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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office
Roseburg, Oregon.

Forecast for Roseburg and vi-
cinity: Clear and continued warm
tonight and Thursday.
Highest temp. for any Sept. 104
Lowest temp. for any Sept. 29
Highest temp. yesterday 83
Lowest temp. last night 53
Precipitation yesterday .0
Precipitation from Sept. 1 .40
Deficit from Sept. 1 .62
Deficit from Sept. 1, 1944 .62

In the Day's News

(Continued from page 1)

we have only the statement that
they have been amazingly small.

But in two days (last Thursday
and Friday) we sank or damaged
86 Jap ships of fair size, in addi-
tion to 17 small craft, and destroy-
ed 405 Jap planes. Our losses in
these two days were ONLY 11
PLANES, 10 pilots and five air-
crewmembers. There was NO LOSS
OR DAMAGE to ANY of our sur-
face ships.

That paints a picture of one-
sided victory.

EUROPEAN dispatches relate
that after breaking the Ger-
man ring around the captured
paratroopers at Arnhem the Brit-
ish began "consolidating their
bridgeheads" for a main push in-
to northern Germany.

That indicates the bridge at
Arnhem was destroyed. But the
upper branch of the Rhine there
is only a quarter of a mile wide,
as compared with the mile and
a half width at Nijmegen.

Getting over it will be a rela-
tively minor job. The British are
reported to be bringing up
"ducks" (amphibious trucks), but
it is not known at this hour
whether they have reached the
south bank of the river.

OF equal importance is the re-
port that the British have
strengthened the long, narrow
corridor, along raised roads
through flooded marshlands, by
which they reached the Rhine at
Nijmegen and Arnhem.

If the Germans had been able
to BREAK this corridor (they
put everything they had into try-
ing to break it), they could have
pinched off the Rhine crossings
and defeated our whole effort to
outflank the Siegfried line on the
north.

THERE is hard fighting all
along the German front to the
south of Arnhem. The Germans
are reported to be counter-attack-
ing with reckless disregard of
losses (which sounds like typical
Hitler leadership).

THE Russians have been and
still are busy liquidating the
Germans they had already cut
off and prevented from getting
back to Germany to fight on their
home soil. They are bringing up
their communications, reorganiz-
ing their armies, etc. Signs are
multiplying that they are about
ready to unleash the lightning
again.

East Prussia and Hungary are
the likely targets of their next
big drives.

THE back of German resistance
in Italy seems to have been
broken, and there is talk in the
dispatches that our next effort
there will be a swift drive to
get behind the German forces
and cut them off from retreat
into Germany by way of the
Brenner pass.

THE political war on the home
front has taken a new turn.
In his Saturday night speech,
FDR came down completely from
the high, remote, Olympian

REGISTER AND VOTE

By Charles V. Stanton

A great many political observers are of the opinion that the
vote in the forthcoming general election, November 7,
will be comparatively light, particularly in view of the fact
it is presidential year. At the last presidential election
roughly 50-million votes were cast—49,875,312 for those
who prefer exact figures.

In this connection the Coos Bay Times speaking of the
vote in 1940, declares:

The total number of citizens qualified to vote, if regis-
tered, was 79,863,451. Roughly, only five-eighths of those
entitled to vote did so, and this in spite of the fact that
1940 was a hot campaign year, with important domestic
and foreign issues in the limelight. By contrast, in the
bye-election year of 1942, only 28,000,000 plus voted. The
reason for this difference would make an interesting
study. The same importance is attached to the election
of 435 congressmen in 1942 as in any other year, and these
men, with the senate, had a great deal to do with the
war's progress. It seems that, unless there is some highly
controversial question before the people, with lots of dra-
matic interest, many citizens are inclined to feel that the
affairs of government are running too smoothly to merit
their attention. So why bother to vote?

The editorial writer of the Coos Bay Times has summed
up the situation neatly, but we wish he had added that too
many people just don't care.

There was a time when we Americans took our politics
seriously. We staged torchlight parades. We fought at the
polls. We used brewery trucks to round up voters and trans-
port them to voting booths. We held gigantic mass meet-
ings, where candidates kissed babies and passed out cigars,
never forgetting a round of drinks for "all the boys" at the
nearby saloon.

Perhaps the reason we have degenerated in our voting
habits is because of the feminine influence. In the "good old
days", when we killed as many voters in election brawls as
we do nowadays on the glorious Fourth of July, it was
strictly a male affair. But now that women have usurped
all male prerogatives, including barbershops and pants, we
are so lackadaisical that only five-eighths of our qualified
voters go to the polls in a banner year. Perhaps our elections
are too "sissy" to interest the voters.

Are we to become like bands of sheep who are led hither
and yon by bell wethers or herded about by barking dogs?
The trend seems in that direction.

We can never expect clean, representative government
when only five-eighths of our qualified population goes to
the polls in election years and only three-eighths in bye-
elections.

It seems that no amount of effort can arouse some people
to a sense of responsibility toward their duty as citizens.
This responsibility centers principally about the privilege
of franchise. No citizen is performing his true and full
duty as an American unless he goes to the polls at appointed
times and casts his ballot. A democracy cannot continue to
function properly unless it is representative of all the
people. Minority control is achieved only when the majority
opinion is not obtained.

In order to cast a vote we must observe preliminary reg-
istration. In the state of Oregon registration books will close
Oct. 7. Persons who fail to register prior to that date will
not be permitted to vote Nov. 7. Here in Douglas county a
great many people failed to cast ballots at either the primary
or general election in 1942. If you are one of those persons, it
is quite likely your name has been removed from the registra-
tion list, as it is the duty of the county clerk to purge from
rolls the names of voters who do not exercise their right of
franchise within a period of two years. Others who should
register are persons who have reached voting age and who
have not previously registered; those who have moved from
one voting precinct to another and women who have changed
their name through marriage.

Don't fail in this important duty. Register at once and
then be a voting citizen Nov. 7.

heights upon which he has been
sitting as the commander-in-chief
who doesn't want the office and
is only willing to serve a fourth
term if it is crowded upon him.

His speech was WHOLLY po-
litical. He branded the republican
campaign as "fraud and false-
hood" and asserted that his op-
ponents are copying the propa-
ganda methods of European fas-
cists.

It was a good old hard-slogging
campaign effort.

WHAT that means, in political
parlance, is that he realizes
that for the first time in his
career he has an opponent who
can't be laughed off.

BACK of all the smoke and tury
of the campaign from here on
out will be the big issue of one-
man government. All others are
mere side issues.

CONTINUED one-man govern-
ment will change our whole
American way of life not all at
once, nor over night, but in the
GRADUAL way that is PERMA-
NENT.

Beside this great issue, all
others are DWARFED.

ONLY a democrat could bring
about this fundamental change
in our institutions, because the
whole enterprise rests on the
foundation of the solid, politically-
frozen South which votes ac-
cording to tradition and not ac-
cording to its present convictions.
The normal American tendency
to want CHANGE every so often
would defeat any republican who
tried it. Only the backlog of po-
litically-frozen southern votes
makes it possible.

The Quaint, Nazi Sense of Humor



Ask Andrews Death Penalty



(NEA Telephone)
Mrs. Frances Andrews (center), 37-year-old Carmel Valley socialite, flanked by her husband, Frank Andrews, and Police Matron Alice Langley, leaves Salinas, Calif., jail to face trial for murder of 19-year-old Oklahoma farm boy, Jay Lovett. The state will demand death penalty.

Feted at PAC Sendoff



Capt. Hugh Mulzine, left, above, Negro commander of a merchant ship, and Ferdinand Smith, secretary of the National Maritime Union, are pictured at a banquet in New York where government officials, labor leaders and representatives of business interests gave Smith a sendoff in his national tour, sponsored by the Political Action Committee, in support of the Roosevelt-Truman ticket. The New York World-Telegram recently asserted that Smith is an alien Communist.

Leith F. Abbott Joins

Portland Radio Station

Leith F. Abbott, advertising
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will become director of publicity
and public relations for radio sta-
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