

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday with little change in temperature.

See page 4 for statistics.

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HOT SPOT

Anything can happen in the Pacific now—and probably will. Follow developments in detail in the News-Review each day as seen through the eyes of Associated Press men on the ground.

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RUSS OFFENSE TALKED; BLITZ SLOWS DOWN

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ON the basis of today's (Thursday's) dispatches, Japan appears to have Indo-China in the bag. She may get away with it WITHOUT shooting.

AS these words are written, this looks like the deal: 1. France to recognize Japan as the PREDOMINANT POWER to safeguard peace in the Orient. 2. France to accept whatever present measures Japan deems necessary to safeguard Indo-China without detriment to French sovereignty.

POINT No. 2 is eyewash. If Japan swallows Indo-China, only FORCE will induce her to disgorge.

WASHINGTON dispatches today hint that Britain might use force and that we may apply economic pressure (stoppage of gasoline and other military supplies, etc.) if Japan gets too cocky.

If the Japs play their cards shrewdly enough, don't look for either threat to materialize.

WHAT Japan wants is to grab Indo-China and then sit on the fence and wait until she can pick a sure winner. She doesn't want to make the ghastly mistake Mussolini made.

AN equally safe guess:

Neither Britain nor the United States wants war with Japan right now if it can be avoided without giving up too much.

FROM "authoritative London quarters" comes this statement today: "Hitler's invasion of Russia is SLOWING DOWN if not actually halted."

Britain has a military mission in Moscow. London might know something.

FROM Shanghai comes a report that Russian and Japanese forces have clashed on the Manchoukuo-Siberia frontier.

The Japs may be testing out Russia's eastern army for Hitler to see if a substantial part

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President's Aid Encourages Britons

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—The British people had the assurances of Harry L. Hopkins, President Roosevelt's lend-lease coordinator, today that American and British ships in the North Atlantic "are patrolling on parallel lanes with only one object in view—to guard the world's lifeline."

Hopkins' statement was made in a broadcast address last night in which he also pledged all possible American aid—"and immediately"—to soviet Russia, in the war against Germany, and to China.

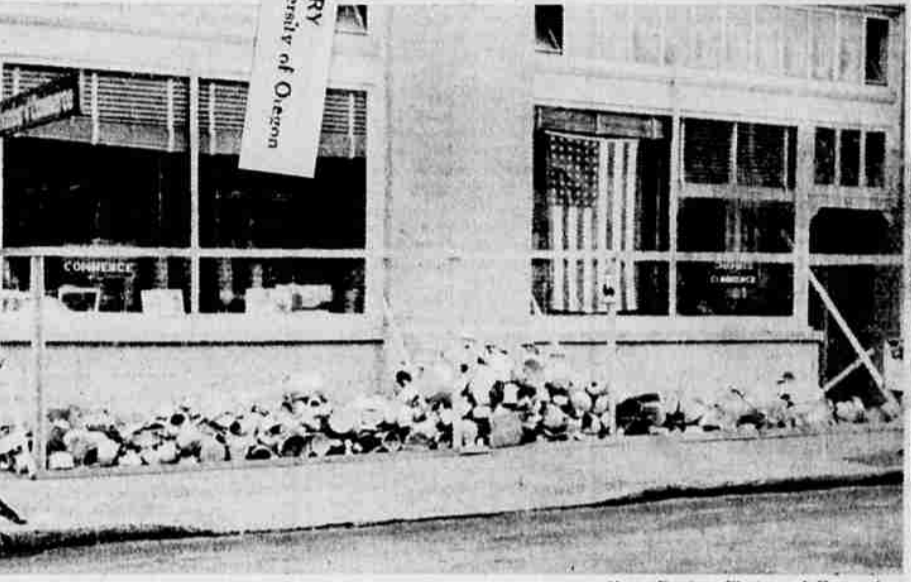
"President Roosevelt, speaking for the people of the United States, is rendering more than lip service," he declared.

"Even now as I speak sleek mean destroyers plow the American flag are plunging their bows into the waters of the North Atlantic."

"Once upon a time this mighty ocean separated us, now it joins us."

Hopkins pictured Germany as caught between two hostile camps supported by American war industries. He asserted the United States program of turning out bombers for Britain is "far advanced and Hitler will not be able to move his factories far enough to the east to escape their devastating power of destruction."

Aluminum Collected—Watch the Pile Grow



Pictured above is a part of the scrap aluminum already collected in Roseburg. A corral for the metal was built Saturday in front of the chamber of commerce office and residents of Roseburg are asked to toss their contributions into the pen. It is hoped to complete the task of filling the corral by the end of the week.

Heavier Taxes Are Forecast by Solon

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP)—Chairman Doughton (D., N. C.) of the house ways and means committee forecast today that congress would find it necessary later to impose a general consumption tax and force a larger number of people to pay income taxes.

"We're not at the end of this tax road yet," Doughton told the rules committee while advocating approval of parliamentary procedure which would permit consideration of the \$3,529,200,000 tax bill without amendments except those approved by the ways and means group.

Doughton's forecast of still heavier taxes was made in response to assertions by both democrats and republicans on the rules committee in behalf of a broadening of the income tax base. He did not go into details as to the new taxes but said there was little doubt that another revenue measure would have to be drafted next year because of the continued critical state of world affairs.

Rep. Halleck (D., Ind.) led the demand for a broader tax base, asserting it was extremely desirable to have a greater number of people tax conscious.

Rep. Cooper (D., Tenn.) assured the rules group that no phase of the tax problem had received closer study by the ways and means committee than that of broadening the base and reminded the members that at the present time single persons have only \$15 and married persons \$38 a week that is exempt from taxation.

Arrangements Made for Local Swimming School

C. M. McDermott, chairman, announced today that the Douglas county chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a ten-day water safety school for Roseburg and vicinity at "The Forks," starting Wednesday, July 30, at 2 p. m. Each person will furnish his own transportation. Adults as well as children are invited to take advantage of this instruction.

Miss Athalie Taylor will be the instructor. She has recently completed a most successful school at Brockway.

McArthur Named Head of Forces in Philippines

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP)—President Roosevelt formally nominated Douglas MacArthur today to be a lieutenant general in command of the United States and commonwealth forces in the Philippine islands.

The nomination of the former chief of staff went to the senate as Senator Pepper (D., Fla.) told reporters that Mr. Roosevelt could have made "no better selection" of a commanding general of forces in this troubled far eastern area.

Yeah, We Know

CLEARFIELD, Pa., July 28.—(AP)—After juggling with headlines on eight or ten stories on the international situation, the editor of the Clearfield Progress scrapped them all and informed his readers in a five-column, 72-point page 1 headline: "World in an awful mess." In an editor's note he listed briefly the fast-breaking international developments and told the readers: "If you can think of a better headline to summarize all this, let us know." He then told the news of the day in an Associated Press roundup.

Catches One with Pancake Turner—Latest Fish Yarn

WALDFORD, Ore., July 28.—(AP)—This is the fish story of Hal Vickery, Portland: His wife, flipping pancakes in the kitchen of their summer cottage here, saw a fish splashing in a crab hole nearby. She hustled outside and scooped out a plump 11-inch perch with one twist of the pancake turner.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



DAD, as he stood admiring the prospects for a good crop in his filbert grove in the McKenzie valley.

"IT SHOULD be good at any rate," he said. "That is, if the blue jays, the gray diggers and the worms don't damage it too severely!" I suppose everyone knows a squirrel's fondness for nuts; but it may surprise some to discover that blue jays are serious predators on filbert groves. Instances have been known when swarms of jays have entirely denuded extensive plantings of filberts of their crop, before it had a chance to ripen and be harvested.

If filberts grew easily in the wild, the mountaineers along the McKenzie would be covered with them, because that's where the jays scatter most of them. Some of course they eat (they are experts in cracking them) but most of them they carelessly drop in flight or while perched in a forest tree. Taking them as they do, they don't bother with flying off with one nut at a time—they carry whole clusters of them.

A grower can poison squirrels; but no known method has been discovered successfully to combat the jays. Thank heavens, some years they aren't as bad as during others. Either they die down in cycles or, perhaps, find more suitable food back in the hills some seasons.

Worms are new to filberts in this country. Until the past few years these pests were unknown to Oregon growers. No one seems to know what to do about them, either. Federal government agencies recommend certain sprays, but not enthusiastically—they don't know whether they will work or not.

Defense Roads Are Set in New Bill

SALEM, July 28.—(AP)—The defense highway act, passed by congress last week, will provide \$2,045,000 for strategic military highways in Oregon, as well as more than \$2,000,000 for access roads to military reservations and defense industries in the state, State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldoock said today.

The state will spend \$555,000 on strategic military roads, making a total of \$2,600,000 available for this purpose. Baldoock said the list of strategic roads in the state will be announced soon by the war department, but the list will include the Pacific, The Dalles-California, and the Old Oregon Trail-Columbia river highways.

Additional funds also will be given the state for construction of flight strips, to be used for emergency landing fields, on state highways.

Lumber Plant Site Plans Near Close

Negotiations With Coos Bay Company Ready for Final Signatures

Completion of negotiations for a site for a proposed lumber loading and remanufacturing plant to be operated by the Coos Bay Lumber company is anticipated in the near future, according to W. F. Harris, president of the Roseburg city council and chairman of a special committee named to work with the lumber company in securing the desired site. All preliminary work has been completed and approval has been given by the lumber company officials, Harris said today.

Mr. Harris reports he has been advised by the company that officials have been meeting with officers of the Southern Pacific company to complete arrangements for the use of a portion of the railroad yards. Representatives are expected here soon to

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Pacific Highway Project Studied

Directors of the Oregon Pacific Highway association met in Roseburg today to consider ways and means of protecting the highway's interests in federal legislation pertaining to the construction of strategic military routes. Anticipating the appropriation of large federal funds for roads needed for defense purposes, the association will, it was stated, use every effort to see that all possible attention is secured for highway No. 99, deemed by the association to be the most important military route through the state.

The morning meeting of the board of directors was given over principally to the financial report and the report by Carl Rynearson, Cottage Grove, executive secretary, regarding the work done in congress to secure passage of legislation authorizing expenditure of money for defense road building.

The meeting was adjourned during the noon hour to be resumed in the early afternoon for a round table discussion.

In attendance were: R. E. Kozler, Ashland, president; A. C. Marsters, Roseburg, vice-president; Paul B. Rynning, Medford, secretary; Carl Rynearson, executive secretary; Richard McEligitt, W. A. Johnson, Pete Fredrickson, C. H. Demaray, Josephine county; J. B. Coleman, Wm. Perry, R. E. Kozler, Paul B. Rynning, Jackson county; Carl Rynearson, W. J. Holland, H. E. Eakin, Allen P. Wheeler, H. S. Merriam, Lane county; Guy Gordon, W. C. Harding, D. N. Busenbark, H. B. Roadman, A. C. Marsters, Douglas county.

London Gets First Bombs in Months

LONDON, July 28.—(AP)—German aerial raiders struck at London for the first time in nearly two months early today, wrecking homes and causing casualties among shelter-seeking residents in several districts, while the RAF bombed Dunkerque docks.

For two hours the luftwaffe units flew above the British capital, losing explosives and incendiaries from weak skies which followed upon week-end storms that curtailed general air operations.

The British said that last night was the fifth night since early in June in which the RAF made no forays into western Germany.

Some fighter planes strafed airbases in northern France during the night and bombers laid mines in German-controlled waters, the air ministry said.

The German raid this morning caught many Londoners with a false sense of security, and more than a dozen persons were killed.

Hitler Charges Mysterious Third Power in Denying Bolivian Effort

BERLIN, July 28.—(AP)—The German foreign office, in a setting of microphones, cameras and assembled reporters, today struck back at Bolivian allegations of German conspiracy to overthrow the Bolivian government.

In a sharp note to the Bolivian government a "third power," was charged with a crude forgery of a letter involved in the incident. The "third power," it was strongly implied, was the United States.

Major Elias Belmonte, Bolivian military and air attache here dismissed by his government on a charge of treason and alleged by Bolivia to have written the letter, himself read a prepared declaration in Spanish to the foreign correspondents.

He flatly denied writing the letter or even having communicated with Ernst Wendler, German minister expelled by Bolivia.

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spokesman who read a German translation of Belmonte's statement, added: "The continuation of such practice threatens to poison the relations between nations."

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Nazis Claim Success In North Sector

Battle of Smolensk Near End in German Win; Moscow Drive Next

By HENRY C. CASSIDY MOSCOW, July 28.—(AP)—The Red army appeared today to be taking the initiative on several sectors of the Russian-German front—a 2,000-mile fighting zone along which soviet spokesmen earlier declared the naz blitzkrieg had broken down to stegan tactics.

A communique reported "fighting actions of our troops" throughout the night in the directions of Nevel and Smolensk, in the central region, and the Zhitomir, in the Ukraine.

This was a variation from the wording of previous communiqués, which mentioned only stubborn battles or fierce fighting, indicating that the Russians now are undertaking more than defensive operations.

The red air fleet as well as ground troops were reported to be gradually swinging into the offensive.

The communique cited several specific instances of Russian thrusts against the Germans, ranging from a local raid on the invaders' lines to a large-scale counter-attack.

One detachment was reported to have attacked the German garrisoned city of "Z" and driven out the nazis in street fighting with bayonets and grenades, in

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Senate Committee O. K.'s Long Service

WASHINGTON, July 28.—(AP)—The senate military committee reported today that pending legislation to extend the service period of all army personnel "gives notice to the world that this nation is continuing without cessation to do everything necessary to provide a strong, effective and adequate national defense."

Democratic Leader Barkley announced that the legislation, approved 9 to 1 by the military committee Saturday, would be taken up in the senate Thursday. The measure declared that the national interest is imperiled and permits extension of service for selectees and all other army groups. It does not declare the existence of a national emergency, however.

"The determination by congress whether it will declare the existence of a national emergency may require considerable debate," the committee report said. "In the meantime, immediate measures are necessary to prevent disintegration of the army that has been building for the past year."

Flashes From Life

(By the Associated Press)

Not Statistics NEW YORK, July 28.—(AP)—Here's what a hot July Sunday (yesterday) means to New York's Rockaway beach: Attendance—Nearly 1,000,000. Automobiles—150,000. First-aid cases—1,275. Rescues—340. Lost children—580. And that's not half of it!

Coney Island didn't keep statistics but veteran resort policemen estimated more than 1,000,000 visitors; and the combined attendance at all the public beaches near New York City was at least 2,500,000.

Delayed Assist PARK CITY, Utah.—Credit her fence with two of the four bases Harry Colbert of the Wasatch league collected for what appeared an ordinary two-base blow.

While Park City teammates labored to extricate Leftfielder Jack Green from the park's barb

ed wire barrier, Colbert trotted home.

This Is News MILTON-FREEWATER, Ore.—Said Traffic Officer John Ballack to the woman driver: "Going to a fire?" "No—going to report one." Officer Ballack ran interference.

Slick Work CHICAGO—Miss Olga Syss, 18, spent an anxious half hour stranded in Lake Michigan until a fire department lieutenant rushed to the rescue with a bucket of grease.

The girl accidentally wedged her knee between two log pilings and was trapped for 30 minutes in chin-deep water until Lieutenant William Hughes arrived with the grease which he dabbed on the logs and her knee, thus allowing frightened Miss Syss to wriggle free.