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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon.

Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday with night and morning fogs.

Highest temp. for any Nov. 76; Lowest temp. for any Nov. 42; Highest temp. yesterday 42; Lowest temp. last night 35; Precipitation yesterday 1.274; Precipitation from Nov. 1 to 26 Deficit from Nov. 1 1.95; Deficit from Sept. 1, 1943 1.95

In the Day's News

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The Germans are said to be preparing to defend the city from house to house, as they did Aachen.

East of the city's fortress ring, his tanks and infantry move forward on a 15-mile front and his advance mechanized patrols are reported to have crossed the German border.

FAR to the south, up against the Swiss mountain border, the French are only five miles from the fortress of Belfort, which guards the Belfort gap between the Vosges mountains and the Jura Alps.

EVERY GERMAN GATE on the west is under attack.

IN front line dispatches, we get growingly detailed reports of Eisenhower's really VAST strength.

It is disclosed that he has a FIGHTING force of a million and a quarter men, with an equal number in reserve. The German lines are believed to be held by less than a half million, spread over a 400-mile front.

(Before jumping to the conclusion that with such superiority of numbers on our side it's as good as in the bag, remember that it takes more men to attack than to defend.)

IF you want to help, PRAY FOR GOOD WEATHER. With reasonably good weather, we MIGHT be able to smash the Germans with this mighty blow.

THERE is still little news from the east, but it looks like the Russians are moving to outflank Budapest to the north. If they succeed, Vienna will be their next objective. THEN up the valley of the Danube into Germany (if all goes well).

THERE is a possibly significant little note in the news. Allied "informants" say the Germans are erecting "mysterious structures" in the mountains of central Norway, possibly as bases for secret weapons.

That recalls to us the mysterious platforms of heavy concrete found by us when we took Cherbourg. They were roughly a block square and 30 to 40 feet in depth. They contained, people who looked them over said, as much concrete as Bonnevillle dam.

Whatever they were intended for, the nazis must have set a lot of store by them to put that much effort and materials into foundations.

THESE what-ifs in Cherbourg were taken by us before they could be used. Maybe they're being reproduced in Norway.

OUR thoughts recur instantly to the W-weapons (robots and their successors). The robots are persistently pooh-poohed in most of the news reports, but we can't laugh off the damage done to London by the buzzbombs.

It's quite possible that the robot menace is one of the reasons for our mighty thrust at Germany's western gates here at

REALISTIC THINKING NEEDED

By Charles V. Stanton

SPECULATION is still rife concerning the withdrawal of General Stillwell from China. The fact that such strict censorship has been thrown around the event obviously encourages cogitation. Being of a naturally suspicious nature, our consideration leads us to the belief we have sold out Nationalist China as the price for Russia's expected participation in the war against Japan.

We base this opinion upon the about-face made by our propagandists. A few months ago we were portraying Chiang Kai-Shek as the saviour of China. We extolled his able leadership and military genius. Now the American public is being told the generalissimo has bungled military strategy, is incapable of uniting his nation, and has not been cooperative with the allied powers.

China, it must be remembered, is divided into two camps and has been waging civil war at the same time it resisted Japanese occupation. Chiang is leader of the Nationalist forces and has strongly resisted communism. The North China army, a communist organization, has taken little part in the war against Japan.

Returning for the moment to the subject of propaganda, we are reading of the strength of Russia's Siberian army, the Red force which guards the Manchurian border. Releases from Russia tell of propaganda spread throughout the Soviet, recalling the history of the Russo-Japanese war and the capture of Port Arthur.

Speculating on these conditions, we are of the opinion that the allied powers have reached a bargain with Stalin whereby ground action in China is to be taken over by the Russians cooperating with China's northern communistic army.

Chiang and his nationalist forces will, if our guess is correct, receive only token support from the allied powers, or, possibly, may be ignored entirely if and when the Russians once enter the war against the Japanese.

We have seen such a switch in support happen once before. In the early part of the war, support from the United States was given Mihailovich, anti-communist Yugoslavian guerrilla leader, but Russia insisted upon recognition of Tito's communist forces, against whom Mihailovich contended, and the United States complied with Russian demands.

Russia's entrance into the Japanese war, striking through Manchuria and joining up with the Chinese northern army to chase the Japs out of China, would be of the greatest military aid to the allied powers fighting in the Pacific. The Jap flank is dangerously exposed to the Russians, while the U. S. forces would find it extremely difficult to establish and maintain operating bases on the China coast. The bargain, upon which we are speculating would greatly speed victory in the Pacific. To speed the day when the Japanese will be completely crushed, the sacrifice of Chiang may be fully justified.

We are not airing our personal speculation for the purpose of creating a Red scare. But, omitting political implications, we are debating the postwar effect of the suggested alliance, which, if arranged, probably was worked out at the Quebec conference and at the more recent meeting between Churchill and Stalin.

England will emerge from this war stronger than ever before. She will retain her great empire and will have domination of trade, for her former competitors, Germany, France, Italy, Czechoslovakia and others, have been so completely weakened by war that it will take them many years to get back into world trade in serious competition with the British empire.

Russia will gain political strength. Greece, the Balkans, probably Italy, France and Norway, will ally themselves politically with Russia rather than England. Russia apparently plans to seize Poland and the Baltic states. If she also takes over political control of China, Russia will dominate Europe and Asia.

So far, about the only thing the United States stands to gain out of the war is a huge national debt, an extravagant lend-lease orgy, and hundreds of thousands of casualties. It is time we were indulging in a little realistic thinking along with our great idealism.

the beginning of winter.

THE Jap radio at Manila is exhorting the little yellow men at Ormoc to death-defying efforts, and says the FATE OF THE EMPIRE hangs on the battle there.

Meanwhile interesting hints come from Washington. An official navy report, just out, says that while our victory over the Japs in the naval battles of the Philippines may turn out to be one of the DECISIVE battles of modern times, it DIDN'T break up the Jap communications with Leyte, where they are still landing reinforcements and supplies—largely from nearby islands.

There are suggestions that we may have to make a landing on Luzon.

MEANWHILE the Japs move inward into China, strengthening the suspicion that complete conquest of the Chinese before we can get there to help may be their present major objective. They're grandiose little devils, and they may have it in mind to set up a new empire on the Asiatic continent in lieu of the island empire they are certain to lose sooner or later.

THIS question is an interesting one: How will realistic, all-for-Russia Stalin look upon such a continental empire at his EASTERN BORDERS? Maybe that's why he's talking suddenly about JAP AGGRESSION.

LETTERS to the Editor

SUGGESTS RAILWAY CARS FOR BLOOD DONORS' USE

Editor News-Review: As a former resident of Roseburg I still look on the News-Review as my home town paper, so am writing to make a suggestion of possible interest to your readers. I have noticed lately that the call for blood donations has become more urgent and am wondering if some kind of arrangement could be made to convert a number of railroad sleeping cars or diners into travelling collection units. With the necessary refrigeration installed to make storage possible and staffed by competent Red Cross workers, these cars could be attached to any regular train to be sidetracked on a pre-arranged schedule at the numerous small centers of population where collection has been impossible previously.

Millions of pints of the best blood could thus be made available. I feel sure that the citizens of smaller communities would be proud to have the opportunity to be of service to our fighting boys.

ROBERT CLUSE, Nelson, B. C.

Alcohol Orator Dated PORTLAND, Nov. 21—(AP)—The first woman member of "alcoholics anonymous"—Mrs. Mary Mann, ex-Chicago debutante—will speak at the Pacific coast alcohol study conference here Nov. 27 to Dec. 1. The Oregon liquor control commission is sponsoring the conference.

KRRR Mutual Broadcasting System, 1490 Kilocycles.

BEST BETS FOR TODAY TUESDAY 6:30—Music You Remember. 7:30—"Something for the Girls." 7:45—Songs of Good Cheer. 8:15—A Date with Annaloris. 8:30—Freedom of Opportunity. 10:00—Count of Monte Cristo. WEDNESDAY 8:30—Give-Away Jamboree. 10:00—Newspaper of the Air. 10:30—Luncheon With Lopez. 2:15—Music. 6:00—Gabriel Heatter. 6:30—The Cisco Kid. 8:00—Main Line. 8:30—Bulldog Drummond. 9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY 6:30—Music You Remember, Douglas Supply Co. 6:45—The Male Quartet, G. W. Young. 7:00—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co. 7:05—Musical Interlude. 7:15—Lowell Thomas, Standard Oil Co. 7:30—Something for the Girls. 7:45—Songs of Good Cheer, Coppo. 8:00—Serenade Serenade. 8:15—A Date With Annaloris. 8:30—Freedom of Opportunity, Mutual Benefit, Health & Accident Assn. of Omaha. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—Rex Miller, Wildroot. 9:30—Bob Crosby's Orchestra. 9:45—Music for the Night. 10:00—Count of Monte Cristo, Peralta Wine. 10:30—Sign off. 4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co. 4:15—Tune Tabloid. 4:30—Music and Lyrics. 4:45—Music Off the Record. 5:00—Good News Program, Assembly of God Church. 5:15—Superman. 5:30—Tom Mix, Ralston's Purina. 5:45—Night News Wire, Student. 6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Forhan's Toothpaste. 6:15—Screen Test, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 6:45—Yawn Patrol. 6:55—Schricker Auction. 7:00—News, J. A. Foler Co. 7:15—Rise and Shine, Smith Brothers. 7:30—State and Local News, Bering Optical. 7:35—Judd Furniture Store. 7:40—Rhapsody in Wax. 8:00—Dr. Louis Talbot, Los Angeles Bible Institute (ABC). 8:30—Give-Away Jamboree, Fisher Flouring Mills. 8:45—Easy Listening. 9:00—Sidney Mosley, News. 9:15—Man Abot Town. 9:30—Hasten the Day.

R. H. S. Coach Summons Basketball Aspirants All aspirants for basketball are being notified by Coach Mel Ingram at Roseburg Senior High school to turn out for practice, starting next week. The football season was concluded with the game against Reedsport high last Friday and all equipment is being stored for use for next season. Ingram states he has not yet determined the basketball outlook. All interested boys are to be given an opportunity to try out for the team, and the field will be narrowed after a series of workouts.

Women's Missionary Council to Be Formed A meeting of women will be held at the Assembly of God church at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday, at which time Rev. Wm. C. Ross will aid in formation of a Women's Missionary Council. The program of the council, Mr. Ross states, will include devotions, practical work, and assistance in supplying missionaries in home and foreign fields.

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News of 4-H CLUBS

Maxine Wright of Days Creek has been awarded a scholarship to the 1945 summer school at Corvallis as a result of winning the championship in Division IV of canning at the state exhibit held in Portland, Oct. 9 to 13. Other exhibitors to receive cash awards on their exhibits at Portland were Wyllys Inley, Colleen Moore, Lila Meredith, Barbara Townsend, Betty Lou Weseman and Joanne Brant.

Enrollment for seven clubs in the Reedsport area were received this last week. Mrs. A. Burling will lead a Clothing I club of 15 members. Joan Hedges is president, Patsy Kelly vice-president, and Muriel Cornwell secretary.

Mrs. Alice Knutsen will lead two clothing clubs, a division I club having nine members with Myrna Hagerty president, Norma Nichols vice-president and Ila Brown secretary. The division III club has Shirley Barnhardt as president, Mary Anderson vice-president and Ruth Miller secretary.

Clara Hathaway is leading a group of girls in a clothing club, most of them are from Winchester bay. Lucia Warren is president, Roberta Moen, vice-president and Shirley St. Onge secretary. Bonnie Burling of Reedsport is leader for the girls taking division II clothing. She has nine girls in the club. Mary Vian is president, Donna Wheeler vice-president and Jerry Morey secretary. Billie Jane Richards is leader for 15 members of a Cooking I club. Betty Burling is president. Rita Warren vice-president and Sharon Bates secretary.

The Reedsport Parent-Teachers association is sponsoring the 4-H program in the Reedsport area and are locating the leaders for the various clubs. Kenneth C. Minnick, county club agent met with the P. T. A. group Nov. 14 and discussed 4-H club work. Two reels of moving pictures were shown after the regular business meeting.

Mrs. Oliva Blondell, teacher in the Smith River grade school, sent in an enrollment for 20 members organized into a health club. Mary Elizabeth Roberts is president. Mary Ellen Andrews vice-president and Janice Roberts, secretary. The group is also planning to organize clothing, cooking and woodworking clubs.

Lawrence Chestnut, principal of Elkton grade school, organized a marketing club in his eighth grade room the past week. The twelve members elected Ship-

Logging Congress Meet Shifted to Seaside PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 21—(AP)—The 1945 meeting of the Pacific Logging congress, originally scheduled for Portland Jan. 10, 11 and 12, has been shifted to Seaside, Ore., A. Wisnant, secretary, announced here today. There will be no change in dates. The meeting, which will bring together approximately 1,000 logging superintendents and engineers of the western states and British Columbia, was transferred after a request that large meetings be not held in congested production areas on the west coast until after the war.

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What S. P. train whistles mean. We haven't room to explain all the whistles, but here are the commonest ones. The "o" stands for a short sound, the dash means a longer sound. Warning whistle when train is approaching a highway crossing. When train is running, this means it will stop at next station, which is not a regular stop. If train is standing still, this signal warns that it is about to back up. One long whistle is sounded a mile before train reaches stations, railroad crossings, drawbridges, etc. Signal for brakeman to protect rear of train. He must go down the track with necessary flagman's signals. Signal for brakeman to protect front of train. This signal orders brakeman to return from the west. This signal recalls brakeman from the east. This tells other trains that a second section is following. This is the engineer's answer to most signals from other trains. A succession of short sounds is a warning to persons or livestock on the track. S. P. The friendly Southern Pacific