

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau
Rain tonight and Sunday. Little change in temperature.
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LEND-LEASE PLAN TO AID BRITAIN SHAPING



By FRANK JENKINS
SOMETHING to think about: This nation's "total defense" budget calls for the expenditure of a little more than \$554 PER SECOND throughout the new fiscal year—day and night, Sundays and holidays.
(A "fiscal" year is a financial year. The fiscal year of the U. S. government runs from July 1 to June 30.)
SOMETHING else to think about: To meet this immense expenditure, approximately \$262 are expected to be collected in TAXES each second and an additional \$292 are expected to be raised each second by BORROWING.

ANOTHER slant on the same subject: The two-year total defense budget outlined by President Roosevelt to congress aims at about 28 billion dollars.
The direct cost of world war No. 1, according to Col. Leonard B. Ayres, was about 22 billion dollars.
In addition, during world war No. 1 and immediately afterward about 10 billion dollars was lent to the allies, only a small part of which was ever repaid.

SOME more slants: To raise this \$292 per second that will have to be borrowed, financing experts are looking forward to the sale of bonds to the people—all the way from \$1000 bonds for the better-off down to 55 bonds for the ordinary run of us.
There is even talk of 25-cent defense saving stamps for the children.

IF a truly terrible financial headache AFTERWARD is to be avoided, the astronomical sums involved in paying for wars and preparation for wars must be EARNED BY SOMEBODY—not just created by the hocus-pocus of passing out I. O. U.'s.
Hence these bond-selling ideas.

THERE has been talk in recent years that in a nation with highly developed productive facilities, such as ours has been, saving is an economic crime, tending to increase production above consumption, thus creating surpluses.
It may have been loose talk—most of the sounder thinkers have leaned to that belief. But at least there has been a division of opinion.
With productive capacity

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Federal Probe of Oregon Milk Statute Demanded

PORTLAND, Jan. 11.—(AP)—State Senator Thomas Mahoney announced last night that he had requested an investigation of the Oregon milk control law by Thurman Arnold, assistant U. S. attorney general.

The senator, sponsor of an unsuccessful initiative to repeal the act, said he wrote Arnold asking him to look into the monopoly phases of the law.
The letter charged, he said, that the milk control board "has arbitrarily and consistently refused" to establish a differential in the retail price of milk sold over the counter and the delivered at the door price.
He wrote that the statute creating the board "specifically mandated" that it find and establish such a price differential.
The "arbitrary price regulation has resulted in curtailing the consumption of milk in Oregon cities," Mahoney asserted.

FOOD STAMP PLAN FOR DOUGLAS AUTHORIZED

Buying Power Of More Than 1,000 Boosted

Federal Agents to Visit Merchants of County to Issue Instructions.

The surplus commodities stamp plan for relief clients will be put into operation in Douglas county about Feb. 1, it was announced today by Darlow E. Johnson, executive secretary of the county welfare commission. The commission, which recently received information that the administration was making the stamp plan available to Douglas county, adopted the program at a special meeting last night, and authorized operation as soon as final details can be completed.

It is anticipated that the program will increase by 50 per cent the purchasing power of more than 1,000 persons in Douglas county now receiving aid through the WPA, and in the set-up including a general scope, the aged, dependent children and the blind.

The relief clients, it was stated, will be permitted to buy the surplus commodities stamps in an amount equal to one-half of their food requisitions, these stamps to be used for the purchase of foods listed under the surplus commodities classification. Announcement of the surplus foods embraced in the plan will be made from time to time, as seasonal changes occur as a result of marketing conditions.

The use of the stamps is optional with the client, who may or may not buy them, according to his own desires. The stamps will be procurable by mail order through the Portland office and not be handled locally.
Agents coming to explain field agents of the administration are expected to be here next week to contact all Douglas county food merchants and explain the detailed operation of the plan and to give instructions as to methods of accepting the stamps and submitting them for payment.

It also is planned, Mr. Johnson states, to issue definite and complete instructions to all clients in the very near future, explaining in detail the procedure by which the stamps may be procured and used.

It is estimated that the plan will affect about 900 persons now on the general relief rolls and about 250 employed under WPA.

Threatened Strike at Aircraft Plant Averted

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The settlement of a threatened strike of 200 workers in the Ranger engineering division of the Fairchild Airplane and Engine corporation at Farmingdale, N. Y., was announced today by John R. Owens, labor relations assistant of the national defense commission.

The strike originally had been called for Thursday, but a postponement until Monday was won just before the deadline. The plant has \$7,750,000 worth of government orders.
The settlement terms will be submitted to the workers for ratification today.

Two CCC Youths Die as Auto Plunges Into River

LEWISTON, Idaho, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Sheriff Harry Dent of Nez Perce county said today "too much speed" was the apparent cause of an accident which took the lives yesterday of two civilian conservation corps enrollees, Timothy Brewer, 19, of Joplin, Mo., and William Hickey, 20, of Dardanelle, Ark.
The boys were driving from Pierce to Lewiston when the car skidded from the highway 20 miles east of here and plunged into the Clearwater river.

Law Gives Nazi Flag to Flames



"Not as an overt act against Germany but as a protest against subversive activities," Ida May Adams, woman judge, burns a small Nazi flag before a packed court in Los Angeles. The flag was introduced in evidence in a stabbing case.

Hoppe, Billiard Champ, In "Critical" Condition

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The condition of Willie Hoppe, world's three cushion billiards champion, was described as "very critical" today by attending physicians who said his illness had developed into pneumonia.

The 53-year-old New York star was transferred last night from his hotel to a hospital. Physicians feared complications might develop from the attack of influenza which forced him to withdraw Thursday night from a title match with Challenger Jake Schaffer.

Crippled Woman Rescued From Burning Residence

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Mrs. Lee Miller, a cripple, was rescued from her burning home last night five miles east of here. Miller estimated damage at \$1900.

Nazi Planes Aid Italy In Blows at Sea

4 British Ships Damaged In Mediterranean, Claim; Counter Attacks Dealt.

By the Associated Press
Germany has actively entered the war against Britain in the Mediterranean basin, lending Italy a hand in an apparent attempt to offset reverses in North Africa and loosen the sea blockade.

A British naval formation, the Italian high command said today, was attacked "in the Sicilian channel" yesterday by cooperating formations of fascist and Nazi dive bombers and torpedo planes which shared honors in the reported damaging of two aircraft carriers, a cruiser and a destroyer.

"For the first time," the Italian communiqué said, "units of the German air force, in fraternal, close cooperation with the Italian air units, participated brilliantly in the attack, hitting one of the aircraft carriers and the destroyer."

Five paragraphs gave details of the Italian hits on the other aircraft carrier and the cruiser.

Counter Blows Struck
A south coast English town which the Germans identified as Portsmouth was "smothered" early today with Nazi firebombs and explosives, apparently taking a heavy toll of lives, and the British hit back at the German-held coast of France.

The Germans described the raid on Portsmouth as a "large scale" assault, and the British acknowledged that the Nazi raiders did "considerable damage" and caused a number of casualties.

London was free of raiders throughout the night.
British pilots followed up yesterday's six-hour daylight drubbing of northern France with a hard overnight raid on the big German submarine base at Brest, informed sources reported in London.

An RAF communiqué issued in Cairo last night said several tons of explosives were dropped Thursday night on the Italian harbor of Messina, Sicily, and that one group of explosives fell across anchored fascist cruisers. The results were undetermined, the communiqué said, because of a

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Laugh Ended By Clutch of Death



Sudden death, presumably from a heart attack, yesterday struck Joe Penner, above, comedian of radio, stage and screen fame, while asleep in a Philadelphia hotel room. Penner, whose real name was Pinter, was born in Hungary 35 years ago, coming to U. S. at the age of 9. He was the originator of the nationally known gag, "wanna buy a duck?"

Photo Juggling of Coulee Dam Work Draws Prison

SPOKANE, Wash., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Photographs of welding work which United States District Attorney Keith said "might have resulted" in the tearing down of Grand Coulee dam west of Grant Blake, Sr., of Los Angeles, a year and a day of freedom.

He was sentenced to prison by Federal Judge Schwellenbach yesterday for making false entries to the government on "X-ray" photographs of welded pipe.

Blake, 39-year-old foreman of the Western Pipe and Steel company, testified he allowed the substitution of pictures of good welds for bad ones during construction of the 18-foot pipes which lead to the Coulee dam power house "just to help the job along—not for personal profit."

Lawmakers Of Oregon To Meet Monday

Many Problems Awaiting Disposal; Speakership Contest Facing Caucus.

SALEM, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The 41st Oregon legislative assembly will convene here Monday, the speed with which the session gets under way resting in part on the outcome of conferences in Portland today and a caucus here tomorrow over the speakership of the lower house.

With Rep. Robert S. Farrell, Jr., Portland, still claiming 31 pledged votes, including his own for the house leadership, legislators backing Rep. William McAllister, Medford, for the position are conferring with him in Portland today to decide how far the fight shall be carried.

Senator Dean Walker, Independence, has been at his office in the capitol building for several days working out details preparatory to the opening of the upper house, over whose leadership there is no contest. Walker's election as senate president was assured weeks ago when Senator Douglas McKay, Salem, withdrew in his favor.

Both houses are expected to convene at or soon after 10 a. m. Monday. They will meet in joint session Monday afternoon to hear Governor Sprague's biennial message.

Many Problems Ahead

While the 1941 legislature is not expected to have as its most perplexing issues the questions of milk control, liquor regulation and people's utilities district legislation, which faced the 1939 session, it will have a full program of major problems to solve.

These will include truck operators' requests for permission to use longer and heavier vehicles and to change motor vehicle tax methods; workmen's compensation law revisions; a fight for and against retention of experience

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Flu Hits Eastern, Southern States

BOSTON, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Uncounted thousands of New Englanders suffered today in a wave of the gripe, colds and a mild form of influenza—with 18,000 children absent from school in Boston alone in the past two days because of illness.

In Salem, where approximately 1,400 children in an enrollment of 5,438 took sick, classes will not resume until Wednesday at the earliest.

Scores of high school and some college basketball games were postponed or cancelled. Business establishments operated with reduced staffs in innumerable instances because of workers "out sick."

Those afflicted usually were ill for three or four days. No deaths from influenza were reported.

ATLANTA, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Influenza in a "mild form" swept across the southern states and sent several thousand victims to bed in the last few days, public health officials reported today.

Physicians estimated 1,000 cases in the Atlanta metropolitan area alone. In Louisiana, Dr. W. L. Treuting, of the state board of health, announced between 3,000 and 4,000 new cases last week, bringing the total since December 1 to 22,170.

English Language Put Under Japanese Radio Ban

TOKYO, Jan. 11.—(AP)—The official Japanese broadcasting station announced today it had decided as a result of the "trend of the times" to eliminate the use of the English language for broadcasts within Japan.

Heads U. S. Navy In Big Shakeup



A sweeping reorganization of the U. S. navy, ordered by President Roosevelt, advances Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel, above, to the rank of commander-in-chief. The order places the navy on a three-unit basis, comprised of the Pacific, Atlantic and Asiatic fleets. Kimmel retains personal command of the Pacific fleet, now based at Hawaii.

Governorships of 2 States Involved

Donnell of Missouri, Langlie of Washington, Republicans, Face Contests Over Votes.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 11.—(AP)—The democratic-controlled general assembly, in an uproarious all-night session, refused to certify Forrest Donnell, a republican, as governor-elect and adopted a resolution calling for a joint house-senate investigation of the November gubernatorial election.

The investigation would involve opening the ballot boxes in every county and the city of St. Louis.

The action will prevent Donnell's scheduled inauguration Monday and will keep Gov. Lloyd Stark, democrat, in office until investigation of the election and hearing of a contest is completed.

Official returns gave Donnell a plurality of 3,613 votes over his democratic opponent, Lawrence McDaniel.

The democrats hold an 85-to-65 advantage in the house, and a 28 to 6 advantage in the senate, giving them 113 seats in the assembly to 71 republicans.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 11.—Papers containing notice of a contest of the election of Arthur B. Langlie as governor of Washington were received by the secretary of state today.

Ben S. Sawyer, Olympia attorney and former postmaster, filed the notice of contest, which is contained in a sealed envelope. It will be transmitted to the speaker of the house Monday, the day the legislature convenes.

The ex-postmaster immediately after the election last November asked the Thurston county election board to throw out all votes for Langlie, the republican candidate, which were "cross-over" votes on otherwise "straight" democratic ballots.

Oregon Priest Indicted On Hit-and-Run Charge

OREGON CITY, Jan. 11.—(AP)—A grand jury indicted the Rev. Father Bertrand Lea McLaughlin, Mount Angel college, on a hit-and-run driving charge late Friday.
District Attorney Fred Miller said Father McLaughlin admitted his automobile might have struck Eleanor Marion Falk, young bicyclist, near Milwaukee on Dec. 21. The priest said he did not know of the accident until he read of it in the newspapers, the district attorney added.

U. S. Output Capacity To Be Eyed First

British May Be Requested To Turn Over 2 Billion In U. S. Investments.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Specific methods by which the administration would extend aid to Britain under the proposed lend-lease bill began to take shape today even as congressional critics called for restriction of the vast power which the measure would confer upon President Roosevelt.

Senator Byrnes (D., S. C.) who participated in preliminary conferences on the legislation introduced in congress yesterday, said it was likely that, if approved, the lend-lease program would be put into operation by the president chiefly through the new office of production management.

This, it was said, would make for complete correlation from start to finish between production for American and that for British use. The office, headed by William S. Knudsen and Sidney Hillman with Secretaries Stimson and Knox as members, already has been charged by the president with full responsibility for American production.

In addition, other sources said that agencies such as the reconstruction finance corporation might be called upon to handle some phases of the program.

Output Capacity Eyed
The first necessity for making the program effective, Byrnes said, is a survey of production capacity to determine exactly how much and what kinds of equipment can be supplied to the British. He predicted that the chief items to be furnished would be airplanes, destroyers and cargo vessels. These, he said, are the things which Britain is most anxious to obtain.

In other quarters it was learned that the British might be asked to turn over upwards of \$2,000,000,000 of investments in this country as collateral for the war materials which the president proposed to lend. British investments here consist of stocks and bonds in American concerns, of real estate and of British owned companies or subsidiaries operating in the United States.

At the capitol, with both senate and house in recess, administration leaders laid plans for hastening action on the aid legislation, while the loan and lease of war equipment on any terms the president may fix, would permit the communication of "defense information" to warring democracies and allow the repair of British warships and planes in American shipyards and factories.

To Draft Bases Lease
The state department announced today that a delegation of American officials would leave for London on January 17 to work out formal leases for American naval and air bases acquired from Great Britain.
The eight bases in the west

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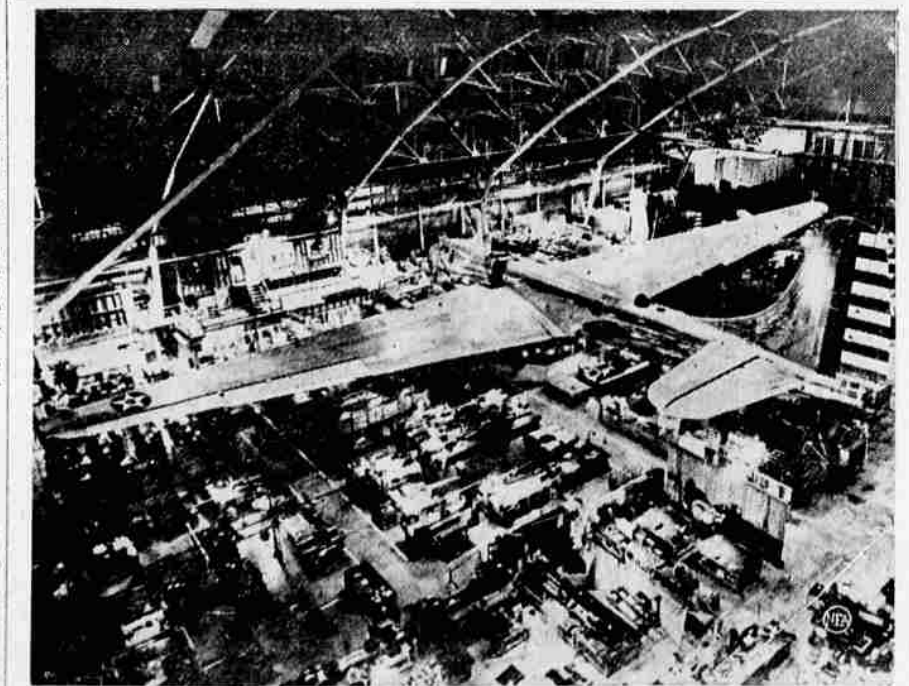
Trapped Dog Too Wise to Dine On Poisoned Meat

A tale of a starving hound dog, caught in a varmint trap, but too wise to eat poisoned meat within easy reach, was related here today by Art Ryehard, Yoncalla stock rancher.
Mr. Ryehard reported that he lost the dog Jan. 2. He hunted daily for the animal and on the 5th found him caught in a trap at a government hunter's poison station.

Thirty or more poisoned meat baits were all within easy reach of the animal, which was suffering from hunger and cold, but the dog apparently realized the danger of the meat and would not touch it, Ryehard said. Released from the trap, however, it wolfed down a lunch which Ryehard provided.

The dog, Mr. Ryehard reports, has a badly lacerated and swollen foot but apparently will not be permanently injured.

World's Biggest Bomber Rushed To Completion



Twenty-four hours a day a crew of 500 engineers, technicians and mechanics work in three eight-hour shifts to apply the finishing touches to the world's largest land bombing airplane, the Douglas Aircraft's huge four-motored bomber, seen under the night lights at Santa Monica, Calif. This Leviathan of the air has a wing spread of 212 feet, weighs 80 tons, has a cruising range of more than 7500 miles. It will carry a load of at least 18 tons, of bombs.