

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau
Fair tonight and Saturday. Little change in temperature.
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DEFENSE

Daily the preparations are making to defend and protect the United States come closer home. Soon the Medford cantonment will be under construction. Other developments are being announced daily. Follow them in the NEWS-REVIEW.

GERMAN ATTACK IS STALLED, LONDON SAYS

Bridge Near Riddle Saved By Firemen

Departments and Nearby Residents Extinguish Early Morning Blaze

Fast action by amateur and professional fire-fighters saved the \$15,000 Pruner bridge over the South Umpqua at Riddle early this morning. Damage was estimated by County Engineer F. C. Frear at \$300 or \$400. A cigarette, carelessly tossed into driftwood beneath the structure was blamed.

Jack Eppinger, driving over the bridge shortly after midnight, noticed the blaze and immediately alerted neighbors. The Riddle and Myrtle Creek fire departments responded to call, and an estimated 200 volunteers used garden hoses from the Ernest Pruner home at the west end of the bridge in an attempt to check the flames.

A crew of the Douglas county fire patrol hurried to the scene, and a portable pump which the crew lowered into the river, was credited with saving the 3 span, 595-foot bridge.

Traffic Is Halting

One piling at the west end of the structure was completely burned through, Mr. Frear stated, and three other pilings were so badly charred it was necessary to close the bridge to traffic this morning. A county bridge crew

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Mrs. Shambrook Dies Very Suddenly

Mrs. David R. (Mollie Genevieve) Shambrook, life-long resident of Douglas county, died suddenly last night at her home, 1006 N. Jackson street, Roseburg. Although in poor health for several months, Mrs. Shambrook's condition was not believed immediately critical. Early last night, however, she collapsed suddenly and died within a few minutes.

She was born at Lookingglass, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson King, early-day settlers in Douglas county. She spent her early life in Lookingglass, and was married at Umpqua, October 1880, to Mr. Shambrook, who was engaged in farming.

They moved to Roseburg in 1894 and made their home in this city continuously after that date. Surviving are the husband, a daughter, Mrs. Flossie Virden, Roseburg; two granddaughters, and two sisters, both of whom reside in Washington state.

Mrs. Shambrook was a very active member of the Order of Eastern Star, which she served as past matron. She also was a member of the auxiliary to George W. Starmer camp, United Spanish War Veterans, and in that organization took a very prominent part in service work.

Funeral services will be held at the Roseburg Undertaking company chapel at 2 p. m. Saturday, Rev. Morris H. Roach officiating. Interment will follow in the Masonic cemetery.

Editorials on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

HARRY HOPKINS shows up in Moscow today (Wednesday). For a sick man, he does get around.

IT'S hard for this writer to think of Hopkins, with his warfare worker background, as running a war. But you never can tell. He may make a great success of it.

Few people, a decade ago, would have picked a certain insignificant paper hanger as one of the world's outstanding orating and military geniuses.

A WAR bulletin today from Hitler's headquarters relates that soviet troops are pressing relief attacks to rescue trapped

Girls' Softball Team Has New Uniforms



Making their first appearance in the flashy new uniforms procured this week, the Roseburg girls' softball team will meet the Albany girls in a game to be played at 7 p. m. Sunday at Finlay field. Pictured, from left, are Eleanor Fies, Vivien Domenico, Velma Crocker, Lila Sanders, Pat Weatherford, Alice McKibben, Eunice Carmichael, Lois Kurtz and Lois Pounds.

Convict Escapes From State Penitentiary

SALEM, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Another convict, the third in 10 days escaped from the state penitentiary today.

He is Clarence Malone, 18, sentenced to Bend to a year for a sex crime. Malone, whose sentence would end next December, escaped from a prison gang on a farm near the prison.

Prison warden George Alexander said the two prisoners who walked away from the prison 10 days ago are believed on their way to the mid-west. The men, both trustees, are Lauren F. Wallace, 33, sentenced to three years for larceny; and Virgil J. Akin, 38, serving five years for burglary.

Daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Faxon Dies at Helena

Mary Anne Faxon, four and a half year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Faxon, died last night from a ruptured appendix at the Helena, Montana, hospital. She was ill only a few days. She is survived by her parents and one brother, Charles. Funeral services will be held in Helena Saturday afternoon.

The Faxon family formerly resided in Laurelwood, at which time Dr. Faxon was a member of the medical staff of the veterans administration facility hospital. The Faxon family spent a part of their vacation in June in Roseburg as guests of Colonel and Mrs. E. F. Tandy at the post.

Fire Causes Damage at Reedsport Sawmill

REEDSPORT, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Sparks from the burner started a fire that partly destroyed the green chain and some lumber at the E. K. Wood lumber mill here last night. The mill is expected to be in operation again Monday.

Roosevelt Gives Praise to Russia

Resistance of Russian Army Better Than Military Experts Had Expected

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—President Roosevelt asserted today that Russia's resistance to the axis war machine was "magnificent" and "frankly better than any military expert in Germany thought it would be."

That was his reply at a press conference—he authorized direct quotes—to an inquiry on what he thought of Russian resistance to date. He said:

"It is magnificent and frankly better than any military expert in Germany thought it would be." When a reporter, referring to Adolf Hitler, asked whether Mr. Roosevelt included Germany's outstanding military expert, the president suggested that newsmen not spoil the story.

A laugh was his only response to another question—whether Germany had been doing some tall lying.

The chief executive said that Russia did not come under terms of the lend-lease bill and he saw no prospect that she would. The reason, he said, is that Russia is able to pay for the purchase in this country of war equipment to be tossed into the battle against Germany.

No decision may be expected on an additional lend-lease appropriation, the chief executive asserted, until Harry L. Hopkins returns to this country. Hopkins, lend-lease supervisor, now is in Moscow, after having visited London.

Mr. Roosevelt said the only word he had had from Hopkins since his arrival from the Russian capital was that he had got there safely.

Federal and State Fish Experts Inspect Hatchery

Dr. H. S. Davis, chief aquacultural investigator of the U. S. fish and wildlife service, Washington, D. C.; Reed S. Nielson, assistant aquatic biologist, U. S. fish and wildlife department at the Clackamas experimental station at Clackamas, Ore.; Dr. Paul R. Needham, aquatic biologist from Stanford university; Dr. F. P. Griffith, scientific fisheries investigator for Oregon game commission, Corvallis, and C. A. Lockwood, assistant supervisor of the state game commission, Portland, have left for points north, following a stop over in Roseburg and a trip to the Rock creek hatchery. They have been making a tour of southern Oregon and coast points visiting the various hatcheries and interviewing fish survey crews. C. A. Lockwood, formerly of this city, is a brother of Fred L. Lockwood.

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Japan Makes New Demands On Thailand

Offers to Trade Cities for Military Bases and for Control of Production

LONDON, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Japan has demanded military bases in Thailand and control of that country's rubber, rice and tin production, it was reported authoritatively here today. Japan was said to have offered in exchange restoration of the province of Laos and the ancient city of Angkor, both in Japanese-dominated French Indo-China.

It was believed in London that Thailand's only alternative to granting bases would be forcible Japanese occupation of them. Tokyo announced today an agreement between Japan and Thailand under which Japan gained a large credit for purchases in Thailand, mostly rice, it is presumed.

Thailand lies partly on the Malay peninsula, which is tipped by Britain's Singapore fortress, and shares the peninsula from a stretch between Burma and Singapore.

Since Thailand extends to within 400 miles of Singapore the danger of such concessions in the British view, is easily seen. By occupation of Thailand's part of the Malay peninsula, the Japanese could isolate Singapore from any assistance by land from Burma and India.

Moynihan Threat

By creating bases on the western shore of the peninsula the Japanese could threaten Burma and India herself by air. There, however, Japanese planes would have to cross the broad bay of Bengal to reach India proper.

The royal air force has been strengthened in Burma, the air ministry announced, with construction of airdromes "for both

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National Unity Is Urged By Wallace

BURLINGTON, Ia., Aug. 1.—(AP)—The preservation of liberty depends on the United States and "we shall not fail," Vice President Wallace declared last night.

In an internationally broadcast address climaxing the formal opening of the \$50,000,000 ordnance plant here, the Iowan said "only by developing our might to the utmost, only by demonstrating through every action and attitude that we are completely willing to go to war if necessary, is there any chance for that peace which we so earnestly desire."

"America must insist that the healthful life lived in freedom and responsibility shouldered for the common welfare must become universal." The vice president urged Americans to give aid and comfort to those who strive for the coming of civilization, some unwittingly and others quite willfully.

"To these false prophets of gloom and chaos, we must give no ear." She had not received customs clearance however, the collector's office announced.

Spotlighters Draw Fines in Local Court

Three Douglas county men were fined \$25 each, and a fourth fined \$25 in addition to a 60-day jail sentence, in justice court today on charges of spotlighting in the Glengary district Sunday night.

W. A. Blackart, Clay Hutson and Harry Thomas were fined \$25, as was Austin Pendergrass, a reported second offender, who was also sentenced to 60 days in the county jail by Justice of the Peace R. W. Marsters. The jail sentence will be suspended if Pendergrass pays the fine within 30 days.

The men were arrested by state and county officers, who said they were spotlighting while driving an automobile. One shot was fired, with no results, according to the officers.

Today's War Developments In Brief

By the Associated Press

London reports German armies stalled on whole soviet battlefield, nazi drive near exhaustion; Moscow says red armies taking initiative; Hitler's high command asserts fighting "continues in our favor"; Harry L. Hopkins sees Stalin, expresses "even more confidence" Hitler is going to lose.

Mexico rebukes Germany for "threat" in U. S. blacklist case; Mexican President Avila Camacho clamps down on nazi-fascist movement; Argentina tells German ambassador to re-export or destroy short-wave radio transmitter.

Japan reported demanding military bases in Thailand; British fear new Japanese threats to Singapore, Burma; Tokyo announces new credit agreement with Thailand, indicating Japan hit by British-United States credit freezings.

Nazis Are Rebuked By Latin America

Note to Mexico Arouses Ire; Diplomats Ousted and Steps Taken to Halt Activities

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 1.—Latin American actions against nazi influence in the western hemisphere have put two German diplomats on the doorstep, pointed for home, placed a third under fire and rebuked a fourth by a note aimed at hampering anti-axis economic cooperation with the United States.

Although Mexico had rejected a German request that she protest President Roosevelt's blacklist of pro-axis business firms, diplomatic quarters in Buenos Aires said Argentina intended to withhold her support of the United States blacklist.

Chile, which is housing the ousted German minister to Bolivia, Ernest Wendler, until a Japanese ship can take him away, ordered the German consul general at Valparaiso out of the country for the second time. Wendler was accused of complicity in plans for a Bolivian putsch and the Valparaiso consul general of falsifying passports.

Chile had charged that the consul general falsified passports to help crewmen of the scuttled German pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee escape from internment in Argentina and had overstayed the time originally allotted to him to wind up his affairs.

In Argentina, the foreign office, after answering repeated German protests over the seizure of a portable radio transmitter carried by plane from the German legation in Peru to the "diplomatic baggage," suddenly demanded that the Germans either

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Libel Action Holds Liner at Seattle

SEATTLE, Aug. 1.—(AP)—The big Japanese motorship Helan Maru lay at her berth here today, tied up by a \$150,000 civil libel action levee by east coast importers to prevent her homeward sailing with cargo consigned to them. A deputy U. S. marshal was aboard as cargo custodian.

T. Hasegawa, general manager for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, operating the Helan, said, however, he understood the libel action had been settled and the liner would sail at 3 p. m., for Vancouver, B. C. en route home.

She had not received customs clearance however, the collector's office announced.

Pilot Feared Lost in Army Plane Collision

MONTEREY, Calif., Aug. 1.—(AP)—Two army observation planes, presumably attached to the 82nd observation squadron at Salinas, locked wings and crashed into Monterey bay north of here today. One of the fliers parachuted into the bay, it was reported.

An unidentified farmer at Marina, nine miles north, reported seeing the planes collide. A boat immediately was put out to the wreck scene, described as between Marina and the mouth of the Salinas river, five miles farther north.

The planes ordinarily carry a pilot and observer. Fate of the one flier who reportedly parachuted into the surf was not immediately learned.

Hitler Army Exhausted Is Allied Claim

Nazis Declare Campaign Favorable; Russians on Initiative Moscow Says

By the Associated Press
Adolf Hitler's invasion armies were pictured in London reports today as stalled along the whole 2,000-mile soviet war front during the past 24 hours and near the point of exhaustion, and in Moscow, Harry L. Hopkins expressed "even more confidence that Hitler is going to lose."

From the German fuhrer's headquarters came another communique of extreme brevity, barren of any detail: "Battles on the east front continue to develop in our favor."

"Warplanes last night bombed military objectives in Moscow." DNB, the official German news agency, declared nazi troops on the far southern front had forced a passage across the Dniester river, near the Bessarabian town of Cetatea-Alba, threatening Russia's great Black sea port of Odessa, 30 miles away.

DNB asserted that German artillery fire halted troop advances attempting to withdraw soviet forces from the southern front, and it continued:

"The bolshevist forces had to leave the trains and accept battle. In stubborn hand-to-hand fighting, soviet units were completely wiped out, with great bloody losses."

A whole red division (about 15,000 men), DNB said, was smashed in a "gruesome scene of terrifying destruction!"

Reds Claim Initiative
Moscow dispatches said soviet troops were taking the initiative at some points in the vast battle-

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Canadians Avenge Wounded Comrade

TRURO, Nova Scotia, Aug. 1.—(AP)—Only a ferris wheel stood today amidst the wreckage of an amusement park attacked in a revenge raid by 500 Canadian soldiers after one of their comrades was shot during an argument.

The soldiers last night lined up on a hill and, as thousands of townspeople watched, charged a cordon of 50 military police. They swept into the closed park, overturning booths, trucks and even the merry-go-round.

Another 145 police arrived and cleared the grounds but the soldiers made a second charge to finish up. It was reported the soldier wounded was shot when an argument developed between the proprietor of the show and another civilian in the soldier's presence. The proprietor was arrested.

Flashes From Life

(By the Associated Press)
Documents Needed

NEW BRITAIN, Conn.—Into the office of City Clerk Harry E. Scheuy trooped a half-dozen youngsters, the largest of them demanding that his birth certificate be exhibited to his companions.

He had to prove, he explained, that he was only 12 years old to be allowed to play on their baseball team.

Good Morning!

OTHELLO, Wash.—Orval Adams sleepily turned off the alarm and rolled over for 40 more winks.

But something kept rattling. The rancher woke in a hurry when he spotted a four-foot rattlesnake on the floor beside his bed.

Writum Letters, Too

SPOKANE—Chief Jailer John Scott received this letter from a

Filipino prisoner:

"Kindly boss man No. 1 a trustee I would be. You fixum, I make fine house boy—I sweepum and dustum like hell. Thank you dear kindly boss man."

Wu Fong's Folly

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia.—Wu Fong, a chow dog, upset an automobile to qualify for the dog-house.

He lunged for a window to jump out and the car's driver, Dick Caughlan, lunged after him, losing control of the car which upset in a ditch. Neither Dick nor the dog was hurt but the auto was damaged.

He Was Speechless

MINNEAPOLIS—A bee reclining in the soft luxury of floss candy bit Ronnie Holmquist. The sting was right on the tongue which swelled so fast Holmquist had difficulty explaining his trouble.