

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 32%
Highest temperature yesterday 84
Lowest temperature yesterday 57
Precipitation last 24 hours..... 0
Precip. since first of month..... 0
Precip. since Sept. 1, 1939..... 32.05
Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939..... 14
Partly Cloudy.

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THIRD TERM

It's still the major political question as democrats prepare for their national convention, opening at Chicago next Monday. Majority of pledged delegates are for Roosevelt. Will he accept a third-term nomination? Watch the NEWS-REVIEW for the reply.

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U. S. NAVY EXPANSION VOTED BY CONGRESS

Germans Lose 12 Planes In New Raid on Britain; Towns Machine-Gunned

"Few Deaths" Announced By London Govt.

British Warplanes, Hitting at Italy Again, Claim Sinking of Destroyer, Supply Ship in Sicilian Harbor.

LONDON, July 11.—(AP)—Twelve enemy planes were shot down and many more damaged by British warplanes during heavy attacks today around the coasts of England, the air ministry announced.

"Attempts by strong forces of enemy bombers escorted by fighters to attack shipping and other objectives around our coast met with vigorous resistance," the ministry added.

One British fighter plane was acknowledged to have been lost.

The German bombers had struck at England from coast to coast, and were declared also to have turned machine guns on civilians in the streets of some towns.

"A few" deaths were reported by the government.

At the same time, an air ministry bulletin said medium-sized British bombers had "dived through a storm of shot and rain" on the German-occupied Boulogne airfield today and it was believed that five German aircraft had been destroyed.

British warplanes, striking again at Italy, were reported by the ministry to have sunk an Italian destroyer and a depot or store ship in a Sicilian harbor.

In a southeastern town a German raider killed two persons, but British fighter planes chased the plane out to sea and were believed to have shot it down.

"No Military Damage"

The British ministry of home security issued a communique saying:

"During the night bombs were dropped in a number of scattered points in the eastern and south-eastern counties and in the mid-

Hungary Joins Axis to Prevent War in Balkans

BERLIN, July 11.—(AP)—Hungary, as a friend of both Germany and Italy, definitely has joined the common front against England in southeastern Europe, authorized German sources declared today.

The three states will resist any attempts to carry the war to the Balkans, it was asserted.

The German sources said that Hungarian leaders gave assurances in their Munich conference with the Germans and Italians that they would wait patiently for revision of Balkan territories until scores first had been settled with England.

The German reaction came as the Hungarians conferred returned to Budapest, where they faced the job of preparing their hopes for immediate return of Transylvania, lost to Rumania through post-world war settlements.

Anti-5th Column Unit to Form Here

Organization of a local branch of The American, Inc., is to be undertaken at a meeting to be held Friday, July 12, at 7:30 p. m., at the Roseburg armory. It was announced today. All churches, lodges, clubs and patriotic organizations, it was stated by Attorney Thomas Hatfield, have been invited to send two representatives to the meeting, which will be conducted by R. L. Preston as acting chairman.

The Americans, Inc., is being formed, it is stated, to combat fifth column activities, in cooperation with the federal bureau of investigation. Recently organized in Portland on a statewide basis, the central committee is headed by Attorney Louis Starr of Portland. Niel Allen, department commander of the American Legion; Mayor Joseph Carson, Portland, and Rev. Mr. Emerson, president of Linfield college, were keynoters at the meeting held in Portland, Attorney Hatfield said.

The state committee is endeavoring to create local committees in each community of the state, with representatives of fraternal, civic, patriotic and religious orders participating.

Waters Claim Lives of Man and Two Youths

SANDY, Ore., July 11.—(AP)—A misstep into a deep hole in the Sandy river three miles east of here last night resulted in the drowning of Russell Fritchle, 29, of Dover, Ore.

His brother, Verdon Fritchle, 22, ran three miles for help after Russell was swept into the current. Verdon said Russell could not swim.

NEAHKAMIE, July 11.—(AP)—Arthur Churchill, Jr., 16, of Portland, drowned in the Pacific ocean yesterday while surfing bathing. His brother, Jack, 12, braved a strong undertow in a futile attempt.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 11.—(AP)—Submerged for only three minutes while wading in Salmon creek near here yesterday, Allan Woodruff, 6, drowned before his father, Virgil Woodruff, could plunge into the stream.

Argentine Bars Entry Of Jewish Refugees

BUENOS AIRES, July 11.—(AP)—The government ordered 100 members of the Argentine national gendarmerie to the Bolivian border today to bar illegal entry of German Jewish refugees who found haven in Bolivia when they were barred from other South American countries.

The order followed receipt of information from the governor of Salta province that a large number of Jews, many of whom were placed in farm colonies by the Bolivian government, were preparing to "infiltrate" into Argentina.

The government said several already had crossed the frontier, but Argentine authorities immediately by Argentine authorities.

Battle Near Italy Brings No Decision

Rome Acknowledges Damage to Large Portion of Her Air Fleet but Claims Costly Blows to British Ships.

By the Associated Press
New light on the controversial question of "battleship vs. plane" in actual combat was cast today with the disclosure by General Francesco Pricolo, Italian air chief, that 200 Italian planes engaged in the battle of British and Italian war fleets in the Mediterranean.

Dispatches from Rome acknowledged that a large part of the Italian aerial attack force returned with damage and with wounded crewmen—hit by terrific drum-fire from surface ships. Three Italian planes were lost.

By contrast, Sir Andrew Cunningham, commander-in-chief of the British Mediterranean fleet, reported that his ships suffered not a single casualty.

The British high command, in a belated communique, insisted, however, that Italian bombing planes set fire to the 42,000-ton British battle cruiser Hood, world's largest warship, scored two bomb hits on the deck of the 22,000-ton aircraft carrier Ark Royal, and two on "another British battleship."

The British admiral issued a formal denial.

"A report has been received from the flag officer commanding the British forces that, although several bombs fell close to his ships, no direct hits were secured and there was no damage or casualties," the admiral's statement said.

The 200 Italian planes used in

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Roosevelt Averts Threatened Strike

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, using "last resort" procedure, has deferred the threatened strike of 30,000 employees of the Railway Express Agency, Inc.

The chief executive intervened after a Friday deadline was set for the walkout of the agency's union clerks and terminal workers. Dispute over working hours was the main issue.

In halting the threatened strike and ordering creation of a fact-finding commission, Mr. Roosevelt invoked the emergency measures authorized by the railway labor act.

George M. Harrison, president of the AFE, brotherhood of railway clerks, who previously announced the strike, said the agency refused to grant the union clerks the 44-hour week it had given some other employees. The clerks now work 48 hours.

A 48-hour, railway express week, president said it would cost \$5,000,000 to meet the union demand on this point, and twice that much on others.

Cooler Weather, Rains Ease Oregon Woods Fires

PORTLAND, July 11.—(AP)—Cooler weather and coastal rains eased Oregon's tense forest fire situation today.

With all major blazes under control, the weather change lessened danger of new outbreaks and permitted resumption of logging on normal schedules. Only Clackamas, Marion and Linn counties continued to confine operations to "hot owl" shifts—starting in the early morning and shutting down after eight hours.

Small crews continued to patrol the fire lines on the Dee blaze in the Mount Hood national forest and the West Timber and Sunset conflagrations in the coast range.

Two hundred fire fighters trailed the Potomac creek fire in the Umatilla national forest and the Flow-out fire in Linn county was reported well subdued.

Holding Ponds Job To Start On Calapooia

Salmon Output of Rock Creek Hatchery Will be Heavily Increased; Take of Chinook Eggs Will Set New High.

Work is to be started this week on salmon holding ponds in the Calapooia, according to Lee McCann, superintendent of the Rock creek salmon hatchery. Plans of the state fish commission to increase the Rock creek hatchery's capacity by providing holding ponds have been delayed because of difficulties in regard to securing title to needed adjoining land.

McCann stated, local matters have been settled to the approval of the attorney general and the fish commission has given instructions to proceed with construction work, the hatchery superintendent stated.

The ponds will be located immediately upstream from the main dam, about six miles east of Sutherlin. Capacity will be provided to hold about three million salmon fry this fall and it is hoped by next year to increase the ponds to a capacity of seven million.

The eggs will be hatched at the Rock creek hatchery, and the fry then will be transported to the holding ponds to be retained there until of sufficient age to be released.

Chinook Take to Be Big
The chinook salmon egg take this fall, Mr. McCann states, is expected to be the largest in the hatchery's history. He anticipates that there will be about 12 million eggs, as compared with nine million last year, which, in itself, set a new record.

At the Rock creek hatchery the

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Lorienne Conlee Named State Medical Board Aide

PORTLAND, July 11.—(AP)—Reorganization of the state board of medical examiners to eliminate "internal friction" was announced yesterday by Governor Sprague.

Dr. Joseph F. Wood, secretary and board member for 26 years, submitted his resignation, the governor said. He will be replaced by Miss Lorienne M. Conlee, Portland attorney, as executive secretary and legal adviser.

Miss Conlee is well known in Roseburg, where part of her girlhood was spent. Her father, V. J. Conlee, was a Southern Pacific locomotive engineer.

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Settlement of Cooperaage Plant Strike Impends

PORTLAND, Ore., July 11.—(AP)—Union and plant representatives reached an agreement yesterday to end strikes in Western Cooperaage company units at Portland and Seattle.

Union members will vote on the terms Friday, Harry Peterson, chairman of the union negotiators, said. He predicted acceptance would result in reopening of the Portland plant Monday and the smaller Seattle unit later.

Workers would be granted five cent hourly wage increases, time out a half on Saturday work, a weeks paid vacation and a contract expiring March 1 in place of January 1.

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Fatal Fight At Sutherlin Being Probed

Robert Keith, Sawmill Man, Dies After Reported Blow by Robert Hatfield During Quarrel Over Operations.

State and county authorities today were conducting an investigation into the death of Robert Keith, aged about 50 years, at his home near Sutherlin last night, following a fist encounter. Keith reportedly was struck by Robert Hatfield, a truck driver, and knocked to the pavement, apparently striking his head on the curb of the sidewalk, Deputy Sheriff Cliff Thornton, one of the investigating officers, reported.

The fight, Thornton said, apparently occurred when Keith and a group of the employees from the small sawmill, which he operates about six miles east of Sutherlin, engaged in an argument over mill operations. The brawl, the official said, occurred outside the A. L. Real pool hall in Sutherlin.

"All Had Been Drinking"
Thornton said, "the man had all been drinking. Keith engaged in an argument with Phillip Sprague, one of his employees, and the two were wrestling. Keith then was reported to have announced to the men that he was discharging the whole crew and called the men off the names. Hatfield was reported to have intervened, striking the mill operator and knocking him to the pavement."

Keith's death occurred about five hours after the encounter. Thornton reported that no arrests would be made until after a post mortem examination to determine the actual cause of death.

Following the fight, Thornton reported, Keith was immediately re-

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Willkie Nomination Probe Proposal Fizzles

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—The senate campaign expenditures committee decided today that there was insufficient evidence to justify an investigation of reports that a "high pressure" telegram drive was employed in the successful campaign of Wendell L. Willkie for the republican presidential nomination.

Chairman Gillette (D. Iowa) announced that the committee members had agreed unanimously that information laid before it in several "suggestions" for an inquiry into the Willkie pre-nomination campaign lacked sufficient facts to warrant committee action "at this time."

G. O. P. Leaders Meet First Time



Against a background of the Stars and Stripes, Wendell Willkie, left, and Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon—standard bearers for the republican party in the presidential race—clasp hands in their first meeting in a Washington, D. C., hotel.—(NEA Telephoto.)

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Four Billion Bill Goes To White House

Size of Present Fleet Will be Doubled; Contracts for 100 Million Dollars Worth of Warplanes Announced.

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—A \$1,000,000,000 naval expansion bill was sent to the White House today by congress.

It was a major portion of the defense campaign, and legislators on Capitol Hill were manifesting a desire to approve President Roosevelt's request for \$1,848,171,957 in cash and authorizations to start this expansion and to increase greatly the army's land and air forces.

The defense commission announced meanwhile that it had let \$100,000,000 in contracts in recent days for new warplanes for the army and navy. Other contracts are being negotiated. It was said, with a view to adding 25,000 planes by July, 1942.

The navy expansion measure, sent to the White House for President Roosevelt's signature by unanimous house agreement to minor senate changes, would virtually double the size of the present navy now built.

There have been unofficial estimates that completion of the \$1,000,000,000 program, together with other naval construction already authorized, would give the United States a fleet of 618 warships capable of meeting simultaneous threats in the Atlantic and Pacific.

To Speed TVA Power.
To help boost production of defense materials, particularly aluminum for airplanes, the house appropriations committee proposed an immediate \$25,000,000 appropriation today for new power development in the Tennessee Valley authority.

The money would launch a \$65,800,000, three-year program designed to produce an additional 285,000 kilowatts of power—not available from private sources—part of which would be used by the Aluminum company of America.

Congressional sentiment for the \$4,848,171,957 addition to the defense program was coupled with widespread applause for President Roosevelt's pledge that no American troops would be sent to fight in Europe.

His latest extraordinary defense message—the third in less than two months—went to Capitol Hill yesterday within a few hours of two other major developments.

For Two-Ocean Navy.
The senate first voted 66-16 to confirm Col. Frank Knox as secretary of the navy and then with

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Modified Tax To Aid Defense Plans

WASHINGTON, July 11.—(AP)—Aiming at greater industrial speed in national rearmament, the administration plans to seek modification of tax and profit limitations which now apply to firms equipped to handle defense contracts.

A unanimous decision to incorporate the revisions in the proposed excess profits bill was reached at a white house conference yesterday, after President Roosevelt and explored the problem with defense, fiscal and congressional leaders.

Reports have been current on Capitol Hill that a number of large manufacturers have been hesitant about expanding their plants or seeking defense contracts because of uncertainty over tax matters and the profit to be allowed.

Recommendations agreed on at the white house conference are designed to end those doubts. It was announced, so that the manufacturers "will be able quickly to execute defense contracts."

Congress accordingly will be asked to permit manufacturers, in computing their taxes, to make allowances over a five-year period for plant expansion or new equipment necessary to fill preparedness orders.

Another request will be the substitution of a general excess profits tax, applying to all industries alike, for the present profit limitation from 7 to 8 per cent imposed on warship builders and aircraft plants.

Details of this excess profits tax have not been worked out, but the understanding was that it would provide for the recapture of abnormal investment returns on defense contracts.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

MEXICO held an election on Sunday. Reports of resulting deaths, mostly violent, place the total at 44. (News-gathering facilities are far less adequate than in the U. S., so gossip enters largely into the reports.) The injured may run into the thousands.

Mexican elections appear to be almost as dangerous as American holidays.

THE Mexican electoral system provides that the first citizens to arrive at the polling place may ORGANIZE THE ELECTION BOARD.

If we had a system like that, we'd have a lot of blood and thunder on election day.

IMAGINE what Tammany, or the smelly machines that run politics in Chicago and Kansas City, could do with a system that enables the first "voters" at the polling place to "organize" the election board.

AT Cooyacan, 100 Camachistas (Camacho is the administrative candidate) arrive first and organize the board to suit themselves, then proceed to deny entry to a large group of voters who

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