiring" at the ripe old age of 11.

The curly-haired child sensation, who ruled the nation's box offices from 1935 through 1938, will sever connections with 20th Century-Fox studio when her 24th and latest film, "Young People," is released. It was finished last week. Announcement that her seven-year stay at the studio would end was made by her mother, Mrs. George Temple, and 20th's president, Joseph M. Schenck.

Both agreed the parting was amicable. Mrs. Temple said she was concerned because stories "to enter the new growing-up phase in Shirley's life" had not been found. She added that she felt her daughter was entitled to "those normal, natural benefits that many be deprived from minkling and competing with a large number of other children."

Her picture earnings, plus selected commercial tieups, have never been made public but a studio spokesman estimated recently that her films had returned \$20,000,000 to 20th.

Mrs. Temple explained "I don't want Shirley ever to say to me: 'Mother, why couldn't I have gone to school just like any other girl?'"

League Raps Outgo Over Budget Limit

A resolution expressing opposition to expenditures by county officers of amounts in excess of the budget established for their individual offices, was passed Saturday at a meeting of the directors of the Douglas County Taxpayers' league.

The action was taken following a discussion of the county audit, which reported that while the county as a whole for the year 1939 had not been exceeded, some officers had expended more than had been provided for their departments.

The tax league directors held in their resolution that officers should be held "personally responsible for any amount expended in excess of the amount budgeted for their respective office."

It was decided that an opinion meeting should be held during the month of June. Claude Buchanan of Corvallis, president of the state federation of tax leagues, is to be invited as the principal speaker. Invitations will also be extended to all service clubs, granges and 4-H club members to attend.

The meeting devoted considerable time to a discussion of land classifications, but no final action was taken.

Roosevelt to Ask More Funds for U. S. Defense

WASHINGTON, May 13.—(AP)—President Roosevelt will plan to send to congress this week a recommendation for more money for national defense.

Stephen Early, presidential secretary, said the president at this time had no specific amount in mind, but would decide on some sum as a result of conferences with his advisers on defense. One such conference, with war and treasury department officials, was scheduled today.

Already pending before congress are requests for upwards of \$2,000,000,000 for defense requirements in the year starting July 1. There has been conjecture that Mr. Roosevelt, in view of needs emphasized by the war board, might request another \$500,000,000.

Collision of Trains Sends 35 to Hospitals

NEW YORK, May 13.—(AP)—A too swift approach to a station where a preceding section was pulling out was the tentative explanation today by the Erie Railroad officials for a collision at Port Jervis, N. Y., in which 250 were hurt, 35 seriously enough for hospitalization.

Seven Die In Oregon's Toll Of Tragedies

Three Drown on Fishing Trip, 4th Falls From Bridge, Boy Loses Life Rescuing Pal; Plunges of Autos Kill 2.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 13.—(AP)—Death exacted a heavy toll on Oregon's roads and rivers over the week end.

Five were known dead and two others were believed drowned although their bodies had not been recovered.

In Oregon's worst fishing accident of the new season, Dave Woodfin, Ray Murden and Jack Ray, all of Burns, are thought to have perished although Ray's was the only body recovered. It was found lying across a half-swamped row-boat on Unity Dam lake.

Sheriff C. W. Frazier said he believed that after the craft overturned, either Woodfin or Murden rescued Ray and brought him back to the boat, then drowned trying to rescue the other man. At Baker, where Ray's body was taken, medical examiners said he apparently had died sometime Saturday of exhaustion and exposure.

Officers dragged the lake until midnight yesterday and resumed this morning with grappling hooks. Oil fences in the new reservoir made dragging difficult. Several men's articles were found washed ashore.

All three men were employed by the Bennett Motor company of Burns. Ray, 40, was shop foreman and an ex-service man. Woodfin also was an ex-soldier. Ray was recovering from a broken leg suffered several weeks ago in a garage accident.

Rescues Pal Then Dies.

Eleven-year-old Virgil Voge of Willamette saved his playmate Jimmy Ritter, 12, late Sunday but lost his own life. The Ritter boy slipped into the Willamette river near Oregon City from a log boom.

Virgil pulled him to the boom and lifted him to safety, then lost his balance and fell into the river. His body was not recovered.

Kverett Corbin, 40, Brownville, fell into the Willamette river Saturday from the Van Buren street bridge in Corvallis and drowned. He was at work repairing the span.

Earl L. Wisecarver, 21, Klamath Falls, lost his life in the 20-foot plunge of his automobile from a bridge approach to the bank of the Klamath river early Sunday.

Floyd Spindler, a companion who escaped serious injury, said he believed Wisecarver fell asleep at the wheel.

Dale Pollock, 18, died as an automobile plunged over a bank on the Cornelius pass road near here Saturday.

Sportsmen to Hear Federation Head

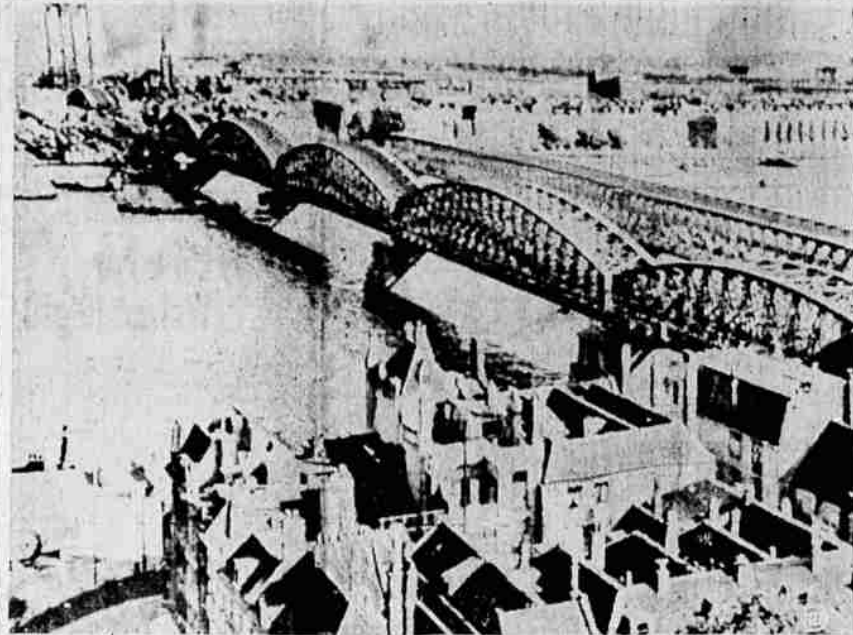
W. J. Smith, president of the Oregon Wildlife Federation, will be in Roseburg Thursday, May 16, to explain to Douglas county sportsmen the plan advanced by the federation for reorganization of the state game commission and a change in law enforcement, it was announced today.

The meeting will be held at the Roseburg Rod and Gun club, and Harris Ellsworth, president, is urging representatives of other sportsmen's clubs throughout the county to be present.

The meeting will be held in the civic room of the Empgan hotel, starting at 8 p. m.

The Oregon Wildlife Federation is sponsoring an initiative measure which it contends would take the state game commission out of political control. The measure also would take game law enforcement out of the hands of the state police and would restore the game warden method of control.

Where Huge Rival Armies Struggle for Mastery



Upper picture shows bridges over the Maas river, near Rotterdam, Holland, where some of the bloodiest fighting between the Nazi legions and Dutch defenders is occurring. Reports today are that the Dutch recaptured the vitally important city of Rotterdam, which the Nazis apparently planned to use as a base for a direct attack on England.

Picture at the right describes the general situation in the lowlands at the outset of the German invasion.

Oregon Prisoner Admits 2 Killings

PORTLAND, May 13.—(AP)—Wheeler County Sheriff Kelsay and Multnomah County Deputy Sheriff Christofferson left today for Fossil, Ore., with Claude F. Cline, 43, whom they said had confessed two Spanish gulch mining district killings.

Kelsay brought Cline to Portland from Seattle Saturday night after his arrest there. In Seattle Cline confessed shooting George Chetty, 25, Xenia, Ohio, man who came west to join him in a mining venture, the sheriff said.

On the train to Portland Kelsay and Christofferson questioned Cline for five hours on a second killing and when they arrived here Kelsay announced the prisoner had also confessed the slaying last August of Eugene Rosenstiel, 29, Portland, another prospector.

A first degree murder warrant was issued in Wheeler county Saturday. The prisoner promised the officers that he would lead them to the spot he buried Rosenstiel's body. It was not far, he told Kelsay, from where Chetty's body—lying in a shallow, sand grave—was discovered last Friday.

Kelsay reported that Cline took Chetty's travelers' checks after the shooting last week and cashed them in several northwest points. It was through them that he was traced and arrested in Seattle.

Three CCC Enrollees Killed in Truck Upset

PLUMMER, Idaho, May 13.—(AP)—A civilian conservation corps board of inquiry was to inspect a battered truck and the highway 13 miles east of here today, probing for the cause of an accident which took the lives of three young Idahoans yesterday and injured 10 others, only one of whom critically.

Charles A. May, 22, of Boise; William A. Carter, 20, Placerville, and Ralph Oswald, 21, Koonkia, died when the truck in which they were returning to Camp Chatoleau with 23 other CCC enrollees left the road on a curve and overturned.

Child Dies When Bite of Playful Pup Cuts Juglar

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 13.—(AP)—Nipped by a playful pup, Robert Eugene Mackley, 3, Vancouver, died of death of a severed jugular vein last night while visiting relatives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Mackley, at White Salmon, Wash.

The dog's sharp teeth made a slight surface wound that its fatal nature was not discovered until too late, for the child died internally, it was reported. He was rushed to a hospital but died en route.



Cleland Weaver, Native of Myrtle Creek, Dies

Cleland Weaver, 74, a well known resident of Myrtle Creek, died at his home Saturday. Funeral services were held at Myrtle Creek Sunday, Rev. J. P. Bray officiating, and interment took place in the Myrtle Creek cemetery under arrangements conducted by the Roseburg Undertaking company.

Mr. Weaver was a life-long resident of Myrtle Creek, where he was born September 2, 1865. He was the last of a family of 13 children. He was a brother of the late Edwin Weaver, former county commissioner.

Surviving are his wife, Anna Dyser Weaver, and a son, Alvin Weaver, both of Myrtle Creek. Mr. Weaver was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge.

Agreement Ends Strike at Woodenware Plant

TACOMA, May 13.—(AP)—The two-month-old strike of 218 employees at the Northwestern Woodenware company plant here was settled today and all employees will return to work tomorrow, Joseph L. Diven, company manager, and Earl Hartley, business agent for the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' union (AFL), announced.

Hartley said the company met the strikers' demand for a 45 cent an hour minimum wage "all along the line." The new scale represents a 74 cent an hour increase. The plant employs many skilled men above the minimum pay classification.

Similar strikes at other cooper-ative plants owned by the northwestern company in Seattle, Portland and Toledo, Ore., are still unsettled, Hartley said.

Allies Facing Nazi Legions On Combat Front Extending From Holland Into France

Stubborn Dutch Regain Control of Rotterdam, Nazis Capture Fort in Liege Zone But Meet Strong Belgian Resistance Elsewhere; German Ships Sunk in Effort to Help Narvik Garrison.

By the Associated Press

The German blitzkrieg push to the west tonight appeared to be checked, French military spokesmen declared.

Advanced allied motorized and air forces, supporting the Belgian and Dutch armies, were said to have slowed up the Nazi steamroller advance through southern Holland and Belgium.

The great "battle of the west," the spokesmen added, has started in its preliminary stages.

They explained this meant the advanced allied motorized forces and allied aviation were supporting the Belgian and southern Dutch armies and had slowed up the Nazi blitzkrieg swoop. They were giving battle pending the early arrival of the main allied forces which were said to be nearing the line "ahead of schedule."

Reports from both sides in the fast-developing conflict listed a total loss of 1,100 planes since the German invasion started May 10. The Germans said they had destroyed 700 allied planes; the allies reported 400 German aircraft put out of action.

Dutch troops fought stubbornly behind their flooded defense lines below the Zuider Zee, while Belgian, British and French forces battled side by side against sharp new attacks by German motorized invaders in Belgium.

The Dutch high command announced enemy parachute troops virtually were cleared out of Rotterdam, where they still held Waalhaven airport but were unable to use it because of heavy Dutch artillery fire. Elsewhere they were reported wiped out or "rendered harmless."

Belgian Fort Falls

Adolf Hitler's headquarters on the western front reported the capture of a great Liege fortress citadel in Belgium—on the fourth day of the war. It was here that Kaiser Wilhelm's army was halted a week by a heroic Belgian defense in 1914. The Germans also reported the capture of 18,000 Dutch troops by one German army.

The French high command said the only fort so far seized by the Germans in the Liege zone was Eben Emael.

Nazi Rhine Wall Broken

French artillery and allied air bombs this afternoon shattered part of the Ixell railroad tunnel under Germany's "Gibraltar of the Rhine," a report from Basel, Switzerland, said.

This destruction closed to military traffic a section of the vital army railway incorporated in the west wall fortifications.

The new raid and shelling of the southern side of the bridge of Ixell rock, which the German railroad pierces in a double track tunnel, severed Germany's direct connection with Basel.

Nazi Transports Sunk

Far to the north, in the almost forgotten Norwegian campaign, a German attempt to land troops to help the besieged Nazi garrison at Narvik was reported a failure. Several German transports were sunk, according to the Norwegian telegraph agency.

Nazi officials in Berlin predicted a "gigantic battle today," and the high command announced Germany would shoot 10 allied prisoners for every Nazi parachute soldier killed in violation of international law.

In Bern, Switzerland, neutral military attaches speculated that Germany's new secret weapon which purportedly enabled Nazi forces to capture the Belgian fort Eben Emael was a strange "nerve gas" capable of penetrating regular gas masks.

Armored Cars Clash

The progress of German columns toward Tongres and Hasselt from Maastricht has been greatly hampered by allied aerial operations. The column heading toward Tongres was stopped by a mass assault by French armored cars last

Missing Art Student Found Dead on Beach

PORT GAMBLE, Wash., May 13.—(AP)—The body of Miss Martha Ann Hammons, 20, former art student of Seattle and Snohomish, Wash., was found on a Hood canal beach about a mile and a half from here today. She disappeared from a hotel here April 5 while visiting her father, Thomas Hammons, lumber mill employee. The cause of death was not immediately determined.

Believing her kidnapped, her father offered a reward, and a coast-wide search ensued.

The girl had been worried because of her failure as an artist and had withdrawn from a Seattle art school about a month before she disappeared.

The body was ordered taken to Port Orchard, county seat, for a probable inquest.

"Jack" Kidder Designated as West Point Cadet

James D. (Jack) Kidder, of Roseburg, has been designated from Oregon at large as a cadet at West Point military academy, according to word received today from Washington, D. C. Kidder, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kidder of Manly, P. I., former residents of Roseburg, and a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. James Sawyers of this city, has been attending preparatory school and taking other advanced work in preparation for West Point for the past year. He will enter the academy July 1. He passed entrance examinations in March.

Lone Girl Constitutes "Class" of Graduates

JUNTA, Ore., May 13.—(AP)—Junta high school graduation exercises next Friday wouldn't amount to much without Mary Ellen Joyce.

She is valedictorian, class historian, class poet and class prophet. She selected the class colors and picked out the class flower. In addition, she holds all class offices—because she's the only senior.

But that won't halt the exercises. Martin P. Galagher, Ontario attorney, will deliver the commencement address with all the trimmings.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

The rehearsals are over. The curtain has gone up. The performance is ON. The so-called "serevy" war is at an end.

It's the real thing from here on.

ITS 1914 over again—with a new weapon (a numerically superior air force) in the hands of the Germans.

Germany is driving again for the channel ports and is seeking again to turn the allied line on the left. As in 1914, it will all depend on whether the Belgians (and this time the Dutch) can hold up the German advance long enough to enable the always slower moving British and French to bring up their full force.

To forestall this, the blitzkrieg (depending on airplanes and fast-moving motorized land forces) was invented.

To Czechoslovakia, Poland, Finland, Denmark and Norway, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg have now been added—little people all, peace-loving, harmless no one, asking only to be left alone. Because they stand in the path of world empire, they must be trampled into the mud, their people slaughtered, their centuries-old civilizations destroyed.

It is HORRIBLE. The impulse to scream denunciation of such an outrage is almost irresistible.

YOU'D better save your breath. What has happened has happened. It has happened often be-

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