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Rain tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.
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HISTORY
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HIGH COURT UPHOLDS PEACEFUL PICKETING

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
BENGASI falls.
If you want to see what a jolt that must be to jutting-jawed Mussolini, get out your map of northern Africa, which will show you that Bengasi is the last stronghold in Italian Libya except Tripoli, in the far north-western corner, almost up against the border of French Tunisia.
Italy's African empire is falling away fast.

IL DUCE'S mind must go back at times (very secretly, of course) to that day when he horned into the war, thinking, with France collapsing that it was all over but the division of the loot.
His foot slipped badly then.

THIS hint comes from London:
The Italian position is now so bad that Mussolini may be forced to throw in the Italian fleet in an effort to move supplies and reinforcements across the Mediterranean to save Tripoli.
London adds that the fall of Bengasi gives the British a close base for attack on the German air bases in Sicily, from which German dive bombers are operating against the British Mediterranean fleet.

BENGASI'S fall prompts another move on the board:
General Weygand, speaking by radio from French Algiers, denies in the name of the French government that France is intending to permit Germany to use the great French naval base at Bizerte, adding that no negotiations are under way for the cession of Bizerte or the landing of German troops there for use in Libya.

TO understand this statement fully get out your map again.
You will note that Bizerte is on the African (French) side of the narrow straits of Sicily. Its possession would enable Germany to close the eastern Mediterranean to the British navy and also to British merchant and supply ships, frightfully hampering British operations in Africa.
It would serve as the African end of a sea bridge over which to pour German armies into Italy's hard-pressed African possessions.

One look at the map tells the story.
THE situation thus presented highlights startlingly the

Riddle Business Men Form Club

RIDDLE, Ore., Feb. 10.—Organization of the Progressive Business club, to work for the development of the Riddle valley, has been completed by the election of W. J. Jackson as president and Elmer Love, secretary-treasurer. The club also has three directors and two advisory board members.
The club plans to work for the expansion and improvement of the City of Riddle and south Douglas county generally. Negotiations already are in progress with firms proposing to establish sawmill operations. Efforts also have been undertaken to secure lower freight rates to compare with those of other lumber manufacturing points in Oregon.
At the next monthly meeting the club plans to organize a membership drive with a view of enlisting the cooperation of all residents of the community.

British Blast Nazi, Italian Cities in Series of Raids, Sever Link With Rumania

Netherlands, French Areas Dealt Blows

Warships Shell Genoa Naval Base as Planes Bomb Pisa and Leghorn

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—British bomber formations, escorted by fighters, attacked Dunkerque and Boulogne in a daylight sweep today, an official announcement said, and shot down two German planes.
This daylight operation followed an early morning assault in which the air ministry said a small force of RAF bombers attacked "objectives in northwest Germany in the early hours of the morning" and daylight raids yesterday in which an "enemy destroyer" was torpedoed by planes off the Norwegian coast and oil tanks at Flushing, in the Netherlands, were bombed.
A small force of bombers attacked industrial targets in Mannheim, Germany, Saturday night, the air ministry said, and single planes bombed objectives at the Nazi-occupied ports of Rotterdam and Flushing during daylight hours.
Two Spitfires raided the Calais area across the channel Sunday, the ministry said. One was said to have "shot up" an enemy anti-aircraft position in a field and machine-gunned troops. Both were said to have raked ships.

Italian Cities Blasted
Sweeping boldly to the very top of the Italian boot, British warships hurled more than 300 tons of shells into the great naval base at Genoa at dawn yesterday, the admiralty reported, damaging power plants, factories, warehouses, oil tanks, docks and shipping.

At the same time, British naval planes were said to have dumped tons of bombs on Pisa and Leghorn, farther down the Italian coast, hitting the airfield and railway junction at Pisa and raining bombs on a Leghorn refinery called "one of the largest and most important oil plants in Italy."
Prime Minister Churchill, in telling the empire by radio of the Genoa exploit, described the shelling as "shattering" and declared Genoa to be a "naval base from which perhaps a Nazi German expedition might soon have sailed to attack General Weygand in Algeria or Tunis."

"... If the cannonade of Genoa rolling along the coast, reverberating in the mountains, has reached the ears of our French comrades in their grief and misery," Churchill declared, "it may cheer them with the feeling that friends, active friends, are near and that Britannia rules the waves."
To reach Genoa, site of big merchant marine and naval command.

Southern Pacific Shops Put on 6-Day Work Week

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 10.—(AP)—A six-day work week to keep ahead of transportation needs due to the national defense program has been established in all Southern Pacific railway locomotive, freight and passenger car repair shops. J. H. Dyer, vice president in charge of operations, announced today.
The change from the five-day week became effective February 1. It affected nearly 13,000 employees, including 500 shopmen who were returned to the payroll. The wage scale remained the same, Dyer said.
The company's headquarters said that expansion of the work week meant another day's pay for the employees involved, on the basis of the wage scale previously paid for the five day week.

Materials, Not Troops, Needed, Churchill Says

LONDON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—If the United States will "send us the tools," Great Britain can "finish the job" of defeating Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini without the aid of an American expeditionary force, Prime Minister Churchill declared in a Sunday night radio address.
We need most urgently an immense and continuous supply of war materials, and we need them here, and we need to bring them here. We shall need a great mass of shipping in 1942, far more than we can build ourselves, if we are to maintain and augment our war effort in the west and in the east.

He warned that Hitler would "do his utmost to prey upon our shipping and reduce the volume of American supplies."
With this, Churchill coupled another warning that the long-predicted German invasion might be near at hand.

"We must all be prepared to meet gas attacks, parachute attacks, glider attacks, with constancy, forethought and practical skill," he asserted.
Speaking in tones of grim confidence, Churchill declared "we may be sure the war is soon going to enter upon a phase of greater violence." He underscored the possibility of a German thrust through the Balkans.

Roseburg Fire Loss Shown in Report

Roseburg's fire loss for the year 1940 totaled \$13,717.65, with all loss being fully covered by insurance, according to the annual report filed with the city fire commission today by Ialo Stephens, ex-fire chief. Mr. Stephens, who served as chief last year, recently resigned and was succeeded by J. S. McDonald.

The fire department responded to 79 alarms during the year and handled fires which endangered property having a total valuation of \$670,610. There were no injuries and no deaths in connection with the year's fires.

One fire accounted for \$13,028 of the total fire loss leaving only damages amounting to \$685.65 from the remaining 78 alarms. The principal fire was that at the Hansen Chevrolet company plant, where explosion of a fuel tank on a car undergoing repairs, gutted the building and destroyed a valuable stock of tires, equipment and machinery.

Forty-two calls to dwellings resulted in only \$348.80 loss. There were three calls in the business area with total losses of \$100. Fires in public buildings caused damages of \$220.35.

Causes of fires were listed as follows: defective wiring or forgotten appliances 12, fireworks 1, hot tar 1, matches and careless smokers 3, petroleum and its products 5, overheated or defective flues 42, rubbish and litter 16, sparks on roof 5, unknown causes 1, unclassified 3.

Fire Destroys 57-Year-Old Oregon Catholic Church

VERBOORT, Ore., Feb. 10.—(AP)—The Church of the Visitation, oldest Catholic church in Washington county, was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin early yesterday. No estimate of the loss was made.
The fire broke out shortly after midnight and spread rapidly through the 57-year-old cross-shaped frame structure despite efforts of the Forest Grove and Cornelius fire departments and water brigade.
The rectory, sisters' home, parish school and high school were not damaged, and several statues and vestments were saved from the church.

Nazi Thrust Into Bulgaria Seen as Plan

Aid to Italy in War On Greece Likely; British Seize Port on Red Sea

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Great Britain broke off diplomatic relations today with Rumania, into which Germany has poured hundreds of thousands of soldiers, and arranged to turn over her Rumanian interests to United States care.

(This decision followed on the heels of British Prime Minister Churchill's broadcast declaration yesterday that "the axis, having absorbed Hungary and driven Rumania into a rightful internal convulsion, are already on the 'Black sea' and 'perhaps' a southward movement of German troops into or through Bulgaria already has begun.")

There was speculation in neutral diplomatic quarters whether Britain soon might follow the break with a declaration of war, especially since Rumanian oil fields are now completely in German hands and would provide a legitimate target for Britain's bombing planes.

The British minister to Bulgaria recently notified the Bulgarian government, according to diplomatic sources in Sofia, that Bulgarian military targets would be bombed by the RAF if a way were opened through Bulgaria

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Earth Shock Felt In Roseburg Area

An earthquake shock which jarred northern California Sunday morning was also felt in Roseburg, according to numerous reports. The local weather bureau received a number of calls early Sunday from people who felt the tremor and were seeking information. Mrs. Kitty Von Pessl reported feeling the quake and said that dogs and chickens in the vicinity of her home set up considerable commotion. Fred Russell also reported feeling the tremor, which, he said, rattled dishes in the cupboard at his home.

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Reports of tremors which shook the Rogue river valley increased today. While most Grants Pass residents slept soundly, others told of being awakened by rattling objects and quaking beds about 1:45 Sunday morning.

Miss Jessie C. Mastin, circuit court reporter, said she felt the tremors in Medford.
M. C. Athey, editor of the Illinois Valley News, said the quake was pronounced at O'Brien, 30 miles southeast of here. Medford is 30 miles east.

Edward Morris, Former Roseburg Resident, Dies

Edward R. Morris, son of the late "Dick" Morris, an early-day Southern Pacific locomotive engineer, who lived in Roseburg for many years, died last Saturday in Portland, Edward, whose boyhood was spent in this city, was a world war veteran and a member of the board that organized the Oregon system of state-owned liquor stores. He formerly operated the Chevrolet automobile agency in Eugene and later moved to Clackamas, Ore. Surviving are his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Alice Ann Hindman, and a sister, Mrs. Harry C. Slocum. The funeral was held in Portland today under the auspices of American Legion Post No. 1.

Committee To Redistrict State Named

Legislature Faces 4 Bills For Reapportionment to Give 4th Congressman

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.
SALEM, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Speaker of the House Robert S. Farrell, Jr., appointed his 11-man house committee today which will consider measures to reapportion the legislature and to redistrict the state's congressional representation.

On the committee are seven republicans and four democrats. There are five members from the first congressional district, and three each from the second and third.

Rep. John Steelhammer (R-Marion) was named chairman of the committee, and Rep. Frank J. Loneragan (R-Multnomah) was vice chairman.

Four Measures Offered

There are four measures in the house to redistrict the state. All of them would divide the first (western Oregon) congressional district, which has more than 500,000 population and is one of the largest in the United States, into two districts. Another measure, in the senate, would provide for a congressman to be elected from the state at large.

Two reapportionment measures would increase Multnomah county's legislative representation at the expense of upstate counties, and would give each county at least one representative. The latter measure could be enacted only by constitutional amendment approved by the people.

Members of the special committee are:

Representing the first congressional district—William M. McAllister (R-Jackson), H. H. Chidgester (R-Clackamas) and Roy E. Carter (D-Curry).

Second (eastern Oregon) district—Dr. C. T. Hockett (R-Wallowa), V. B. Staples (R-Malheur)

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Republicans Urged to Back Aid Proposal

Party Leader Opposed to "Blind" Stand; Democrats Accept Bill Revisions

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—As the senate foreign relations committee started its final week of work on the administration's British aid bill, Senator Austin (R., Vt.) counseled the republican party today against "blind opposition" to the legislation.

Austin, assistant minority leader, already has backed the general objectives of the measure and his new statement was interpreted by some legislators as an indirect effort to keep senate opposition from assuming the predominant republican character of the fight on the bill in the house.

When the house passed the bill Saturday by a vote of 260 to 165, the final roll call showed 135 republicans lined up against the legislation with 25 democrats, 3 progressives, 1 farm-laborite and 1 American-laborite. Twenty-four republicans and 236 democrats voted for it.

Austin told newsmen that republicans should give "reasonable study" to possible changes in the measure, but said that nothing should be done which would "destroy" the legislation.

"It is not for a few men to create the impression that the republican party does not have faith in our institutions and in our people," the Vermont senator said. "The republican party should not adopt a policy of blind opposition."

Limitations Adopted.

Democratic house leaders, in an effort to gain as much support as possible, accepted these limitations to the help which could be sent Britain or other countries "whose" defense the president deems vital to the defense of the United States.

1. Existing military equipment which might be disposed of to foreign governments would be limited.

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Retired Justice Taken by Death



Willis Van Devanter

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Willis Van Devanter, retired associate justice of the supreme court, died of a heart attack Saturday at the age of 81.

Appointed to the court by President Taft in 1910, he retired in 1937. Since then he had spent much of his time on his farm near Ellicott City, Md. He was a widower.

Van Devanter retired in the midst of the congressional battle over President Roosevelt's court reorganization bill. Many considered that his departure, which allowed President Roosevelt to appoint a new justice, had an important bearing on the eventual defeat of the measure.

Stag Party Set By Rod and Gun Club

State Game Board Members to Be Present at Local Meet; Discussion, Movies Slated

The annual stag party sponsored by the Roseburg Rod and Gun club will be held Tuesday night at the Knights of Pythias lodge hall, and an interesting program is promised by Charles Patchett, president. The meeting is open to all sportsmen, and members of the Roseburg club particularly are urged to be present and to bring guests. Invitations also have been extended to members of neighboring clubs of the county.

Members of the Oregon state game commission will be present for the meeting, which is scheduled to start at 7:30 p. m., and will join in the discussion of various problems pertaining to game and fish conservation. The program also is expected to include motion pictures provided by the game commission dealing with Oregon scenery and wildlife.

It is expected, Mr. Patchett reports, that the program will include discussions of the pheasant season, possibilities for stocking elk in Douglas county, improvement of trout and steelhead fishing, and other matters of interest to sportsmen.

A Dutch feed is being arranged to follow the program and entertainment.

Ex-Senator Reed Smoot Of Utah Passes Away

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 10.—(AP)—Reed Smoot, 79, co-author of the Smoot-Hawley tariff act and United States senator from Utah from 1903 to 1933, died here yesterday.

He had been ill since a fall on a golf course in Utah last year. Interment will be in Provo, Utah. Smoot was twice a member of the republican national committee. He also was high in councils of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. His position as one of the twelve apostles of the church resulted in a contest of his first election as senator, but he was seated after a dispute lasting a year.

Auto Upset Kills Marcola High School Athlete

EUGENE, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Eugene Kennedy, Marcola high school athlete, was killed outright Saturday night in the wreck of an automobile in which he was riding with two other youths. The car overturned east of Wendling.

2nd Ruling, However, Hits Violent Kind

Ford Motor Firm Loses Appeal From Order to Reinstate Employees

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—(AP)—The supreme court ruled today that the right to freedom of speech and of assembly was violated by a court injunction restraining the peaceful picketing by an Illinois labor organization of a business in which there was "no immediate employer-employee dispute."

Justice Frankfurter delivered the 6-to-2 opinion which applied specifically to picketing of the Ross W. Swing beauty parlor in Chicago by a local of the Hairdressers and Cosmetologists union (AFL).

In a 5 to 3 opinion delivered a little earlier by Justice Frankfurter, the court held in another case that picketing could be enjoined because the controversy had involved violence.

Justice Frankfurter asserted in the opinion on the beauty parlor case that the "ban of free communication is inconsistent with the guarantee of freedom of speech."

He said that the issue presented by the controversy was:

"Is the constitutional guarantee of freedom of discussion infringed by the common law policy of a state forbidding resort to peaceful persuasion through picketing merely because there is no immediate employer-employee dispute?"

"That a state has ample power to regulate the local problems thrown up by modern industry and to preserve the peace is axiomatic," Frankfurter added.

The picketing of the beauty parlor was said by its proprietor to have started in 1937 after all of his 16 women employees had refused of their own accord to join the union and he had declined to compel them to join.

The majority opinion on the other picketing case, involving a Chicago dairy, held that "acts of picketing when blended with violence may have a significance which neutralizes the constitutional immunity which such acts would have in isolation."

Justice Frankfurter delivered the decision, which applied to picketing by the milk wagon drivers union of Chicago of stores selling products, supplies by Meadowmoor Dairies, Inc., described as a "cut-rate" company.

The supreme court refused today to interfere with a labor board order directing the Ford Motor company to reinstate a group of employees with back pay and to cease alleged interference with collective bargaining rights of the workmen.

Denial of a review left in effect a decision of the federal circuit court at Cincinnati which sustained the board's action as applied to 23 employees.

Unless the Ford company should be successful in other litigation it will be compelled to comply with the circuit court ruling.

As is customary, only one word was used in announcing that the petition was "denied."

It had been generally expected that the outcome of the contro-

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TODAY'S TOP ODDITY

By the Associated Press
RICHMOND, Ind.—Mrs. Lucille Burris, 24-year-old bride of six weeks, went home to her mother because she disliked her husband's pet monkey, Oscar.
In city court, she charged her husband, William, 45, with assault and battery. He blackened both her eyes, she said, when she insisted he get rid of Oscar.
Judge B. A. Hall, withholding judgment, freed Burris and Oscar from jail and ordered the sheriff to help Mrs. Burris move from the couple's farm home.
"William had to choose between you and the monkey," he told her, "and he chose the monkey."