

Lightning-Set Fires in Umpqua Forest Halted

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to the willing Pacific northwest today.

But Weatherman Edward L. Wells in Portland said "there is nothing yet to indicate a real break." However, he predicted clouds for western Oregon and Washington.

The storm engulfed practically all Oregon, setting 125 forest fires in the Eugene area alone. Albany reported innumerable fires set in the Cascades, and all available men were rushed to combat one on the upper Calapooya river.

High winds, which broke windows and toppled trees, carried the storm from the Siskiyou mountains north to Salem and east to the Blue mountains. Lightning played for two hours in some sections and foresters feared it would be days before they learned of all fires started in the heat-dried timber.

One bolt hit a power line in Eugene, sending flames 30 feet in the air, and another cut Albany off from its southern Oregon power source for 11 hours.

The storm freshened the atmosphere, but failed to drive off the warm air belt which boosted the mercury to a peak of 103 degrees at Salem Oregon, tying the city's all-time maximum. Close behind were Lewiston, Idaho, and Hood River, Ore., with 107, and Stevenson, Wash., 106.

Seattle had its hottest July day at 97, one degree below the city's all-time high. It was 102 at Portland. Olympia's 103 tied a record which had stood since 1876.

Someone in Shelton, Wash., took a thermometer from the shade into the sun, and it promptly boiled up to 148 degrees. Official Shelton reading, however, was 104.

Other temperatures: Medford 101, Roseburg and Eugene 102.

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Albany 104, Pendleton 103, Arlington 105, Walla Walla 104, Ellensburg 101, Spokane 97, Wenatchee 104.

Three persons were prostrated by the heat in Portland, Glen Hamilton, 50, Detroit, Mich., who collapsed downtown, did not regain consciousness for several hours, and was believed in a serious condition.

LIGHTNING-SET FIRES MENACE GRASS VALLEY

GRASS VALLEY, Calif., July 16.—(AP)—Lightning caused a blackout in Grass Valley early today and started a fire which briefly threatened suburban homes and a sawmill.

One bolt struck a Pacific Gas and Electric company substation at 1 a. m., burning out transformers and power lines, and throwing the city into darkness.

Another bolt started a blaze which, fanned by a strong wind, cut a swath half a mile wide from Hell's Half Acre almost to Dead Man's flat, two miles away. A sawmill and suburban homes were threatened, and residents fled with their belongings.

The wind suddenly abated at 4:30 a. m., however, and rain fell. This enabled men to bring the flames under control.

ASHLAND, July 16.—(AP)—Half of Ashland's business district was blacked out last night by a lightning hit on a mid-town power substation in an electrical storm climaxing a day of 97-degree temperature.

Forty transformer fuses were blown by line hits. Rain extinguished numerous lightning hits in and near town.

City councilmen were startled to see a quarter-inch stream of water flowing from a ceiling light fixture. The downpour, measuring .50 of an inch, caused a roof leak and the fixture shorted and exploded.

Leave for Oklahoma—Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Mabry and daughter, Rita Ann, of this city, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. (Pete) Mabry and daughter, Jacquelyn, of Medford, formerly of Roseburg, have left for Eagle City, Okla., to visit relatives and friends. En route on their return they will visit the Grand canyon in Arizona and stop in Glendale, Ariz., to visit at the home of Mrs. C. W. Mabry's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Cox. Mrs. Cox was formerly Wanda Hall, of Wilbur, Ore.

New German Salient Smashed, Soviet Says

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successes such as marked the naz blitzkrieg sweep through Belgium, Holland and France last summer, the Germans turned from Hitler's two sentence communique to press dispatches asserting that the luftwaffe was spreading havoc among soviet communications behind the lines.

Newspapers in Berlin joined in a bitter chorus against President Roosevelt after the semi-official Deutsche Diplomatische-Politische Korrespondenz declared he was trying to push the United States into war "arm in arm with bolshevism."

A few German bombers attacked south and east coast areas of England during the night as the British stuck doggedly to their night-after-night hammering of industrial northwestern Germany.

London and Berlin each called the other's air attacks ineffective and said damage was slight.

"Curly" McLain Going Strong in Redwood Loop

Clarence "Curly" McLain, formerly of Myrtle Creek, well known to local baseball fans for his work with the Douglas County Legion Juniors of a few years ago, is one of the leading hitters in the Redwood Baseball league, according to word received here today by Rudolph Ritzman, who was one of the coaches of the junior team at the time McLain was playing here. McLain, who was a teammate of Glen Elliott, Myrtle Creek southpaw, who has been one of the star hurlers at Oregon State college, now is catching for the Eureka, California, team in the Redwood league. In 41 times at bat he has hit safely 15 times for an average of .361, according to the latest standings.

Extension of Service of Draftees Gaining Favor

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not be breaking faith for congress to enact legislation requiring extended service.

The army still is one of the smallest in the world, Mr. Roosevelt said, and there is no question that it would be disintegrated because roughly two-thirds of its manpower would have to be replaced by new selectees upon completion of the present year's training by men originally chosen for service.

Daylight Saving Favored. Despite disclosure by President Roosevelt that specific methods of holding down rents and prices during the war emergency were under consideration, congressional leaders said today it would be many weeks before legislation on the subject could even be brought up for debate.

Less coolness was evidenced in congressional quarters, however, toward another administration plan which would affect directly the lives of millions of Americans—the request which Mr. Roosevelt

sent to congress yesterday for authority to order extension of daylight saving time wherever necessary.

The president backed up the request with the argument that general use of daylight saving would conserve an estimated 736,282,000 kilowatt hours of energy annually which would help offset developing shortages of power needed for defense production.

Chairman Lea (D., Calif.) of the house interstate commerce committee announced he would introduce a bill carrying the desired authority and hearings would start early next week. The reaction of many legislators was summed up by Senator Bone (D., Wash.) who said that if daylight saving could "accomplish industrial objects for national defense, there probably will be no opposition."

Russia Air Force Holds Own With Nazi Invaders

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most total absence of German reports of bombed industrial targets in Russia similar to Britain's industrial midlands. They say the luftwaffe has been robbed by distance and by dispersal of targets on which it counted in France and Britain.

How Panzers Are Resisted

Members of the soviet military mission explained the red air force's equipment and tactics for dealing with the now-established plan of German panzer attack.

German tactics involve a smash by the heaviest tank of the panzer division on principal objectives, these spokesmen said, with lighter tanks, armored cars and motorcycle units on the flanks. They said the attacking forces are closely followed by motorized infantry who tumble from trucks and try to clean up isolated machinegun and artillery positions which have escaped the tanks.

Soviet aviation, it was said, has developed two types of special planes to cope with this form of attack—one a twin-engine bomber whose cannon fire armor-piercing shells into tanks, the other a heavily-gunned fighter which swoops simultaneously on infantry and delivers a scorching machine-gun attack.

These machine-guns were called "much more effective than bombs against disciplined troops, causing high casualties."

Then, it was explained, when the Russian commander is satisfied a break has been made in the continuity of the naz attack he orders his own infantry, led by light tanks, to counter-charge the German infantry while Russian planes still are attacking the naz tanks.

Oregon Presbyterians Elect New Moderator

SALEM, July 16.—(AP)—The Presbyterian synod of Oregon elected Rev. Norman K. Tully, Eugene, moderator yesterday, succeeding Chaplain John W. Beard, Portland.

At the synodical meeting Mrs. John R. McCornick, Portland, was reelected president. Other officers included: Mrs. Glenn Sanders, Medford, second vice-president.

Japanese Cabinet Quits In Problems Confusion

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withdraw from all European commitments.

It was pointed out that Foreign Minister Matsuoka, who fostered Japan's adherence to the Rome-Berlin axis and personally negotiated the Japanese-Russian neutrality accord on April 13, was recently reported on the way out.

Reports reaching Shanghai from Japan not long ago said Matsuoka might be replaced by Shigemitsu, ambassador to London—which might mean that Tokyo was even turning against the axis.

Konoye's government, in its year-old regime, has carried out a vigorous policy of expansion in southeast Asia, at the risk of mounting displeasure from both London and Washington.

CUBAN CABINET RESIGNS FOR "REORGANIZATION"

HAVANA, Cuba, July 16.—(AP)—The Cuban cabinet resigned today to facilitate a reorganization of the government by President Fulgencio Batista.

Except that they were preparatory to a government reorganization, no explanation of the cabinet's decision was issued immediately.

VITAL STATISTICS

DIVORCE DECREES

GRABLE—Renee Stroup from Gordon A. Grable; married at Cottage Grove, Oct. 14, 1939; cruelty.

Stock and Bond Averages

STOCKS

Compiled by Associated Press July 16.

	30	15	15	60
Ind's RR's Ut's St's				
Wednesday	62.3	17.7	32.2	43.5
Prev. day	62.5	17.9	32.3	43.7
Month ago	59.4	17.0	31.6	41.8
Year ago	57.9	15.6	35.6	41.7
1941 high	63.9	17.9	35.5	45.0
1941 low	54.8	15.4	30.3	39.1

BONDS

	20	10	10	10
RR's Ind's Ut's Fgn.				
Wednesday	64.6	104.9	101.8	47.7
Prev. day	64.9	104.8	101.6	47.7
Month ago	64.4	104.8	101.4	45.5
Year ago	57.4	102.9	96.3	36.5
1941 high	66.5	105.3	101.7	47.9
1941 low	60.2	104.2	99.0	38.0



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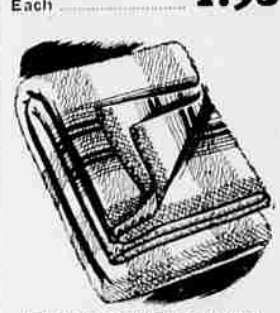
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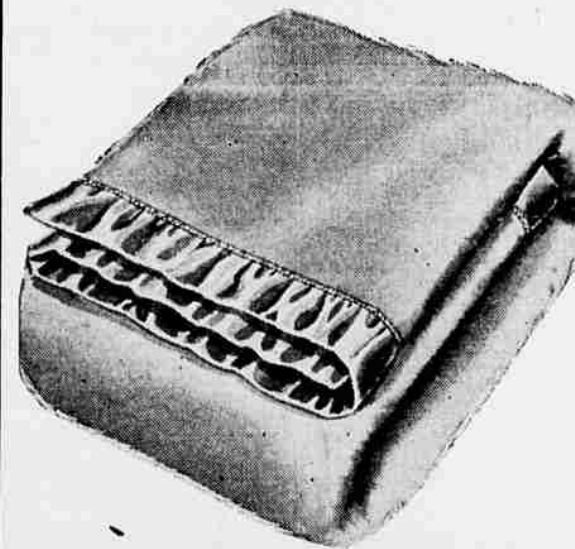
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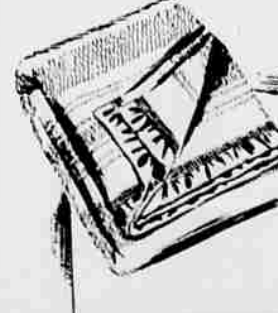
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