

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Partly cloudy with occasional showers tonight and Thursday. Little change in temperature.

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RUSSIAN COUNTER-ATTACKS HIT GERMANS

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE Roosevelt-Churchill meeting on the high seas still remains the outstanding news of the world.

Among informed people, interest is keener in what wasn't given out than in what was.

THAT part of Germany which SPEAKS is bitter about the whole affair.

"Informed quarters" in Berlin term the whole affair a "100 per cent flop." Commenting on the proposal for disarmament of aggressor nations after the war, they say:

"If the so-called democracies want Germany disarmed, let them COME AND GET our arms."

THIS, of course, comes from RULING nazis, who will lose their jobs and maybe their heads if Germany fails to win the war.

Roosevelt and Churchill are gunning for the common, ordinary German on the street who would rather have peace than war and who might be impressed by the promise of a fair settlement.

WHAT was given out after the conference was for propaganda purposes.

Within 12 hours after the first news, the British Broadcasting corporation had broadcast the announcement of British-American war aims 80 times in 40 different languages.

This is to be supplemented, dispatches tell us, by dropping of pamphlets from British and Russian planes and by word of mouth through underground channels.

NAZI Germany is naturally defiant.

Japan, on the other hand, is obviously a bit worried. Domei, official Jap news agency, says joint military action against Japan by Britain, America and Russia was one of the principal topics discussed at the conference.

Japan is on the hot spot and VULNERABLE.

GERMANY, incidentally, has a few worries.

There were street riots in Paris the other day and the German authorities promptly warned the population of the whole of German-occupied France that it would be held responsible if other similar outbreaks occurred.

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Anti-Hitler Italy, in Clutch of Nazi Troops, Spared From Allied Bombing

By DE WITT MacKENZIE
Washington's determined step in arranging to ferry warplanes to the allies in the Mediterranean theater has given rise to speculation as to whether a British offensive against Italy might result from this much needed acquisition of aerial equipment.

Such a drive has been expected by the world at large ever since Mussolini unfurled his war banners in what he thought to be a gentle breeze but which proved to be a hurricane. Indeed, there has been a good deal of wonderment as to why the British haven't adopted more energetic measures, especially since Italy is so terribly vulnerable and has seemed to many allied experts to be ready for the plucking.

From inquiry in usually well-posted British quarters I understand that the reason Britain has dealt lightly with Italy thus far probably has been more a matter of policy than lack of bombers.

Reorganization of Local Chamber of Commerce Begun

Directorate Puts O. K. On New Set-Up

Departmental Plan, Like That in Other Cities, to Base Various Activities

A proposed plan of reorganization of the Roseburg chamber of commerce has been approved by the board of directors, subject to the limitations of the by-laws. Certain amendments are to be proposed to the by-laws to permit the complete plan, and these changes will be submitted to the membership in the immediate future, it was reported today.

The new plan of organization, proposed by Harry Pinniger, secretary, follows an outline now in successful use by a large number of chambers of commerce elsewhere, and one which embodies many suggestions made at a recent convention of secretaries and executives at Eugene, sponsored by the U. S. chamber of commerce.

Heretofore the chamber has been divided into committees, each headed by one of the directors. The committees were responsible to the president and were named by him.

Under the new plan, the chamber will be divided into seven divisions, or departments, with each division subdivided into committees. The division head will not necessarily be a director, but will be selected for particular ability in the department. The committee chairman of his division will be directly responsible to him, and he, in turn, will act in

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American Teacher Hero in Plane Crash Rescue

SAO PAULO, Brazil, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Prof. Philip C. Jessup of Columbia university was acclaimed a hero today for his self-sacrifice in guiding a rescue party to the scene of a Brazilian airplane crash in which eight persons died.

Jessup, an international law expert; Hugh Davies, a native of Gardner, Pa., and the plane's steward, David Novak, escaped serious injury because they were asleep and relaxed in rear seats when the plane fell.

Although all were hurt and shocked, they struggled out of the mountain wilderness to get word here of the tragedy; then Dr. Jessup led a rescue party back to the scene.

After an ordeal of 36 hours, he collapsed.

Germans Allow Heroic Captive To Get New Leg

LONDON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—The RAF has delivered its strangest cargo of war to German-held northern France—a new leg for Wing Commander Douglas R. Bader.

Bader's entire squadron flew across the channel yesterday, it was disclosed today, to share the honor of dropping the metal leg by parachute near St. Omer, near where the legless ace is held prisoner after having been shot down nine days ago.

The Germans had sent word to the air ministry through the International Red Cross that the grinning, outspoken pilot was safe but that he had ruined one of his artificial legs when he hit the ground after bailing out of his flaming plane.

The London firm that made Bader's original pair had a spare and the pilots of the flier's squadron promptly started competing for the job of making delivery.

Bader lost his legs in a civilian flying accident.

Strike Paralyzes Street Car, Bus Lines in Detroit

DETROIT, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Street car and bus operators of Detroit's municipal transportation system struck suddenly this morning leaving some 400,000 office and factory workers to seek emergency means of getting to work. Thousands were delayed.

The strike brought from Mayor Edward J. Jeffries a threat to "call upon the might of government" to end the tie-up.

"You can't run the city of Detroit," he warned leaders of the American Federation of Labor here at a conference.

Jeffries and the strikers met throughout the morning, but the session was recessed at 1 p. m., with negotiations still deadlocked.

The mayor suggested a plan whereby the strikers return to their jobs pending formal arbitration by a city-appointed board.

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Non-High School Budget Cut Asked

A reduction of \$2,100 in the amount to be raised by taxation for the non-high school district of the county is proposed in the tentative budget formed by the budget committee and members of the county education board. It was announced today. The board met Monday to consider transportation problems and later with the budget board. A meeting of interested taxpayers will be held Sept. 12 to consider the proposed budget, prior to final adoption.

The education board surveyed the transportation needs for high school students of Nonpareil, Dixonville, Reston, Anchor, Reedsport route, Camas Valley and Gazlev districts, and will complete definite arrangements in the near future. Tuition claims from high schools also were canvassed and approved.

The board meeting was attended by Mrs. John Bacon, Umpqua; J. G. Barnes, Tenmile; Fred Bonebrake, Melrose; J. D. Lofter, Tiller, directors; Paul Geddes, attorney, and Lula C. Gorrill, secretary. J. M. Francis, Fair Oaks, chairman, was absent because of illness and Mrs. John Bacon, vice-chairman, presided. The board was assisted by Mrs. Henry Coons, Melrose; Mrs. Dean Henry, Umpqua, and Ben Benson, Tiller, in the preparation of the budget.

Delivery Of Airplanes To Russ Mapped

Siberia, South Atlantic Routes Chosen; Hopkins Slated to Visit Stalin

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Capital hill heard forecasts today that Harry Hopkins, lease lend administrator, probably would head the American delegation to the joint meeting in Moscow of United States and British officials with Premier Stalin of Russia.

At the same time, there were apparently authentic reports that arrangements had been made to fly American-manufactured bombing and fighting planes to the soviet both by way of Siberia and over an extension of the newly-designated south Atlantic ferry route to the British forces in the middle east.

The details of this arrangement, said to involve transport and military plane operations over both routes by Pan-American Airways, were expected to be worked out finally in the Moscow conference. An apportionment of American military production to Russia, particularly as to warplanes, also was reported listed for discussion.

Russians Prepare Fields
A well informed legislator, who asked that he remain anonymous, said he understood the Russians had prepared a chain of landing fields across Siberia so that not only bombers but the relatively shorter-ranged fighting planes could be flown to the front.

Although the Russians were said to be willing to assume the responsibility of delivering the planes, this legislator said it was likely that Pan-American would be asked to establish a line similar to the one now operating between Alaska and the Philippines.

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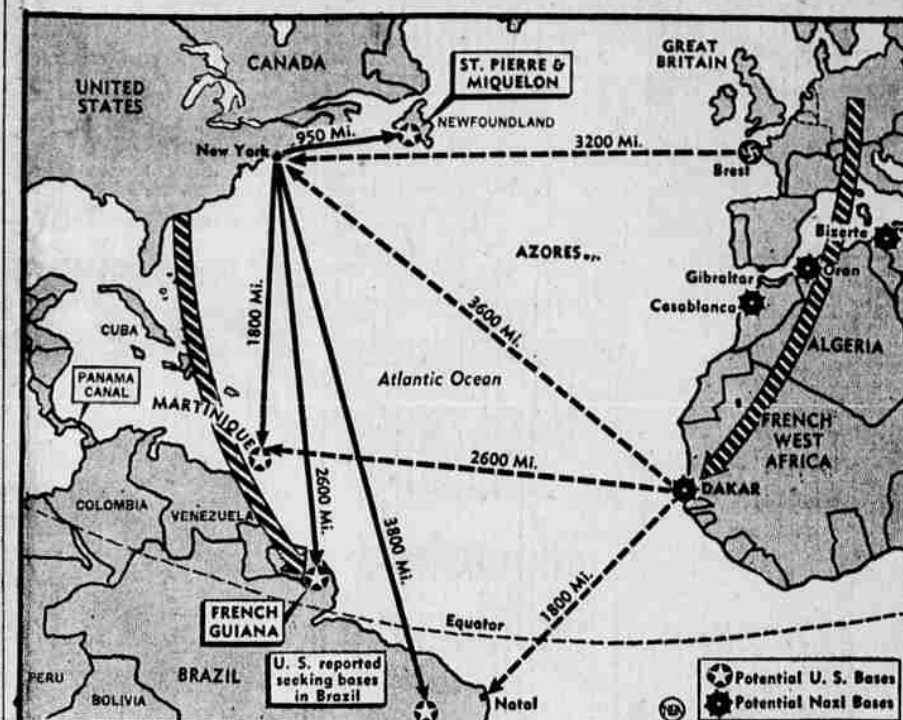
Gasoline Rationing for Oregon Not Probable

PORTLAND, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Gasoline rationing, as predicted by Interior Secretary Harold Ickes, is not in the immediate future for Oregon, oil company managers said here yesterday.

One spokesman admitted, however, that if more coastal oil tankers were diverted to Russian trade, a 15 or 20 per cent curtailment at service stations might be forthcoming.

Dealers in automobile tires and batteries said shipments from the east were being delayed and that stocks were being depleted.

Nazi Grab of Dakar Would be Terrific Blow to Allies



Guarding against German occupation of Vichy's Dakar, the U. S. is eyeing French possessions in the western hemisphere as possible sites for bases. Map shows where U. S. might move and how Germans at Dakar, although still farther from New York than at Brest, France, would be within bomber range of South America. Dakar, only eight hours from Brazil, as the bomber flies, is the control point and capital of French West Africa and commands all of the South Atlantic. Who holds that strongly fortified city can cut England's sea-route to India round the Cape of Good Hope and her maritime communications with the Union of South Africa, as well as stop food from the Argentine reaching London.

Fishermen Dodge Whales Off Mouth of Umpqua

REEDSPORT, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Whales, following a piliard run, were playing today off the Umpqua river mouth and Winchester bay, so close to land that commercial fishermen have had to use care in avoiding them.

Walter Kuck, putting out to sea yesterday, was forced to stop his engine and shift his course as a huge whale came up to blow near the south jetty and bell buoy.

Kiwanis Sees Film of Dempsey's Ring Career

Members of the Roseburg Kiwanis club enjoyed motion pictures depicting the boxing career of Jack Dempsey, former world's heavyweight champion, at the regular luncheon meeting Tuesday. The pictures were presented by W. W. Dunham, Oldsmobile zone office representative, who was a business visitor in the city.

Mishaps Kill Seven Fliers in 2 Days

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 20.—(AP)—Seven aviators from three Florida naval air stations have died in two days in accidents—five of them in two collisions.

A lieutenant and two aviation cadets were killed yesterday when their ships crashed head-on, 4,500 feet in the air near Pensacola. They were flying blind—on instrument. One lieutenant was thrown from one of the planes and parachuted to safety.

Two aviation cadets from the Miami naval air station at Opa-Locka died in the crash of their plane in the Everglades 15 miles away.

The dead, from the Pensacola naval air station: Lieut. William J. Sisko, 35, of Pontiac, Mich., and Aviation Cadets Edwin W. Holt, 22, Pearl River, N. Y., and Cassius M. Thomas, 22, Temore, Calif.

From the Miami station: Pilot Wilber L. Bosch, 23, Falls Church, Va., and his passenger Otis K. Harbuck, 26, Williamsburg, Ky.

From Jacksonville: John A. Burger of New Rochelle, N. Y., and John T. Davidson of Palsades Park, N. J.

15 Still Missing From Waterfront Fire

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—(AP)—A police launch took the bodies of two negro longshoremen from the Brooklyn waterfront at the foot of Congress street today, raising to seven the known dead in the Monday fire which swept a Brooklyn pier and destroyed the Cuba mail line freighter Panuco and numerous small craft.

Drowning was given as the cause of both deaths, the men apparently having leaped from the burning pier to avoid the flames which moved with terrifying speed.

Discovery of the bodies revised the police recapitulation to: Seven known dead, 15 missing, including four crewmen and 11 stevedores, and 31 still in Brooklyn hospitals out of at least 72 injured.

A special board of inquiry went into its second day session into the cause of the \$1,500,000 blaze as police dissipated a possibility that sabotage might have been at the bottom of the tragedy and destruction.

Girls Put Glamor in Gasoline Trade

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Manpower shortage in defense areas is bringing glamor to gasoline.

Attractive young girls chosen for charm, poise and ability are getting a chance to show what they can do as filling station attendants.

The Sun Oil company decided to experiment and selected eight winsome lassies for training before testing their efficiency at the pumps.

First selected "gas girl" was Helen Rawlinson, a librarian who holds a bachelor of music degree. She and the others given trials were among more than 500 applicants.

Only high school graduates 21 to 28 years old who passed physical and personality tests were considered. Bleached blonde and high heels were outlawed.

Starting in at a station in the city's fashionable main line outskirts, the cuties will do such less exacting chores as wiping windshields, filling radiators, selling gas and oil and inflating tires. They'll work six and a half hours daily and get \$100 a month.

Their "charm, poise and ability" will be enhanced by hand-tailored costumes—navy blue wool jacket for cool days and blue shantung colottes trimmed with powder blue and brown.

The experiment, explained the company, is designed to "iron out the problems of some of our 12,000 independent dealers, particularly those in defense areas, who have complained about the shortage of manpower due to the draft and defense and have suggested that girls be used."

Nazi Bomber Chased Away From Iceland

REYKJAVIK, Iceland, Aug. 20.—(AP)—A single German bomber flew low today over Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, and was chased out to sea immediately by fighter planes. It dropped no bombs.

Iceland is occupied by both United States and British troops. (This is the first such reported incident over strategic Iceland since President Roosevelt on July 7 announced that U. S. naval forces had occupied the far northern Atlantic island in agreement with Iceland and Great Britain.)

(Previously there had been somewhat regular nazi reconnaissance flights and occasional attacks. On Feb. 10 the German air force raided a British airport at Reykjavik.)

STILL SNARLING

Japan and Britain appear no nearer war in the Far East, but belligerent talk continues, and anything may happen any hour. Hope for the best but be braced for the worst. The NEWS-REVIEW will keep you posted.

Five Villages Retaken, Says Communiqué

Nazis Lunge Closer to Leningrad, However, and Hammer at Odessa

(By the Associated Press)
Masses of Russian tanks were reported by the Germans to be counter-attacking nazis lines on the lower Dnieper river front late today, while elsewhere on the 1,200-mile battle line a Russian counter-offensive was said to have recaptured five soviet villages.

The locale of the red army's counter-offensive, reported by the official soviet news agency Tass, was not disclosed except that it was in a "western direction"—possibly on the central front guarding Moscow.

The Germans said red tanks in large formations were attacking nazis troops storming up to the Dnieper river in an attempt to cover the retreat of sizeable red forces eastward across the river, Leningrad Ring Tightened.

Adolf Hitler's invasion armies have tightened the ring on Leningrad with another 50-mile advance, the Russians acknowledged today, driving to the Novorod region 100 miles south of the old czarist capital.

A red army bulletin also indicated that the Germans were beginning to use air-borne troops in the 60-day-old conflict, reporting that a number of transports loaded with light tanks and men had been shot down.

Coincidentally, British military experts predicted the Germans would make an unprecedented use of air-borne forces in an attempt to smash their way across the formidable barrier of the Dnieper river, in the southern Ukraine.

Authoritative London quarters said the Germans had avoided the mass use of parachutists, troop-carrying planes and gliders—such as they exploited in the battle of Crete—to await just such an emergency as the Dnieper crossing.

German military dispatches said the left wing of General von Dunderst's army, estimated at 1,500,000 men, was advancing against stiff resistance toward the great bend of the Dnieper river, site of the big industrial

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Reedsport Burglar Given 5-Year Term

The maximum sentence of five years in the state penitentiary was imposed here today on Joseph Duffey, 60, transient, who pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary not in a dwelling. Duffey was accused in the information on which his plea was entered of breaking into the Silver Moon cafe at Reedsport Sunday, District Attorney J. V. Long told the court that Duffey had had three felony convictions in Oregon and two in Washington prior to his arrest at Reedsport.

Imposition of sentence on Stanley Turnbow, 18, Bert Leyde, 20, both of Marshall, Wash., and Roy Logsdon, 19, Spokane, was postponed by Judge Carl E. Wimberly when the three youths pleaded guilty today to attempted burglary. They were accused of an attempt to force an entrance into a local meat market the night of Aug. 15. The court was told that the hitch-hiking youths were penniless and were endeavoring to procure food. They were released from custody in charge of their parents and permitted to return to their homes.

Toadstools Take Many Lives in Hungry France

VICHY, France, Aug. 20.—(AP)—Widespread cases of toadstool poisoning were reported today from the German-occupied zone of France, including 20 deaths in the past 48 hours.

The use of mushrooms as food has increased greatly throughout France as a result of efforts to supplement rationed foods.