

Blitzkrieg's Blast Feared Ready to Roar

Home Rule
Edge Sought
BonnevilleBoard Holds Up
Action On Its
Contract With Raver

Whether Eugene's complete home rule in the city and all power operations would be stated specifically in the proposed charter remains to be seen. The Eugene water board will sign the proposed charter and emergency "contract" with the Bonneville administration.

The governing board of Eugene's 30-year-old municipal water system decided Monday night to accept the proposed charter with Bonneville before the city council for consideration. The board's action was a surprise, as it had been expected to take final steps.

Provisions Told
The reason and because production costs are lower than Bonneville's, the city has declined to consider anything beyond the short-term contract for "peak load and emergency" which is now outlined in the following main provisions:

First Year—Beginning on a day in 1940, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Second Year—Beginning on a day in 1941, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Third Year—Beginning on a day in 1942, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Fourth Year—Beginning on a day in 1943, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Fifth Year—Beginning on a day in 1944, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Sixth Year—Beginning on a day in 1945, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Seventh Year—Beginning on a day in 1946, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Eighth Year—Beginning on a day in 1947, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Ninth Year—Beginning on a day in 1948, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Tenth Year—Beginning on a day in 1949, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Eleventh Year—Beginning on a day in 1950, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Twelfth Year—Beginning on a day in 1951, Eugene will pay for the water (with option for extension) at a rate of \$1.00 per acre foot (100,000 gallons) of water delivered.

Dorena Dam Specifications
Completed, Bids Soon

By LARRY C. STUBBS
With the Fern Ridge dam completed and the Cottage Grove dam in its final stages of construction, the U. S. army engineers are now working with plans and specifications for the Dorena dam on the Row river.



Kennell-Elis Photograph
Ira O. Stewart

City Council
Gets New ManIra Stewart Named
To Fill Vacancy

Two additions were made to the city council Monday night—an American flag, presented by the local American Legion post, and a new councilman, Ira O. Stewart, presented by A. A. Reid.

Earlier, the joint council-real-estate-chamber of commerce committee appointed by Mayor Large to select new airport sites, met and named Robert Prescott, realtor, to head the committee.

The flag presentation, made by Harold Wells, the Legion's Americanization committee chairman, opened the meeting. Mayor Large followed with a brief acceptance speech.

The council's confirmation of Mr. Stewart's appointment was even more brief. The new councilman, filling the ward 2 post vacated by Herbert J. Cox several months ago, will take oath of office at the next council meeting.

The name of Mr. Reid's choice was kept quiet until the council meeting.

Mr. Stewart takes office until the end of the year. His position comes up for election in November.

New Car For Firemen
Approval of another present—an emergency car for the fire department—was made, after Councilman Hanns explained that to date emergency calls have been answered by firemen driving their private vehicles.

The car will be purchased out of surplus fire and water funds at the end of the year.

Mayor Large followed up the council's approval with the remark that "I see Hanns thinks Eugene is going to be a big city. I wouldn't be surprised if he begins to think we need a new airport soon."

The city engineer's department, too, will have a new truck, when they make a choice of three bids submitted—a Dodge, an International, and a Chevrolet. The bids submitted to the council, were read, and the council left the choice to the street department.

Other business of the council: Renewed the S. P. franchise on city streets for a 20-year term.

Accepted Chase company bid to install a heating plant in the fire department next winter.

Referred Spencer grange request that residence parking sign limits be removed and two hour parking be installed in courthouse and park district, to the police committee.

Field work on the dam, under the direction of Lieut. E. G. Herb, head of the local army engineers, has been completed, the report submitted to Washington, and approved by the chief of army engineers, opening the way for the outlining of specifications prior to issuing the call for bids.

Field work included drilling, and test pitting to determine the foundation quality and the quality of the embankment material.

Second Progresses
Meanwhile, T. E. Connolly & company, contractors, has reported the following progress in the two weeks of preliminary construction on the Cottage Grove dam, second in the series proposed under the Willamette basin project: Finished clearing on the access roadway and the east abutment.

Started excavation for the spillway structure, to be erected near the east abutment.

Started earth-fill work on the main dam structure, with excavation dirt from the spillway site.

Thirty-five men, the majority hired from Cottage Grove, worked last week on the road and abutment clearing, and at present about 20 men, two 12-yard scrapers and a bulldozer are in the midst of excavation work.

The contractors expect to start building the access road this week with the arrival of a two-yard Diesel shovel.

The dam, located on the Coast fork of the Willamette about six miles south of Cottage Grove, will have a maximum height, when completed, of 95 feet above foundation and a total crest length, including the spillway, of 1,000 feet.

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Industrial Water
Supplies Requested

Appeals from Douglass Lumber company and several other mills west of Eugene for fire protection via city water mains—the same protection the Aberdeen plywood plant will receive when water mains are completed to that plant—were heard by the city board Monday night, but members of that group held that the problem is one to be decided by the city council.

As in the Aberdeen case, members decided, if the council agrees to send fire trucks outside the city to a mill blaze, then it must also approve installation of water mains to furnish water for the fire fighters.

The Aberdeen plant is the first mill outside the city to receive city fire protection. Other mills in the vicinity now request the same privilege.

No action was taken on the Aberdeen plywood plant's request for city water to help fill their new log pond, and no decision will be forthcoming from the board at least until laying of city water mains to the mill is completed. At present, the board maintained, the city cannot spare water for the pond.

Four prospective customers at Chula Vista park, above Laurelwood golf course, were granted an extension of electric power lines to their district, at a cost of \$504 for construction.

The four petitioners will pay \$54 of the cost, while the water board foots the other \$450, justifiable on the increased income as a result of the extension.

In another action, the board granted a reduction in rates to the Bethel water district.

The semi-annual report, presented at the meeting, revealed that 900 more electric meters were in use this year than in 1939, and at the same time showed a new all-time high in power consumption for the first half of the year.

A special water board meeting was called for next Monday night to open bids called for recently for construction of the new steam standby plant building.

Grass Fire Soreads
To Rodman Garage
A grass fire that covered several acres of vacant lots west of Alder street spread to the garage of James A. Rodman at 2288 Alder early Tuesday afternoon. The rear part of the garage was burned but there was no other damage. The car was removed before the flames reached the building. The city firemen worked some time before checking the glass blaze.

Bomb-Dumping
Is Continued;
Southampton HitLong English Coast
Target Again For Waves
Of Enemy Planes

BULLETIN!
LONDON, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Southampton was bombed today by German raiders and several fires were started, the air ministry and ministry of home security announced today.

A total of 57 German planes were destroyed today and 9 British fighters were lost, the ministry announced.

LONDON, July 13.—(AP)—A swarm of German raiders returned to the attack on 200 miles of English coast late this afternoon, fighting a large-scale combat with defending planes behind low-hanging clouds.

At least 31 Nazi raiders were reported unofficially early tonight to have been shot down during the day's raids, five of them late today on the southwest coast.

The thunder of scores of motors and the crashes of several planes told the story to ground observers, although the clouds hid most of the fighting.

It was the climax to the third successive day of power assault, and again today—as on Sunday and Monday—the Nazis were using from 400 to 600 planes. From Berlin and neutral Switzerland, too, came predictions that the zero hour for actual invasion was approaching.

Spirals Into Sea
At one southwest port early this evening, a flaming fighter spiraled into the sea; at a village six miles away, a German bomber crashed, with two dead and one captured. Air raid warnings were in effect.

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Gleemen Will Sing
At McNary Event

Eugene's famed singers, the Gleemen, are to appear on the program for the McNary acceptance ceremonies in Salem, August 27. The invitation was extended late Monday and the chorus accepted the invitation.

The Gleemen will be the only musical organization taking part on the program when Senator Charles L. McNary will give his acceptance speech for the republican nomination as vice-president candidate.

Three national broadcasting companies are broadcasting the ceremonies and program and news reels will also be taken.

The Gleemen will appear in the costumes which they wore last year as official representatives from Oregon at the San Francisco fair.

Rehearsal for the Salem program will be held Monday night, August 26.

'Warfare' Ready to Break
In Southwest Washington

By JACK B. BEARWOOD
YELM, Wash., Aug. 13.—(AP)—Long lines of live-green army trucks, hauling keyed-up soldiers, artillery and ammunition, jammed dusty country roads in this southwest Washington region today as national guard and regular army troops moved up to battle positions for the largest and most realistic war games in the far west's history.

The zero hour for over 41,000 men, split into "red" and "blue" armies, will come late this evening when Brigadier General Henry T. Burgin, chief umpire, gives the order to commence firing in the four-day war that will end Saturday.

The command will send the 26,000-man southern "blue" force surging through a brushy, water-gashed region to attack the northern "red" army, who, 16,000 strong, will have taken up defense positions along the winding Nisqually river.



THE SIREN'S SHRIEKING WARNING of approaching enemy planes sends this British anti-aircraft crew dashing to their huge gun. British censor credits this crew, of southeast coast defense, with bringing down several enemy planes.

Toll Of Forest
Blazes ClimbsWillamette Officials
Report 76 Fires

With more than a month remaining in the summer fire season, 76 fires—three more than the five-year average of 73 fires a year—have already blazed in the Willamette forest this summer, reports from the forest office show.

Although 47 fires were attributed to lightning, the careless smoker and camper continued to take the blame for unnecessary fires. A. T. Moses, executive assistant, declared, being the cause of 25 fires of the 76.

The 24-year figure compiled by the forest service shows that each year, one-third of the blazes are caused by cigarettes or by campfires left burning.

Willamette forest fires this year have burned over 775 acres, the largest two being the Gate creek and the Blowout creek fires in July, which consumed a total of nearly 700 acres of trees. Sixty-nine fires were class "A"—blazes confined to one-fourth acre or less.

Estimated damage to the forest in the season's fires was set at \$3,510, but the cost to the forest service for fire-fighting was \$17,600.

Three fires were reported since Aug. 1, one attributed to lightning and the other two to smokers. All three were subdued, and to date the forest service shows a record of "all fires out."

A NEW METHOD
LONDON, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Railwaymen who helped a German pilot out of a plane shot down in a stubble field in southeast England took a novel means to prevent his escape. They took off his shoes and socks. Barefooted, the pilot didn't budge.

to care for "casualties" who will return later to the field of battle as reinforcements.

The entire 300 square-mile battle area took on an aspect of war today. Civilian traffic was kept on main highways. Officers made a last-minute check to be certain that farm and timber lands not leased for troop movements were posted.

At Yelm, nerve center of the war games, officers tacked up giant maps of the war region on which to chart the tide of battle. Over 100 high-ranking officers, acting as field umpires, joined the units they will follow throughout the fighting which will be carried on 24 hours a day. Strung throughout the region were field telephones on which the umpires will report the successes, reverses and hypothetical casualties of the group they are following.

Some 1,000,000 rounds of blank ammunition will be fired in guns ranging from the army's latest Gerard rifles to 155 MM Howitzers.

Ninety planes, including eight of the army's four-motored bombers, will participate in the fighting.

Senator Wheeler Says Army
Trying to Shackle Nation

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Senator Wheeler (D., Mont.) asserted today that the army general staff was "utilizing the present crisis to saddle conscription on the country" even though compulsory military training was unnecessary for the nation's defense.

Plywood Officials
Visit In County

Springfield and Eugene are hosts for a few days to a group of officials of the Washington Plywood company, the men coming in from all parts of the nation, to look over the new Springfield Plywood corporation plant, a subsidiary of the company. The entire party was entertained at the Rotary club luncheon Tuesday noon. The officials are to spend two days on the McKenzie and will return to be here another two or three days. They came to Eugene from visiting the plant at Olympia, Wash. This is the first time the entire official sales organization had seen the new plywood plant at Springfield.

In the party are: E. E. Westman of Olympia, president of the firm; Charles G. Briggs, Eugene, vice president; Fred Fani, Olympia, assistant general manager; R. W. Anderson of Olympia, sales manager; Raleigh Chinn and Jacques Willis, both of Chicago; D. C. Dunham of Minneapolis, W. S.

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Prescott Committee
Works With Airport

The central committee named last week to clear up differences arising from the selection of an airport site, went into a huddle Monday night, named Robert Prescott chairman, and emerged with the beginning of a unified program that gave promise Tuesday of bringing quick action on Eugene's super airport project.

That all three groups—the city council, the chamber of commerce, and the real estate board—are working together in a new airport—was evidenced by the enthusiasm displayed at the Monday night meeting in which the seven members emphasized the need for concerted action from all community groups.

Tuesday Mr. Prescott enlisted the "voluntary" aid of realtors to inspect possible airport sites with the view of securing the best land at the lowest cost to taxpayers.

"We want such a good site that the city's initial investment may possibly be its last one," members emphasized.

Meanwhile, the council members of the committee—Sam Bond, Austin Farrington and Fred Carson—are waiting the results of the airport site choices, after which they will lay the groundwork for a request of federal funds for the port's development.

At present, the sites north of Eugene under scrutiny consist of four already approved by the CAA, with a possible two more.

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Berlin Thought
Ready To Open
Real AttackZero Hour Near,
Glance At History
Convinces Observers

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER
BERLIN, Aug. 13.—(AP)—All signs pointed today to an early zero hour for a Nazi offensive against England with its climax an attempt to land German troops on the British isles.

To anybody who observed German tactics in Poland, Norway and western Europe, it is perfectly clear that Germany is again trying to bring maximum destruction to railways, airports, naval harbors, industrial plants and gasoline tanks before ordering her troops to move.

In the case of England, it is of further prime importance to have coastal batteries silenced. Only after this has been largely achieved is the hazardous task of landing troops likely to be tackled.

Declaring that since yesterday the British airforce fliers are seeking to avoid fights, informed German sources said the Nazi tactics now are to force them into combat or risk having their airports, hangars and shops destroyed and planes demolished on the ground.

The latest advice of DNB, official German news agency, added the East German airport to the day's German objectives. Six hangars, according to DNB, were smashed completely, crew's barracks set afire, anti-aircraft batteries silenced, gasoline tanks ignited by heavy bomb hits, 10 Spitfires destroyed on the ground and 12 barrage balloons shot down.

The air fight still was continuing.

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Italy Has Trouble
With Slavs, Greeks

ROME, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Friction between Italy and Yugoslavia was reported by the fascist press today as Italian-Greek tension apparently moved toward a crisis.

The Yugoslav difficulty, according to the newspaper La Tribuna, was over the killing of a fascist in the Italian town of Zara on the Yugoslav coast. The Zara population was said to be aroused.

Fascist Leonardo Clurcovich, the dispatch said, was killed when he objected to a stranger singing a song on a Zara street.

Virginia Gayda, fascist editor who often reflects official opinion, accused Greece of seeking to seize part of Italian-held Albania.

The accusation was contained in Gayda's rejection of a Greek version of the slaying near the Greek frontier of an Albanian, Daut Hoggia.

(It was reported without confirmation in Athens that the Italian government had presented a note to Greece.)

Gayda charged also that Greece long had been a "silent ally and agitator" for the democracies.

"From the first day of the war," he declared, "Greece has conducted a corrosive action on the Albanian front. From the first days, it has offered to extend its aid in every way by contraband and free use of its territory and coasts to the British military command, of which it has become more an open accomplice every day."

SUGGESTION FAILS
ATHENS, Aug. 13.—(AP)—Premier General John Metaxas has turned down a Rome-Berlin "suggestion" that Greece formally renounce Great Britain's guarantee of her independence and territorial integrity, high diplomatic sources reported tonight.

A NEIGHBOR
WITH PEACHES
There's somebody with peaches for sale on a "U-pick" basis in nearly every rural neighborhood. To find the orchard most convenient for you, read "Farm Products for Sale"—heading 360—in the Want Ads.