

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 26%
Highest temperature yesterday 87
Lowest temperature last night 53
Precipitation last 24 hours .00
Precip. since first of month .00
Precip. since Sept. 1, 1939 .32.05
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939 .51
Partly Cloudy, Cooler.

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U. S. DEFENSE

Latest proposal is for a boost in the army to two million men, and it will call for taxation increase. The action of congress is awaited with national interest. NEWS-REVIEW service will keep you advised.

BRITAIN, FOES EXCHANGE NEW AIR BLOWS

2nd Million Men for U. S. Army Planned

Recommendation of President, Looked for by Congress This Week, Involves New Boost in Defense Taxes.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—President Roosevelt's coming request for a \$5,000,000,000 defense fund was reported reliably today to authorize arms for a second million men.

The new program also contemplates additional facilities for making munitions, so that, in an emergency, full equipment for even larger land forces could be turned out in relatively short order.

A message setting forth the president's recommendations is expected to go to congress by the middle of the week.

Talk of the proposed fund, much the largest of its kind in peace-time, gave impetus to demands for another billion-dollar-a-year increase in taxes to meet defense costs. Senator George (D., Ga.) predicted the tax boost would be linked with the request for \$1,000,000,000 for the army and \$1,000,000,000 for the navy.

In regular and supplemental appropriations voted since the European war explosion in May, congress already has authorized complete arms and equipment for 500,000 soldiers, and reserves of "critical" weapons for an additional 500,000 men.

The newest preparedness move is expected to make ready for a second million men such arms as rifles, artillery, ammunition and tanks which could not be produced quickly in an emergency.

The chief executive had several engagements today bearing on the defense program, including one with Secretary Morgenthau and treasury tax specialists on the problem of an excess profits levy, which Mr. Roosevelt has suggested be steeply graduated.

With Sidney Hillman of the defense commission, he arranged to take up housing problems in crowded areas as they are affected by expansion of manufacturing plants for defense purposes.

Admiral J. O. Richardson, commander in chief of the fleet, in Washington temporarily after over-

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Secrecy Shrouds President Roosevelt's Reply to Farley on Third Term Question

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—President Roosevelt shared with James A. Farley today the secret of his third term intentions—but neither would reveal the chief executive's answer to the most baffling political question in a decade.

The rest of the nation may be let in on the solution to the third term puzzle when—and if—the democratic national convention insists on drafting Mr. Roosevelt.

Political analysts suggested that since Mr. Roosevelt had let the third term movement go along until a week before the convention without lifting a finger to check or increase its momentum, he would be unlikely to turn down renomination if it were offered in the form of a call to service during a time of international crisis and efforts to plug gaps in America's defenses.

Enough Votes Pledged

Lending emphasis to predictions of some democratic leaders that the convention would draft the chief executive was the fact that 773 votes were pledged or semi-pledged to Mr. Roosevelt with only the Canal Zone delegation to be heard from. Necessary to nominate are 548 votes.

Farley, the national democratic chairman, found out what the president proposed to do when the two laid their political cards on the desk in Mr. Roosevelt's library at Hyde Park, N. Y., yesterday.

They talked about the approaching convention, the democratic platform and the third term issue.

"I had a very satisfactory talk with the president," Farley said afterward, "and I have full knowledge of his thoughts and what he had in mind."

But any announcement on the third term, or any discussion of the time or place for the announcement, must come from the president.

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Hands Across the Political Fence



Senator Charles L. McNary, left, G. O. P. candidate for vice president, is pictured in Washington, receiving Vice President Garner's congratulations on his recent nomination. But there was no report that Cactus Jack wished his possible successor any luck.

Scores Killed In Mexico's Election

Injured Total May Reach Into Thousands; Two American Students Hit by Bullets.

MEXICO CITY, July 8.—(AP)—Riotous disorders which accompanied Mexico's presidential elections yesterday were estimated to have taken between 50 and 100 lives and reports of widespread irregularities threatened to complicate the task of determining the outcome of the voting.

An official count showed at least 30 persons dead in Mexico City alone, while scores—perhaps hundreds—were reported wounded during pitched battles which surged through the streets of the capital.

Some reports from the provinces indicated that the total injured might be in the thousands.

Two Americans Shot

Among the casualties in the capital were two American students—Edward J. Mallen, Jr., of Primm, Wyoming, who was reported near death with a pistol wound in the stomach, and Leonard Durso, 18, of Union City, N. J., who was gravely wounded by a rifle bullet.

The Mexican electoral system provided that the first citizens to arrive may organize the election board. The disorders resulted from efforts of various groups to control polling places, it was reported.

Both Sides Claim Victory

Both General Manuel Avila Camacho, administration candidate, and his independent rival, General Juan Andres Almazan, issued statements claiming overwhelming victory.

The actual canvass of returns, however, will not be made until Thursday and the official result will not be announced by congress until September.

Boy, Fire, Gasoline Send Woman to Hospital

WELCHES, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—A cup, a boy, a bonfire and a five-gallon can of gasoline combined to cause serious burns for Mrs. Millie E. Folland, Portland, Saturday.

The 10-year-old youngster, picnicking with a group of Mrs. Folland's school pupils, poured a can of gasoline from a can on the back porch of Mrs. Folland's cabin and dumped it on the fire.

The cup caught fire and the boy attempted to pour the gasoline back into the can, causing it to blaze. Mrs. Folland was burned in attempting to kick the can from the porch. She was taken to a Portland hospital.

Jefferson Girl Drowns in Santiam River During Swim

ALBANY, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—June Harris, 20, of Jefferson, drowned in the Santiam river Saturday while swimming. She was the daughter of Mrs. Water Glasgow, Jefferson.

JOE (BONANZA) LEDGER-WOOD, Myrtle Creek market owner, as he gazed enthralled at some fine grains of yellow metal in the bottom of a gold pan he held.

"See that?" he asked, excitedly. "Real gold, and quite a sprinkling of it, too!"

I guess there was about four bits worth, at that.

Joe is digging a well back of his market and the gravel there looked so promising he insisted on panning it. Fact is his friends insisted on it, too.

I don't know how many miles Joe walked Saturday, visiting the other business establishments in Myrtle Creek and showing those colors to his friends. I don't know how many miles there are in Myrtle Creek. He was in the bank when I secured the photograph appearing above—standing at the

Forest Fires In Northwest Not Subdued

Increasing Danger Closes All West Washington Woods; Mount Hood Flames Jump Lines, Threaten Orchards.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—The Pacific northwest, again in the throes of its annual summer fight to preserve its timber wealth, reported the forest fire situation today as "no better."

From the Oregon Siskiyou to the Straits of Juan De Fuca smoke plumed into brassy skies from hundreds of big and small fires, most of them in cut-over land or second-growth timber, but a few in virgin stands of fir, cedar, spruce and pine.

Forest Supervisor T. S. Good-year ordered all logging and allied industries in western Washington forests closed today in the face of increasing hazards. This despite the fact that the huge McDonald and Alpha fires in Lewis and Thurston counties were at least partially controlled. Together they covered about 20,000 acres.

Good-year said that more than 30 new fires have been reported daily for several days. Most of them were speedily controlled but the pace was becoming too great to permit logging operations. He said every available man and every piece of state equipment was in use.

Orchards Threatened

Mount Hood, Ore., national forest men hinted today they might close that attractive tourist area to all traffic if fire danger continued. Discouraging in the extreme was the report that the nearly 3,000-acre fire near Deed had jumped lines and got out of control again. It already has scorched through considerable virgin timber and threatens orchards to the east.

In that area three young women—two of them brides—lost their husbands' places as lookouts to re-

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Britain Rejects Demand to Close Burma Route

TOKYO, July 8.—(AP)—Britain has rejected Japan's demands for the closure of the route through British Burma to halt war supplies for the Chinese government.

She asserted that such action would be incompatible with Britain's commitments to Burma and India, an authoritative source said tonight.

British Ambassador Craigie was reported to have declared that trade between the British crown colony and the Chinese hinterland had been halted and, therefore, there was no foundation for Japan's demands for the stoppage of arms traffic by this route.

Searchers Find Girls Lost in Mt. Hood Wilds

PORTLAND, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—Two Portland girls lost in the timbered wilderness of Mount Hood were found safe early today, more than 16 hours after they started on a hike from Frog Lake.

Searchers headed by District Ranger P. W. Dennis located the girls at Green Lake at 2:45 a. m. They were Marjorie Benson, 18, and Beverly Shaw, 17, members of a picnic party.

County Commissioner H. B. Roadman Stricken

County Commissioner H. B. Roadman was reported today to be recovering satisfactorily at Sacred Heart hospital in Eugene where he was taken Saturday evening after suffering a sudden attack of heart ailment. Mr. and Mrs. Roadman were on their way home from a week spent visiting at various Willamette valley points. They were spending a short time in Eugene when Mr. Roadman was stricken. He was rushed to the hospital where, for a short time, his condition was reported to be critical, but he responded well to treatment and was reported to be improving today.

Sweden, Germany Enter Into Trade Agreement

STOCKHOLM, July 8.—(AP)—Sweden openly entered a course of close cooperation with Germany today, its aim a "normalized Scandinavia."

Trade—the trade on which Sweden depends for existence—and the safeguarding of the nation's "living space" were the objects sought through multilateral agreements with Germany, with German-dominated Denmark and German-controlled Norway.

Sweden's most important import is coal, which it can obtain under present circumstances only from Germany. Its most important export is iron ore, for which Germany is the only big customer in a position to carry away what it buys.

Driver Unhurt in Tank Truck Roll Near Glide

L. W. Wade, Shell Oil company truck driver, escaped serious injury this morning, when a company tank truck went off the North Umpqua road near Glide. The truck was reported to have been badly damaged in rolling over several times after sliding off the road grade.

Fire Help Urge Right Idea but Wrong 'Burg'

Even fire departments receive wrong numbers!

An excited female voice came over the telephone at the Roseburg fire department quarters this morning as Engineer Glenn Taylor answered the call.

"Halsey is on fire! Please send us all the equipment and firemen you can spare."

"Just a minute," responded Taylor. "You're talking to Roseburg and we're a hundred miles away. You're town will burn up before we could get there."

"Oh, we were calling Harrisburg," was the reply.

Willkie Buys First \$1 Campaign Slip

NEW YORK, July 8.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie, republican presidential nominee, left today for Washington and his first meeting with his running mate, Senator Charles L. McNary, of Oregon.

Several hundred persons paid a dime apiece to get vantage points at LaGuardia field to see him leave. He was roundly cheered.

Earlier Willkie had started a round of conferences by seeing District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey for the first time since the national convention at Philadelphia. Later a statement issued by Willkie's office said the two men "had a long and satisfactory talk about the forthcoming campaign. Mr. Dewey pledged his full support in any manner desired."

Willkie later bought for \$1 "participation certificate No. 1" under the fund-raising plan set up by the United Republican Finance committee and made this statement:

"This is the first presidential campaign in which, in this area, there will be but a single appeal for funds to conduct the campaign."

"I am therefore very happy to buy this certificate and hope that all those who wish to support Senator McNary and myself will contribute to this committee."

"We are very desirous of getting the largest possible number of contributions, however small."

Uncle, 11, Accidentally Shoots Nephew, Aged 5

MEDFORD, July 8.—(AP)—An 11-year-old uncle accidentally shot his five-year-old nephew at play in the home of Medford Policeman Joseph O. Cave Saturday.

Glen Cave, 5, lost his left eye and the tips of fingers on his left hand, and suffered chest wounds in discharge of a shotgun Jimmy Cave, 11, picked up from a corner and fired, thinking it unloaded. Physicians said the victim had a fair chance to recover.

The policeman is father of Jimmy and grandfather of Glen.

Vandenberg Hits Stimson Appointment

Senator States Nominee Favors War Peril Policies; Action of President Supported by Sheppard of Texas.

WASHINGTON, July 8.—(AP)—Senator Vandenberg (R., Mich.) opposed senate confirmation of Henry L. Stimson to be secretary of war today because, he said, Stimson favored policies that "would bring this war to our country."

He took the floor after Senator Sheppard (D., Tex.) had urged confirmation on the ground that Stimson's appointment was "notice to the world" of American unity.

Vandenberg criticized a speech made by Stimson, "just 24 hours before his appointment as secretary of war," urging that naval bases of the United States be made available to the British navy.

Vandenberg said Stimson had been "unable to clear this up as far as I am concerned."

"This might invite, if not precipitate, our actual participation in the European war," Vandenberg added.

After disposition of Stimson's nomination, the senate is to consider the nomination of Frank Knox, another republican, to be secretary of the navy. Leaders were confident that approval would be forthcoming, after opponents had voiced their objections.

Notice of U. S. Unity

"The value and the significance of his (Stimson's) appointment by a democratic president in what may prove to be one of the most tragic periods in the annals of this nation," Sheppard asserted, "lies in the fact that it is notice to the world of the fundamental unity of the American people."

"Such notice could not have come at a more appropriate time."

"Franklin D. Roosevelt, in tendering important cabinet assignments to Henry L. Stimson and Frank Knox, members of a party not his own, in a crisis imperiling the America we know and love has shown a steadfast and a true Americanism."

"Henry L. Stimson and Frank Knox, in accepting these assignments under such conditions at the hands of a president belonging to a party not their own, have shown a similar loyalty to American ideals."

Crisis Fared

Asserting former Secretary of

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Methodist Parsonage at Halsey Razed by Flames

HALEY, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—The Methodist parsonage, occupied by the Rev. A. J. Newbold and family, was destroyed by fire here today. The flames were believed to have spread from a trash burner.

Loss Heavier On Nazi Side; Own Land Hit

By the Associated Press

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One report from Rome said Hitler and Ciano, due to meet again Wednesday, discussed plans for an offensive against England, with Ireland as the first objective.

Both Sides Score

The British-German war for air supremacy went ahead at a deadly pace.

British fighters brought down at least seven, and perhaps eight, the foe; at least five British were killed on the ground. Three British fighters were lost.

Germany's big broadcasting stations at Bremen and Hamburg went silent early today, which usually indicates British air raiders are nearby. The British air ministry said royal air force planes, in daylight raids on Germany yesterday, shot down a Messerschmitt fighter in flames and wrecked a big four-engined airplane on the ground.

Besides destroying the big German plane in a raid on Eschwege the air ministry said, British fighters scored a direct hit on a runway and are believed to have caused "extensive damage" to grounded planes.

Attacked by five Messerschmitts, it added, a British bomber, raiding German-occupied northern France shot down one in a burst of gunfire and escaped to sea.

Planes identified as belonging to Britain's fallen ally—France—raided Gibraltar again Sunday and the Italian air force was active in Africa and over Malta.

The French announced that two of their air squadrons had been re-armed and joined the axis attack on Gibraltar.

The British also were busy with air and land blows against Sicily

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High Tide

By Frances Hanna

CHAPTER ONE

Something was floating in the water about two or three miles off shore. It could be almost anything, Jan reflected, but it was probably a dead barracuda.

The annoying thing about curiosity is that it won't leave you alone until you satisfy it. Right self-discipline was the only means of counteracting it, Jan decided. She attempted discipline by laying down her binoculars, stepping back from the parapet, and surveying her latest work of art with a critical frown.

"It's terrible—awful—rotten!" she pronounced, adding, "as usual."

Carefully, rebellion rankling in her eyes, she picked up a cloth and wiped the canvas clean, erasing an impossibly blue and cheerful sea supporting an impossibly near white ship.

"Why can't I do it?" she cried, her young face tight with despair. "Why?"

She knew there was no answer which could satisfy. Loving the wide sweep of ocean stretching before her from this roof-top, loving to paint, having studied and sketched APT, still she could not catch that essence of beauty and briny majesty on canvas.

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