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Weather
Mostly cloudy with scat-
tered showers today, clearing
tonight. Thursday fair and
warmer. Max. temp. Tues.
63, Min. 52. South wind. Riv-
er .7 foot. Rain .85 inch.
Cloudy.

United Air Ready for Local Stop

Election Fund Grows; Paving to Start Soon

United Air Lines is prepared to serve Salem and Eugene as soon as a permit is issued by the civil aeronautics authority and their landing fields are put in shape for use by 12-ton Mainliners, Dist. Traffic Manager W. R. Thigpen of United announced Tuesday. Both cities are to be scheduled as regular stops on the Pacific coast route.

Thigpen said United had filed a brief with the civil aeronautics board at Washington, DC, supporting the report made by the CAA examiner recently recommending inclusion of Salem, Eugene and Bellingham, Wash., in the coast flight schedules. The company, he said, is hoping for an early and favorable decision by the board.

Sixteen coast cities over the 1344-mile route from San Diego, Calif., to Vancouver, B.C., will be brought within direct access by air if the service is instituted here. Direct connections with 250 cities in the 48 states and with international lines to Europe, South America and the Orient also would then become available here, according to Thigpen.

Salem's airport election fund by Tuesday night had reached \$815, a sum possibly sufficient to finance the election which is to determine whether \$75,000 is to be raised by bond issue for expansion and improvement of the municipal flying field. However, citizens who are enthusiastic over the project were planning to circulate subscription blanks throughout the remainder of the week in order to raise \$1000, the estimated maximum cost of holding the election.

Construction of an administration building and hangars and purchase of additional property so that runways could be extended to 5000 feet in length is the purpose of the proposed bond issue. The federal government is spending approximately \$600,000 on the airport. Possible selection of the Salem airport as an army base is one of the factors in the present planning.

Paving of the new runway at the Salem airport probably will get under way next week, J. H. Koeffe, resident civil aeronautics authority engineer, announced here Tuesday.

The surfacing will be done by (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Marion USO Quota Hits Half Mark

With over half the Marion county quota of \$5000 raised for the United Service organizations, additional plans to carry on the drive throughout the city were made at a luncheon Tuesday at the Marion hotel, according to Mrs. Bertha Ray, secretary.

Chairmen of groups assisting with the work include Elmer Church, 50-50 club; Harry Brown, Lions; J. B. Felton, Active; Ray Yeoman, Rotary; Ray J. Stumbo, Hollywood Lions; Leo M. Childs, Realtors; Dr. J. E. Burton, Junior chamber of commerce; and C. F. Lather, Willamette university. The auxiliary to the VFW is helping in the residential area.

Included in the \$847.85 contributed from rural areas is \$51.70 from Gervais and \$26.25 from Hayesville, both of which exceeded their quota. From the (Turn to Page 2, Col. 3)

Naming Coordinator For County Delayed

Appointment of a coordinator for the Marion county defense council cannot be announced until one man concerned has returned to the city, Douglas McKay, chairman of the council, said Tuesday night.

The individual concerned is expected to be back in Salem before the weekend, he said. McKay had previously anticipated naming the coordinator early this week.

Our
Senators
Rained Out

Reds Fire-Bomb Nazi-Occupied Cities

Parties Hunt Missing Girl In Thickets

Searching parties of state police, men from the nearby veterans' camp and residents of the area continued Tuesday their unsuccessful search for 10-year-old Betty McCullough, missing since Sunday morning from her home in the Silver Falls area.

Waist high brush and dense growths of fern require a foot-by-foot investigation for thorough search, police declared as they beat the brush and checked on rumors, none of which had proved founded late Tuesday night.

Bulletin

Russians Bomb Finn Capital

Helsinki Feels Shock of Explosives; Japan Next Move Awaited

HELSINKI, Finland, June 25 (Wednesday) —(AP)—Soviet Russian warplanes raided Helsinki at 7:30 a.m. today.

Sirens sounded the air alarm and about 10 minutes later Helsinki observers counted nine bombers flying high eastward from Hangoo.

There was a violent burst of anti-aircraft fire and shells seemed to surround the planes, followed by heavy, earthy explosions from East Helsinki.

The Finns showed no signs of panic. While many ran into shelter, the streets were crowded with spectators shading their eyes to watch the warbirds in the cloudless sky.

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Blast Fatal To Four in Coal Mine

DRUMHELLER, Alta., June 24 (CP)—A terrific explosion in the North American Collieries mine at East Coulee, 16 miles east of Drumheller, entombed three miners Tuesday night, and a rescue worker going to their aid died shortly after from monoxide poisoning.

Officials expressed little hope the men would be rescued alive, although rescue squads pledged themselves to toil throughout the night until they are found.

The rescue worker collapsed from gas after penetrating 70 feet into the mine, and died after being brought to the surface. Artificial respiration for an hour and a half failed to revive him.

The initial explosion occurred at 6 p. m. As far as officials know, only the three trapped men were working in the mine, which is just being developed.

The three men are entombed by a mass of debris brought down by the blast.

Men were called from all mines in the Drumheller and East Coulee areas. At least 36 men were formed into various rescue squads, taking turns of 20 minutes each, in trying to reach the entombed men.

Cause of the explosion was not immediately learned.

Garlic Theft Fine Strong

PORTLAND, June 24 (AP)—Garlic was strong in temptation as well as in other qualities and George P. Soley, 47, and Mark Burton, 42, pleaded guilty Monday to theft of 39 pounds of H. Municipal Judge Julius Cohn fined each \$25.

More Skill Work Classes Formed Here

Three daily classes in electric arc and oxy-acetylene welding, intended to help build up a supply of manpower to be needed soon by Portland shipbuilders, have been added to the courses offered at the national defense training school maintained by the Salem high school vocational department, Frank G. Ferris, defense training officer at the Salem office of the state employment service, announced Tuesday.

Ferris' office Tuesday sent 13 more young men to Seattle for placement in the Boeing Air-

Soft Coal Strike Is Seen Soon

House Speeding Bill to Handle New Walkouts

By The Associated Press
The threat of another soft coal shutdown was seen Tuesday when the united mine workers policy committee voted in Washington to stop work at the Southern Appalachian mines after July 7 unless a two-year contract is signed by that time between the union and the southern operators.

The decision was reached after a two-hour conference between union and company representatives had failed to bring a new wage agreement.

Before this new threat to the defense program arose, democratic leaders of the house of representatives accorded right-of-way to legislation which would cloak President Roosevelt with broad powers to handle strikes or other work stoppages in defense industries.

Speaker Rayburn (D-Tex.), in announcing that the legislation would be given preference, said this would result in sidetracking the Vinson bill calling for cooling-off periods before strikes could be called in plants producing munitions.

Under the measure given right-of-way, the president would be authorized to use troops to protect workers desiring to comply with a presidential order to go back to their jobs. Persons attempting to prevent workers from accepting or keeping defense jobs, or from going back and forth to work, would be subject to five years imprisonment or fines of \$10,000.

This grant of power to deal with work stoppages is contained in a bill deferring from the draft all men who reach the age of 28 on July 1. The measure also would permit the government to take over plants whose owners refused to use federal mediation or conciliation agencies to settle strikes. It was approved by the house military committee last week.

The senate has passed similar legislation granting draft deferment to men of 28 and older. Attached to it was a proviso empowering the government to seize defense plants in cases where mediation failed to settle strikes. It did not. (Turn to Page 2, Col. 5)

People Back Keep Oregon Green Week

Enthusiastic response from every part of Oregon is meeting efforts to organize the state for Governor Sprague's "Keep Oregon Green week," June 30 to July 6, according to Edmund Hayes, chairman of the executive committee of the Keep Oregon Green association.

John E. Woods, executive secretary of the association, in Salem Tuesday in connection with the movement to perfect organization throughout the state, announced that local headquarters for the enrollment of members would be set up soon.

"Heartily encouragement is being extended to our workers everywhere," said Woods who is directing a staff of forestry college students covering the state in the interests of the special week.

"Oregonians generally express the belief that forest fire prevention is even more important than ever this year, since forest defense is a vital part of national defense.

Russ Adept at Anti-Tank War

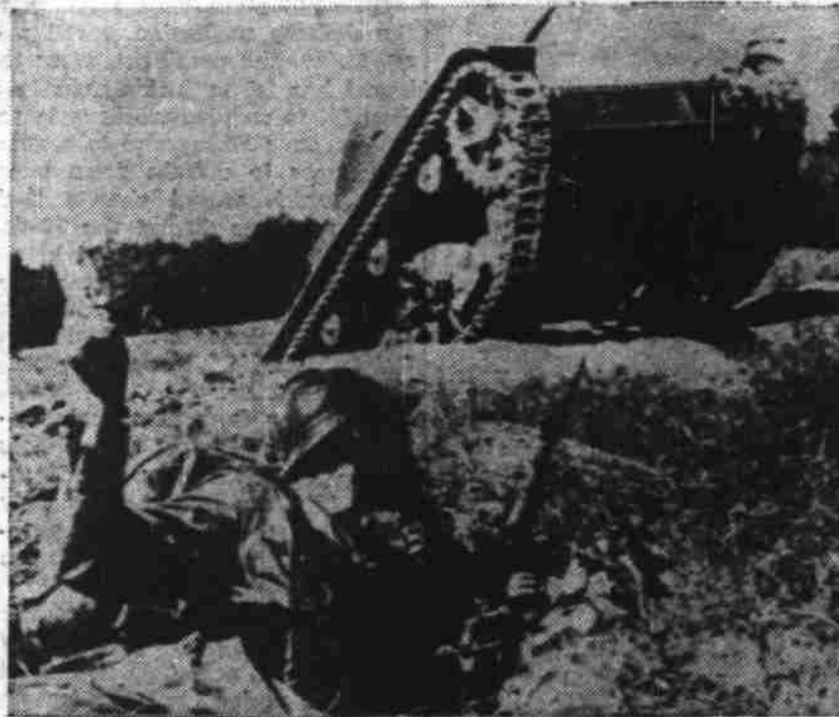


Photo shows a soldier of the Red army in the act of hurling a deadly grenade. The soviet anti-tank troops are particularly proficient in this form of warfare. The grenade contains sufficient explosive power to completely demolish a tank.

Salem School District Has \$40,000 Balance

Directors Hold Year-End Session and Declare Ralph Campbell Officially Elected to Succeed P. A. Cupper

A \$40,000 balance is held by the Salem school district in comparison with the \$3000 district debt recorded at the end of last school year, Connell C. Ward, clerk, told Salem school directors at their year-end session Tuesday night.

Approximately \$15,000 of this may be credited to the payments made ahead of schedule from the county non-high school fund, Ward said, but most of the remainder is explained by recent large tax turnovers. Of the \$40,000, a sum of \$5000 set aside earlier in the year for property purchase may be expended shortly, other board members were reminded by Percy A. Cupper, retiring chairman.

An official canvass of the recent school election vote tallied with the report of the election board and Ralph Campbell, attorney, was declared officially elected to the board replacing Mr. Cupper.

Mrs. Dwight Lear, Garfield teacher whose husband is at a southern California army post, was granted a year's leave of absence, and a continuation of the exchange arrangements by which Miss Cecelia Mielke of the Bush school faculty has spent the past year in Los Angeles was approved. Teaching in Miss Mielke's place next year is to be Miss Myrtle E. Barkley of the Los Angeles public school system; Miss Stella Wieman of that city has filled the vacancy this year.

Commendation of the project and authorization to carry on classes in Bible study through another year were voted following presentation of the annual report of the activity, prepared by Mrs. Roy M. Lockenour, chairman of the religious education board.

In Salem schools the past year 1350 grade school boys and girls (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Oregon Loggers To Get Back Pay

PORTLAND, June 24 (AP)—A contract signed Monday night will give \$50,000 in back pay to some 3000 CIO loggers in the Columbia river area.

Pay raises of 7 1/2 cents are retroactive to April 16. A week's vacation with pay is included in the contract.

Right of Way Planned

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP)—Formation of a central motor truck transportation committee to assure defense materials the right of way on the highways as well as in factories was announced Tuesday by the office of emergency management.

Plan Balloon Barrage

NEW YORK, June 24 (AP)—The Herald Tribune in a dispatch from Washington says the army air corps is working on plans to use 6000 barrage balloons over principal American cities as a defense measure.

Amend, Max F. Liphart, Richard F. Gentskow, Ben Blake, Chester Horn and Don Park, all of Salem; Robert E. Jones Woodward; Olin E. Campbell, Sheridan; John T. Thornhill, Dale Blunt, Ross Harris and Charles E. Goldworthy, all of Silverton.

The advance group, which left here last Thursday, consisted of Kenneth R. Hunt and Raymond J. Riffe, of Salem; Ivan J. Allen, Dallas; Orville Rehfield, Jefferson; and Benjamin J. Goddard, Klamath Falls.

Ferris advised pupils in aviation sheet metal work who dropped out when they failed to obtain positions with the Lockheed aviation plant in California last week to re-enroll and complete the course in anticipation of securing jobs with Boeing. There is also room in the day and night classes for new students who can meet the age requirement of 18 to 35 years.

Applications for enrollment in both branches of the school are being taken at the employment office, 710 Ferry street.

US Help Promise Is Made

Frozen Funds of Soviet Released by FDR Edict

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP)—Carrying forward the policy of favoring Russia against Germany, President Roosevelt Tuesday promised all possible American help for the soviet and released "frozen" Russian assets to permit the purchase of needed materials in the United States.

The president told his press conference that Russia had not yet submitted any list of items needed by the red forces to hold back the German onslaught and

until such a request came, he did not have the foggiest idea of what the United States would supply.

He said also that he did not know whether aid would be given under the lease-lend act or through Russian purchases and he declined to answer a direct question whether he deemed the defense of Russia essential to the defense of the United States.

But the president made it clear that aid to Russia would be limited only by the productive capacity of American industry and the prior defense requirements of the United States and Great Britain.

Just before this, the treasury announced the release of Russian assets which were "frozen," along with those of Germany, Italy, and other European nations on June 14. The purpose of the freezing order, issued when Germany and Russia were still "friends," was to make sure that none of the assets would be used for the benefit of the axis.

It was estimated that Tuesday's decree would free from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 of Russian funds and other assets for America (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

War Games Are Started

By JACK BEARDWOOD
CAMP HUNTER LIGGETT, Calif., June 24 (AP)—Anti-tank guns, machine guns and automatic rifles brought the sounds of real war to the mimic warfare of the American army as fighting broke out Tuesday night in the far west's war games culminating almost a year of concentrated training for 53,000 men.

The fighting began at 7 p. m. after almost two days of maneuvering and reconnaissance, both on land and in the air.

The 18,000 man Red force, composed primarily of 7th division troops commanded by Major General Joseph W. Stilwell, sent its (Turn to Page 2, Col. 6)

Suspect Held In Slaying

ARLINGTON, Ore., June 24 (AP)—James Harvey Thomas was jailed at Condon, Ore., Tuesday after he had been taken by Washington authorities to the place near here where the body of Douglas Smith was found Monday night.

Salem Officers Get Army Call

PORTLAND, Ore., June 24 (AP)—The following reserve officers were ordered to active army duty Tuesday.

First Lieut. Homer L. Goulet, infantry, Salem, to McChord field; First Lieut. Robert C. Irwin, infantry, Salem, to Snohomish county airbase.

Rain Causes Mishap

Harold Aune, San Francisco motorist, told investigating city police he skidded on wet pavement, struck the curb and his car tipped completely over about 3 p. m. Tuesday in the 1700 block on South Commercial. Although the left side of the car was considerably damaged, no one was hurt, police said.

World War News Today

By The Associated Press
Russians say their bombers blast Rumanian port of Constanta into flames and raise Warsaw and Konigsberg, East Prussia. Report fierce fighting in Grodno, Poland, and Vilna, Lithuania, areas. Red fleet claims sinking German U-boat in Gulf of Finland. Soviets say they annihilated panzer regiment and German paratroopers beginning to arrive.

Three German blitz columns reported 80 to 125 miles inside the Russian frontier and major battle developing on 100-mile front north of Brest Litovsk. Nazis claim sweeping "successes."

Military and economic partnership of Britain and Russia in fight against Germany is announced by British Foreign Secretary Eden.

President Roosevelt declares United States will give all possible aid to Russia. Treasury lifts restrictions on Russian money and assets.

RAF strikes at occupied coast in another big raid. Admiralty reports sinking of one Vichy submarine, possibly two others. Many Germans reported evacuating to Norway because of raids.

Spanish falangists in pro-German demonstration near foreign minister call for "extermination" of Soviet Russia.

British and Free French report advances in Syria in attempt to mop up Vichy resistance while Germans are occupied with Russia.

British And Russia Join

Eden Announces Pact to Fight Together Against Germany

LONDON, June 24 (AP)—Great Britain and the Soviet Union have agreed to fight Germany together as military and economic partners, foreign secretary Anthony Eden informed the house of commons Tuesday, and the government announced Tuesday night that preparations to send a mission to Russia "are being pressed forward as quickly as possible." These plans are expected to be completed shortly.

Sir Stafford Cripps, British ambassador who returned home from the Soviet Union June 11, "hopes to be able to return to Moscow in a few days' time," the foreign office announced. He is occupied in London "with further consultations and discussions."

Great Britain and Russia in becoming partners are overlooking the difference in their respective (Turn to Page 2, Col. 4)

Where Nazi-Russ War Rages



Black arrows mark German and Rumanian drives on Russia. Finnish spokesmen declared Finland (1) would maintain neutrality as long as possible. Lithuania (2) declared her independence from Russia. Kiev (3) and Sevastopol (5) were bombed. French sources say Kharkov (4) as a German objective.

Tanks Get Pounding Say Russ

Hitler Refutes Soviet Claims; Tells Success

By The Associated Press
The Russians declared today, (Wednesday), that the red army, putting up "stiff resistance" to the German invasion, had destroyed nazi tank formations and "annihilated" an entire mechanized regiment while soviet bombs had started huge fires in Warsaw, Constanta, Lublin and other German-occupied cities.

Claiming the air raids were in retaliation for bombings of Russian cities, the red army high command said great damage was inflicted on military objectives, with gasoline dumps flaming in Warsaw and the Rumanian port of Constanta "ablaze."

The official soviet communique disclosed that the Germans had looted their famed parachute troops in a widespread effort to disorganize Russian communications behind the lines.

Charging the parachutists were clad in soviet uniforms, the war report said the NKVD (Russian secret police) had been charged with destruction of the nazis.

The Russians reported fierce battles in progress in northern Poland and central Lithuania. A German drive in the Sialia area in Lithuania was said to have been repulsed with heavy losses to the nazis. Heavy fighting continued near Grodno, Poland, and Wilno (Volna) and Kaunas, Lithuania.

The soviet communique indicated the Germans were using great numbers of tanks and mechanized weapons on the northern front. It was in the Sialia battle that the Russians claimed destruction of the German regiment.

On the central front, the Russians said their army was resisting the nazis advance in the region of Brody, a town 60 miles within the frontier.

In the south the Red army was reported to have repelled repeated attempts of the German-Rumanian armies to capture Rumania, Carpathian mountain stronghold in Bucovina, and to gain a foothold on the east bank of the Prut river.

The Russian air force was credited with shooting down 34 aircraft Tuesday, bringing the total of German planes claimed destroyed to 381-161 in air battles and 220 while on air-courses.

A small German force attempting to break through the Russian (Turn to Page 2, Col. 1)