

THE WEATHER
By U. S. Weather Bureau
Rain tonight. Friday showers.
Little change in temperature.
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LEGISLATURE
Bills are accumulating in the
hopper, some of them of a highly
controversial character. Disposal
will be marked by proceedings of
interest to NEWS-REVIEW read-
ers. Watch its columns for the
law grind at Salem.

STIMSON SEES POSSIBLE INVASION PERIL

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

LOU SALICA, so badly beaten in the 13th round at Philadelphia that the smart boys were laying 7 to 1 bets against him, rallies in the 14th and wins the decision in the 15-round bout to retain his world's bantamweight title.

STRIKES in Michigan factories making airplane parts (including vitally necessary ENGINE parts) spread until it is reported today (Tuesday) that 3500 workers are affected.

IT is becoming plainer every day that the side that gains control of the air will win the war.

OUR JOB (as at present outlined) is to help the British gain control of the air. If we accomplish that job with time to spare, we may be able to stay out of the war. If we FAIL, and the British are beaten, WE WILL BE IN.

Whether your boy goes to war or doesn't now depends upon how quickly and how effectively we can provide the British with the weapons they need—especially airplanes.

That, in its turn, depends upon SPEED OF PRODUCTION.

AS to these Michigan troubles, James F. Dewey, the federal labor conciliator, announces in Detroit that as a defense measure he will insist that all plants be reopened and all striking employees put back to work.

He adds: "The dispute can be settled AFTER THE PLANTS ARE RUNNING AGAIN."

THIS is an emergency.

While the emergency lasts, neither the employer who is dissatisfied with his profit nor the worker who is dissatisfied with his wage can safely be permitted

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Wilhelmshaven Naval Base Again Blasted by Britons

Other Nazi Harbors Also Hit by Raiders

London's Defense Downs 2 Bombers; Blows Dealt in Mediterranean Area

LONDON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The British air force blasted the German naval base at Wilhelmshaven "throughout the night" and also bombed docks at Emden, Bremerhaven and Flushing, the air ministry announced today.

Airdromes in northwest Germany and Holland and the harbor at Brest, in German-occupied France, were attacked simultaneously by other British air units, a communique declared.

One British plane was reported missing in these operations. The raid on Wilhelmshaven, the 40th directed at that base since the outset of the war, was described by official circles as "the heaviest and most successful yet," and the air ministry said "extensive fires" had been started.

Airmen returning from the attack were quoted as saying that fires started by the first raiders to reach Wilhelmshaven were so fierce and widespread they had difficulty in picking out specific targets.

Besides striking at the naval base, the RAF was said to have smashed at German forces in "invasion ports" and around advance airdromes used for attacks on Britain.

Twenty persons were killed and 35 injured and several houses set afire in a British air raid last night on the major naval port of Wilhelmshaven, the German high command at Berlin announced today.

Nazi Strike Back. Britain's slowly evolving defense against night raiders was credited today with bringing two German bombers down in the London area—these in a sharply curtailed attack.

Towns on the English east coast and in the midlands, as well as London, received the destructive attention of German bombers.

The Nazi attack on the British capital—the first after dark since

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Final Attack On Tobruk Garrison Still Deferred

(By the Associated Press) In the Libyan desert campaign, British troops besieging 30,000 Italians at Tobruk took advantage today of a respite in a 7-day sandstorm to prepare for the final assault on the fascist garrison.

British artillery ringed within four miles of Tobruk's outer defenses were reported shelling the town sporadically, concentrating on an attempt to silence a big Italian naval gun, planted ashore, which British troops dubbed "Tobruk Tom."

An Associated Press correspondent with the British army said the withering fire such as preceded the capture of Bardia has not yet begun on Tobruk.

The Italian General Argentino, captured four days ago by a British motorboat crew after he escaped from Sidi Barrani and Bardia, was reported to have ended a hunger strike with the cry: "For all I care about this desert, you can have it! I myself am a poet."

Between 30 and 40 aircraft were either burned or severely damaged in a British raid on Catania airdrome, Sicily, on Sunday night, royal air force headquarters at Cairo said today.

Catania is believed to be the base from which the German dive bombers operated when they attacked a British naval unit escorting merchant vessels to Greece last Friday.

A British admiralty communique announced today that a British submarine had sunk two Italian supply ships in the central Mediterranean.

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Japan Scents "Trickery" In U. S. Aid Plan

Withdrawal of Fleet to Home Waters Advised; South Drive Spurred

TOKYO, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The foreign office-controlled Japan Times suggested today that "the best way" of keeping President Roosevelt's "pledge that no troops will be sent to foreign soil would be to withdraw the navy to home waters."

Commenting on criticism in the United States congress of the lend-lease bill to aid Britain, the Times said: "To Japanese it looks very much like the United States is going the long way around for sending armed forces into the scene of action abroad" by maintenance of a fleet at Hawaii.

The Tokyo press urged the government to hasten Japan's "southward program" and be ready for resolute action to offset British and United States influence in east Asia.

"Huge overseas naval concentrations are equivalent to extension of national boundaries," the Times said. "In America's case, they suggest dictatorship over the parallels of a latitude below Pearl Harbor, an invitation to others to keep away, therefore a challenge and threat, preliminaries to hostilities, hence a contradiction of America's announced policy of keeping its fighting sons at home."

No Comment on Hull. The government information bureau declined to comment on the statement of U. S. Secretary

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Nashville Pacific Bishop Passes



NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Bishop Horace Mellard Dubose, 82, learned scholar and vigorous administrator of the former Southern Methodist church until he retired seven years ago, died here yesterday.

Local Reservists Ordered to Duty

Two Roseburg reserve officers have received orders to report for active duty with the U. S. army, according to word reaching here today. Donald Wimberly, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Wimberly, has been ordered to report for duty as a second lieutenant with the 29th army engineers at Portland, Feb. 1. Wimberly, who holds a reserve commission in the engineers, following R.O.T.C. training at Oregon State college, now is residing at Berkeley, Calif. He is employed in the Standard Oil company engineering department at Richmond.

Rex Applegate, commissioned as a second lieutenant in the infantry reserve, is ordered to report at Fort Lewis and will leave for that station tomorrow. He came from Eugene last night to arrange personal affairs. He has been taking advanced military training in the R. O. T. C. at Eugene and has completed all book work preparatory to a captain's commission. He has been assigned to a newly created military police department which will be assigned to anti-sabotage duty in the Puget sound area. Lieutenant Applegate was commissioned in the infantry reserve following graduation from University of Oregon, but returned to the university this year to do post graduate work and has particularly devoted his attention to military training which is expected to place him in line for rapid promotion.

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Jobless Pay Law Changes Asked in Bill

Proposed Benefits Boost Faces Legislative Tilt; Hopper Well Patronized

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR. SALEM, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Preparing to adjourn this afternoon until next Monday, the legislature received today the first of the controversial measures to amend the unemployment compensation law.

The bills, introduced in the house by Rep. Phil Brady (D., Multnomah), would increase the maximum benefits from \$15 to \$24 a week for 20 weeks, instead of 16 weeks; reduce the waiting period for benefits from three weeks to one week; and repeal the merit rating provision under which employers who dismiss few employees would make smaller contributions.

The bills are expected to develop a clean-cut fight between employers and labor. Governor Sprague urged that the merit rating system be given a trial.

F. D. R. Congratulated. The house passed unanimously and sent to the senate the resolution congratulating President Roosevelt on his reelection, and asking that congress, as well as the president, shall lead the nation through the foreign crisis.

Rep. Richard L. Neuberger (D., Multnomah), one of the sponsors of the resolution, introduced another today praying for the "speedy and complete recovery" of Senator Charles L. McNary, now recuperating from pneumonia in California. Neuberger failed in his motion to place the resolution on final passage today. Speaker Robert S. Farrell, Jr., sending it to the resolutions committee.

Reapportionment Doomed. The Neuberger proposal to reapportion the legislature was the main topic of conversation in the legislature, with most of the lawmakers asserting the bill hasn't a chance. Neuberger, himself, said he doubted it would pass because the upstate members would stand together to see that the Multnomah delegation is not increased at their expense.

Speaker Farrell announced he would appoint a special committee to consider the reapportionment, asserting the house elections committee did not sufficiently represent each section of the state.

Rep. Allan G. Carson (R., Marion), former president of the state bar, introduced a measure to prohibit attorneys who are members of the legislature from lobbying for outside interests. The measure provides penalties of from three months to a year in jail, or \$250 to \$2,500 fine, or both.

Thirteen of the 60 house mem-

Tax Authority Will Speak Here



F. H. Young, above, manager of Oregon Business and Tax Research, Inc., of Portland, an authority on tax matters, will address a public meeting, sponsored by the Roseburg Kiwanis club, Tuesday, Jan. 21. A special invitation has been given the directors of the Douglas County Taxpayers league, who, following the luncheon, will hold their annual election of officers. Mr. Young will speak on the subject, "Taxes—The Problem and Privilege of Business and Property." All interested persons are invited to attend.

Spain Frees New Batch Of American Prisoners

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—After many months' captivity four American citizens who have been prisoners of war in Spain since the downfall of the Madrid republic have at last returned to the United States as free men.

Sixteen other Americans still are held in Spanish prison camps but their release is expected as a result of negotiations under way between the United States and Spanish governments.

Most of the Americans taken prisoner in Spain's civil war were captured in the spring of 1938 while fighting with the Abraham Lincoln battalion of the republican government's international brigade.

Through state department efforts 106 were released previously.

Italian Airliner With 10 Aboard Lost in Atlantic

RIO DE JANEIRO, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Brazilian ships and airplanes searching off the coast today found no trace of the Italian airliner Ibayr, forced to alight with a disabled motor, or any of the ten persons aboard the craft.

British Navy Seen as Only Bar to Attack

Secretary, Backing Lease-Lend Bill, Cites Sea Bases Accessible to Planes

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Secretary Stimson declared today that "I think we are in very great danger of an invasion by air in the contingency that the British navy should be destroyed or surrendered."

The war department chief made this statement to the house foreign affairs committee in response to an inquiry by Representative Fish (R., N. Y.)

Stimson previously had endorsed President Roosevelt's bill for lend-lease aid to Britain.

At a subsequent point in his testimony Stimson told the committee he could "foresee conditions under which the navy could be transferred under conditions very advantageous."

He made that statement when Fish asked whether the war secretary had any objection to putting into the bill a prohibition against giving away any part of the United States navy. Under the lease-lend bill as presently drawn, warships could be turned over to the British on whatever terms Mr. Roosevelt found acceptable.

Stimson replied to Fish's inquiry with the explanation that the question was one for the secretary of the navy to answer, but that he personally would object to such a prohibition because he could envision an "advantageous" transfer. He did not describe conditions under which that might occur.

Fish started the questioning by asking whether the secretary thought that with this country's naval strength, any foreign nation could invade our shores.

"Not now, probably not," Stimson replied slowly.

"Any time this year?" Fish pressed.

"I wouldn't dare say any time

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Preparations Outlined for Launching Food Stamp Plan in Douglas Call For Coordinating Committee, Mass Meet

Work on many fronts, preparatory to ushering in the U. S. department of agriculture's food stamp plan into southwest Oregon by the latter part of January, is progressing rapidly according to a statement made today by Darlow Johnson, Douglas county welfare administrator.

With the extension of the plan to southwest Oregon more than 15,250 persons receiving public assistance will be entitled to obtain one-third more of healthful, wholesome foods through their

regular neighborhood stores," said Mr. Johnson. "In Douglas county it is estimated that more than 2584 persons will be eligible to participate."

How Plan Works. "Studies have been made to determine just how much cash public assistance families spend for food. Under the stamp plan the same amount of cash is used to buy orange colored food stamps and for every dollar so spent the purchaser receives 50c in blue surplus food stamps free. Foods bought in local markets with stamps are the same in quality, brands and price as when bought for cash."

Foods which are surplus at the present time—such as eggs, butter, apples, potatoes, pork and fourteen other commodities—have always been stocked by food stores. Under the stamp plan the food retailer continues to purchase these foods from his wholesaler in the same manner as he has always been doing. However, the added demand for these surplus foods through the blue surplus food stamps, moves increased quantities from over-laden farm, to wholesaler, to retailer, to under-consuming family.

It is estimated that food purchasing power among public assistance families in the six southwestern counties will be increased more than \$274,000 annually through blue stamps alone.

British Forced To Sink Own Cruiser

LONDON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The British announced tonight that last Friday's attack by German dive bombers and Italian planes on a Mediterranean convoy was so effective that British naval forces were forced to sink their own badly damaged 9,100-ton cruiser Southampton.

Fire broke out aboard the warship while she was being towed to port, said a communique, the crew abandoned ship and she was sunk. Most of the crew was saved. An earlier communique had admitted the Southampton was one of three ships damaged in action off Sicily Jan. 10.

In the attack, the first real show of German aerial force in the Mediterranean area, the 23,000-ton aircraft carrier Illustrious, was also damaged. That same day the British destroyer Gallant of 1,335 tons, likewise was damaged, either by mine or torpedo. Both these were able to reach port.

Another admiralty communique said the British submarine Pandora had sunk two Italian supply ships of about 5,000 tons in the central Mediterranean—apparently en route to Libya—but did not say whether this happened at the same time the naval units, engaged in conveying material assistance, were attacked from the air.

On that day, however, the British sank an Italian destroyer in or near the Sicilian channel, between Sicily and the north African mainland, shortly before the Nazi dive bombers, apparently based in Sicily, opened their attack.

Twelve planes were shot down in that engagement and a number of others were damaged, the admiralty said Tuesday.

The Southampton was damaged in October, 1939, a month after the start of the war when Nazi planes bombed the Firth of Forth at Edinburgh, Scotland. The British acknowledged slight damage to the bow.

Youth Shoots Cop, Commits Suicide

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 16.—(AP)—A youthful gunman killed himself here today shortly after shooting and seriously wounding a police officer who followed him from an east-side store.

Detective Captain J. J. Keagan said the youth was tentatively identified from a social security card as Harold James Richmond, 24, of Eugene, Ore.

Patrolman George L. Burch was shot from a distance of less than 10 feet after following the gunman into a side street. The man raced two blocks to Sullivan's gulch and threaded his way along it for 20 blocks before police converged on him and he turned the gun upon himself, Keagan said.

Police knew no reason for Burch to be trailing the man, but Earl Powell, employee of the store, quoted the officer as saying "I want that fellow; he's crazy as a loon."

Keagan said the man's pockets contained lists of business houses, jewelry stores and wine shops at Eugene, Junction City and Portland in addition to the social security card.

Fire Hits Packing Plant Of Eugene Fruitgrowers

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Officials of the Eugene Fruitgrowers association today estimated the fire which swept one of the main packing plants yesterday afternoon caused \$25,000 damage, covered by insurance.

The roof, 30,000 cases of empty tin cans and some produce and equipment were destroyed or damaged. Cause of the fire has not been determined. Officials of the plant, the largest industrial unit in Eugene, said they did not know of any employees being in the portion of the building where the fire started.

Federal Demand Ends CIO Strikes at Eaton Plants

Deadlock Still Grips Efforts To Avert Ryan Factory Tieup; Arbitration May be Invoked.

DETROIT, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Strikers began returning to work in Eaton Manufacturing company plants today under a peace plan speeded into effect in the name of national defense.

Four plants closed by sympathy strikes were reopened, and at a fifth at Saginaw, Mich., scene of the original dispute, preparations were made for carrying out a rehiring plan.

The company and the striking CIO-United Automobile Workers reached an agreement last night, 36 hours after Federal Conciliator James F. Dewey had demanded that the strikes cease and that the company reopen its closed plants.

The strikes, which had threatened to interrupt production of airplane engine parts for defense orders, began Monday in the Saginaw plant with the UAW-CIO charging that the company refused to keep a rehiring agreement reached after a walkout in



Pictured above is a group of workers leaving the Wilcox-Rich division of the Eaton Manufacturing company at Saginaw, Mich., under police escort, following a riot Monday in which several policemen and CIO strikers were injured. The strike, which tied up five units of the company, manufacturing parts for airplane engines, was ended today upon a demand of the federal government.

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