

No State Fair Due in 1944

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of food and feeds which the nation and the allies must have.

3. Transportation facilities are already strained to the utmost, and the holding of a fair would only add to the burden, as well as requiring the use of gasoline and rubber which must be conserved for war uses.

The board members and director said they were reluctant to decide against the holding of a state fair again this year, but that they feel such action is best serving the interests of the war effort, agriculture and the public.

They renewed their pledge of a year ago to present an outstanding state fair when the task to which all efforts are now directed, the winning of the war, is completed.

ON the HOMEFRONT

By ISABEL CHILDS

We give you one of Salem's most traveled men. Four times the distance around the equator he has, in recent years, driven one automobile, if you please — and yet, with a twinkle in his eye, he will tell you he has "not been anywhere."

Not been anywhere? Why, Mister Oscar Taylor, you are old enough to know better!

And, of course, he does. In the first place, he has been to Salem and he has been to Molalla. Having "discovered" Molalla in 1913, Mr. Taylor is still proud of his ability as an explorer.

Every night and every morning, too, though not in the car, he has been to the barn, where dwells his pride and joy, the Taylor cow. She makes about enough money to keep the car going and besides that, gives Mr. Taylor exercise.

As though anyone doing a million and one small things for the public utilities Commission (offices downtown) to take one to the statehouse a dozen times a day needed exercise.

Mr. Taylor has also been through one of the lush portions of the Willamette valley as the car he shares with his son on the daily trip to and from work travels between Molalla and Salem. Each day he sees something new, he says; and this despite the fact that he is one of those observing souls, an ex-newspaperman.

But here I am running away with the story, and it's really one of his own plans to write for himself some day when he has ceased to be a "traveling man."

RAF Planes Out in Force

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throughout the day although headquarters said bad weather during the morning somewhat restricted aerial operations.

At least 11 enemy aircraft were destroyed and eight American bombers were missing, headquarters said preliminary reports showed.

The assaults on Hitler's Europe from Russia were coupled with raids against German oil refineries and Yugoslav rail targets by bombers based in Italy.

In their first mission — the fourth since May 24 — hours against the French coast — the American heavy bombers unloaded their tons of explosives through an overcast.

More Than 80 Killed In Big Storm

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Washington, Uniontown and Brownsville.

The Red Cross mobilized its disaster relief forces and sent workers with blood plasma, medical supplies, cots and food to the stricken areas.

Military police and army medical corpsmen were sent from Pittsburgh into nearby McKeesport, one of the hardest hit Pennsylvania cities. All civilian defense forces were mobilized.

The little mining town of Chartiers, visited by disaster only two weeks ago when a mine explosion and fire killed six men, was hardest hit in Greene county, Pa.

There were eight known dead in Chartiers and between 40 and 50 houses, most of the dwellings in the town, were leveled. The injured were taken to hospitals at Waynesburg and Brownsville, and the Waynesburg army was converted into an emergency hospital.

Stanley Granger, collector of internal revenue at Pittsburgh who lives at Waynesburg said: "The destruction in Chartiers is almost unbelievable. The entire town appears to have been leveled."

Rescue workers dug in the debris of Chartiers homes for bodies, aided by flashlights and emergency power systems. Most of Greene county was in darkness due to power line failures.

Floyd Miller, editor of the Waynesburg Democrat-Messenger, stood by helplessly, unable to publish in his newspaper the news of the county's greatest disaster after power halted his presses. It was the first time in 27 years, he said, that the daily paper had been unable to publish.

PLATTEVILLE, Wis., June 23 (AP)—Nine persons dead, more than two score injured and property damage running into many thousands of dollars was the toll of a tornado which struck southwestern Wisconsin and northwestern Illinois last night.

Wisconsin counted seven dead, Illinois two. Twenty-three persons, some in critical condition, were in hospitals at Platteville and Monroe, Wis.

Sheriff Homer L. Curry of Lafayette county, Wis., that bore the brunt of the damage, estimated that more than 30 homes and hundreds of farm buildings were demolished, trees uprooted and communication lines smashed.

Nip Carrier Probably Sunk

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The Shokaku class carrier was hit by three torpedoes Sunday, the first day of a victory scored largely by aircraft of task force 58, commanded by Vice Adm. Marc A. Mitscher.

The communique did not mention the fighting on Saipan island in the southern Marianas, the invasion of which by American assault forces gounded a major part of the Japanese fleet into action. When that force was defeated in Sunday's terrific air battle in its attempt to assist some 20,000 defenders of Saipan, it turned back.

American ground forces, aided by this stunning victory, were last reported boring northward in steady gains. Enemy forces were under constant pressure from the air, land artillery, and big naval guns.

Nimitz made no claim in today's report that the light enemy carrier hit by aerial torpedoes was sunk or even probably sunk. Naval men, however, pointed out that two such hits must have caused great damage.

Germans Halt Italy Flight

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Dewey's Men Claim More New Converts

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a product at least we ought to look in the sack and see we are not getting a pig in a poke."

With 529 votes needed for nomination, Brown said he estimated Dewey's first ballot strength at 335. Some unnamed "Dewey people" he had talked with only a few days ago, he said, listed Dewey's first ballot votes at 391.

Brown figured Bricker would receive between 200 and 225 on the first roll call, that he would "gain on the second and be nominated on the third or fourth, or the convention will go into a deadlock."

"The Dewey people know he has to win on the first ballot," he declared. "If he doesn't win on the first or second Dewey is through. We all know that."

The big congressman from Ohio's seventh district then said flatly: "This convention is not going to nominate anyone on the first or second ballot."

Dewey's name figured also in a busy round of platform discussions during the day. As head of a Mackinac Island post-war advisory council committee on government reorganization, he sent a message to the platform drafters terming the Roosevelt administration a "sprawling, overlapping bureaucracy." He called for a new regime with the president and congress acting in concert to "raise the federal service to a high level of efficiency and competence."

The message was read after Sen. Vandenberg of Michigan, head of another Mackinac committee, presented a foreign plank advocating international organization of "peace forces" to prevent future wars.

Marion Bond Purchases Near Million

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transportation for some bond buyer.

Employees of Western Paper Converting Co. had purchased 65 per cent of their quota before they were called to a plant bond rally late Friday afternoon. One hundred attended and sales swelled close to the goal.

One hundred twenty-five employees of the manufacturing department of the Oregon Pulp & Paper Co. lumber division participated enthusiastically in a bond rally at their plant shortly before noon Friday. Speakers were Harry V. Collins, industrial division chairman for the war finance committee, and Gene Vandeneyn, native of Belgium now an American citizen, who is most conscious of the freedom of the land in which he lives.

This noon's broadcast from war bond headquarters will be an interview with Mrs. Jung Sing, mother of a prominent Chinese family of this area, with Winifred Pettyjohn, women's division chairman, asking the questions.

Fifth War Loan Coffers More Than Fifth Full

PORTLAND, June 23 (AP)—Oregon's fifth war loan coffers was more than a fifth full today, with sales of \$26,772,385 reported throughout the state. Series E bond sales reached \$9,409,719.

HOLLYWOOD

Matinee Today
Doors Open 2 P. M. - Continuous

John Wayne
Susan Hayward
Dennis O'Keefe
in
"THE FIGHTING SEABEES"

In Technicolor
Robert Taylor
Brian Donlevy
in
"BILLY THE KID"

PLUS
Official Pictures
Presented by Universal News
PRELUDE TO
INVASION
"THE EVE OF
BATTLE"

Back Them 100%
Buy More Bonds

DANCE

Everybody Welcome

SALEM ARMORY TONIGHT

Sponsored by Capital Post No. 2, American Legion

Civilians Flee Hengyang as Japs Close In

CHUNGKING, June 23 (AP)

Thousands of Chinese civilians are fleeing the rail junction of Hengyang, the Chinese announced tonight, making no attempt to minimize the city's peril as the Japanese closed in within 25 miles of their goal in a drive which may become a virtual battle for China.

Fighting raged furiously in Hengshan, 25 miles north-northeast of the city, and the invader was pouring troops into the fight — even drawing them from the vital Peiping-Hankow rail area in Honan province to the north, in the all-out drive to split China in two and prepare for future American landings in the embattled country.

Upwards of 120,000 Japanese troops now are estimated to be engaged in the drive southward from fallen Changsha, along a broad front of from 80 to 100 miles. Within Hengshan itself small groups of the enemy in civilian clothes had infiltrated, a Chinese communique said, but they were wiped out yesterday.

Coupled with this all-out offensive was the constantly increasing pressure against the Chinese defenders of a gap in the Peiping-Hankow railway to the north in Honan province, part of the Japanese campaign to win complete domination of the long north-south Canton-Hankow railway through the heart of China.

Terrific Gunfire Heard in England

A TOWN IN SOUTHERN

ENGLAND, Saturday, June 24 (AP)—The reverberation of terrific gunfire which seemed to come from a distance of 40 to 50 miles was heard on the English coast for more than an hour after midnight. The ground and houses shook from the ferocity of the barrage.

V.F.W. Victory Club
DANCE
Old Time Dancing
Tonight
Veterans Hall
Corner Hood and Church Streets
Music by
THE OREGONIANS
Club Members Only

FDR Frowns On Civil Rule

WASHINGTON, June 23 (AP)—President Roosevelt declared today that more of France must be liberated from the Nazis before action is taken to set up civil government administration in that country.

He made the remark to a news conference as word came from supreme headquarters of the allied expeditionary force that French officers will do liaison work in France, under control of Shael, on a day to day basis.

This new cooperation between Gen. Charles De Gaulle and the supreme command was worked out without any formal meeting or agreement between the French general and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, a reliable informant told W. S. Gallagher of the Associated Press.

President Roosevelt made no direct comment on Gen. De Gaulle's recent action in setting up civil administrators behind the allied lines in France, but he told a questioner that military liberation must come first. The Cherbourg operation is going along according to schedule, he said, but he added that only one-tenth of one per cent of France has been taken by the allies.

Mr. Roosevelt said he has heard indirectly from French sources that De Gaulle hopes to come to Washington, probably between July 6 and 14, second of two dates the president made available to him.

Yanks Break Through Nazi Key Port Line

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the port. "Patrols east of Cherbourg are finding little opposition in the sector between Cap Levy and St. Vaast," it said.

A statement issued earlier said: "The Cherbourg defenses are fairly formidable, but prolonged siege is unlikely."

The Americans apparently had already ringed the city completely by smashing through to the sea on both sides of Cherbourg.

As soon as the last two ridges near the Roule and Octeville forts south and southwest of Cherbourg are taken, the Americans are expected to break through in force to Cherbourg's heart.

French patriots wearing identifying armbands were aiding the liberating forces attacking in the woods and hedgerows on both sides of the Divette river valley south of the city. They ranged from teen-age youths to bearded veterans of the first world war.

Only local fighting was reported in the Caen-Tilly area on the east end of the front.

The communiques said that allied light naval forces sank one enemy armed trawler caught on a convoy escort mission south of Jersey island off the west coast of the peninsula. One of the German ships in the convoy was "left ablaze and damage was inflicted on the remainder by gunfire," the bulletin said.

Bombers Slug Jap Vessel

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Saturday, June 24 (AP)—Liberator bombers sank or damaged a 3000 ton merchantman off Sorong, on the northwestern tip of Dutch New Guinea, headquarters announced today.

The attack, made June 22, continued land-based assaults against what has been described as Japan's last effective air base on New Guinea.

A Coupons OK to Use For That Vacation Trip

PORTLAND, June 23 (AP)—Motorists holding B and C gasoline ration books may use their A-12 coupons, which became valid Wednesday, all on one vacation trip, the OPA said today, but would have to forego further family use of the car until the next A series comes due September 21.

Are the Axis — Buy Bonds!

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Betsy Lamm
Walter Pidgeon
"WHITE CARGO"
—
Roy Rogers
"SONG OF TEXAS"

LIBERTY

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"Panic!"—the fresh danger leaves about the navy.
The hero wins!

Robert Taylor

in

"FLIGHT COMMANDER"

Ruth Hussey
Walter Pidgeon

Co-Feature!

GUN-BLAZING
ACTION! THRILLS!

Larry (Buster) Crabbe

"Devil Riders"

ELSINORE
NOW SHOWING
The First Great Rookie Comedy Of The War!

SEE HERE PRIVATE HARGROVE

ROBERT WALKER
in "Private Hargrove"
DONNA REED
KEENAN WYNN
ROBERT BENCHLEY
RAY COLLINS
CHILL WILLS

Co-Feature
THE FALCON OUT WEST
with TOM CONWAY
Barbara Hale • Don Douglas • Carole Gallagher • Jean Barclay
Cliff Clark • Ed Gargan
Minor Watson

Starting TODAY
Giant Double Bill
Fun! Romance!

They've taken the ceiling off LAUGHTER!

RATIONING
M-G-M's
screen scream!
with Marjorie MAIN
DONALD MEEK
DOORTRY MORRIS
Directed by WILLIS GOLDBECK
Produced by OWEN ROSS
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Together again—at their funniest! Point-shy Wally and m-n-shy Marge in the year's timeliest riot of rationing and romance!

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• Mike was a hard-boiled reporter, but soft-hearted about a gay night club singer. They knew all the answers—but it took a six-year old wonder to teach them the ABC's of love!

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NEW KIND OF ROMANCE!

LOST ANGEL
starring MARGARET O'BRIEN
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MARSHA HUNT
PHILIP ARNOLD • HENRY O'NEILL
DONALD MEEK

Warner's
CAPITOL
PHONE 5050

See... Today!
Actual Attack
on Fortress Europe!

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In Technicolor
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Official Pictures
Presented by Universal News
PRELUDE TO
INVASION
"THE EVE OF
BATTLE"

Back Them 100%
Buy More Bonds

DANCE
Everybody Welcome
SALEM ARMORY TONIGHT
Sponsored by Capital Post No. 2, American Legion

— LAST TIMES TODAY! —
Jean Gabin
"THE IMPOSTER"
Gloria Jean
Bob Crosby
"PARDON MY RHYTHM"

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Tonight
12 P. M.
... Starts
Tomorrow!

Wow!
What he sees
through his
telescope!
... when he
keeps an eye
on heavenly
Hedy! It's a
star-dusted
romance!

William POWELL
Hedy LAMARR
THE HEAVENLY BODY

JAMES CRAIG
FAY HENRY SPRING
BAINTER • O'NEILL • BYINGTON
Screen Play by Michael Arlen and Walter Reisch
Adaptation by Harry Kuehl
Directed by ALEXANDER HALL • Produced by ARTHUR HORNOW, Jr.
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Larry Parks
Jeanne Bates
Douglas Fowley

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