

THE WEATHER

By U. S. Weather Bureau

Showers tonight and Saturday, cooler Saturday.

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GASOLINE RATIONS

Begun in the eastern states, they now loom for the western states as well. Watch NEWS-REVIEW news for announcement on the subject next week. And the new tax schedule is coming, too.

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\$1,000,000 PLYWOOD CO. TO BUILD HERE

Russians Flee from Blazing City of Tallinn Amid Rain of Destruction From Air, Gulf

Viipuri Also Set Afire As Reds Depart

Nazis Take Heavy Toll of Transports, War Craft; Dnieper Dam Destroyed

By the Associated Press
Adolf Hitler's invasion armies have captured the long-besieged city of Tallinn, capital of Estonia, the German high command announced today, and a violent naval battle was believed raging in the Gulf of Finland with the Germans attempting to smash a fleeing armada of soviet warships and troop transports.

The thunder of gunfire in the gulf was heard in Helsinki, 50 miles across the gulf from Tallinn, and Finnish fliers reported seeing many dozens of Russian ships steaming out of Tallinn and heading eastward last night.

German and Finnish fleets and warplanes were said to be attacking the Russians in their flight from the burning capital.

Finnish aerial observers also reported great fires reddened the skies last night over Viipuri, indicating that the Russians were destroying that Karelian capital 75 miles north of Leningrad. The flames were visible 32 miles away, the Finns said.

Besides the capture of Tallinn "after a hard fight," the German high command announced that nazt troops had seized the modern port of Paldiski, 20 miles west.

Great Dam Destroyed
Meanwhile, the Russians acknowledged another major setback—the fall of the great Ukraine city of Dnieperopetrovsk and destruction of the \$110,000,000 Dnieper dam.

The fall of Dnieperopetrovsk, cutting off the production of a large part of the soviet's cast

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

HOT spot in today's (Tuesday's) news:

Iran's government still asserts PUBLICLY it will fight the invading British and Russians.

PRIVATELY the police of Tehran (Iran capital) issue orders to 16 German businessmen to get out within two weeks.

RECALL here the Ankara rumor several days ago that Iran will put up for Hitler's benefit a good TALKING show of resistance but won't fight.

As these words are written, it sounds like a good inside tip.

THE British are striking swiftly (using air-borne troops in the German manner) along the railroad from the head of the Persian gulf to Teheran. They are also moving eastward from the Iraq border near Bagdad. Their field of operations takes in the entire Iranian oil area.

The Russians, using Cossack cavalry, are boiling down from the soviet boundary between the Black and the Caspian seas, following the railroad leading to Tabriz. They are said to have another army east of the Caspian, ready to move in if needed.

THE first British move was to seize the great Abadan oil refinery a few miles up from the mouth of the Tigris river where it flows into the Persian gulf.

This single refinery, the dispatches tell us, could produce

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Fuehrer, II Duce Stage Huddle On War Situation

BERLIN, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini concluded a secret five-day meeting on the eastern front today with the announcement that they aimed at removing the causes of war and developing cooperation for all the peoples of Europe, predicted on complete axis victory.

The communique disclosing the conference, which was attended by the highest military and political officials of both nations, said Hitler and Mussolini discussed "all political and military questions concerning the development and duration of the war."

It listed "destruction of the bolshevik danger and of plutocratic exploitation" as necessary to create the political, economic and cultural cooperation envisioned for Europe.

It was indicated that particular attention was paid to the duration of the war.

A statement from the fuhrer's headquarters said:

"The discussions were permeated with the unchangeable will of both peoples and their leaders to wage war to a victorious end."

Airplane Losses Even When RAF Hits at Germany

LONDON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—RAF daylight offensives against the German-held continent cost the British and Germans ten planes each today, an authoritative source reported.

(The Germans said the British lost but 6 planes in forays over the French and Belgian channel coasts this morning; that there were no German losses.)

Daylight operations against the French coast were started just after dawn by RAF raiders in a follow-up to night attacks on Duisburg and other targets in western Germany.

A small force of British bombers dropped explosives on docks at Ostend and at other points in German-occupied territory, the air ministry said.

Nine British planes were reported missing from night forays.

(Germans said 15 of 23 British planes attacking Rotterdam shipping during the night were destroyed and that six raiders over western Germany were shot down. In all, for a 24-hour period ended at 7 a. m. today, the British lost 30 aircraft, the Germans said.)

Only a few German planes were reported over England during the night, though some bombs were dropped in East Anglia causing a small number of casualties.

ROME, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The Italian high command announced today that fascist warships had sunk four British submarines in the Mediterranean and that some of the survivors, including the commander of one of the vessels, had been taken prisoners.

The war bulletin acknowledged that one Italian submarine had failed to return to base.

Myrtle Creek Officer Badly Injured in Fall

G. M. Dyer, deputy sheriff at Myrtle Creek, was in the hospital at Roseburg today suffering from fractures of both arms, fracture of the right hip and numerous severe bruises as a result of a fall late Thursday. Dyer was assisting in painting the roof of the manual training building at the Myrtle Creek school, when he slipped and fell to the ground. It was reported at the hospital that he was expected to recover.

Orient Issues Discussed At White House

Roosevelt Confers With Tokyo Envoy, But Gives Public No Information

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The man-to-man discussion of American-Japanese relations by President Roosevelt and Ambassador Nomura here today as a possible first step toward a sweeping review of all important points at issue between the two nations.

Bolstering this conclusion was an official announcement from Tokyo today that the message which Nomura delivered to the president yesterday outlined the "imperial government's attitude toward the Pacific situation."

The message, this announcement said, was delivered at the behest of Prince Konoye, Japanese premier, after a special cabinet meeting.

Roosevelt Evasive
Asked at his press conference today whether he was hopeful now that "war in the Pacific can be averted," Mr. Roosevelt smilingly dodged making a reply by branding the question too long and too broad.

He had no comment on his

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Aged Brother, Sister Die in Tree-Auto Crash

CHEHALIS, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Thayer Lamb, 67, of Milton, Wash., and his sister, Mrs. Bertha L. Bruce, about 70, of Ocean-side, Calif., were almost instantly killed on the Pacific highway six miles south of here at noon Thursday.

State patrolmen said Lamb apparently lost control of his car in heavy traffic and it crashed into a tree.

Father Follows Seven Sons Into Navy



The old expression "like father, like son" underwent a mild reversal when Floyd Pattern, 53, Ridgefield, Wash., was granted special dispensation for enlistment in the navy—for "Papa," the eighth Patton to sign up, joins seven sons already in the navy, all stationed on one battleship now in Honolulu. He's being examined by Dr. Roger Holcomb.

Super Supply Ministry For U. S. Created

Vice President Wallace Heads Supreme Board to Speed Arms Production

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, striving anew to step up arms production, concentrated the supreme control of all the nation's natural resources today in a seven-man board headed by Vice President Wallace.

This board—a super-ministry of supplies—was charged with the duty of deciding what proportion of the country's materials and productive power must go for military essentials, and what may be spared for civilian needs.

These decisions, perforce will result in some civilian hardships, the white house stated, but it reported that the office of production management was seeking to ease them as much as possible.

President Roosevelt issued an executive order last night creating the new body—the supply priorities and allocations board. In effect, it meant a reorganization of some of the existing defense machinery, and a limited re-shuffling of some key defense personnel.

There has been criticism in many quarters for some weeks over the progress of the arms production drive, over reported friction and duplicating functions existing in various defense agencies, and over the delays in allocating available raw materials to industry.

Whether the president's action would completely still the criticism was debatable, for a goodly portion of it has been accompanied by demands for the appointment of a one-man head for the arms effort, with the broad powers that Bernard M. Baruch wielded as chairman of the war

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Laval Faces Operation in Effort to Save His Life

PARIS, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Doctors decided to attempt an emergency operation on Pierre Laval late this afternoon to remove an assassin's bullet from just below his heart to save his life. Laval's sustained high temperature was attributed to possible infection, with a threat of peritonitis.

Vanishing Oil Supply Giving East Jitters

Enough on Hand for Only Few Days, Senators Told; West Due for Rationing

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Senator Maloney (D-Conn.) said today that numerous vital defense industries along the eastern seaboard "are terrified because they have only four or five days supply of bunker oil."

The chairman of the special senate committee investigating shortages of gasoline and petroleum products offered this comment as he questioned the wisdom of diverting so many American tankers to other than normal transportation of petroleum products to the eastern seaboard.

Maloney's comment came after Rear Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission, had testified that the shortages were "caused by a pseudo-gentleman by the name of Hitler and further caused by the laws of congress."

Maloney questioned this, saying that it had not been the intention of congress when it approved the lease-lend program and other defense measures to cause any severe hardships on industry or citizens.

"I'm not blaming congress," Land said, adding that congressional approval of the administration defense program forced certain burdens.

West Coast May Be Hit

The senators also learned that the Pacific coast soon may face the same curtailment of gasoline sales now effective along the eastern seaboard.

The warning that west coast motorists soon may be limited at gasoline filling stations came from Ralph K. Davies, acting petroleum coordinator, who filled both sessions of initial hearings yesterday with a long survey of the present situation.

Several of the five senators conducting the inquiry wanted to know why only motorists in the populous east had been asked to conserve gasoline. Some said that the entire country should share in national defense burdens.

Davies agreed but explained that officials had been more than busy trying to cut gasoline use in the east and that they planned a similar reduction of 15 per cent in supplies for retail outlets on the Pacific coast.

Davies explained that tankers which formerly served Washington, Oregon and other western states had been shifted to the Gulf of Mexico to help carry fuel

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Ex-Hotel Clerk Here Gets 5 Years For Money Theft

Glenn Davidson, 28, formerly of Bakersfield, Calif., was sentenced in circuit court here today to five years in the Oregon penitentiary after pleading guilty to a charge of larceny. Davidson, who had been employed as an assistant night clerk in the Grand hotel here, absconded with \$107 from the hotel safe and was returned from Fresno, Calif., where he was taken into custody. District Attorney J. V. Long told the court.

Long informed the court that Davidson was released May 25, 1941, after serving three years in San Quentin prison on a fictitious check charge, and had also served six months at Bakersfield for automobile theft. His record, the district attorney said, contained more than a dozen charges ranging from bad checks to automobile theft, but only two previous convictions were reported.

Leonard A. Fitzgerald, 43, Eugene, pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretenses, admitting giving a mortgage on non-existent personal property to secure a promissory note in the sum of \$300. He requested leniency on a promise to pay the obligation. Judge Carl E. Wimberly postponed sentence until Saturday.

Alleged Spy Of Nazis Jailed



Kurt Frederick Ludwig, 32, above, alleged spy arrested in Cle Elum, Wash., pleaded innocent to a federal indictment charging he mailed vital information about the U. S. army to Germany. Ludwig, an American citizen, is being held in Spokane in lieu of \$50,000 bond. Ludwig has spent most of his life in Germany, where his wife lives. He was arrested on a motor bus while allegedly attempting flight.

Strike Averted On Greyhound Lines

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—(AP)—A strike of 1,300 Pacific Greyhound bus line drivers in seven states was averted early today when negotiators reached agreement on all major issues.

Coming from the conference room where they had been attempting to reach an accord ahead of the strike deadline set for noon today, Gregory Harrison, company attorney, and Henry P. Melnikow of the Pacific coast labor bureau, jointly announced the agreement.

Melnikow said further conferences on working rules would be held with the agreement going Tuesday to a vote of the membership of the AFL Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America.

Safely past one strike deadline, 28 major San Francisco hotels operated normally today, but the operators expected a walkout by their 3,000 employees, possibly as early as tonight.

The time originally set for the strike was 9:25 o'clock last night, but it passed without anything happening.

A final effort by Mayor Rossi to continue negotiations failed last night when AFL union spokesmen walked out of a meeting in the mayor's office as the climax to a stormy verbal exchange.

Oregon Troops to Hold Over, With Exceptions

SALEM, Aug. 29.—(AP)—The war department officially notified Governor Sprague today that the Oregon national guard, which was inducted into federal service Sept. 15, 1940, would remain in the regular army another 18 months.

It added, however, that "individual members of the national guard will be released from time to time as the situation permits."

The guard's 249th coast artillery regiment is manning the Columbia river defenses at Fort Stevens, while the rest of the guardsmen are at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Roseburg Merchants to Discuss Trade Program

A meeting of Roseburg retail merchants will be held at the Umpqua hotel at 8 p. m. today, to discuss the program to be submitted by Harry Pinniger, secretary of the Roseburg chamber of commerce. Complete reorganization of the chamber of commerce committees and departments now is in progress, and it is planned to offer the retail merchants a proposal designed to stimulate trade in the Roseburg area.

Purchase of 600-Acre Tract Near City Airport Contracted For as Site of Operations

Mill and Residential Development on Large Scale Embraced in Plans of Prominent Group, Attracted By Abundance of Timber Adapted to Enterprise

Articles are being filed today with the state commissioner at Salem for the incorporation of a million dollar company which will engage in the manufacture of plywood at Roseburg. It was announced by Herald A. O'Neill of the legal firm of Flick, O'Neill and Stafford, Seattle. The articles of incorporation name Herald A. O'Neill, Robert McKeever and Oscar A. Wirkkala as the incorporators.

The corporation is being formed, Mr. O'Neill reports, by a number of men prominently identified with the lumber and logging industry for a number of years, and already has contracted purchase of a 600-acre site, immediately west of the Roseburg airport, where plans have been made for a large-scale mill and residential development.

The company, Mr. O'Neill announces, already has secured a large body of timber to be used as a backlog to supply its operation, and also will buy logs on the open market.

Plans for the development of the industrial site include the construction of a 75-acre log pond, pumping plant, pipe line and the clearing of sites for sawmills, and wood products manufacturing plants in addition to the plywood factory. Portions of the tract also are designated for development for residential purposes, particularly for the employees of the industries proposed to be located on the site.

Prominent Names Listed

Among persons, prominent in the industry, who will be members of the corporation, are Joseph G. Kennedy, president of the Northland Timber Co., Cub Creek Timber Co., and the Kennedy Investment Co.; John Bratnaber, president of the Bratnaber Co., one of the pioneer concerns in the logging and milling industry in the state of Washington; Oscar A. Wirkkala, inventor of the slack line system of logging, the Esco choker and bull hooks, now standard equipment in every logging camp; Mr. O'Neill, whose law firm has been closely connected with the timber industry, not only as legal counsel, but also as timber owner and operator; Robert McKeever, whose family has been associated with the timber industry for many years in states from Michigan to Washington, and R. L. Stitt, a leading income tax and accounting expert.

The selection of the Roseburg area as a site for plywood operations has been made after a long survey of timber trends in the Pacific northwest, Mr. O'Neill reports.

Local Timber Abundant
He points out that the Puget Sound and harbor areas have available less than two billion feet of timber per mill for the operation of 19 mills in the area, while the Roseburg area has

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The season opening at noon Sunday will close at sunset September 7. Special elk hunting licenses will be necessary for all hunters entering the area, and these licenses, it is stated, must be exhibited before a permit will be granted at checking stations.

All hunters must check in through stations established at Reston, Elkton, Melrose and Sutherland, Coquille, Melrose and Sutherland. Hunters also must check out at these same stations. An outgoing check will be required regardless of whether the hunter

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Fire Razes Lumber Plant at Seattle

SEATTLE, Aug. 29.—(AP)—Seattle and state fire officials were conducting an intensive investigation today into the origin of the \$370,000 fire which last night destroyed a large part of the Lumber Supply Co. and Blackstock Lumber company and resulted in injuries to three firemen.

Fire Chief William Fitzgerald described as "very mysterious" the cause of the fire, revealed a fire inspector had visited the lumber yard early yesterday and warned a company official to keep warehouse doors locked and suggested posting a night watchman. Several previous warnings have been given the company, Fitzgerald said.

SAN JOSE, Calif., Aug. 29.—(AP)—Three men were fatally burned and two others slightly injured when powdered magnesium burst into searing flames at a new \$12,000,000 magnesium plant at Monta Vista yesterday. The dead: Donald Bonafide, 26, Santa Clara; Meyer Galonov, 30, San Jose; Eugene McGlinchey, 44, Pleasanton.

FBI agents who made an investigation announced that sabotage was not involved.