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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office, Roseburg, Oregon. Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday.

In the Day's News

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hour of freedom has struck? The Nazi governor of Bavaria, General von Epp, is said to have split with his Nazi fellow gangsters and decided to break off the fight as "senseless."

Die-hard Nazi propagandists rush to the microphones elsewhere in what little of Germany remains to them to brand the Munich broadcast a "fake," by criminals, traitors and swindlers.

We capture General Kurt Dittmar, one of the best known of the Nazi radio commentators (he seems to have come into our lines and surrendered, hoping to save his own skin).

He says Hitler is in Berlin, and will die there, adding that when Hitler dies it will all be over—that nothing will be left to hold the Nazis together.

He says the Bavarian redoubt is a myth; that it is poorly defended and will fall quickly. Maybe. Nobody can believe a Nazi. But there is probably a lot of bumcombe about this Nazi hide-out.

GERMANY is obviously disintegrating.

The German people are acting in all kinds of ways, as people do in terrible emergencies. Human nature there is down to the raw.

Everywhere, though, there is terror of the Russians. It seems fairly certain that the Nazi propagandists have overdone their Russian bogey man line. They have convinced even the German army that Russia can't be beaten.

Whole German military units run in terror from the advancing Russians.

GERMAN propagandists insist Hitler is still in Berlin. A Swedish report says he is holed up in a subterranean headquarters deep under the Berlin zoo. Keep your fingers crossed as to Hitler. He is crazy enough to do anything.

OUR men say the Russians they have seen in action at the linkup point are much like us and the British, and offers instances to prove it.

A German workman complained to a Russian officer about his foreman and wanted him shot immediately. The Russian calmed him down and answered: "There will have to be a lot of investigating before there is any shooting."

Our men's impressions of the Russian troops are favorable in the extreme. They seem to be the kind of people we can get along with. One GI says: "They shake hands with their right hands and offer you everything they have with their left hands."

THE conclusion is obvious that the end is nearing in Germany. There will be scattered resistance or a greater or less scale by Nazi fanatics, but the big fighting is about over.

Cleaning up the mess is another story. That is just beginning.

FROM the Pacific, we get the first reports of the new Jap secret weapon.

It is a 29-foot-wing flying bomb released from a mother plane in the air and guided to its target (if not shot down first) by a SUICIDE PILOT.

It was first used against our ships on April 12. We are given no reports as to its effectiveness, but our GIs have dubbed it the "fool bomb," indicating that it isn't too good.

NOTE again the Jap suicide complex. History offers no record of wars won by committing suicide.

COLUMBIA AUTHORITY

By Charles V. Stanton

A recent issue of the Daily Journal of Commerce, published at Portland, Ore., contained a brief statement by Dr. Paul J. Raver, Bonneville power administrator, concerning organization of the proposed Columbia Valley Authority. We anticipate eventual formation of some authority, for, regardless of whether or not we believe in federal invasion of the hydroelectric field, the fact remains that we DO have public power; that there will be extensive public expansion in hydroelectric development, irrigation and reclamation. Because we have and will continue to have such developments, there must be some effective and efficient method of control. But, in our opinion, any organization should be definitely limited and should be kept confined strictly to its own field and certainly should be restrained from assuming any political powers.

Dr. Raver, however, as we interpret his statement, would extend the Columbia River Authority into a range of activities widely separated from power, irrigation and reclamation.

As quoted by the Daily Journal of Commerce, he says: The proposed Columbia Valley Authority offers the first real opportunity in this region to reverse the trend toward centralization of government control in Washington, D. C. An authority bill can do two important things in this direction.

It can put control on a regional basis with representation from the area concerned, and it can bring integration and harmony into the planning and programming of existing agencies and bureaus for the development of resources of the entire region.

Existing government agencies, such as the Bureau of Reclamation, the Army Engineers and the Forest Service, have an important place in the development of the region and should not be destroyed.

The tremendous potential volume of energy of the Columbia river should be harnessed for all it is worth and used to replace exhaustible forest, oil and coal resources.

The problems and planning involved in the fullest possible development of our Northwest resources are so complex that to let five or six bureaus handle it without coordination is not only inefficient government, it is ineffective government.

The main requirement is the setting up of a new agency responsible not only to Congress but to the people—an agency with power to control the timing and the planning of the program and to integrate the budget. In that way the finger of responsibility can be put in one place.

Although Dr. Raver states that the Bureau of Reclamation, the Army Engineers and the Forest Service should not be destroyed, we interpret his statement to indicate that he proposes they be brought under control of the Columbia Valley Authority as the central, coordinating unit.

Proposals for the Columbia River Authority provide that its jurisdiction would include ALL of the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, even though not all of those states are within the Columbia basin. The Umpqua valley would be brought under its control.

The Columbia River Authority would operate under the Department of Interior which for many years has been anxious to wrest the Forest Service from the Department of Agriculture. Numerous approaches to this desire have been attempted. The proposed Columbia River Authority apparently is to be a new endeavor to transfer our Pacific Northwest forest resources from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of the Interior.

The industrial future of Douglas county rests on the success of the Forest Service and the O. and C. Administration in enforcing their policies of sustained yield. The O. and C. administration operates under the Department of the Interior and there can be no criticism of the policy exhibited to date. But, on the other hand, we remember the department's acquisition of the Jackson Hole memorial by executive decree in defiance of Congress; the annexation of the addition to Olympic National park; the continued—and continuing—efforts of the National Park service to annex Diamond Lake.

The proposed Columbia River Authority could, unless very definitely limited, develop into a Pacific Northwest political kingdom ruled by the Department of the Interior. We do not believe the extensive authority apparently being sought for the Columbia River Authority is either necessary or desirable.

Restricted Diet for German Civilians Looms

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, April 28—(AP)—The new American 15th army will take over occupation of the U. S. section of Germany, it was indicated today.

Military government officers at the headquarters of the 15th commander, Lt. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, asserted there would be no pampering of Germans by occupation forces.

German civilians will be allowed a diet one-third as bountiful as that of the American soldier and only slightly more than half as generous as the standard set for liberated Europe.

"Food from allied sources will be brought to Germany to feed displaced persons only after German resources have been exploited fully," one officer said.

DIAL-LOG

We still haven't heard The Better Half, scheduled for 6:30 tonight. Either it gets canceled when we are all prepared to listen, or it's on and we aren't home; but this is the night we're really going to try to hear it. Lone Ranger at 7:30. Here Comes the Band at 8. Michael Shane at 8:30, and Newspaper of the Air at 9—pretty good line-up, isn't it? Tonight's edition of the Sherlock Holmes series marks the 104th consecutive broadcast of this show. Their anniversary production will be "The Abait of the Unfortunate Tobacconist," with

It Would Make Some Sense



Achiu Victor Over Grey Mask; Katonen Defeats Johnson

In an aggregate total of 23 minutes, 38 seconds of wrestling, plus the usual tactics outside the book of rules—"Sneeze" Achiu, the clever Chinese grappler with an educated pair of powerful legs, conquered the Grey Mask in the headliner of the weekly mat program at the Roseburg armory last Saturday night. The victory in the hectic combat was wildly acclaimed by a throng of approximately 700, the largest thus far to attend any of the cards.

Beavers Beaten Twice But Retain League Lead

(By the Associated Press) The Seattle Rainiers were crowded by the San Diego Padres for second place in the Pacific Coast league pennant race today as the Portland Beavers maintained their 2-game lead advantage. The Padres climbed to within half a game of Seattle in taking their series with San Francisco, 5 games to 2.

Trucked Gasoline Goes On Rampage in Montana

HAVRE, Mont., April 28.—(AP)—A card holders can sit back and cry at this one. A trailer with 3,000 gallons of gasoline overturned in eastern Montana. Later in the day a 4,000 tanker lurched into a ditch after an occlusion near here.

Former U. S. Official

- HORIZONTAL 1.6 Pictured newly resigned head of U. S. War Mobilization Board 12 Rub cut 13 Antenna 14 Greek letter 15 Paths 17 Observe 18 Belongs to it 20 Dropped over 21 Number 22 Fur animal 25 Lower extremities 27 Born 28 Boat paddle 29 Symbol for radium 30 Rupees (ab) 31 Offer 32 Encountered 34 War god 35 Metal scoria 37 Winklike part 38 Golf teachers 42 Fandle 44 Simbad's bird 45 One who nesters 47 Compass point 48 Closer 50 He was formerly an associate justice of the U. S. Supreme 52 Type of fur 53 Surchet

Horse Racing at Detroit Ruled Outside the Law

DETROIT, April 28—(AP)—Circuit Judge Guy A. Miller ruled horse racing at the Detroit fair grounds unconstitutional today and a fight before the state supreme court was immediately assured.

New County Fair Board For Douglas Appointed

Appointment of a new Douglas county fair board, including Lloyd Pinkston, Oakland; Sig Felt and H. O. Pargeter, Roseburg, was announced this morning by County Judge D. N. Busenbark. The new board will begin functioning at once.

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Mussolini's Aide Shot. LONDON, April 28—(AP)—Roberto Farinacci, Mussolini's delegate to the German command in Italy, has been tried and shot by partisans, the Milan radio announced tonight.

Returns Home — Mrs. L. L. Stone of Idleyid, who recently underwent an operation at the Mercy hospital, returned to her home today. Mr. Stone has been staying meanwhile at the Rose hotel.

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