

THE WEATHER

Humidity 4:30 p. m. yesterday 23% Highest temperature yesterday 94 Lowest temperature last night 57 Precipitation last 24 hours 0 Precip. since first of month 0 Precip. since Sept. 1, 1939 32.18 Deficiency since Sept. 1, 1939 .68 Continued Warm.

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CRISIS

Great Britain will probably face the major Nazi smash this week. On the outcome rests the air supremacy that may ultimately decide the war. Watch for the history-making news in the NEWS-REVIEW.

BRITAIN BRACES FOR MAJOR GERMAN BLOW

TWO-OCEAN NAVY FUND GETS SENATE COMMITTEE O. K.

Action Taken As Tilt Over Draft Goes On

Foes of Conscription Display Confidence in Deferring Proposal; Bullitt Target Of Scathing Criticism.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The senate appropriations committee approved today a \$5,000,000, 169,277 appropriations bill providing funds for the beginning of construction on a "two-ocean" navy and for equipping an army of 1,200,000 men. The committee acted while on the senate floor there began another week of sharp debate on the Burke-Wadsworth conscription bill.

War Danger Belittled. In the conscription debate, Senator Capper (R., Kans.) declared he was "opposed to military conscription in peace time" because he did not "believe the danger of war is so imminent as to make it necessary."

He said he would support a substitute by Senator Mahoney (D., Conn.), which would defer compulsory training until an effort had first been made to obtain men by voluntary enlistment. Report to voluntary enlistments instead of compulsory military training, Senator Hill (D., Ala.) told his colleagues, would "place a premium on slackness and a penalty on patriotism."

A joint senate-house committee will try to iron out conflicting views on the national guard bill. Chairman Sheppard (D., Tex.) of the senate military committee told reporters that a house change in the wording of the resolution would leave the president without authority to call into service the officers.

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PROBABLY the most significant question that is being answered in Britain in these hectic days is: Can air power ALONE win a war?

ELSEWHERE smashing attacks by motorized armored land forces have ACCOMPANIED the terrifying displays of German air might. In Britain; a stubborn, courageous power to resist must be paralyzed before it will be feasible to follow up with land attack.

That creates a different situation. DON'T believe much you will read for a few days. Accurate reporting of such a battle as is raging over Britain would be difficult even without the handicaps of censorship. When censorship and propaganda are added to the physical difficulties involved, accuracy becomes impossible.

If you will be patient, you will get in time a fairly dependable picture of what has happened.

THE British today are claiming a "secret" weapon—some kind of plane trap that is said to have entangled and wrecked at least one German bomber. British reports say it is "efficient and formidable."

It is quite possible that it is an American-invented device that trails wire from anti-aircraft

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U. S.-Canada Defense Link Welded By Roosevelt, Prime Minister King

Joint Board Will Plan Security Of Hemisphere Unit

HYDE PARK, N. Y., Aug. 19.—(AP)—The destinies of Canada and the United States, in a world warring from the blows of war, were interlocked more firmly today than ever before in their history by an agreement for permanent coordination of their defenses.

A joint board of defense will meet soon, in accordance with an understanding reached by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King of Canada, for "immediate studies relating to sea, land and air problems, including personnel and material."

The decision to set up a permanent board, made up primarily of four or five military experts from each country, was announced yesterday in a joint statement at Ogdensburg, N. Y.

There, on the international border, the president and the prime minister had met to discuss "mutual problems of defense" and the safety of their nations. There they made an agreement unique in the annals of American foreign policy.

In effect, it made neutral United States, for purposes of North American defense, an ally of a nation actively at war with Germany and Italy.

The joint statement said: The permanent joint board will consider in the broad sense the defense of the north half of the western hemisphere.

Questions Unanswered. Announcement left unanswered questions about the possible results of conversations also in progress with Great Britain for the acquisition of air and naval bases on British territory in the western hemisphere—bases designed chiefly to bolster the defenses of the Panama canal.

It also left unanswered such questions as these: Is a definite mutual assistance pact contemplated between the United States and Canada? Will plans be evolved for a unified command of men and fighting equipment?

Will the agreement extend to the vital industries which supply the weapons of war? It did carry a definite implication, however, that this country considers Canada to be completely within the scope of the Monroe doctrine.

Klamath Falls Matron Killed in Auto Wreck. KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug. 19.—(AP)—Mrs. Gary B. Cozad, prominent Klamath Falls matron, was killed and her husband suffered critical injuries when their car went over an embankment here last night.

Cozad's car failed to negotiate a turn in the Riverside hill residential district and both occupants were thrown from the machine as it plunged 20 feet over the curb.

Gas Seller's Heroism at Fire Saves Silver Lake. SILVER LAKE, Ore., Aug. 19.—(AP)—Oscar Parsons, 60, and volunteer firemen were the heroes of Silver Lake today after preventing explosion of a 200-gallon gasoline tank in a fire last night.

Parren, owner of a service station, stood in its burning ruins dousing fire pumps and the tank with bucket after bucket of water. Officials credited Parren with preventing an explosion which would have wrecked this town of 120 persons.

Portland Water Bureau Official Killed by Auto. PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 19.—(AP)—T. J. Maupin, 65, superintendent of the Portland water bureau station at Bull Run, was killed last night by an automobile which struck him as he crossed a suburban street.

Maupin was investigating a report of a broken water main at the time.

Attack on U. S. Would Come After Conquest of Britain, Bullitt Warns In Urging Help for British Fleet

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 19.—(AP)—U. S. Ambassador to France William C. Bullitt bluntly predicted a German attack on the United States if Great Britain is defeated as he urged the nation last night to adopt conscription and send aid to the British fleet.

The address, broadcast from his residence Independence square, was released through the state department, indicating it had full administration approval.

"It is my conviction, drawn from my own experience and from the information in the hands of our government in Washington, that the United States is in as great peril today as was France a year ago," he said. "And I believe that unless we act now, decisively, to meet the threat we shall be too late."

At one point he asked the 4,000 persons in front of the shrine, "do you want to see Hitler in independence hall making fun of the Liberty bell?"

"No," he shouted, and the crowd shouted with him. "Write and telegraph to your senators and representatives," he urged. "Write to your newspaper."

Demand the privilege of being called into the service of the nation. Tell them that we back up General Pershing.

General Pershing, commander of the American expeditionary force in the last year, advocated in Washington August 4 that "at least 50" destroyers be made available to the British.

Japanese Peril Also Seen. If Great Britain is conquered, Bullitt foresaw that island along with the whole continent of Europe organized into one economic unit directed from Berlin.

Country of North or South America, he said, would be able to trade with Europe except on such terms as "might be pleasing to the dictators."

In the Pacific, he asserted, "would be the Japanese navy, cooperating with the dictators, which would be able to cut us off from our supplies of rubber and tin and would compel us to have a large part of our fleet in the Pacific to defend Hawaii and the west coast."

Glendale Youths Killed in Wreck. Leroy R. Belcher, 19, and Glenn Martin Frost, 25, both residents of Glendale, died Sunday as the result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident at the foot of Sexton mountain, north of Grants Pass.

Both suffered fractured skulls when thrown to the pavement as the car in which they were riding failed to negotiate a curve, according to Coroner Hill on Josephine county.

Thelbert Nelson, 21, and Frank Harmon, 22, both of Grants Pass, were injured, Nelson suffering a scalp wound and moderate concussion while Harmon was bruised and cut.

The four young men were reported travelling from Glendale to Grants Pass in Nelson's car. At the foot of Sexton mountain the car reportedly failed to make a sharp turn and crashed into a guard rail.

Belcher and Frost were hurled to the pavement, Frost striking his head against the guard rail. Both died immediately.

The two Grants Pass men were taken to the hospital at Grants Pass, from which they were discharged today following treatment of their injuries.

The bodies of Belcher and Frost were taken to the Elbert-Stearns mortuary at Glendale. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

Germany Told By U. S. Not to Harm Refugee Vessel

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Germany has been advised in a formal note that the United States expects her refugee-laden army transport American Legion to complete its voyage home from Patagonia Island, without "molestation" by Nazi armed forces.

As the transport with 900 Americans aboard neared waters which Nazi said were fraught with "extraordinary dangers," the state department disclosed that a formal note had been sent to Berlin, stating that the United States "expects that the vessel will not suffer molestation by any action undertaken by the German armed forces."

The American note followed closely the announcement of the German government Saturday which disclaimed all responsibility for the ship's safety if it entered mine-infested waters near Britain, which are now specified as part of Germany's new "total blockade area."

The note reminded the German government that it had been advised in advance of the voyage the ship would follow, and that the German government had stated that the transport did not require a safe conduct, since it was a U. S. army transport, and not a privately owned merchantman.

The American Legion's course, as originally set, was to take her between the British island of North Bona and Cape Wrath, off the northern coast of Scotland.

The United States note expressed the view "that the German government received sufficient advance notice . . . to take every precaution against attack on the vessel by the German combat forces."

Four Die When U. S. Army Plane Crashes in Storm. RUSTON, La., Aug. 19.—(AP)—Two officers and two enlisted men were killed instantly when an army bombing plane crashed, exploded and burned in an open field seven miles southwest of here during an electrical storm last night.

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Walter P. Chrysler NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Walter P. Chrysler, 65, a one-time locomotive wiper who became one of America's great automotive industrialists, died yesterday at his suburban Long Island home of cerebral hemorrhage.

Chrysler's experience with automobiles began in 1911 when he became production manager for the Buick Motor company. He was president of that company when he resigned in 1920 to direct the affairs of the Willys-Overland company. Later he went to the Maxwell-Chalmers company and in 1924 became head of his own company, the Chrysler corporation.

Nazi Poised For Decisive Smash

Troops, Aviators Mobilized at Channel Ports Awaiting Signal to Launch Drive.

BERLIN, Aug. 19.—(AP)—Nazi air scouts were reported ranging the British coast today as Germany multiplied signs that she was getting ready to try a decisive blow against Britain.

Through Swiss diplomatic channels, Adolf Hitler warned the British to treat his parachute troops according to the international laws applying to other troops or he would visit reprisals upon British aviators held prisoner.

Aside from this implication that Germany may be about to attempt the landing of men to hold vital land objectives in Britain, authorized spokesmen declared: "Just give us three days of good weather," intimating that the German military is convinced the air war rapidly is achieving its purpose of "softening up" the British and that the crucial week may be at hand.

German troops were reported at French channel ports, impatiently waiting for the air force to do its work.

Thousands of German aviators were said to be held in reserve with scores of airports in France, Belgium and Holland to launch a supreme air war at the British.

Heavy Damage Dealt. Describing the blows dealt by the air force, which Germans believed is rapidly paving the way for a Nazi peace over London by September, the German high command said 124 British planes were shot down Sunday.

Declining many airports had been attacked in Britain's "hot" southeast corner, in an apparent effort to destroy the British air force, the high command said 23 other British planes were destroyed on the ground before they could rise to flight.

Germany acknowledged loss of (Continued on page 3.)

Aged Man Kills Infant, Family, Friend and Self

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The pistol of Michael Tarzia claimed his third life today, police reported, including his own and that of his 19-month-old grandnephew, Barbara Jean Tarzia.

Joseph Franconi, about 43, died in a hospital this morning of a bullet in the abdomen. He was shot as he leaned upon Tarzia after the latter's weapon killed Barbara Jean and wounded her mother, Mrs. Tarzia, 28, and her aunt, Mrs. Mary Mollano 26. Then Tarzia shot himself, police said.

Nazi Forces Set For Drive Over Channel

British Fliers Strike at Foo's Bases in France, Germany; Effect of Nazi Attacks on London Are Minimized.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The air ministry announced tonight that British planes last night bombed Italian aircraft factories at Milan and Turin, aluminum and chemical works in Germany, Boulogne harbor and airdromes at Friburg and Hamsheim, Germany.

LONDON, Aug. 19.—(AP)—All of Britain was made a defense area today as the nation, already fighting in history's greatest air battle, got set for a life-or-death struggle to defend its soil.

With the Germans apparently nearing the zero hour for their attempt to smash Britain into submission by direct invasion, the British launched a thundering attack against the Nazi-held French coast and claimed their air fighters were parrying Nazi air blows with an increasingly favorable advantage.

The order to make the Isles a defense area—subject at a moment's notice to drastic edicts by closely cooperating civil and military authorities—was issued as a "precautionary measure" by the ministry of home security.

Again today, bomber traffic over the English channel was two-way after a Sunday exchange of raids in which both sides pounded at sources of enemy strength.

Raids Very Sporadic. Apparently attempting to destroy or immobilize Britain's air force, waves of Nazi planes struck at strategically placed airdromes, twice causing Sunday air raid alarms in London.

But, the British declared, the Nazi achieved little success at great cost. In total, planes at a rate of more than nine to one of Britain's.

One German bomber was said to have been shot down this morning in the southwest.

But up to late afternoon there had been only sporadic raids. German reports said Nazi fliers were engaged primarily in widespread scouting of southern England. They declared two, possibly three British planes had been shot down in "small" air fights.

Nevertheless, the British, warned that the week to come may decide the balance of air power, manned their anti-aircraft defenses constantly.

A house was demolished and two persons were trapped in the wreckage in a southeast coast town when a lone German raiding plane made the first foray of the day on Britain.

Nazi Bases Raided. Squadrons of British warplanes, aiming at the likeliest jumping off place for any attempted invasion of England loosed such a heavy

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SOMALILAND IS ABANDONED TO ITALIANS

LONDON, Aug. 19.—(AP)—The war office announced tonight the British had withdrawn from Somaliland.

The announcement said the withdrawal was decided upon as an alternative to reinforcing the British garrison there with reserves who would be of greater use in places more important to the prosecution of the war.

"All guns except two lost in the early stages of the action have been 'enlarged,'" the announcement said.

"A great part of the material stores has also been evacuated and the remainder destroyed. Our wounded have been safely brought away."