

FRENCH DEFENSE HOLDING FIRM

Paris Made Open City to Escape Bombing

Raver Talks to Grange, Future Of Bonneville

Says Commissioner Cannot Regulate Rates to Prevent Monopoly

The future of Bonneville dam lies with groups such as this, Dr. Paul J. Raver, administrator, told the 67th convention of the Oregon State Grange this morning.

"The Bonneville project is taking an active part in assisting established public agencies in setting up an acquisition unit to provide legal valuation and financial advice to help carry on negotiations for utilities after the necessary districts have been created," Dr. Raver said. He expressed more concern as to whom than how the power is sold.

"Utility commissioners cannot regulate rates to prevent monopolistic profits," Dr. Raver said. The speaker said he spoke from experience, having served for a number of years as chairman of the Illinois commerce commission, a regulatory body. He emphasized the importance of the Grange in carrying out the program of the Bonneville act which is to give preference to rural and residential power customers.

George Settemler, master of the California State Grange, was a visitor this morning and spoke briefly to the delegates.

With the exception of Ceres, all officers have been elected and Newport selected for the 1941 convention city. Vote on Ceres was taken during the noon hour.

Officers Elected

Officers elected are Ray W. Gill, Portland, state master for another two year term; Morton Tompkins, Dayton, overseer; Mrs. G. W. Thiesen, Milwaukee, lecturer; Bertha J. Beck, Albany, secretary for the 21st year; Peter Zimmerman, Yamhill, W. A. Johnson, Grants Pass, and Fred Goff, Roseburg, members of the executive committee; Roscoe Roberts, Medford, steward; Glenn Adams, West Salem, treasurer; Max Kilgell, Boring, gate keeper; Allen (Concluded on page 11, column 8)

Little Girls Send Pennies to Red Cross

An unsigned letter received at Marion County Red Cross headquarters today contained two pennies. A note with the pennies said they were from two small girls and that it was their candy money.

From inmates of the state penitentiary came a check for \$12 to be added to the Marion county second quota for Red Cross relief in the war countries of Europe.

Of the \$5,000 requirement placed upon Marion county it was announced today that \$5,050 has been raised.

Deny British Troops In Dutch East Indies

London, June 13 (AP)—The Netherlands government in London has denied a rumor that British troops had landed in Dutch East Indies. The rumor had been published by a Tokyo newspaper. The Netherlands government in London said:

"There are no British troops in Java nor in any other part of the Netherlands East Indies, and there is no intention on the part of the Netherlands authorities to make any change in their well-established policy of maintaining the status quo in the Netherlands East Indies."

Tokyo, June 13 (AP)—The Japanese foreign office said today it regarded with "extreme gravity" a published report alleging that 2000 British troops had landed in the Dutch East Indies after the islands requested protection.

While both the Dutch legation and the British embassy here denied the report, the foreign office awaited di-



Royalty Seeks Canadian Haven—Princess Juliana of the Netherlands and her royal party are shown leaving a Dutch warship at Halifax, N. S., for an unannounced destination in Canada where they will seek a haven from war-torn Europe. Left to right: The Princess and baby, Beatrix; nurse with Irene, Baroness Roell and Baby Roell, and Baroness de Voe Van Steenwijk.

British Bombers Raid Nazi Lines

With the Royal Air Force in France, June 13 (U.P.)—British aircraft today dumped ton after ton of high explosives on German positions near Paris and RAF pilots reported they had blasted out every bridge but one in a 60-mile stretch of the lower Seine. Wave after wave of British bombers, aided by French planes, are roaring over the German lines.

Air men reported that they were dropping bomb loads with such regularity that the constant explosions sounded like the thunderous beat of a mighty combustion engine.

Towns along the Seine valley where German troops—both infantry and mechanized forces—are concentrating for the push on Paris are in flames, RAF men reported.

London, June 13 (AP)—For the third day of unrelenting air attacks, British fliers dived through anti-aircraft fire today and came back to their bases with accounts of smashed enemy hangars, ships set afire and troop and supply centers blasted in Norway, France and Africa.

Not a single raiding plane was reported lost—but at home one ship plunged in flames, apparently after hitting a balloon cable, and another drew the fire of its own land batteries for a few minutes until it could be identified.

Bombers who groped through mist and fog bombed German shipping in Bergen harbor by the dull red glare of the fires they started along the waterfront. A fort, an anti-aircraft battery and ships in the harbor were reported hit. A German liner was also hit.

The report was published by the large Tokyo newspaper Nichi Nichi in a dispatch from Surabaya, Java, which said a British officer had disclosed accidentally that he was a member of a force sent from Singapore to East Java.

The status of the Dutch East Indies, rich in rubber, coffee and tin and strategically located between the Indian and Pacific oceans, has been a matter of special concern to Japan ever since Germany occupied the Netherlands.

Reynaud Asks Roosevelt for Aid to Allies

French to Carry on Fight Even if Necessary to Go To Americas

Tours, France, June 13 (AP)—An appeal by Premier Reynaud to President Roosevelt for a public declaration that the United States would give all aid to the allies save an expeditionary force and to send help "before it is too late" was disclosed today. (In Washington, the White House said President Roosevelt's speech of last Monday, promising the allies the material resources of the United States, formed a "complete answer" to Reynaud's appeal, although it was coincidental. The document issued in Tours, apparently through error, quoted as the president's reply a section of the Chicago "quarantine speech" which Mr. Roosevelt made in 1937, and which Reynaud himself cited in his own appeal.)

To Carry On

The premier declared that the French would, if need be, shut themselves up in one of their provinces, or go to North Africa or even to possessions in America to carry on the fight against Germany.

(France's possessions in America are French Guiana in South America; the islands of Martinique and Guadeloupe in the West Indies, and Saint Pierre and Miquelon off the coast of Newfoundland.)

The appeal was conveyed in a message to Mr. Roosevelt, dated June 10—the day Italy declared war on France and Great Britain and the day that the president, in his Charlottesville, Va., speech promised material aid for the allies.

President Replies

The text of the message was issued here and in the United States by agreement between the premier and the president, an official announcement said. Tours is one of the present seats of the French government.

The premier asked the president to tell Americans that "we are resolved to sacrifice ourselves in the struggle we are leading for all free men."

President Roosevelt was said to have replied to the appeal, saying that "surely 90 per cent" of the world which wants to live in peace "can and must find a way to make their will prevail."

Reynaud said he realized the gravity of any gesture by the United States in sending aid "before it is too late."

To Sacrifice All

The premier thanked the president for "generous aid in arms and aviation" and for the fact that he had "generously replied" to an appeal by the premier some days before.

"We are struggling in front of Paris, we are struggling behind Paris and we will shut ourselves up in one of our provinces and, if we are pursued, we will go to North Africa and, if need be, to our possessions in America," Reynaud possessed Mr. Roosevelt.

"The government already has left Paris. I myself am going to the armies. It will be to intensify the struggles with all the forces we command and not to abandon it."

Baker Guarantees Loyalty to Nation

Great Neck, N. Y., June 13 (AP)—Louis Uhlemann, a baker, placed a big sign across his show window today. It said: "I have been accused of fifth column activities and of being pro-Nazi and many other false stories have been circulated about me."

"I am a loyal American and believe in everything this country stands for."

"I have placed on deposit, with the Great Neck trust the sum of \$500 to be paid to the American Red Cross upon presentation of any evidence whatsoever to the contrary."

CIO Contract Renewed
Oregon City, Ore., June 13 (U.P.)—A contract with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO affiliate, was renewed today by the Oregon City Woolen Mills with minor wage increases.



Girl 'Fifth Columnist' Faces Death—The French censor-approved caption says this picture shows a Belgian girl, convicted of treason, with her executioners before she was shot. Standing beside her is a squad of French marines, with helmeted corporal in center identified as the head of the firing squad. The scene is in front of Dunkerque fort while the French still controlled it.

Turkey Signs Nazi Trade Pact

Ankara, June 13 (AP)—The Turkish government today signed a new commercial agreement with Germany. The accord came as a bombshell, especially since Turkish leaders had insisted Turkey would fulfill her mutual aid pacts with Britain and France and the controlled press had severely attacked Italy. Diplomats flocked to the foreign ministry in an attempt to learn the significance of the move.

The accord, it was announced, provides for the exchange of certain products to the extent of 21,000,000 Turkish pounds.

It was the result of months of negotiations between the government and Franz von Papen, German ambassador to Turkey.

(The deal involves about \$14,280,000. The Turkish pound was quoted at .68 in New York today.)

Trade between Germany and Turkey has been at a standstill for months because of credit and other difficulties.

Informed circles said the agreement was of no political significance but the first reaction in diplomatic circles was that it might indicate Turkey was not planning to enter the war immediately.

The agreement was signed by the German trade delegation which negotiated it.

London, June 13 (AP)—Turkey's signature of a commercial pact with Germany was said reliably today to be "no surprise" to the British and French.

Negotiations for the agreement have been proceeding "for months" and there is "no reason why" there should not be trade between the two countries, it was said.

British-Italian Skirmish in Libya

Cairo, Egypt, June 13 (AP)—A British-Italian skirmish on the Egyptian-Italian border last night in which the British took 62 prisoners was reported today by British authorities here.

The British said they suffered no casualties. Two officers were among the captives. Two machine-guns were reported taken.

The announcement was made by Lieutenant-General Henry M. Wilson, commanding British forces in Egypt.

Child Seriously Hurt

Klamath Falls, Ore., June 13 (U.P.)—Barbara Fitzgerald, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Audine Fitzgerald, was in a critical condition at a local hospital today from injuries suffered when she was struck by a car driven by George Pheneget, 67, of Bray, Calif.

The unemployed Richmond, Va., welder, who plans to homestead in the forests around Cook Inlet, Alaska, has completed one-third of his 1,500 mile journey from Tacoma, Wash.

Germans Strike Far to East of French Capital

Maginot Line Threatened from Rear as Paris Being Surrounded

Berlin, June 13 (AP)—Reliable although unofficial sources said tonight that the French, through United States Ambassador William C. Bullitt, have advised Germany that all troops have been removed from Paris.

(By the Associated Press)

Berlin, June 13—With German troops almost surrounding the northern environs of Paris, the Nazi juggernaut struck heavily from the east of the French capital today.

The high command reported the capture of Chalons Sur Marne along with 200 new French tanks, in a move apparently threatening directly the French Maginot line from the rear.

The strong German gesture in the direction of the Maginot defenses followed reported heavy cannonading at the extremity of the Maginot line near the Swiss border.

Chalons Sur Marne is about 125 miles east of Paris and almost directly south of the western end of the Maginot fortifications.

The high command reported that the Marne river—the farthest point of penetration by Kaiser Wilhelm's armies—had been crossed in several places from Chalons toward Paris, carrying the Germans farther south than they ever reached in the World war.

The French line, already thinned out by the constant extension to keep contact with the Maginot on one end and the Atlantic coast on the other, presented what German sources said was the fullest opportunity for the Nazi troops to hit at various points.

German advances were reported eastward between the Meuse river and the Argonne forest—a sector guarded by Verdun, of bloody World war memory. Verdun is the flank guard to the western end of the Maginot line.

(In Paris, the French declared the city "open" to save it from the devastation of total war.)

It was said here that anyone seeing the devastating effect of bombs and cannonading on Warsaw and Rotterdam could picture Paris in ashes if the Germans pressed the attack in the same manner in the event of French refusal to save the city by evacuating it.

A brief air attack laid the heart of Rotterdam in ruins and the core of Warsaw was smashed.

Authorized sources said the French would be asked by the German high command in a radio broadcast to surrender the capital.

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Food Stamp Plan for Marion on July 15

Portland, June 13 (U.P.)—Extension of the food stamp plan for distribution of surplus commodities to relief recipients in Clackamas and Marion counties was approved today by the state public welfare commission.

The commission set July 1 as a tentative date for setting up the plan in Clackamas county and July 15 for Marion county, subject to approval at a commission meeting later this month.

Clackamas county will be handled on a mailing basis out of Portland. Multnomah county already is operating under the food stamp plan, devised as a substitute for the present commodities distribution system.

An office will be established for Marion county in Salem, with rural areas handled on a mailing basis. A long-range program to extend the plan to Malheur and other eastern Oregon counties on a mail basis out of the Boise, Ida., office of the surplus commodities corporation was discussed but no immediate decision was reached.

Hunter Scott, Oregon representative of the surplus commodities corporation, will direct establishment of the new distribution system.

The mailing system is an innovation tried successfully in Arizona after much experimentation. Welfare Administrator Elmer Goudy told the commission.

The stamps will be mailed to the recipient who can use them in the purchase of commodities from his local merchants.

The commission approved new operating agreements with the federal government for the commodities distribution system, the crippled children, child-welfare, children's program and civilian conservation corps plans.

French Admit Situation Most Desperate

Poilus Hurl Nazis Back 5 Miles North of Paris Against Onslaughts

Tours, June 13 (AP)—German troops tonight were officially acknowledged to be pouring over three bridge-heads on the Seine in an effort to complete from the west the encirclement of Paris.

(By the Associated Press)

Tours, France, June 13 (AP)—The French Council of Ministers was reported tonight to have decided to continue French resistance "up to the end."

The meeting of the council was attended by British Prime Minister Churchill and British Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax.

Supported by American-made bombers, Gen. Maxime Weygand's French poilus hurled the Germans back 5 miles north of Paris today, a French military spokesman said, and the allied line was reported holding elsewhere under the onslaught of 120 Nazi divisions.

DNB, the official German news agency, meanwhile carried a brief dispatch under a Paris date-line saying it was officially announced that Paris would not be defended—apparently sparing the city from the devastation of war.

With the beleaguered French capital now declared an "open city"—technically inviolate against bombing and shelling—a French spokesman said the French have no intention of fighting in the streets of Paris itself.

The attacking Germans, he said, have been relieved two or three times.

General Weygand's deep "quick-sand" system of tank traps has worked and is still working, according to the best available information. But it is another question to withstand the determination to sweep every defense point regardless of the cost in men and material.

French dispatches repeatedly emphasize that Hitler's armies are paying dearly for every mile of ground gained, and paying too high a price. It is on this basis that the allies (concluded on page 11, column 6)