

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau
Mostly cloudy tonight and Sunday with occasional showers. Little change in temperature. See Page 3 for statistics.

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BRITISH AID BILL

Will the senate concur in the measure as adopted by the house, or change it and thereby send it to a joint conference? This is the big news slated for next week. Watch for it in the NEWS-REVIEW.

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AID BILL RETAINS FOREIGN NAVY REPAIRS

SALVATION ARMY HOME FIRE KILLS 8

Many Seared, Hurt Rushing From Flames

Victims of Dallas Horror Mostly Wanderers; Some Of Injured Near Death

DALLAS, Texas, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Eight men, mostly homeless wanderers, died and more than a score were seared and injured trying to escape a roaring wall of flame which trapped them in a second-floor Salvation Army lodging in downtown Dallas early today.

Another 25 panic-stricken transients fought their way through the inferno to safety, some braving flame and smoke, others smashing windows and dropping about 35 feet through a window.

Many were forced out into freezing weather unclad. Salvation Army officials, headed by Major Ernest Pickering, pored over half-burned records trying to identify the dead.

Five of them, addresses unknown, were listed as: Oscar Lindley, J. E. White, J. M. Jenkins, Thomas Cook, a man known merely as "Red" and a man whose last name was Donovan.

Some of the burned and injured were not expected to survive. Baylor University hospital, a pioneer in the use of a blood bank, supplied plasma (the dried elements of blood) for numerous fast transfusions to the dying and injured.

The fire started about 11:10 last night in a small cabinet-like room at the front of the second-floor lodging. This room was piled with clothing around a stove used to defuse the garments.

Fire Chief T. M. Funk said the

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
FROM Bucharest, Rumania, this interesting dispatch comes today (Thursday):

"The severest criminal code in modern Rumanian history was announced today by Premier General Ion Antonescu, providing such penalties as death for drawing anti-government cartoons and five to 15 years for singing political songs in the streets."

This significant sentence is added:

"Prison terms are double for Jews, COMMUNISTS and those of non-Rumanian ethnic origin."

PUT two and two together.

Strong remedies, such as these, are seldom prescribed unless the condition of the patient is regarded as critical.

When the death penalty is decreed for EVEN DRAWING anti-government cartoons (whether they are published or not) along with up to 15-year sentences at hard labor for singing political songs in the streets it must indicate that Rumania is seething with rebellious anger against her German overlords.

NOTE also that prison terms for communists are doubled. That suggests that Stalin is thrusting an unwelcome finger into the Rumanian affairs of his gangster pal.

DR. ORLO H. MAUGHAN, of Spokane, speaking in Salem, warns members of the Williamette Production Credit association against going into debt.

He is quoted as predicting difficult times ahead and as advising his hearers: "Hold onto

State Dept. Aide Taken By Death



R. Walton Moore

FAIRFAX, Va., Feb. 8.—(AP)—R. Walton Moore, 81-year-old counselor of the state department, died of pneumonia at his home here today.

Moore, a bachelor who entered the state department at 74, recently suffered a second attack of the disease. He had recovered from a similar illness in December.

"Judge" Moore, as he was known to his friends, had lived his entire life at his ancestral home here. He served in congress from 1919 through 1931 and was appointed assistant secretary of state in Sept. 1933.

Diversion of Gas Tax Funds Opposed

State Cooperation Needed in Road Program, Says Pacific Highway Assn. Directors.

Directors of the Pacific Highway association, meeting here Friday, vigorously opposed any diversion of funds now going to the state highway department, particularly striking at efforts to divert a portion of gasoline tax receipts to cities, as well as proposals to reduce fees and gasoline taxes.

Declaring that reconstruction of Oregon highways to military standards is being urged upon the federal government, and that state cooperation probably will be required in the event such program is undertaken, the directors in a resolution forwarded to the state legislature expressed opposition to "any diversion or reduction of state highway funds, or the reduction of any of the fees or licenses of highway users, or the reduction of any fuel or gas taxes now in force."

Although election of officers for 1941 was scheduled at Friday's meeting, the directors voted to continue the present officers at least until May 15. The fact that the association is engaged in a strong campaign to obtain federal recognition of the need for highway reconstruction it was felt that the present officers, having the campaign well in hand, should be continued during the period the effort will be strongest. As a result of this action Howard Merriam of Cottage Grove will continue as president and Frank Hull of Medford will remain as secretary.

Briton Sentenced to Die By Nazis on Spy Charge

BERLIN, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Percy William Olaf DeWet, 28-year-old Englishman said to have forced Nazi judges to decide whether he was "an adventuring fool or a dangerous spy," has been sentenced to death as a paid agent of the French secret police.

The trial disclosed that DeWet was a son of a distinguished British officer who formerly commanded a channel island, the Nazis declared.

Legislature Still to Act On Top Bills

List Embraces Sprague's Program, Jobless Pay Act Changes, State Guard

By PAUL W. HARVEY, Jr. SALEM, Feb. 8.—(AP)—With four weeks of the session already gone and not a single major bill yet considered by either house, legislators looked forward today to at least three more weeks of hard work.

Of the 633 bills introduced, only 35 have been passed by both houses. The joint ways and means committee is expected to report out many of the large appropriation bills next week, which should start the legislative wheels grinding.

It will be at least another week before the score of amendments to the unemployment compensation law are considered by the house.

Here's the status of Governor Charles A. Sprague's six major recommendations to the legislature, none of which has been acted upon by either house:

1. Bill to increase truck length and weight limits from 50 to 60 feet and from 54,000 to 68,000 pounds. Expected to be reported out next week by senate roads and highways committee.

2. Bill to amend workmen's compensation law by eliminating jury trials in appeals and to provide for administrator, Senate industries committee will hold more hearings next week.

3. The 17 administration forestry conservation bills. Senate forestry committee to hold hearing Monday night.

4. Six-year \$1,800,000 building program for state institutions. Being considered by joint ways and means committee.

5. Equalize school taxes on statewide basis. Introduced yesterday by house education committee.

6. Construct \$1,000,000 state office building in Salem. In ways and means committee.

Hearings Scheduled. Committee hearing will be under way at full schedule next week with nine already listed.

Monday's hearings will deal with the amendments to the workmen's compensation laws, the bill to permit Governor Sprague to organize a state guard, and the bill to restrict sale of

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Britain Warns Bulgaria of Attack if German Army is Permitted Passage

Bombing Of Bulgar Areas Threatened

Turkey Thinks Sofia Will Yield in Nazi Aim to Aid Italy in War on Greece

ISTANBUL, Turkey, Feb. 8.—(AP)—It was reliably reported today but without official confirmation that Britain had warned Bulgaria that passage of German troops through that nation would bring British bombing of Bulgarian military objectives.

The report circulated in diplomatic quarters that a formal note delivered to the Bulgarian foreign office by the British minister in Sofia warned that Nazi military penetration of Bulgaria in order to attack Britain's ally Greece, would bring British aerial action.

Britain was understood to have specified that the RAF would bomb railroads and other communication facilities if Bulgaria allowed Nazi troops on her soil.

The official Turkish press, which until recently insisted Bulgaria would resist German demands for passage of troops, now is declaring Sofia may submit to axis pressure. The press, which generally reflects official views, has warned repeatedly that a Nazi advance toward the Aegean would bring Turkey into the war.

This change in the attitude of the Turkish newspapers coincided with rumors in Sofia that German action may be imminent in the Balkans.

Bulgarian passengers train service toward the Rumanian, Turkish and Greek frontiers has been curtailed by 30 per cent, effective today, an action which would be consistent with military preparations.

The Bulgarian foreign minister, Popoff, was reported yesterday to have warned a secret parliamentary meeting that he was uncertain of the future.

ITALIANS LOSE HEAVILY IN FUTURE BLOWS AT GREEKS

ATHENS, Greece, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Striking where Italian tanks and armored car assaults failed three days ago, blackshirt

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Alf Landon Brands as "Dastardly" Roosevelt's Attempt to "Gag" Wheeler, Raps British-Aid Plans

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—Alf M. Landon described the British aid bill as a "guess and be damned policy," today, and said that President Roosevelt had attempted to "gag" Senator Wheeler (D., Mont.) because of Wheeler's opposition to the measure.

"The former governor of Kansas and 1936 republican presidential nominee also declared in a statement prepared for presentation to the senate foreign relations committee that 'freedom of debate and discussion' on the bill 'is being discouraged in America by the flood of government propaganda and war hysteria.'"

He used the word "dastardly" in describing what he called Mr. Roosevelt's "sympathetic attempt" to "silence" Wheeler and "weaken his influence."

(At a recent press conference the president was asked to comment on a statement by Wheeler that the nation's armed forces had been stripped of modern combat airplanes to aid Britain. Mr. Roosevelt replied that the use which some people make of defense statistics give comfort to the chancellor of the German reich.

(The conference was one of several at which the chief executive had remarked, in response

Farmer Admits Theft of Turkeys

A plea of guilty to an indictment charging theft of turkeys was entered in circuit court today by M. A. Schwarzlose, Olalla farmer. Schwarzlose, arraigned before Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimer, admitted the theft of turkeys from Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Shinn, operators of a commercial hatchery at Roseburg and owners of a large flock of turkeys.

Sheriff Cliff Thornton reported that Schwarzlose in November, 1939, was the complaining witness against Charles Palmer and Louis Wright, Tenmile residents, sentenced to one year each in the state penitentiary after admitting the theft of turkeys from a flock belonging to Schwarzlose.

Sentence was deferred by Judge Wimer until the opening of the February term of court, which today was ordered postponed from Feb. 17 to Feb. 24.

The grand jury, reporting this morning, also returned indictments against Glen Newell, Cannonville, charging contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and against an unnamed defendant, whose identity was kept secret pending arrest.

Three Persons Cleared. Not true bills were returned in the cases of Orville E. Walling, charged with issuance of N. S. F. checks; Merton F. Ferber, charged with non-support of minor children, and Carl Durr, accused of larceny by baillee, complaints against the defendants being dismissed following the grand jury's report.

Postponement of the opening of the February term was ordered because of the fact that Judge Wimer will be engaged in holding court at Toledo next week and does not expect to be able to finish his work there in regularly scheduled date.

Cases Set For Trial

The docket for the February term was called today and indications point to a short session, County Clerk Roy Agee reported. Cases announced ready for trial included: Dorr Quayle against the Oregon Coast Fisheries, L. A. Woolley versus the State Industrial Accident commission, F. H. Carlson against the State Industrial Accident commission, John Fredrickson against the State Industrial Accident commission, F. W. Garrison versus Elmer Pearson, the State of Oregon against C. McC Johnson, and Leon N. Lefebvre versus Verlin C. Roberts.

The last one I had taken of Harry showed him holding a regular grandpa of all steelhead fish by the gills—one he had just caught near the Myrtle Creek bridge. I'm holding that one out for proof, in case his friends down there forget, that he really landed such a fine one.

I don't blame him for not attending a meeting of the league held here yesterday—I reckon he was afraid the next picture would be fatal to him!

French Docks Hammered In Raid by RAF

Bombs Blast Dunkerque, Boulogne, Calais, Ostend, Libya Mop-Up Continues

LONDON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—The crowded docks of Boulogne in France were showered with "many heavy bombs" and "some thousands" of fire bombs in a 3-hour night raid, the air ministry news service said today.

Pilot after pilot returned with reports of making direct hits, it was stated. The raiders, defying bad weather for the second successive night, hammered at Boulogne for three hours, a communiqué said, "during which several large fires were started among supply stores and other dockside buildings."

"Later at Dunkerque a number of bursts were clearly observed among shipping in the docks," the communiqué added. "Several aircraft bombed the docks at Calais and Ostend."

Bad weather over northwestern Europe kept the Luftwaffe on the ground and Britain had a peaceful night.

The British raids apparently caught the German defenders on the Nazi-held French coast napping.

Torrential Rain Floods N. Y. City and Other Areas

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—(AP)—A torrential storm that followed the path of the 1938 hurricane subsided today over New England after flooding New York City and other areas with a 2.63 inch downpour in 13 hours.

Connecticut appeared to be hardest hit in New England. Two factory buildings temporarily shut down at Waterbury after a foot of water from an overflowing reservoir covered their floors.

The wind held steadily for a time at 55 miles an hour at Portland, Me., with mile-a-minute gusts.

Indications were that property damage was not great.

Torrents that submerged some New York City streets in 12 feet of water cut off La Guardia field telephonically, telegraphically and even—to some extent—by radio.

Lieut. Maynard Bell Gets Appointment as Adjutant

Lieutenant Maynard Bell, a member of the News-Review staff, now in military service at McChord field, Wash., has been appointed to the office of adjutant for the 95th bombardment squadron, according to word received here today. In addition to his duties as adjutant, he is serving as public relations officer and mess officer. He anticipates transfer in the near future to the base being established in Pendleton. His brother, Lieutenant Raymond Bell, also at McChord field, is expected to remain in his present post when transfers are made probably in early summer.

Three-year-Old Boy Saves Infant Brother From Fire

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 8.—(AP)—Three-year-old Russell Wilson, Jr., saved his one-year-old brother, Richard, from burning to death yesterday.

His mother left him to watch the baby while she went to a grocery.

Garments on a line near the kitchen stove caught fire and fell into the crib. Russell snatched the child out, dragged him to the front porch and yelled. Neighbors called firemen, who put out the blaze and gave Russell first aid for severe burns on the arms and legs. The baby wasn't hurt.

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A short time previously the chamber rejected a proposal that the bill be amended to prohibit the sending of American troops outside the territorial waters of the western hemisphere.

The Fish amendment was defeated by a standing vote announced as 147 to 70.

Acting at the request of administration leaders, the house also decided tentatively today to put a flat \$1,300,000,000 ceiling on the value of military equipment, existing or appropriated for, that might be disposed of to foreign governments under the British-aid bill.

This amendment was accepted in an effort to clarify a 10 per cent limitation administration leaders induced the house to write into the bill yesterday.

The original limitation provided that the value of the equipment on hand or ordered from funds previously appropriated could not exceed 10 per cent of the appropriations made for defense articles in the fiscal year ending June 30.

In explaining their reason for asking such an amendment, the leaders said that a subsequent study of appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30 had shown that the limit of foreign aid might actually come to less than \$500,000,000.

In their calculations yesterday, they figured that the total would come to approximately \$1,300,000,000. This figure was arrived at by taking 10 per cent of the approximately \$13,000,000,000 for national defense which they said had been appropriated for the current fiscal year.

Congressional authorities explained that under the leadership's original proposal, large sums for pay and feeding of the army and navy and other items not strictly "defense articles" could not be included in estimating the 10 per cent limit.

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Bandit Confesses Threat Notes in DeTristan Case

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(AP)—J. Edgar Hoover announced today that FBI agents had obtained a confession from Raymond Parker, 52, convicted bank robber and forger, that he was the man who attempted to extort \$10,000 from the Countess Marie de Tristan of Hillsborough, Calif., last year.

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TODAY'S TOP ODDITY

By the Associated Press IOWA CITY, Ia.—Prof. George Haskell popped this question to University of Iowa coeds in his class: "How much would you require a prospective husband to be earning before marrying him?"

Eighty-five per cent demanded \$2,500 a year. "Well," Haskell said, "less than 15 per cent of the income receivers in the nation earn more than \$2,500 a year. So about 85 per cent of you can expect to be old maids."

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



H. P. RICE, president of the Douglas County Tax league, as he sat on the davenport at his home in Myrtle Creek, nursing a sick spell.

There was some conflict of opinion as to just what brought on the sickness—a number of his friends there thought probably it was a picture, purporting to be of him, which the News-Review had "run" not long before.

"Oh Paul," Harry had written to me at the time, "What, what did I ever do to you that you would do this thing to me!" The only answer I could think of then, and since, is that not even I know what I will do when I

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