

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Occasional rain tonight and Sunday. Little change in temperature.

See page 4 for statistics.

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ITALY

Her navy smashed, her African empire crumbling, defeated in her attempted invasion of Greece, what will she do? Will she try to carry on with uncertain help from Germany or give up? Watch NEWS-REVIEW news for the answers.

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BRITISH, GREEKS HAMMER ITALIAN FLEET

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

BIG headlines today. (Thursday.)

There is a military revolution in Yugoslavia. Seventeen-year-old King Peter takes hold, throws out the regent and members of the government who signed the axis and names the chief of the Yugoslav air service as premier with instructions to form a new government.

The new government REPUDIATES the axis signing.

REMEMBER, at this point, that the sources of war news are NEVER PURE.

In the course of time—sometimes days, sometimes weeks—the approximate truth in regard to dramatic events, pieced together from various sources, becomes reasonably evident. As these words are written, however, this latest development in Yugoslavia is only hours old.

Caution prompts us to keep our fingers at least partially crossed a little longer.

ESPECIALLY before drawing conclusions.

It has been evident from the beginning that Yugoslavia was an unwilling signer of the axis bond. In Hitler's eyes, an unwilling partner might easily appear as a liability rather than an asset. Still, considering the delicate balance in the Balkans, he might hesitate to use force without an excuse.

It is possible that the Yugoslav revolution might provide exactly the excuse he wants. It isn't impossible that his agents might have inspired it for that very purpose. Knowing that war and treachery have always gone hand in hand and that Hitler hesitates at nothing that promises results, one can't escape that thought.

If that should be true, we won't be left long in doubt, for events will follow fast.

ON the other side of the question is the promptness with which Churchill proclaims that "the Yugoslav nation has found

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22,000 S On Strike Six Plan

Mediation Board to Bring Peace; Bernheim Faces Fresh Trouble

MILWAUKEE, March 29.—(AP)—Members of local 248 United Automobile Workers union (CIO), said today as they emerged from a meeting that the membership had voted to continue the strike at the Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co. in suburban West Allis.

Earlier, the company announced that the back-to-work movement launched yesterday had gained momentum, and that about one-third of the normal day shift had reported for work this morning to turn out vital needed national defense goods.

(By the Associated Press) Encouraged by the prospect of work resumption in some key defense industries, the new mediation board today tackled the specific job of getting more than 22,000 striking workers back to their benches in vital munitions plants.

The board members assembled in Washington to begin mediation efforts in strikes called by the CIO Farm Equipment Workers Organizing committee at four mid-west plants of the International Harvester company, employing 20,000; by AFL electrical workers at the condenser corporation at South Plainfield, N. J., employing 2,200; and at Vanadium corporation, Bridgeville, Pa., employing 400.

The CIO harvester workers meet tomorrow to decide whether to go back to work as requested by the board and whether to meet with the board and company officials in Washington Monday.

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Two Soldiers Killed in Truck Upset Near Lapine

BEND, March 29.—(AP)—Two soldiers of the 30th infantry were killed yesterday as their truck, one of a column carrying the infantry from San Francisco to Fort Lewis, left the highway and overturned 27 miles south of here, near Lapine.

The dead were: Private James E. Hoar, 25, San Francisco, and Private Russell L. Rawson, 20, Berkeley.

A second truck left the rain-slicked highway at the same time, but none was injured.

Heads WPA In Western States



R. L. Nicholson, above, newly-appointed assistant commissioner of WPA, has been placed in charge of activities for the 12 western states.

Three Axis Trade Ships Try to Evade Blockade

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, March 29.—(AP)—Three axis merchantmen left Brazilian ports last night and early today in an apparent coordinated effort to penetrate the British blockade.

The German freighter Dresden, of 5,567 tons, had not been reported for 11 hours after sailing from Santos last night. She had a crew of 50.

The Italian oil tanker Franco Martelli, 10,535 tons, left Recife with a cargo of oil and a crew of 50 or 60.

The Italian freighter Frisco, 4,610 tons, left Fortaleza with a crew of 20 or 30 aboard.

(Dispatches from Argentina said the Italian freighter Amabilis, 5,425 tons, also was reported getting ready to sail from Bahia Blanca.)

Body in River Believed That of Missing Jeweler

BAKER, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—The body of a man believed to be that of Earle C. Wyckoff, Ontario jeweler who disappeared January 2 of this year, was found Friday one mile north of Copperfield in the Snake river.

The body was brought to Baker for an autopsy.

Identification of the body is not absolutely positive, District Attorney Arvin Robb stated, although it is believed that the body is that of Wyckoff.

Farmers Give Way to Needs Of Defense

Thousands Forced to Quit Lands Taken for Projects, Complaint of Senators

WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—Some senators complained today that the national defense program not only had failed to benefit farmers, but had actually driven thousands of them from their lands.

Senator Russell (D-Ga.), floor leader for the record \$1,340,610, 744 farm bill awaiting senate action Monday, said 1,200 families had been displaced near Hinesville, Ga., by government acquisition of 350,000 acres of lands for anti-aircraft proving grounds.

"It has practically ruined three counties in my state," the Georgia senator said. "I would much prefer they had found another location for it."

C. B. Baldwin, farm security administrator, told senators that about 6,500 farm families had to be moved from various defense projects.

Senator Russell said that some Georgians were being moved from farms which had been in their families for 200 years.

"They have on their lands," he said, "little family cemetery lots where as many as six generations

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Record Army Will Stage Mimic War

SAN FRANCISCO, March 29.—(AP)—Soldiers of the fourth army will concentrate for maneuvers at Fort Ord and the Hunter Liggett reservation on the central California coast May 24 to June 30, to engage in the greatest mimic warfare ever fought by troops on the west coast.

Maneuvers will involve 62,500 officers and enlisted men, including 40,000 now stationed in the Pacific northwest, Lieut. General John L. De Witt, commanding general of the fourth army announced today.

Troops involved will be the 3rd and 41st divisions, comprising the ninth army corps stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., and the 7th division from Fort Ord, part of the third army corps.

Movement of the ninth army corps from the Pacific northwest by train and motor will be the greatest movement of troops ever undertaken from Washington to California, officers said. The thousand mile march, presumably starting May 24, was expected to take four or five days.

The exercises will include a little more than a week of war games between two opposing armies.

Officers indicated gas would probably be used in the maneuvers which will involve planes, artillery, infantry, engineers, and signal corps in the most modern type of tactics learned from observing the European war.

The maneuvers will be the first big scale operations for many selectees brought into the army by the draft, and already considered sufficiently trained to participate with the regulars.

Hunter Liggett reservation, part of the Hearst ranch, covers 154,000 acres.

Sprague Signs Drinking Club Control Measure

SALEM, March 29.—(AP)—Governor Sprague signed today the bill which will give the state liquor control commission power to license and regulate drinking clubs.

Among four other bills signed was one to prohibit pollution of the McKenzie river and its tributaries in Lane county.

The governor vetoed a bill which would have given county courts authority to vacate or relocate county roads on or near airports.

The governor said he had been advised by his legal advisor, Ralph S. Hamilton, that the bill "appeared unconstitutional."

Battleship, Cruisers Said Smashed; Yugoslavia Faces Dissension Threat

Serbs, Croats Confer While Hitler Waits

Nazis May Get Excuse to Invade; Pro-Axis Groups Ordered to Depart

By the Associated Press

Yugoslavia's two-day-old government kept Germany waiting today for an answer to demands that it clarify its position on the axis powers.

Germans and observers in the Balkans expressed belief Yugoslavia's future course hinged principally on whether the country's major groups, Serbs and Croats, long at odds, split or stand united.

The man with the answer to that question was believed to be Vice Premier Vladimir Macek, who carried over into the new Serb-dominated government as Croat spokesman.

He was reported to have emerged today after long conferences with his party lieutenants at the Croat capital, Zagreb, without reaching a decision whether to keep his post or lead his faction in a walkout on the new government.

Nazis Insist on Reply

Although reports from Berlin said Germans were looking on calmly, Nazi dissatisfaction apparently was reflected in a note delivered to the Yugoslav government last night demanding a definite, written statement of Yugoslav foreign policy.

The Yugoslav cabinet had told the Germans yesterday the axis pact which ousted government officials signed at Vienna Tuesday neither would be ratified nor repudiated.

On all sides in Berlin a comparison with Czechoslovakia was being made. Germans declared that although Belgrade seemed apologetically anti-Nazi, Zagreb, the Croat capital, had not put its heart into the movement.

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Rise to Power in Yugoslav Coup



(Nea Telephoto.)

As pro-British forces seized power in Yugoslavia, blasting Hitler's hopes of speedy diplomatic conquest of the little Balkan country, Gen. Richard Dusan-Simovich, left, anti-German head of the Yugoslav air corps, became premier and 17-year-old King Peter II, right, was swept to the throne. The startling coup d'etat ousted the regency, which two days before had signed the axis pact in Vienna.

Auto Accident Fatal to Klamath Falls Executive

KLAMATH FALLS, March 29.—(AP)—Injuries suffered in an automobile accident were fatal last night to R. E. Manning, 44, vice-president and northwest manager of the Lawrence warehousing system.

He was riding alone last Tuesday when his car left the highway five miles south of Dorris, Calif.

Flames Destroy Church At Winchester Bay

REEDSPORT, Ore., March 29.—(AP)—Fire destroyed the Assembly of God church at Winchester Bay yesterday, causing damage estimated by Rev. J. H. Carver at \$1800.

King Peter Hears From Roosevelt

Message Congratulates Youth On Enthroning, Vows Support Of Yugoslavia Independence

WASHINGTON, March 29.—(AP)—The United States today watched fast-paced developments in Yugoslavia for the answers to explosive questions vitally affecting the war's threatened sweep into southeastern Europe and Asia.

Diplomatic quarters here, analyzing each move in the Balkan drama, predicted that the whole future course of the conflict, and possible American repercussions as well, would be influenced deeply by what happens to the Nazi-defying Serbs, Croats and Slovenes.

President Roosevelt emphasized American interest in the future independence of Yugoslavia in a message congratulating 17-year-old King Peter II on his ascension to the throne.

The president's message to the boy king of "a brave and independent people" followed acting Secretary of State Welles' pledge of "material assistance" to Yugoslavia—or any nation—which defends itself against aggression.

Welles also hinted that the United States was prepared to "unfreeze" Yugoslav assets in this country if the nation maintains its independence and does not bow to German demands. The funds were tied up by presidential order when the old Yugoslav government signed an axis pact.

The president's message, dispatched to King Peter last night, said:

"At this moment when your majesty has assumed the full exercise of your royal rights and powers and the leadership of a brave and independent people, I wish to share with the people of the United States in the expression of our sincere and genuine wishes for the health and well being of your majesty and for the freedom and independence of Yugoslavia.

"Furthermore, I extend the hope that the relations between your government and the government of the United States may be mutually beneficial in the support of those principles of liberty and tolerance so cherished by the Yugoslav and American peoples."

Woman Litigant Dies in Portland Court Room

PORTLAND, March 29.—(AP)—Mrs. Edna Ellinger, 67, collapsed and died in District Judge Mundorff's court while awaiting trial of a small claims case yesterday in which she was the plaintiff.

Fascist Navy Cornered In Long Search

Battle Fought in Ionian, Mediterranean Seas; Air Base of Italy Blasted

LONDON, March 29.—(AP)—The admiralty announced tonight "it may be assumed" that at least one Italian warship was sunk in a battle in the eastern Mediterranean.

A communique, the second of the day, said:

"Further information of the naval action in the eastern Mediterranean is not yet available, but reports containing Italian survivors have been reported this morning by our aircraft.

"It may, therefore be assumed that at least one Italian ship has been sunk."

Earlier the admiralty had reported another of Premier Mussolini's heaviest battleships, a number of cruisers and a destroyer damaged.

Assuming that two Italian battleships which were under construction last year have been put in service, the British said this left Italy with only two capital ships.

The first announcement telling of the sensational climax to the long cat-and-mouse game the British fleet has played with the fascists in "mare nostrum" said "it appears that so far at least one Littorio-class battleship (Italy's newest) has been damaged and that two enemy cruisers are very severely damaged."

Then came a royal air force communique from Cairo, telling of a swoop on Italian warships in the Ionian sea between Italy and Greece in which hits were scored on two cruisers and a destroyer.

The announcement added that a successful attack also was made on Lecce airbase south of Brindisi, in southern Italy, and that aircraft on the ground

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Drug Tablet Hunt Started In U. S.

CHICAGO, March 29.—(AP)—Hundreds of federal inspectors, aided by physicians, were engaged today in tracking down 410,000 medicinal tablets which, the American Medical association said, had been contaminated in manufacture.

The association disclosed that phenobarbital, a powerful sedative drug, had been inadvertently used in the manufacture of the tablets, which were issued by a New York drug firm as sulphathiazole.

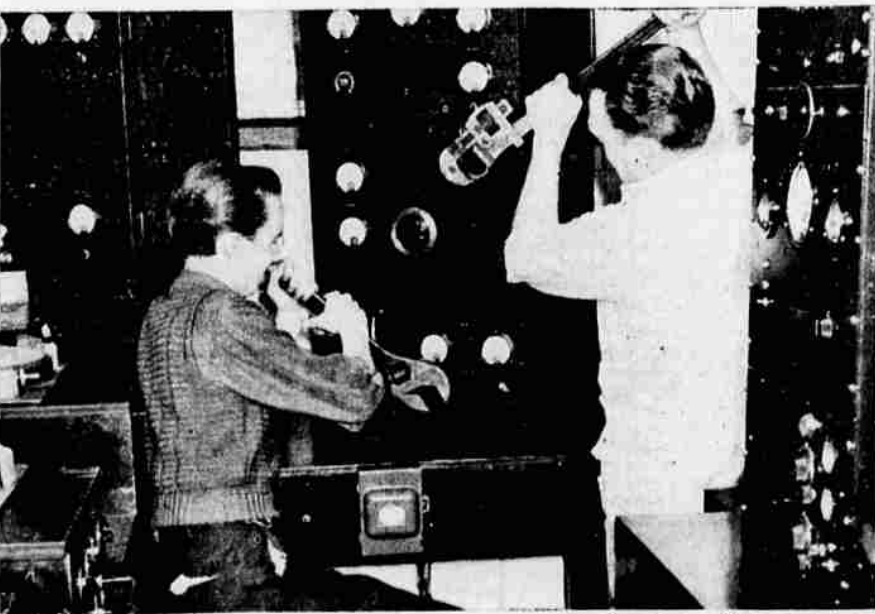
Sulphathiazole, a derivative of the sulfanilamide, is used in the treatment of pneumonia and certain infections. The association emphasized that the vast majority of this drug now on the market is unadulterated and safe to use at the direction of a physician.

Dr. Morris Fishbein, editor of the AMA journal, issued a statement to physicians and druggists to be on the lookout for the adulterated drug which could be distinguished by the lot number MP 029. It was distributed by the Winthrop Chemical company of New York, Dr. Fishbein said.

"Records already available from Missouri and Kentucky indicate a considerable number of patients who received this product suffered severe narcosis, but practically all recover without ill effects," Dr. Fishbein said.

"Records also indicate the possibility that patients with pneumonia who received this drug died. Rapid loss of consciousness in patients receiving sulphathiazole should indicate need for prompt determination of the nature of the product administered."

KRNR Wave Length Changed to 1490 KC.



Gilbert Walters, left, and Bud Chandler, right, couldn't resist one of their "corny gags," as the Roseburg radio station, KRNR, changed frequency from 1500 to 1490 kilocycles last night. While putting on a play with News-Review press wrenches, KRNR staff made the actual change in wavelength by installing a pure quartz crystal, about the size of a dime, so finely ground that when used in an electric circuit it vibrates at the rate of 1,490,000 times per second. The crystal is located in an oven in which the temperature, automatically controlled, is constant within less than one degree centigrade. The change also included complete readjustment of all transmitter controls. The work was done last night under the direction of Mr. Chandler, chief engineer for KRNR, and tests were operated with monitoring stations at 3 a. m.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



THE SWALLOWS' RETURN

to Capistrano is no more of a foregone conclusion that that of Vic O'Byrne to the clear, swiftly moving waters of the North Umpqua. What the one means I'm not sure of—surely not the approach of spring in a land that boasts of its "eternal spring"; but Vic's return to Steamboat heralds the near advent of the fishing season.

The photograph appearing herewith was submitted by Mr. Byrne. It is one he snapped of Steamboat falls, and if you look you may see one of the giant steelhead which add lustre to the fame of the Umpqua river and Steamboat creek, in a mighty effort to clear the sheer fall and win to the imperative goal above.

In the season when the steelhead are migrating to their spawning grounds, the big, swirl-

ing pool below the falls literally is alive with the presence of their restless bodies, as they pause there to gather strength (or for a social interlude) for the quick, strenuous and sometimes painful ordeal of the falls.

Loving fish, loving fishing and above all, I think, loving the bright beauty with which nature has mantled the North Umpqua country in spring. Vic, whose heart always abides there no matter where his roving takes his feet always returns.

He returns, likewise, to numberless friends who have awaited his coming. When he arrives, drifting in unostentatiously as a soft breeze from the ocean, they tell the world gladly, as do the priests at San Capistrano of the noted flight of swallows.

It takes more than one swallow to make a summer, they say; but really it takes only one Vic O'Byrne.