

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday with occasional thunder storms. Cooler Saturday.

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FIRE DESTROYS METZGER PLANING MILL

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

GET out your map again. There's a new hot spot today. It is Thailand. Your map may show it as SIAM. That is its older name.

A Chinese diplomatic "source" in London says that in Thailand events are shaping up to a swift and terrible climax.

YOUR map will tell you that Thailand (which the Japs are planning to grab, if not bluffed) is within easy bombing distance of Rangoon, the outer end of the Burma road. That explains the Chinese worry.

Thailand includes the narrow Kra isthmus, where a canal might be dug that would BY-PASS the strategic Singapore bottleneck.

Hence British concern.

"INFORMED sources" in Manila believe the Japs are determined to take the plunge. They think Britain is planning to beat Japan to the punch—possibly by seizure of key points in Thailand; such as Bangkok (the capital) and Kra isthmus ports. Direct military action such as this would force a showdown. The Japs would have to fight or pull in their horns.

These Manila "sources" assume that in any such course the British would have the backing of the United States.

If backing the British in southern Asia should lead the United States into shooting war, it will be labeled DEFENSIVE war.

As to that, a word of explanation is necessary here.

The older theory of defense was to sit behind your wall, wait until you were attacked and then shoot the daylighters out of your attacker.

The newer theory is quite different. You provide yourself IN ADVANCE with outposts, which you fortify. Then, when you are attacked (or think you are going to be) you move in from these outposts and shoot the daylighters out of your enemy before he has time to get started.

This is DYNAMIC defense, as defined some time ago by President Roosevelt.

Manila (Philippines) is such an American outpost.

In the hectic days that are coming, it will be well to keep

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Gasoline Sellers Robbed, Kidnaped

MOJAVE, Calif., Aug. 8.—(AP)—A man and a woman held up a filling station here early today, warned two young attendants not to notify police, then returned and kidnaped both youths within an hour.

Captain Scott of the highway patrol said the man, about 35, and woman, about 30, got \$30 from a Shell filling station at 1:35 a. m. They fled in an automobile bearing an Oregon license plate.

After a statewide police alert had been broadcast, the same couple returned, stole Special Deputy Frank Webb's automobile, kidnaped Glenn Fleming, 19, and Eddy Gardner, 19, and fled again.

Scott speculated that the thieves had heard the broadcast, returned and kidnaped the filling station attendants because they had spread an alarm.

Webb's machine, in which the robbers fled with their hostages, bore California license 31A745. It's a 1937 model Terraplane tan sedan.

Morgenthau Asks All-Out Defense Taxes

House Bill Hoist of 300 Million Urged

Treasury Chief Suggests Levies on Small Incomes, Slash in Exemptions

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Advocating an "all-out tax program for defense," Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau asked congress today to tax millions of additional persons with small incomes by cutting personal income tax exemptions and to stiffen other taxes on married couples, corporations and others.

He told the senate finance committee that the revenue from the house-approved tax bill should be increased from its present \$3,206,200,000 to "at least" \$3,500,000,000. He hinted strongly he would like much more.

The treasury head asked a dozen changes to boost the yield of the tax bill, but said his proposed new taxes on "millions of people with low incomes" should not be attempted "unless we reach in other places where ability to pay is escaping its fair share of taxes."

He explained that this applied to married couples and corporations, particularly. Morgenthau gave no floor on how deeply he thought personal exemptions should be cut. Only last year, however, the exemption for heads of families was cut from \$2,500 to \$2,000 and the exemption for single persons was reduced from \$1,000 to \$800. Suggestions have been heard recently that the next exemptions might be \$1,500 for married

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NAZIS KNIFE DEEPER INTO UKRAINE

Republicans to Picnic at Winchester; State Party Leaders Will be Present

Douglas county republican committeemen and committee-women and members of the Oregon Republican club have arranged for a county-wide picnic to be held at Winchester, August 16, it was announced today. Niel R. Allen, newly elected chairman of the republican state committee, will be the principal speaker at the afternoon meeting. The program will begin at 2 p. m. A basket dinner will be enjoyed at 6 o'clock.

Ernest Jachetta, president of the Oregon Republican club, and other prominent party workers from adjoining counties will be in attendance.

A portion of the program will be devoted to plans for the state G. O. P. convention to be held at Roseburg Sept. 26 and 27. Congressman Joseph W. Martin, Massachusetts, national chairman of the republican party, will visit Roseburg on Monday and take a prominent part in the convention program on Tuesday.

Breakwater, Ch... Asked for Dep...

WASHINGTON, (AP)—Army Engineers recommended to congress construction of a breakwater of the entrance of the Oregon coast. Plans called for a channel eight feet wide, an inner breakwater 750 feet, eight feet wide, and a retaining wall along the side.

Draft Issue Controversy Now In House

Rep. Cox Asks Indefinite Holdover, Contending "War Is Inescapable"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—(AP)—Rep. Cox (D., Ga.) told the house today it should approve indefinite extension of service for uniform "because war

30,000 Taken Prisoner; Kiev In Trap, Claim

Russians Ridicule Nazi Report of Red Losses, Say Blitzkrieg Bogged

By the Associated Press
Adolf Hitler's high command reported today that German troops had captured more than 30,000 prisoners and the supreme commander of the Russian sixth army.

Earlier, unofficial Nazi reports said Kiev itself, the Ukraine capital, had been surrounded. But the high command report indicated the main German thrust was directed at cutting off the Black sea port of Odessa, some 140 miles below Uman.

While the Germans pictured their armies as plunging headlong against wobbling soviet defenses, Russia's Marshal Timoshenko voiced a new note of confidence in this appeal to peoples German-occupied territories: "Join your comrades and fight, war, shoot and blow up the Germans and help the red army out Hitler's dogs. Spill blood for blood, death for death, for the hour of victory is near."

Dispatches from Istanbul quoted well-informed sources there as saying that the British were prepared to send several divisions of Indian troops through Afghanistan to bolster Russia's defenses in the oil-rich Caucasus.

In the north, the Nazi high command said German columns

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Highway Bill's Veto Stirs New Action by Assn.

Presidential veto of the defense highway bill has made it essential that a representative of the Pacific Highway association be sent to Washington, D. C., to guard the interests of southern Oregon counties in new legislation. It was reported at a meeting of the association held yesterday at Grants Pass. The meeting attended by County Judge D. N. Busenbark and Commissioner J. Ross Hutchinson, representing Douglas county.

County courts were asked to advance funds to the association to return Carl Rynearson, Cottage Grove, to Washington. Mr. Rynearson, who has been serving as executive secretary, recently was released from his position because of lack of funds. He previously had spent several months at the national capital aiding in formation of the bill which met presidential disapproval.

County courts, Judge Busenbark reported, are giving the matter consideration, no decision having been reached at present.

SALEM, Aug. 8.—Action of the federal house of representatives Thursday in sustaining President Roosevelt's veto of the \$320,000,000 defense highway program legislation, probably will cost the state of Oregon in excess of \$2,045,000, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, declared.

Baldock said more than \$2,000,000 of the appropriation would have been expended on Oregon road construction while an indefinite amount would have been received for access roads to military establishments and defense industries.

U. S. Army Air Force to Be Half That of Nazis

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—(AP)—The United States, Col. Robert Olds said today, will have an army air force only half the present size of Germany's luftwaffe even when the current expansion program is completed.

Warehouse Also Razed; Loss \$35,000

Origin of Blaze Unknown; Soldiers Aid in Battling Flames, Saving Homes

The L. W. Metzger planing mill and building material warehouse, located at Mill and Mosher streets, Roseburg, was totally destroyed by fire last night. The loss was estimated by Metzger at about \$35,000. Partial insurance was carried. Origin of the fire was not determined, but the blaze apparently started near the center of the planing mill and spread with great rapidity throughout the entire structure and into the adjoining lumber docks.

Fed by paints, oil, floor dressings and other highly inflammable materials, the fire quickly became one of the most spectacular to be seen in Roseburg in recent years.

Officers and men of the 17th infantry, who bivouacked in Roseburg last night gave great assistance to the police and fire departments. Hastily organized by officers, a hundred or more of the soldiers formed fire lines and held back the great crowd of spectators gathered to watch the blaze. Others joined firemen on hose lines and actively fought the flames. Among the officers directing the soldiers in the police and fire fighting work were ma-

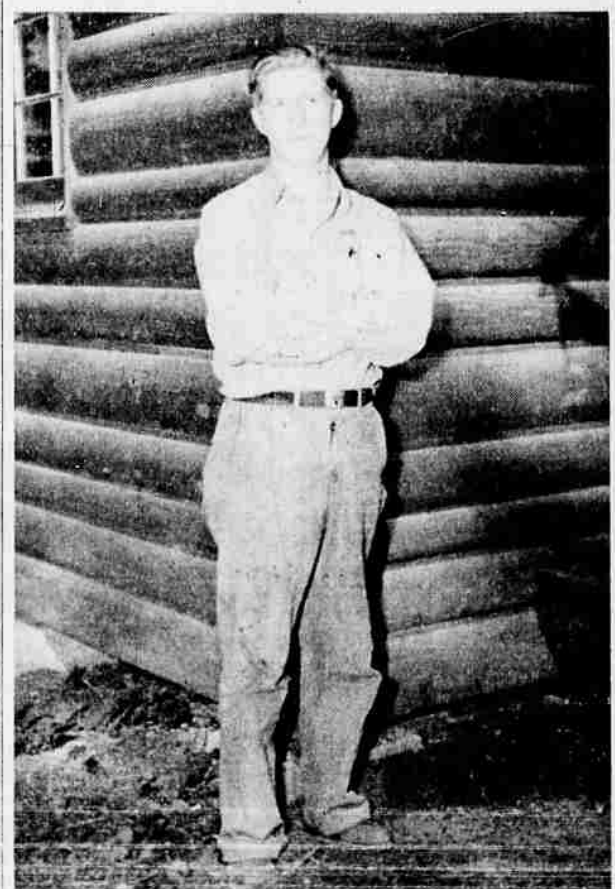
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Fall From Roof Near Blazing Mill Bruises Man

Russell Kalne, who resides at 404 S. Mill St., was treated at Mercy hospital last night for bruises suffered in a fall from the roof of his home. His residence is located immediately south of the Metzger mill, which was destroyed by fire last night. During the progress of the fire he was protecting his property with a garden hose and putting water on the roof when he slipped and fell to the ground. He suffered no broken bones but was badly shaken and bruised. He was discharged from the hospital this morning.

I SAW

By Paul Jenkins



JACK SMITH, forest service fire prevention assistant stationed at Big Camas ranger station, as he posed obligingly for me in front of the office there not long ago.

That wasn't all he did for me—he directed me where to go to catch some trout. "Take the old North Umpqua trail from Ringtail, follow it this way for a mile, then drop downhill for half a mile across country and you'll

come to the banks of Fish creek, just below the gorge. You'll get your limit there."

Well, I followed his instructions, and once on the creek had no trouble getting my limit of pan fish; but when I returned that afternoon to the station I told Jack I was of two minds which to do—thank him for his suggestion, or cuss him out or him

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New Strike Hits Defense Program

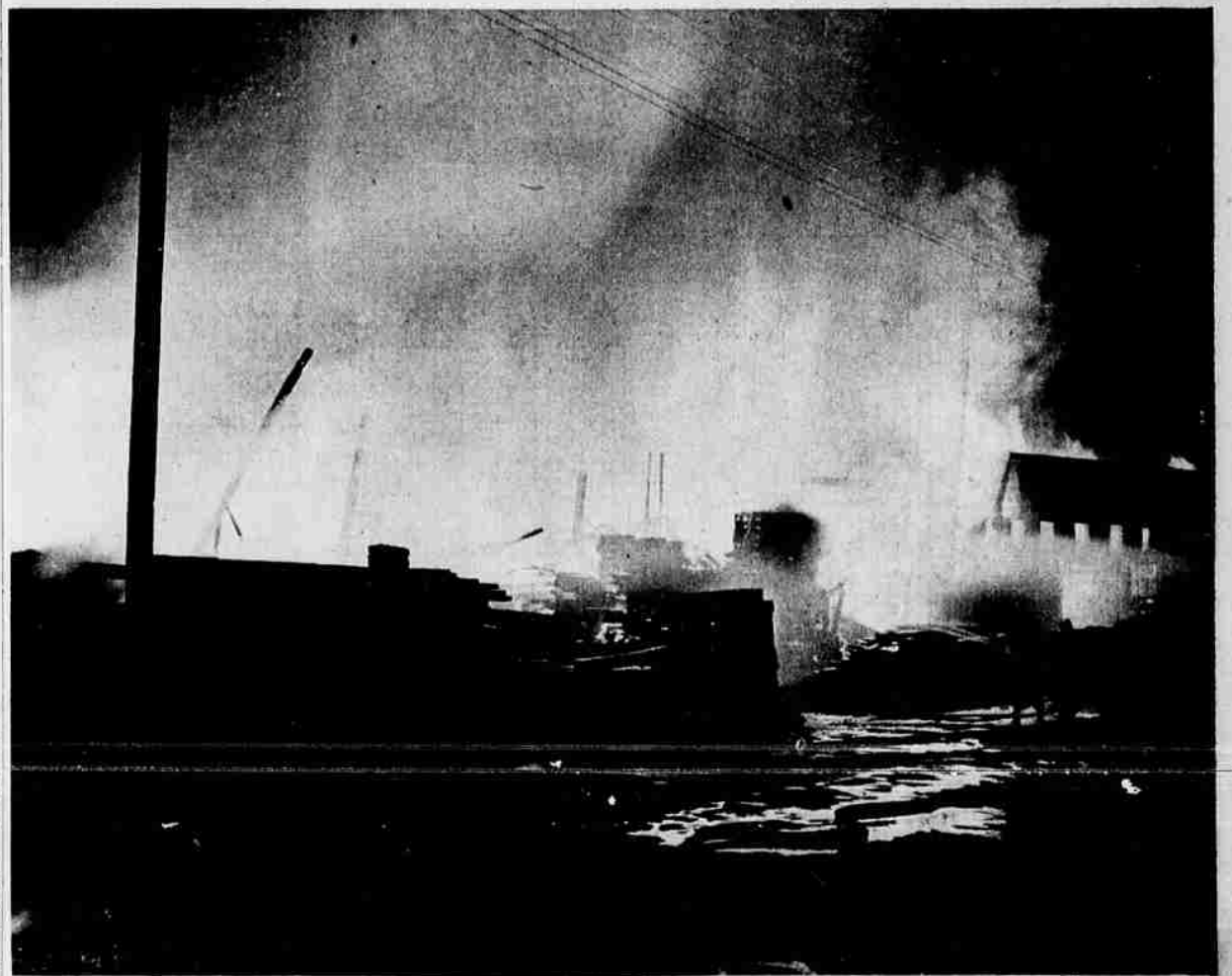
CALDWELL, N. J., Aug. 8.—(AP)—Several hundred employees of the Curtiss-Wright corporation propeller division plant stopped work today in the welding and steel blade departments and a company spokesman said "our entire production on defense orders in excess of \$100,000,000 is imperiled."

By the Associated Press
Ralph A. Bard, acting secretary of the navy, said today that unless labor and management settle their dispute at Kearny, N. J., shipyards, "steps must be taken which will in one way or another get production resumed there."

A CIO strike at the federal Shipbuilding and Drydock company at Kearny is holding up \$493,000,000 of naval and merchant shipbuilding.

Three other shipyard strikes were called yesterday in east coast yards of Bethlehem Steel corporation, two at Brooklyn and one at Staten Island, N. Y. Both Brooklyn strikes ended quickly.

Metzger Planing Mill and Warehouse Destroyed by Spectacular Fire



A loss estimated at approximately \$35,000 resulted last night in the fire pictured above, which completely destroyed the L. W. Metzger planing mill and warehouse at Mill and Mosher streets, Roseburg. The loss included all machinery and equipment and a large supply of building materials.