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ITALIANS IN ETHIOPIAN TRAP SURRENDER

OREGON POSTMASTERS CLASSES OPEN CO-ED CLASSES OF 3RD, 4TH GRADE HERE

High Postal Officials On Talk Program

Welcome Voiced by City's C. of C. Heads; Earl Snell Will Speak at Banquet

Roseburg today was host to the annual state convention of the Oregon branch of the National League of District Postmasters. Registration of delegates and visitors indicated an attendance of approximately 100 persons for the league's state meeting, which will continue through Tuesday.

The league of district postmasters is an organization composed of postmasters of third and fourth class offices, and is separate from the Oregon Postmasters association, which is an organization of postmasters of first and second class offices.

"The third and fourth class postmasters are the men and women who do their own work, as compared with the first and second class postmasters who have civil service helpers," President Thomas R. Roe of Gaston, Ore., explained in describing the differences between the two organizations.

City Welcome Voiced
President Roe called the convention to order at 9:30 a. m. today at the Umpqua hotel civic room and opened the two-day meeting with a salute to the flag, led by Jack Horn, local Boy Scout.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE wires today (Friday) are practically silent as to news. They are CRACKLING with developments indicating that what is left of France has gone over to Germany.

THE immediate development is in Syria, where German warplanes and PANZER FORCES (including tanks) are reported as advancing toward Iraq. There are rumors (nowhere flatly confirmed) that these forces are accompanied by French planes.

British planes are reported to have attacked German planes at three places—Damascus, Rayak and Palmyra.

The significance of these reports lies in the fact that British are fighting Germans on FRENCH soil with French helping Germans.

IF you will get out your map you will see readily enough that the REAL menace of French collaboration with Germany lies at Dakar (French), where Africa juts out in a great bulge into the south Atlantic.

The British supply line through the Mediterranean and Suez is already broken, and for some time British commerce has been going around Africa by the Cape of Good Hope.

German planes and submarines based at Dakar could play hob with this vital commerce, which includes supply for the British forces in Iraq and the eastern Mediterranean.

ANOTHER troublesome thought: Our own lend-lease aid for the British in these areas will have to run the gauntlet of Dakar-based German planes and subs.

NO realistic thinker has believed in recent months that France would not go over to Germany whenever the necessary

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Six Army Fliers Lose Lives When 2 Planes Collide

RAINS, S. C., May 19.—(AP)—Six army fliers lost their lives when two bombing planes crashed and burned near here today after colliding in mid-air.

One of the occupants leaped in his parachute but he was so near the ground that it failed to open and he died on the way to a hospital. His name was said to be Moore. The names of the others were not known here.

Witnesses said the two planes were last in a formation of six, flying north. They were believed to be from Fort Benning, Ga. The four leading planes continued on their way, apparently unaware of the accident.

One of the planes exploded upon striking the earth.

Moore was said to have bailed out from his craft, leaving two companions aboard. The other fell about a mile away and burned. Bodies of three men could be seen in the smoldering ruins.

Bad Check Writer Draws Year Term

A light term of circuit court was in prospect for the term beginning May 26, but a postponed term may be called late in June, it was announced today following the calling of the docket by Judge Carl E. Wimberly.

One criminal case on an indictment against Philip Tracy, accused of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, was set for trial, after Tracy pleaded innocent when arraigned this morning.

Paul Moody, indicted by the grand jury on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary after pleading guilty. He was arraigned today on one of the two indictments, which charged that he had obtained money by writing worthless checks.

The docket indicated only three civil cases ready for trial, which, with the one criminal case scheduled, would provide only four trials for hearing by the jury. Attorneys reported to the court, however, that several important cases may be ready for trial during the early part of June and Judge Wimberly indicated that the jury might be recalled if the suits are made ready for hearing.

Medford, Eugene Sites For Cantonments "Final"

WASHINGTON, May 19.—(AP)—Senator McNary said after a conference with war department officials that the selection of Medford and Eugene as cantonment sites in case of future expansion of the army was final.

The senator conferred with the chief of the cantonment service and was told that other cities advanced as possible sites were also found to be good but the selection of Medford and Eugene was made because the others were a "little short" of the facilities offered by the two cities selected.

Italian Duke Assumes Ancient Croatian Throne

ROME, May 19.—(AP)—The Duke of Spoleto, 41-year-old cousin of Italy's Vittorio Emanuele, is the new monarch of Europe's newest state—axis created Croatia.

The Duke accepted the 1,016-year-old crown at a 10-minute ceremony, becoming the head of Croatia's fifth foreign dynasty in 839 years.

Rail Unions Join Parade For Pay Hoist

Five Organizations, With 350,000 Men, Seek Basic Wage Raise of 30 Pct.

CHICAGO, May 19.—(AP)—Representatives of the five big rail-road operating unions, representing 350,000 workers, announced today that they had decided to launch a concerted, national campaign for a 30 per cent increase in all basic rates of pay.

Following a conference which began last Friday, they announced they would demand wage increases which would amount to not less than \$1.80 a day.

Their demands will be served on the railroads June 10 pursuant to provisions of the National Railway Mediation Board.

Unions represented at the conference were the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers, Locomotive Firemen and Engine Men, and Railroad Trainmen, the Switchmen's Union and the Order of Railway Conductors of America.

Unions Threaten to Crash Machinists' Picket Line

By the Associated Press
Striking AFL and CIO machinists of 11 San Francisco bay area shipyards faced today a threat by AFL unions to break the picket line unless the walkout ended.

The bay cities metal trades council voted yesterday to send 15,000 workers past the pickets to resume production on \$500,000,000 of defense orders. Acc.

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Stock Rustlers Still Busy in Reedsport Area

REEDSPORT, May 19.—(AP)—Rustlers, who butchered their prey where they found it, escaped with three more cattle last week.

The latest killings were a Jersey cow and two calves, from the dairy farm of Ralph Foster near here.

Only a week earlier, a heifer was killed on the Ted Dyer ranch on Smith river.

The Western Douglas County Livestock Protective club announced that it would pay a reward for information on the rustlers.

Tons of Asparagus Dumped in California Strike



Hundreds of tons of asparagus lie in a rotting pile on this dump near Stockton, Calif., as an outgrowth of an A. F. of L. cannery workers' strike against 65 California canneries. Employees are striking in a wage dispute and employers say the year's crop is doomed. An official of the Associated Farmers said last Saturday the loss to the growers had reached \$1,000,000.

Army Begins Trek in West War Games

First Unit Rumbles Out of Ft. Lewis for California; Planes Scout Highway

FORT LEWIS, Wash., May 19.—(AP)—The United States Army's biggest series of maneuvers since World War days got underway today as the first of more than 35,000 troops pulled out for California and June war games that will be the prelude to larger military movements throughout the summer.

Trucks, loaded with fighting men and towing field artillery weapons and anti-tank guns, began moving out of the Pacific Northwest's major military post at dawn for King City, Calif., on the fringe of the Hunter Liggett Reservation, midway between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

It was the start of the second biggest military migration in American history and the largest the far west has ever seen. It involves the 3rd and 41st divisions and special troops of the Army Corps.

Planes Act as Guides

Guided by low flying observation planes whose pilots reported by radio on traffic conditions ahead and who kept the columns from getting into an accordion motion, the trucks moved with 60 yards between them to allow civilian traffic to scallop its way past the vehicles.

Truck departures will continue from Fort Lewis until Friday. The motorized convoy will include more than 3,400 vehicles and carry over 22,000 men.

The remainder of the troops—non-mechanized units—will go

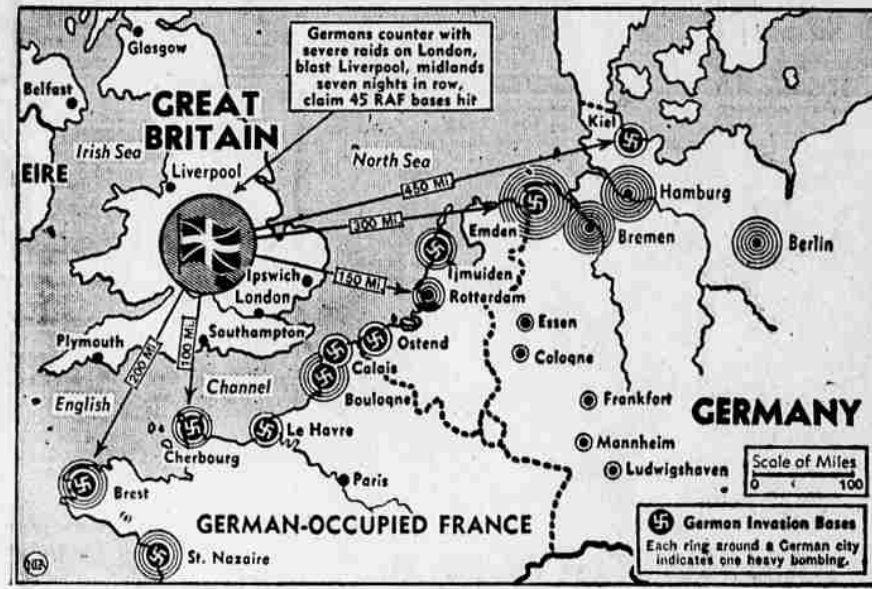
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Immigrant Girl Wins Oregon Scholarship

PORTLAND, May 19.—(AP)—A Norwegian immigrant girl won the Aaron M. Frank scholarship Saturday in competition with 14 other Oregon high school seniors.

Gerd Hansen, born in Lingdal, Norway, couldn't speak English seven years ago when she moved to Marshfield with her parents. But now she plans to become an English teacher, using her four-year scholarship at the University of Oregon.

RAF Dumps May Basket of Bombs on Germany



Maytime in Britain finds hundreds of RAF bombers swinging into the sky nightly for devastating attacks on German bases, ports and industrial centers in answer to Nazi raids on British cities. Map shows points in Germany hit heavily in half-a-month of raids, with distances from England. Last night's bombings by the British fell on Kiel, Emden and Cherbourg.

Woman Leaps Into River With Grandson; Rescued

PORTLAND, May 19.—(AP)—A woman who told police she was trying to take her two-year-old grandson away from her jumped into the Willamette river here yesterday with the grandson in her arms.

Police rescued the pair, who gave the names of Mrs. Blanche Krohn, 63, and Burch Krohn, both of Seattle. Mrs. Krohn was placed in a hospital for observation.

Lumber Workers Ask Ouster of Alien Bosses

BELLINGHAM, Wash., May 19.—(AP)—Resolutions calling for the removal of all aliens from supervisory positions in the timber cutting mills of the northwest and instructing the district executive board to work toward abolition of piece work in the mills were adopted yesterday by the Puget sound district council of the AFL Lumber and Sawmill Workers.

Ex-U. S. Ambassador to Germany, Sackett, Dies

BALTIMORE, May 19.—(AP)—Frederick M. Sackett, 72, one-time ambassador to Germany and United States senator from Kentucky, died here unexpectedly of a heart attack yesterday.

Sackett died in his hotel room shortly after telling his chauffeur, "I feel fine."

Word of his death was kept from his wife, who is convalescing from an eye operation.

"We'll Find Way" To Aid, Hull Says

WASHINGTON, May 19, (AP)—Secretary of State Hull, defining America's position in the world today as one of mortal danger, told the country "we will find a way" to guarantee delivery of adequate supplies to Great Britain.

He repeated his belief that Britain's successful defense was vital to this nation's security and in a radio address last night he put forward the five peace points which the administration feels should guide any post-war settlement.

Hull spoke of no peace now, however.

"First," he emphasized, "the tide of force must be turned back."

In contrast to this attitude, Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.) renewed his suggestions that the time was ripe for President Roosevelt to take the initiative for a negotiated peace in Europe's war.

The Montanan, a strong critic of administration foreign policy, saw a "wonderful opportunity" for peace overtures in the fire-side chat which Mr. Roosevelt scheduled for May 27.

"I don't believe that Hess is a stooge of Hitler," Wheeler told reporters. "I think that in flying to Scotland he represented a large segment of the German population which is anxious to obtain peace."

Autos Crash on Tualatin Highway; 7 Persons Hurt

HILLSBORO, May 19.—(AP)—A head-on collision on the Tualatin Valley highway east of here injured seven persons yesterday, three of them seriously.

Hospitalized were Edward I. Troxell, 62, Cornelius, fractured leg and head injuries; and the passengers in his automobile, including his wife, Agnes, 65, brain concussion; Mr. and Mrs. William Raymond McNeill, Cornelius, broken ribs.

In the other car were Joseph B. McBurney, 16, Gaston, broken nose; Elva Anita Decker, 18, Beaverton, cuts; and Donald Rex Brown, 18, Hillsboro, shock.

Seven Die, 14 Hurt When Blast, Fire Destroy Boat

LITTLE RIVER, S. C., May 19.—(AP)—Seven persons died and 14 others were injured when an explosion shattered the excursion boat Nightingale 12 miles at sea yesterday. A fire that followed burned the boat to the water's edge.

Thirty-nine employees of a soft drink company were on their annual fishing outing when the blast occurred. John Mintz, engineer on the Nightingale, said he was feeding gasoline into an ailing carburetor just before the blast sounded. He expressed the opinion that the fuel was ignited.

British Raid Nazi Ports, Lose U-Boat

LONDON, May 19.—(AP)—RAF bombers inflicted "further damage" on shipbuilding yards at the German naval base at Kiel last night and also raided the port of Emden, the air ministry asserted today.

Docks at Cherbourg, in Nazi-occupied France, also were attacked by planes of the fleet air arm, the ministry said.

Five German fighters were shot down off the south coast this afternoon without the loss of a single British craft, it was announced authoritatively.

The British acknowledged the loss of two fighters in combat this morning, but said the pilots of both were saved.

BERLIN, May 19.—(AP)—DNB, official German news agency, said today that a German bomber, catching a British submarine by surprise, scored two bomb hits on her before she could submerge, and quickly sank her southwest of Weymouth, in the English channel.

Union Pacific Shops at Cheyenne Hit by Flames

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 19.—(AP)—A wind-whipped fire broke out early today in the Union Pacific railroad shops here, destroying three buildings—the wheel shop, mill and grease reclamation plant.

The loss was estimated at \$250,000. Authorities declined to comment on the cause of the fire pending completion of an investigation.

The roundhouse, locomotive shop and office structures, located elsewhere in the yards, were undamaged.

Traffic Violator Now Held as Bank Robber

DENVER, May 19.—(AP)—Joseph Burke, 40, of Hood River, Ore., arrested in Oregon a month ago, was charged Saturday with holding up the Littleton National Bank in 1928.

Burke, who was arrested on a traffic charge and brought here after Bertillon experts said his fingerprints tallied with those of a man sought in connection with the robbery, maintained he was in Utah at the time \$11,928 was taken from the bank.

Borrevik, U. of O. Hoop Star, Has Broken Head

MARSHFIELD, May 19.—(AP)—Wally Borrevik, University of Oregon basketball player, was in a serious condition here today with a skull fracture suffered in an automobile accident Saturday.

Keizer hospital attendants said Borrevik was slightly improved from Sunday and was rational at times. They expressed belief that he would recover.

SOLDIERS

They'll be much in evidence in Roseburg tomorrow during their stopover here en route south, giving the city a decided military atmosphere. All interesting details of their visit will appear in the NEWS-REVIEW.

Duke of Aosta Gives Up With 35,000 Men

British Renew Raids on German Planes Quartered in Syrian Airdromes

By the Associated Press
Prime Minister Winston Churchill's pledge to tear Italy's African empire "to tatters and shreds" moved nearer fulfillment today as the Duke of Aosta, fascist viceroy of Ethiopia, surrendered himself and 35,000 to 38,000 troops to the British at Amba Alaja.

British headquarters said that 7,000 Italian soldiers were surrendering today and that the duke, son of a cousin of King Vittorio Emanuele, would surrender at noon tomorrow.

Previous British reports said there were 7,000 Italian troops and 28,000 to 31,000 natives besieged in the 40-day battle for the Ethiopian fortress.

Premier Mussolini's high command said the duke's army, trapped on a 9,000-foot mountain stronghold 280 miles northeast of Addis Ababa, capitulated after running out of food and water.

The British, in tribute to the gallantry of the Italian troops, allowed the fascist officers to retain their pistols and will render military honors to the garrison when it files out of the fortress in a parade past the British detachments, the high command said.

The duke, it added, is sharing the lot of his troops.

Italian resistance is continuing in two remaining regions of Ethiopia, Jimma in the south and Gondar in the northwest, the high command announced.

Other Successes Reported

In north Africa, the British declared that two axis columns which crossed the Egyptian frontier in the zig-zag battle around Salum had been driven back into Libya by British mechanized forces.

The prospect of the release of troops and supplies tied up in the siege of Amba Alaja was heartening to the British, who admittedly need all available forces to meet axis threats in north Africa and in the oil rich lands of the middle east.

On the offensive in this region

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Missing Liner Feared Sunk; 120 Americans Aboard

NEW YORK, May 19.—(AP)—The broad expanse of the south Atlantic—or possibly the Indian ocean—cloaked the fate today of 120 Americans, 81 other passengers and 120 crewmen aboard the 8,290-ton Egyptian passenger liner Zamzam reported sunk on a voyage from New York to Alexandria, Egypt.

Aside from the bare Alexandria announcement that the ship had gone to the bottom after leaving Recife (Pernambuco), Brazil, on April 9 for Capetown, South Africa, her next stop, there was no definite word of what happened to the 32-year-old motorship.

London officials said merely that the ship was "presumed lost," declining to elaborate.

So far as could be confirmed nothing has been heard from the Zamzam since she sailed out of Recife with 120 Americans aboard, including 24 American ambulance drivers and their assistants en route to service with the British and "free French" forces in Egypt and a group of Protestant and Catholic missionaries en route to posts in central Africa.

Since the Zamzam disappeared without a trace, New York shipping circles conjectured that she might have been the victim of a German surface raider, which took off her passengers and crew.

If she had been torpedoed by a submarine, these quarters said, survivors in all probability would have been located in lifeboats and picked up by now.