

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Fair tonight and Thursday.
Little change in temperature.

See page 4 for statistics.

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WAR WITH JAP57

Yes, the next adventure of our armed forces may be in conflict with the little brown men—if they think they can afford to chance it. Follow the daily reports.

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JAPANESE POLICY DRAWS SHARP WARNING

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

NOTE particularly that over the week-end Japan started no shooting.
Neither did we.

HERE'S a rank outsider's guess:
The Japs know exactly how far they could go and get away with it, and went just that far and no farther.

ANOTHER guess:
That's what they'll continue to do as long as the outcome of the Russian-German fighting remains as uncertain as it is at the present moment.

Japan DOESN'T want to repeat Mussolini's mistake and get into the war at the wrong time.

OVER the weekend the East Indies Dutch shoved an interesting stack of chips into the game.

They SUSPENDED the agreement whereby Japan was to receive from them 1,800,000 tons of oil per year. That was clearly an appeasement agreement.
The Dutch have STOPPED APPEASING.

A TON of oil means little to us who buy it by the gallon. So let's look for a comparison.

The Oxford Institute of Statistics (London) guesses that the 180 German divisions assumed to be operating in Russia consume about 1,500,000 tons of oil a month. The battle of Russia is the biggest battle the world ever saw.

So, you see, to the Japs 1,800,000 tons of oil would be something. It will be interesting to see what they decide to do about it.

INCIDENTALLY, the Oxford Institute of Statistics says the monthly oil production of German-controlled Europe is about a million tons a month. If Hitler's armies in Russia are using up a million and a half tons a month, Germany is having to dip into her reserves at a fairly lively rate.

THAT lends interest to a tale carried in the Moscow dispatches today (Monday).

The Russians say the Germans are BURYING tanks for use as stationary pillboxes because of shortage of oil to keep them rolling.

Don't, however, jump to wishful conclusions. The Germans might merely have buried some tanks that were temporarily out of action.

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Yakima Mill And Food Locker Burned

YAKIMA, July 30.—(AP)—Firemen are still this morning battling the smoldering flames of the fire which last night destroyed two-thirds of the plant of the Inland Lumber company, and damaged the Yakima frozen food lockers plant to such an extent the loss will be about \$35,000, according to present estimates.

Cause of the blaze, which started behind the office of the lumber company, is not known. A. B. Thisius, owner of the frozen food lockers and president of the lumber company, fears the loss will exceed early estimates since the 1200 lockers were fairly well stocked with food. Fire in the lumber plant itself spread rapidly with explosions of paint material aiding the rush of the flames. Firemen were able to save some of the lumber stored in the yard.

Navy Yard Affected By Strike In N.

Electricians Walk Out In Drydocks Where Two Ships Now Being Built

(By the Associated Press)

Work stoppages in four widely separated cities were terminated today but a strike of 8,000 AFL electrical workers in New York City went into a second day with its effects reaching into the Brooklyn navy yard.

The national defense mediation board announced the end of stoppages at the Gulf State Utility company, Baton Rouge, La., and at Air Associates, Inc., at Bendix, N. J.

At St. Louis, Mo., where 2,700 AFL construction workers walked off the site of an \$89,000,000 ammunition plant in protest to the discharge of two ice haulers, the strikers agreed to go back to work and submit the discharge of the two to arbitration. A similar resume-work-negotiate-later decision ended a one-day walkout at the Clifford-Jacobs Forging company, Champaign, Ill.

Four federal agencies—the navy, office of production management, U. S. conciliation service and national defense mediation board—attempted to bring about a settlement of the New York electricians strike. Rear Admiral E. J. Brookhart, commander of the Brooklyn navy yard, declared 200 skilled electricians had walked off jobs in the yard, including work on drydocks in which two super-battleships are to be built. He said he had asked a union agent to send the men back to work.

Other construction, chiefly of a non-defense nature, was tied up over the metropolitan area. The union called the strike, effective today.

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Tatuta Maru Given Permission to Dock

Landing of Passengers And Cargo Expected At San Francisco In Few Hours

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—(AP)—The liner Tatuta Maru was granted special permission to discharge its passengers today, and officers of the Nyk line said they believed the vessel would put in here within a few hours. It was understood to be about 30 miles offshore at 10 a. m. About 100 American citizens were aboard.

The permission came from the commissioner of customs, W. R. Johnson, in Washington, who said the ship also could take on fuel and other supplies if application is made to the federal reserve bank for a permit.

Johnson's message also said an application for permission to discharge the Tatuta Maru's \$2,500,000 in silk and to take on other cargo would be "expeditiously considered" but that no commitments could be made at this time.

The special dispensations also included the port of Los Angeles, but it was understood the 17,600-ton ship would come to San Francisco where it originally was scheduled to arrive at 5 a. m. (PST) last Thursday.

Louis Melvin Young, convicted Smith river still operator, was taken in custody last night by U. S. Marshal Granville T. Norris of Muskege, Oklahoma, for return to Oklahoma to face charges of breaking parole. Sheriff Cliff Thornton reported.

Young has been in the Douglas county jail since June 9, when he was arrested for moonshining activities in the remote Smith river section. He was sentenced to one year in the county jail, with the provision that he would be released if Oklahoma authorities wished to act. He was paroled in Oklahoma after being arrested for moonshining.

'Cowgirl' Can Play Modern, Too



Maxine McCurdy, above, queen of the Pendleton, Ore., Round Up, September 10 through 13, is probably the most modern ruler the famed rodeo ever had. An expert rider since she was a baby, Maxine now has a pilot's license, has a hard time choosing between her plane and her horse, "Pal."

North Umpqua Road Stimson Apology Made to Wheeler

The North Umpqua road in the Copeland creek section will be open to travel all day Saturday and Sunday of this week, V. V. Harpham, supervisor of the Umpqua national forest, announced today.

The road will be opened weekdays during the balance of the summer from 4 p. m. to 8 a. m., Mr. Harpham states.

Although blasting and grading is still taking place and the road rather rough, the road is easily passable. A new bridge over Copeland creek has just been completed and is now open for traffic and will eliminate a steep grade, according to Mr. Harpham.

Heavy equipment will start working on the Copeland creek-Big Camas section next week, ironing out many of the rough spots and surfacing the road.

Mr. Harpham warned motorists that in case of heavy rains, it would be advisable to call the forest service office before attempting the trip, however, as the heavy downpour might still make the road impassable.

Mrs. Nat Evans, Oakland Resident Dies, Aged 73

Mary Caroline (Rice) Evans, 73, wife of Nat Evans, of Oakland, Ore., died at Mercy hospital this morning. She was born near Oakland, February 26, 1868, and spent her entire life in Douglas county. She was a member of the Christian church at Oakland.

Besides her husband, whom she married December 15, 1887, she is survived by three daughters, Virgie Ingram, Bandon; Ollie Wolfe, San Francisco; and Willyth Kirland, Marshfield; a stepdaughter, Maud Adams, Berkeley, Calif.; a son, Calvin Evans, Grants Pass, two stepsons, John Evans, Sutherlin, and George Evans, Jackson, Calif.; two sisters, Madge Mote, Cottage Grove; Pearl Collier, Marshfield, and a brother, John Rice, Cottage Grove.

Funeral services are in charge of the Roseburg Undertaking company and will be held Friday afternoon at two o'clock at the Christian church in Oakland with interment at the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Oakland.

County Crew Oiling Road to Umpqua Park

The Umpqua road crew was busy until midnight Tuesday night oiling a half-mile of the Umpqua park road, from the city limits south, according to J. Ross Hutchinson, county commissioner. The oiling should be finished by Wednesday noon.

Stimson Apology Made to Wheeler

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—Senator Wheeler (D., Mont.) won a public apology from Secretary of War Stimson for harsh criticism and a personal explanation from Secretary of Navy Knox for the temporary denial of a naval commission to the senator's son.

Stimson's statement of apology, issued through the war department late yesterday, said the war secretary did not believe that Wheeler intended to direct anti-war posters specifically to soldiers. Stimson also expressed regret for his statement that cards sent under Wheeler's signature to army camps approached treason.

The other incident involved Wheeler's son, Richard, 23, who was at first refused a naval commission then awarded it.

First word of Richard Wheeler's case came from Senator Walsh (D., Mass.) who told the senate yesterday that an unnamed admirer had asked Richard whether he shared his father's views on national policy.

When young Wheeler said yes, Walsh related, the admiral declared that "there is no place in the navy for you." Walsh said Knox subsequently reviewed the file and ordered granting of the commission.

Wheeler called Stimson's statement "a very decent thing."

Melvin Baker, Local Ball Player, Injures Hand

Melvin Baker, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Baker of Roseburg, suffered a badly mangled right hand Tuesday while working on a hay baler. His hand was caught in one of the cog wheels on the machine, mangleing all of the fingers. His physician, Dr. J. E. Campbell, reported that amputation so far had not proved necessary. He is being treated at Mercy hospital.

Melvin is well known to most local baseball fans as the second baseman on the Legion Junior baseball team. His loss to the team for the balance of the season will be a severe blow to the drive for state honors.

His teammates late yesterday hurriedly completed plans for a benefit baseball game to be played at Finlay field at 6 o'clock to-night and have recruited a team of ex-Junior all-stars as opponents. The Juniors are urging a large attendance of local fans to assist in providing funds for the treatment of Baker, who, in addition to his performance on the baseball team, won letters in football, basketball and baseball in Roseburg high school athletics.

Extension Of Army Duty Is Given Favor

Committee Approves Measure to Retain Men In Military Services

WASHINGTON, July 30.—

(AP)—The house military committee today approved legislation to retain selectees, national guardsmen, reserve officers and enlisted personnel of the army for military training beyond one year.

The committee vote was 15 to 7 for the legislation, which was identical with that approved by the senate military committee, except for an addition to permit the president to order guardsmen to serve more than one twelve-month training period.

Chairman May (D., Ky.) of the house committee said he would appear before the rules committee Friday to ask a special status for the legislation on the house agenda.

Senate Committees Changed

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—The democratic steering committee named Senator Connally (D., Tex.) today to be chairman of the senate foreign relations committee. He will succeed Senator George (D., Ga.), who will transfer to the chairmanship of the finance committee, which handles tax matters.

Senator Hatch (D., N. M.), author of the Hatch act to curb pernicious political activities, was named chairman of the privileges and elections committee, succeeding Connally in that post.

Approval of the senate will be necessary before the designations finally are made, but leaders said this was only routine.

George, who has been chairman of the foreign relations committee since the death last year of Senator Pittman (D., Nev.), elected to take the chair.

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U. S. Construction Crew In Ireland

Corps of Trained Workmen To Be Used In Providing Harbor Facilities

LONDON, July 30.—(AP)—A corps of 460 trained United States construction men arrived today at a port in northern Ireland and were greeted aboard ship by Captain H. D. R. Morgeson, British war secretary.

The port was not identified. E. A. V. MacPherson of New York, second in command of the group, told Morgeson he understood their work was to be in connection with certain harbor facilities and the war secretary answered that "we are mighty glad to see you fellows here."

The American technicians, an addition to United States workers already in northern Ireland, are headed by E. R. Holland of Williamsburg, Va.

One of them said their transatlantic crossing was uneventful.

The Americans will form a self-contained colony with their own police and medical services. They brought their own food and clothing to relieve the strain on British resources.

"All that is missing is our wives and families which we were not allowed to bring over," one remarked.

One of the conditions of their service was that none of the men should be of axis or pro-axis national descent.

They were guaranteed three months work and will work double shifts through the summer, earning \$60 to \$120 a week.

Parole From One Year Sentence Granted White

Francis S. White, Roseburg, arrested last week on a non-support charge, yesterday was sentenced in circuit court to one year in the state penitentiary. Parole was granted, however, on condition that White pay the county clerk \$15 a month for the support of the minor child involved.

Concern Voiced by Britain As Jap Press Grows Hostile

Relief Drive By Russians Is Admitted

Germans Report Gains in Moscow Push in Face of Strong Resistance

By the Associated Press

The Germans declared late today that Russia's hold on Leningrad, second biggest soviet city, was jeopardized by twin drives from the north and south and Adolf Hitler's newspaper asserted that nazi troops had lunged 100 miles beyond Smolensk to within 130 miles of Moscow.

Private advices received by the Associated Press in New York indicated the German high command expected the fall of Leningrad at any time. Russian resistance there appeared nearly at an end.

By the Associated Press

Adolf Hitler's newspaper asserted today that German troops knifing 100 miles beyond Smolensk had advanced within 130 miles of Moscow while the Russians declared that the red army tide was surging west and that nazi tank spearheads had been driven back 100 miles from their deepest penetrations.

A war bulletin from "the fuhrer's headquarters" conceded that soviet troops were pressing "relief attacks" to rescue trapped forces east of Smolensk, but it asserted that the red counter-offensive was being crushed with severe losses.

Elsewhere on the bloody 2,000-mile battlefield, the German communiqué said, "operations continued according to plan."

Other nazi reports said that on the north front, on the route to Leningrad, two Russian divisions (about 30,000 troops) had been wiped out west of Lake Peipus, in Estonia.

These reports, describing the Russians as having been cut off from retreat by a nazi thrust across Estonia, said fierce, close-quarter fighting with grenades.

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Defense of West Coast Discussed

WASHINGTON, July 30.—(AP)—Strengthening of west coast defenses by the United States and Canada was discussed with President Roosevelt today by Mayor La Guardia of New York, chairman of the joint United States-Canadian defense board.

La Guardia, recently returned from a conference with members of the Canadian commission in Montreal, would not go into detail as to particular projects involved. He said only that emphasis was on west coast defenses.

The mayor also disclosed that the president wanted a real survey begun as soon as possible to determine the route of the proposed highway from the American northwest to Alaska to facilitate emergency movement of defense personnel and equipment.

The big question is selecting the route, La Guardia said, adding that commissions have studied the project for years without any action being taken.

Multnomah County Jail Praised by Inspector

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—The Multnomah county jail ranks among the best in the west in operation, Bernard Anderson, federal prison bureau inspector said yesterday. He lauded the commissary which uses profits from tobacco and other articles for prisoners.

Today's War News In Brief

(By the Associated Press)

Germans report battle of Smolensk now raging within 130 miles of Moscow, claim two Russian divisions (30,000 men) wiped out on Leningrad front; Russians say nazi tank spearheads hurled back 100 miles, red troops blast nazi infantry from trenches in Smolensk salient; Moscow declares big German drives stalled, with soviet armies swinging to offensive.

British warn Japan to "reflect while there is still time" in far east crisis; Premier Kenoye calls for "swift, determined execution" of Japan's policies, warns nation to be prepared to "meet the worst"; Japanese bombs damage U. S. gunboat in air raid on Chungking, Japanese press blames United States and British "meddling" for Netherlands East Indies action breaking off oil shipment agreement with Japan; British and American business in north China brought to virtual standstill with Japanese guards patrolling American oil properties; Washington officials disclose seizure of 19 Japanese fishing boats in Hawaiian waters, reportedly in espionage check-up.

Jap Bomb Damages U. S. Navy Gunboat

Explosives Dropped in Raid On Chungking Fall Near Vessel and Damage Stern

SHANGHAI, July 30.—(AP)—The United States gunboat Tutuila, 370 tons, which has had many a close call from Japanese bombs, suffered damage to her small boats and other deck gear today when Japanese raiders soared over the Chinese capital at Chungking and dropped a bomb but 10 yards away.

A dispatch from Chungking said one of the residences of the United States embassy on the south bank of the river, opposite the capital, also was damaged. The extent of the damage was not given nor was it clear which residence was involved.

The gunboat was said to have been at anchor above the Yangtze river from the capital.

Several bombs were loosed by the raiders over the river patrol gunboat, a navy spokesman said, and the stern superstructure of the small vessel was damaged slightly.

The navy source stated his belief that the damage to the United States ship was incidental to the general raid on the Chinese capital city, although the vessel was in the so-called safety area across the river.

A small outboard motorboat belonging to the Tutuila was shattered, it was announced, and some other equipment on the dock nearby was reported damaged.

The United States lodged immediate representations with the Japanese government today over the bombing.

Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, made announcement of the representations after a brief conference with the Japanese ambassador, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura.

Welles declined to indicate the nature of the representations.

Clear Field for McNary Is Urged by Os West

PORTLAND, July 30.—(AP)—Oregon democrats should offer no candidate against republican Senator McNary next year, Oswald West, former democratic governor, said yesterday.

"It is the duty of democrats of this state to forget politics, so far as the United States senatorship is concerned, and give McNary a clear field," he said, lauding McNary's support of President Roosevelt's emergency program.

Fishing Boats In Hawaii Are Seized by U. S.

False Registry Is Charged But Authorities Claim Espionage Activities

By the Associated Press

Great Britain voiced a sharp warning to leaders of Japan's expansion policy today "to reflect while there is still time," and simultaneously the Japanese press became increasingly hostile over United States and British activities in the far east.

Tokyo newspapers bluntly accused the United States of "meddling" in the Orient and blamed this country for the action of the Dutch East Indies in cutting off big supplies of oil to Japan.

Tokyo stock prices wavered, mostly off, although munitions were strong.

In London, Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told parliament that it was a matter of regret to the British government that relations with Japan had become strained and that only the future could tell if Japan would keep her pledge to respect the territorial integrity of French Indo-China, now overrun by Japanese troops.

Then, solemnly, Eden declared:

"I sincerely trust that those responsible for the destinies of the Japanese empire will reflect while there is still time whether their present policy is leading them."

"I cannot believe that statesmanship in Japan is entirely dead or blind . . ."

Konoye Gives Warning

In Tokyo, Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye was quoted as warning Japan that it must be "prepared to meet the worst" amid rapidly changing world conditions and that the Russo-German conflict was already "bringing serious effects to Japan."

Konoye declared that Japan needed "swift, determined execution of her national policies" and that the government was "determined to proceed on an historic renovation in policies from

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Hopkins In Moscow On Surprise Visit

MOSCOW, July 30.—(AP)—Harry Hopkins, coordinator of the United States lend-lease program, arrived by plane on a surprise visit to the soviet capital from London today, presumably to discuss with Russian officials the needs of the red army in its fight with nazi Germany.

With him came two officers of the United States army, Brig. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney and Lieut. John R. Allison of the air corps.

Presumably their discussions were designed to proceed concurrently with those in Washington between United States officials and Lieut. Gen. Filip Golikov and Engineer General Repin of the soviet army who are there on a special mission.

Dr. C. A. Edwards Will Leave Local Draft Board

Dr. C. A. Edwards, chairman of the Douglas county selective service board, announced today he has sent his resignation to Governor Charles A. Sprague, and that the governor had accepted the resignation.

Dr. Edwards will continue to serve as chairman of the board until a successor is chosen, at which time a new chairman will be elected by the board. R. L. Preston and H. C. Waddell are the other members of the board. It will probably take two weeks before the board is reorganized, Dr. Edwards said.