

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Rain tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature.

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That's today's war situation. Startling developments are due any day. Keep posted right up to the minute through NEWS-REVIEW leased wire service.

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U. S. ORDERS ALL NAZI CONSULATES CLOSED

Remaining 5 Survivors of Robin Moor Landed

Rescue Effected by British Ship, Which Takes Survivors To Capetown, South Africa

CAPETOWN, Union of South Africa, June 16.—(AP)—Thirty-five survivors of the American freighter Robin Moor—all those hitherto unaccounted for—landed late today at Capetown from a British ship which rescued them.

The American legation announced the arrival of the survivors, including seven passengers—four of them Americans—and 28 crewmen.

This group, along with 11 others who had reached Recife, Brazil, had abandoned their ship for lifeboats May 21 in mid-Atlantic just before the Robin Moor was torpedoed.

(Eleven survivors who had reached Recife, Brazil, aboard a Brazilian steamer, already had identified the submarine which sank the ship as German. The Brazilian group was leaving for the United States today.)

The rescue of the remaining passengers and crewmen should provide additional identification of the U-boat, for the group of 35 includes the chief officer of the Robin Moor and the crewmen he took with him by boat to the submarine in response to its summons before the torpedoing.

The survivors at Recife, taken there by the Brazilian steamship Ozorio after 18 days of lifeboat drifting, included none of those seamen.

Sub Boat Promised Aid

Four lifeboats in all were lowered by the Robin Moor on short notice before the freighter was sunk. One contained 11 seamen, another 12 seamen, another 10 seamen and a passenger and the fourth three married couples, a child and five seamen.

Those in the boat with 10 seamen and one passenger reached Recife on the Brazilian ship.

According to the Recife survivors the commander of the submarine said he would wireless the position of the lifeboats to expect.

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

RUMORS of an impending German-Russian ruckus fill the air today (Friday).

Finnish "well informed quarters" (Finland is regarded as a Russian source) say Germany has enlarged "certain far-reaching demands" on the Kremlin.

There are widespread reports in Europe that Germany has massed 130 divisions (about two million men) on the Soviet border.

"Foreign quarters" in Ankara, Turkish capital, said last week that a German invasion of Russia is set for mid-June.

And so on.

CONCERNING these rumors, the London Times says: "Germany and Russia are playing a dangerous game of bluff and counter-bluff. One is determined to extort and the other to refuse as much as it dares without provoking open hostilities."

Tass, the official Soviet news agency, in a broadcast heard in New York, pooh-poohs the whole situation and says both Germany and Russia are living up rigidly to their agreements.

THIS writer's advice:

Cross your fingers. Cross your feet. Do no wishful thinking.

The only dependable evidence of big-time trouble between Germany and Russia will be SHOOTING.

LITTLE news from Syria today. The British and the free French claim to have Damascus surrounded and intimate they are negotiating for the voluntary surrender of the city.

From Cairo comes a story to the effect that officers and men of the French warships interned at Alexandria are deserting in in-

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On Robin Moor's Rescued List



Oil portrait of Capt. Edward W. Myers of Baltimore, Md., skipper of the ill-fated "Robin Moor," reportedly torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Brazil, May 21. He is one of 35 passengers and crew members landed today at Capetown, South Africa.

School Director Being Named Today

Balloting was in progress at Roseburg junior high school this afternoon to elect a school director for the five-year term. L. E. McClintock, retiring director, candidate for re-election, was the only nominee.

The polls will remain open until 7 p. m. All persons who have been residents of the school district for 30 days or more and are citizens 21 years of age or more are privileged to vote. There is no property qualification and it is not necessary that the voter be registered.

Under a recent law, the school board has been reorganized to provide that directors shall serve five instead of three-year terms. Heretofore two directors have been named annually, except each third year, when only one was elected.

The new organization provides that a director shall serve a five-year term and only one will be chosen each year.

Irene Franklin, Former Actress, Passes Away

ENGLEWOOD, N. J., June 16.—(AP)—Irene Franklin, 65, former stage and screen actress who won worldwide fame and fortune only to spend the last days of her life in a theatrical home, died today in Englewood hospital, following a stroke four days ago.

She began her career as a tot of 5 and made her final appearance in the film "Saratoga," which starred the late Jean Harlow.

Shipyards' Machinists Remain Out

Mediation Board Effort Unsuccessful; Lumber Unions Go Back to Jobs

PORTLAND, June 16.—(AP)—A strike of 60 AFL auto mechanics employed by 40 members of the Truck Operators league of Oregon was ordered for noon today. The strike was called in support of a demand for a 12 cent an hour wage increase to \$1.125 and a week's vacation with pay.

The league had offered a 5-cent increase.

The league appealed to Federal Labor Conciliator Marsh, who said a mediator would be appointed.

By the Associated Press The national mediation board, balked in its attempts to settle a machinists strike involving 11 shipyards of the San Francisco bay area, proceeded today to prepare its recommendations for publication.

The board has no power to enforce these, but President Roosevelt has told both management and labor that the American people expect "the impartial recommendations" of the board to be accepted.

Strikers at the yards belong both to the AFL and CIO. The AFL members voted 585 to 400 yesterday to continue the strike and the CIO contingent went along by a vote of 359 to 56.

Both want \$1.15 an hour and double pay for overtime. They

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Direct Produce Sales to Army Call For Cooperatives, Cantonment Designer Advises Farmers of Douglas County

Alternative to Marketing Organization Is Broker Who'll Reap Profits, Architect Hunt Points Out; Great Problems Faced by Medford Described

Douglas county farmers must set up large scale cooperative marketing organizations if they desire to deal directly with the federal government in selling produce to army cantonments, according to Myron Hunt, architect now engaged in designing the camp soon to be built near Medford. Speaking at the court-house in Roseburg Saturday, Mr. Hunt outlined the problems to be faced by Medford in connection with the cantonment, and spoke of some of the opportunities offered the Umpqua valley through proximity to the camp. Social problems were discussed by Mrs. Hunt, who also made a brief talk at the meeting, arranged through the Roseburg chamber of commerce.

The army buys foodstuffs in huge quantities and under very strict specifications, Mr. Hunt declared. Deliveries must be made on schedule. In order to meet these requirements farmers must provide a large marketing capacity through a cooperative agency, he said.

"Unless the farmers get together for cooperative selling, a live-wire broker will handle the business and make the profits," the speaker said.

Milk Supply Major Problem

Discussing the furnishing of milk to the camp, he said that this creates a great problem, as the army calls for bids every 30 days. Much of the milk must be delivered in bottles. Producer units trying to handle the contracts, therefore, must buy great quantities of bottles and supplies

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Torrent Routs Farm Families In Tulare Basin

CORCORAN, Calif., June 16.—(AP)—Rising slowly with the run-off of record Sierra snow packs, flood waters spilled out over more of the rich ranches today in the basin of Tulare lake.

Two hundred and twenty-five ranch families already have fled their homes to escape the water, which virtually covered the abandoned ranches, leaving only tree-tops and the roofs of buildings showing above the surface.

Leaves started to give way last week when hot weather melted snow in the Sierra Nevada, 50 miles away, and sent the brimming Kern, Tule and Kings rivers out of their banks. The overflow was into the fertile ranching area that once was Tulare lake.

Two hundred and fifty ranchers worked around the clock to halt or at least delay the flood so that harvesting crews, sweating below the levees, could save a portion of the region's wheat crop.

Residents of the region said the expansion of the recreated lake probably would continue slowing for another 30 days.

Oregon Defense Councils Get Enrollment Request

SALEM, June 16.—(AP)—State Civilian Defense Coordinator Jervold Owen suggested to county defense councils today that they enroll the civil reserves during the week of June 23 to 28.

He asked mayors of every city to proclaim that week as civil defense enrollment week.

The civil reserves will serve as airplane spotters, police reserves, fire reserves, air raid wardens, and members of first aid squads.

The American Red Cross, in a letter to Governor Sprague today, offered its full cooperation in disaster preparedness and relief.

British Knife Into Libya To Protect Suez

Counter-Offensive Hits Axis Units; Gains Made In Thrust at Damascus

(By the Associated Press)

In North Africa, the desert battlefield flamed into action anew today as British troops knifed 40 miles into Libya in a lightning counter-offensive against axis columns driving toward the Suez canal.

The British reported that their vanguards had routed an Italian motorized column in the Gambut area, 40 miles west of the Egyptian border.

In London, it was indicated that General Wavell, commander-in-chief of the British army of the Nile, may have launched a new offensive to wrest Libya from the axis. Capture of 20,000 more Italian troops was reported.

The German high command said 60 British tanks were destroyed and that a British attack in the Salum area, on the Egyptian-Libyan frontier, "collapsed" under the combined resistance of axis troops and warplanes.

The British said their forces destroyed 12 axis vehicles in the Gambut sector.

Premier Mussolini's high command also described the battle as raging on the Salum front and asserted that the British, striking "in force" after several days of patrol activity, had been "repulsed everywhere."

Hitler's high command credited the Luftwaffe with shooting down 11 British planes, and it noted tersely that "the fight is still going on."

Allies Gain in Syria

In the middle east, the French acknowledged that the British had captured Kessouh, 10 miles south of Damascus, the main defense works of the Syrian capital.

French military dispatches also admitted the fall of Djazzein, 40

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Price-Fixing Charges Hit Food Organizations

CHICAGO, June 16.—(AP)—Sixty-nine persons, firms and organizations were indicted today by a federal grand jury investigating food prices.

The defendants included 31 canning companies and three national canned pea marketing associations.

They were accused of conspiring to fix prices for canned peas in violation of the Sherman antitrust act.

The indictment alleged that since 1938 the defendants have agreed upon an acreage reduction plan, determined the annual pack of each canner, suppressed competition among canners and fixed non-competitive prices for canned peas.

Riding Teacher Convicted In Stolen Sheep Case

GRANTS PASS, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—Carl Wood, riding academy owner, was found guilty Saturday by a circuit court jury of receiving stolen sheep. His attorney had contended in a week-long trial he did not know the sheep were stolen.

Sentence is to be passed Tuesday by Judge Hanna. Wood is free on \$1,000 bond.

A previous trial in Crescent City, Calif., on livestock theft charges ended with a deadlocked jury voting 11 to 1 for acquittal. Decision has not yet been rendered as to whether there will be a new California trial.

The 14th of June, with its new

Nazis Want More Grain, Oil and Ore

Britain Wary, However, Of Screen to Hide Plan For Island Invasion

(By the Associated Press)

The situation, this source said, has arisen from Germany's pressure for more oil, grain and ore from Russia and the conviction of certain Russian leaders that the spread of German influence through repeated European victories was endangering the Soviet's own ambitions as a world power.

Anti-German Russians were said to express fear that German domination of the Balkans and Black sea, if further extended, might reduce Russia to a second rate place among nations.

Russian diplomatic sources in London, however, refuse to go beyond the insistence of Tass, official Soviet news agency, that "German-Russian relations continue amicable."

Gasoline Fire Destroys Car, Residence, Store

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 16.—(AP)—Gasoline which James Krebster, 13, was pouring into his father's automobile ignited yesterday, destroying the car, the J. W. Krebster residence, a store and a garage 11 miles north of here. The boy's hands were burned severely.

Six-Year Prison Term Given County Employee

ASTORIA, Ore., June 16.—(AP)—Forrest Smith, recording clerk in the Clatsop county clerk's office, was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary Saturday on a charge of withholding \$700 in filing fees.

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I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



WALTER CRITESER'S garden, on the downstream riverbank at the west end of the Oak street bridge. Prior to this past spring it was merely a tramping ground for nesting ducks and highway for a few furtive mink; but Walter reclaimed it, through dint of a lot of hard labor, lubricated at times, I'm told, by a trifle of sprightly and persuading language. Today it is growing a fine and varied assortment of vegetables.

It's not every gardener who can boast a daily gallery, but Walter had one. Every day pedestrians crossing the bridge would pause at the railing and view his work. People like to lean against something and watch someone else work, particularly when the view embraces not only the job being done, but an interesting panorama of river, town and surrounding hills as well. Now that the garden is planted folks still linger. They're interested in seeing how much it grows from day to day.

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Dutch Governor In East Indies Spurns Jap Bid

BATAVIA, Netherlands East Indies, June 16.—(AP)—The governor-general of these Dutch Pacific possessions, speaking in the midst of an economic crisis with Japan, declared today his government had notified Tokyo it emphatically rejected "any thought" of including them in the Japanese-proposed "new order for east Asia."

Governor-General Stachouwer recalled Japan's entry into the Rome-Berlin axis and declared an axis victory "would spell destruction of the kingdom of the Netherlands."

He asserted further that the East Indies government would guard carefully against direct or indirect "leaks" of war-important raw materials to Germany.

Reviewing the stalemated negotiations with Japan, the governor-general said the Batavia government had refused to grant the Japanese extraordinary concessions because "a change in our line of conduct, or half-hearted application thereof, could not be considered."

May Not Include Italy

This was the first action against German consular establishments in this country, although Italian consulates at Detroit and Newark, N. J., were ordered closed some time ago.

The action against the Italian consulates was considered a reprisal for an Italian order requiring the closing of two American consulates in Italy in mid-February.

In another step against Italy, the United States several weeks ago forced the recall of Admiral Roberto Lais, Italian naval attache in Washington, on the grounds that he was connected with the sabotaging of Italian merchant ships in American ports. Promptly, Italy demanded the recall of Captain William C. Bentley, then assistant military attache at Rome.

Today's choice to the German government affects scores of consular officials throughout the United States, including Captain Fritz Wiedemann, the German consul general at San Francisco who is a personal friend of Adolf Hitler.

In making the action known, Welles said that the government had nothing in mind at this time regarding similar action against other countries, including Italy.

He asserted also that the step had no relation to the sinking of the American merchant ship Robin Moor which survivors said was torpedoed by a German submarine.

ITALY FREEZES BANK ACCOUNTS OF AMERICANS

ROME, June 16.—(AP)—The Italian government froze American bank accounts in Italy today in swift reprisal ordered by Premier Mussolini for like action taken against Italian holdings in the United States. The fascist government also ordered immediate registration of all property to the United States and existing in Italy.

The only United States property in Italy is the embassy, which enjoys extraterritorial privileges, but American thought the decree would mean the property in Italy of all Americans.

Those who sought to withdraw funds this morning were turned away and the Bank of Italy instructed other banks to block their checking accounts.

American assets in Italy have

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Grace Smith, Ex-Oregon Atty.-Genl. Aide, Dies

SALEM, June 16.—(AP)—Miss Grace E. Smith, the only woman who ever was an assistant attorney general in Oregon, died in a hospital here yesterday after several months' illness.

She was appointed assistant attorney general in 1921 and had served continuously since then. She was graduated from Willamette law school in 1917, and was admitted to the bar the same year.

Knowledge of this state of affairs may not slow the speed fancies amongst us down; but, if we get into trouble while driving at an excessive speed, we're due for an awful headache, and don't you forget it.