

The Weather
Forecast: Increasing cloud-ness tonight and Friday; cooler Friday.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 87
Lowest this morning 54

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300 FEARED LOST WITH FRENCH SHIP



Washington, D. C., July 25.—There is a possibility that Oregon will be the outstanding national park state, with more national parks than any other state, making Oregon a Mecca for tourists.

In addition to Crater Lake national park, a bill has been drafted by the national park service and sent to Senator Charles L. McNary to create a park area on the rugged, picturesque coast of Curry county. The third prospective park is Hell's Canyon, where Snake river winds along Wallawa county, the gash being deeper than that of famed Grand Canyon of the Colorado. This would make three parks; no other state has more than two.

Although there is considerable opposition against the Hell's Canyon proposal, in Curry county everyone is boosting for the seashore national park. It required several years for Sam Boardman, superintendent of state parks for Oregon, to sell the idea to national park officials, but once the suggestion was laid on the desk of Mr. Roosevelt he favored it immediately. Secretary Ickes, overlord of the park system, is keen for it, for aside from a few acres on the coast of Maine, no national park on a seashore has been created. When the government acquires the acreage it will proceed to develop it with accommodations for visitors, such as a lodge.

GERMANS VIOLATE SAFETY PROMISE IN REPATRIATION

Vessel With 1,300 Aboard Bound Home From England Sunk Near Coast

By the Associated Press.
London, July 25.—(P)—German air raiders swarmed in on British shipping and inland objectives today while the admiralty announced that a fast Nazi torpedo boat last night had torpedoed and sunk the French ship Meknes near England's Portland naval base.

The Meknes was carrying 1,300 French officers and men home to France for repatriation, the admiralty said, and it is feared 300 of them were lost.

Passengers and crew were given five minutes to take to the lifeboats.

Guarantee Violated.
The British Press association said it understood the Meknes had been guaranteed safe passage by the Germans.

One group of 950 survivors, 15 of them seriously injured, were landed at a south coast port this afternoon.

Early today about 80 Nazi planes swooped down upon one merchant convoy off the south-east coast, inviting a battle which a British witness said made the air "alive with aircraft."

Broken up and chased back across the channel, the Germans resumed the attack later and were reported over another area on the southeast coast.

An eyewitness said the noise resembled "continuous rumbling thunder."

One German bomber crashed late today in a field near a southwest village after a fight with a British plane. The German crewmen escaped by parachute and were captured. It was the sixth raider brought down today.

"Keep Your Chin Up Mama"



It took a little vice presidential chucking to keep an almost tearful Mrs. Garner's chin up at union station in Washington, D. C., as the Garners left for their Uvalde, Tex., home. Asked whether he would return to the capital, the vice president replied: "I'll reserve my decision on that. I have a leader who waits until the last minute to make up his mind."

"Divine Messengers" of "I Am" Cited in Mail Fraud Conspiracy

By Arthur Whitney
United Press Staff Correspondent
Los Angeles, July 25.—(P)—The "divine messengers" of the cult "I am," today found themselves in extensive, earthly trouble with the United States government for the alleged perpetration of a \$3,000,000 mail fraud.

A federal grand jury late yesterday indicated 24 leaders of "I Am" in a bill listing 23 counts of mail fraud conspiracy.

The government charged that the cult represented itself as a charity organization, but, in fact, operated to defraud those who contributed to it by means of large salaries, bonuses and unusually high living expenses.

Mrs. Edna W. Ballard, represented variously as "Joan of Arc," "Jesus" and "St. Germain," and her son, Donald, known to the congregation as "Lafayette," had operated the organization since the death in 1939 of its founder, Guy W. Ballard, the indictment said.

"I accept the challenge of the United States government to show the divine truth of the mighty 'I Am' presence," Mrs. Ballard declared as her attorney prepared to surrender her and her son today on \$10,000 bail.

"We ask the public to withhold judgment until it has heard the truth of this law."

The grand jury charged that members were recruited through "hynotic control."

"Many were caused to reach such a high state of emotionalism that they were willing to travel far distances at great expense under the hope and expectation they would view physical appearances of the alleged masters of the divine entities," the indictment said.

Among other means of raising revenue, it was charged, the cult sold a book teaching the attainment of "self-immortality."

INTER-AMERICAN SOLIDARITY HAS ARGENTINE FAVOR

Doubtful Nation of Pan-American Conference Would Keep Status Quo

By J. C. Stark
Havana, July 25.—(P)—Argentina, the big question mark of the Pan-American conference on hemisphere defense, indicated today a desire to retain the spirit of inter-American solidarity.

Leopoldo Melo, head of the Argentine delegation, said his country was ready to present four projects on the following subjects:

1. Foreign possessions.
2. Inter-American neutrality and security zone.
3. Protection of children.
4. Coordination of defense measures.

The proposals, he said, are couched in language showing Argentine wishes to maintain the present status of a unified hemisphere.

A new United States proposal dealing with the menace of "fifth column" activities in the Americas was also disclosed as the conference awaited the text of the Argentine project.

This proposal, a companion to an earlier proposal aimed at diplomatic and consular officials, was described as more sweeping in character and designed to form a solid American front against foreign attempts to subvert domestic activities, foment disorder or set up a non-American system of government in any American area.

Under the proposed resolution, the Americas would make suppression of such activities a common concern, warn each other of any foreign threats and consult fully on all measures.

OIL, SCRAP METAL EMBARGO LOOMS AS DEFENSE AID

President Signs Order Extending Export License—Halt Oil Cargoes for Spain

Washington, July 25.—(P)—President Roosevelt today added petroleum and petroleum products, scrap iron and other scrap metal to the list of commodities subject to possible embargo.

He signed an order subjecting these to a system of export licensing, should it be deemed necessary, soon after Secretary Morgenthau confirmed stoppage of two shipments of oil to Spain.

The other amended a proclamation and regulations issued last July 2 designed to keep in this country materials essential to the national defense.

The law these regulations implemented provided legal authority for the control of exports of munitions, materials, and machinery needed for defense.

Stephen Early, presidential secretary, said the order did not mean an embargo was being placed on these products but that the authority merely was being provided to control shipments to other countries.

While Morgenthau would supply no reasons for the oil shipment stoppages, it was learned elsewhere that a virtual embargo already had been established to prevent the oil from reaching Germany and Italy through Spain.

Approximately 200,000 barrels of oil were aboard two tankers whose sailing from a Texas port was halted a few days ago by maritime commission.

BASEBALL

American	R.	H.	E.
Boston	4	8	0
Chicago	6	11	1
Bagby, Mustakis and Glenn; Knott, Brown and Tresh.			
R.	H.	E.	
Washington	2	9	3
Detroit	5	8	1
Leonard, Carrasquel and Ferreri; Newhouse, McKain and Tebbets.			
R.	H.	E.	
Philadelphia	7	11	0
Cleveland	6	10	1
Ross and Hayes; Harder, Allen and Pytlak, Hemsley.			
National	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	2	6	1
New York	1	9	1
Sewell and Davis, Lopez, Fernandez; Schumacher and Danning.			
R.	H.	E.	
Chicago	3	13	2
Boston	4	9	3
Lee, Root and Hartnett; Salvo, Javery and Berres.			

BANKS AND REED REFUSED PAROLE BY STATE BOARD

Action Taken After Routine Appearance of Pair of Jackson County Slayers

Salem, Ore., July 25.—(P)—Lewellyn A. Banks, former Medford newspaper publisher convicted of killing a constable during Medford's "good government" trouble, has been refused a parole by the state parole board.

Fred Finsley, director of parole and probation, said Banks had appeared before the board and his case was continued for at least a year. The continuance was "purely routine," Finsley said. He said that a new psychiatric report will be made in Banks' case before he appears again. This also will be routine procedure, Finsley pointed out.

Try Again in Year
Albert W. Reed, who also was convicted of killing a southern Oregon policeman—Victor Knott of Ashland—was also refused a parole. He, like Banks, will make another routine appearance before the board next year.

Appearances before the parole board are routine under the governor's review policy inaugurated by the last legislature. Every prisoner is given a review in rotation, according to the length of his incarceration.

STOCKMEN IN WALLAWA COUNTY

resent the idea of a park in the Hell's Canyon region as it would interfere with grazing. Senator McNary, however, thinks the grazing question can be adjusted and provided for in such legislation as is presented to authorize creation of a national park. Scenically and historically the Wallawa county "rates."

If the present session trickles along until January, the Curry county bill may be presented this year, otherwise next year in the new congress.

WHAT KIND OF A POLITICAL CAMPAIGN IS IN THE OFFING CAN BE

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LESSARD LEADING THIRD TERM FOES

Portland, July 25.—(P)—Opposition against President Roosevelt's candidacy for a third term simmered among some Oregon Democrats today, and publicly reached the "boiling point" among a few.

Dellmore Lessard, Portland attorney, led the dissenters by resigning as the Willamette Democratic society's program chairman and calling a meeting of Democrats to organize support for the Republican ticket of Wendell Willkie and Senator McNary.

Lessard said six leading Democrats already have authorized listing as Willkie-McNary supporters.

SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Colonel Harvey Fletcher paying a surprise visit to the CCC swimming school and finding the boys doing right well.

The junior Walt Kresse doing a remarkably satisfactory job of substituting at a women's duplicate bridge session, the ladies being very gentlemanly toward him.

Bruce McKay staying close to home on his natal day, thus avoiding any traditional, boyish observance of his birthday by his fellow MT carriers.

Frank Farrell and Fred Schefel playing hide-and-seek with a street improvement petition form.

DALADIER AND COHORTS TO FACE TRIAL BEFORE SPECIAL ARMY COURT

Vichy France, July 25.—(P)—A special tribunal will be set up to try former Premier Edouard Daladier and other former government leaders, for responsibility for France's entry into war and for her defeat, it was indicated today.

Establishment of the tribunal can be expected shortly, it was indicated, and some journalists may be tried along with the government leaders.

A military court will look into the cases of men who were in the armed forces at the time of incurring alleged responsibilities for the war. They will be investigated for responsibility for the unsuccessful military leadership.

The press began a special "build-up" for the trial today, just two days after arrival of Daladier, several of his former aides and members of parliament at Marseille from French Morocco, whither they sailed just before signing of the French-German armistice. These men are now confined to Marseille under orders of Marshal Philippe Petain's government.

1,000 BRITISH YOUNG COMING TO AMERICA ON UNGUARDED SHIPS

New York, July 25.—(P)—A thousand British children—from poor and well-to-do homes alike—are destined to leave within the next few weeks in unconvoyed ships for the safety of the United States.

The United States committee for the care of European children said a blanket authorization for the transfer had been issued by the state department upon assurance the children would not become public charges.

Those selected are to be taken in the order they are found on a list of some 200,000 registered for mass evacuation. Committee Chairman Marshall Field said British authorities were instructed to make certain that those selected represent a cross-section of English families.

ALEXANDRIA RAIDED BY ITALIAN PLANES

Alexandria, Egypt, July 25.—(P)—Italian planes, using incendiary bombs for the first time, raided this British naval base for an hour today. One person was killed and seven injured.

The bombs, missing military objectives, fell in native residential districts. Numerous homes were set afire.

The British struck back with a "highly successful" air raid on 50 grounded Italian planes at Derna, Eastern Libya.

Berlin, July 25.—(AP by radio)—The executive committee of the Breton National council has decided that Brittany shall break away from France and become a national state, the German radio announced tonight.

The broadcast was based on a dispatch from Paris which said that the council had decided on the break "at a given time."

MOOSE DELEGATIONS ARRIVING IN EUGENE

Eugene, July 25.—(P)—Special trains and automobiles rolled into Eugene today carrying Moose lodge delegates to opening sessions of the state and twenty-fifth anniversary conference of the Northwest Moose association.

Delegates from British Columbia, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon registered for preliminary meetings.

Trail Girl to Wed.
Reno, Nev., July 25.—(P)—Marriage licenses issued at Reno: Robert R. Coble, 22, Klamath Falls, Ore. and Bettie L. Ash, 20, Trail, Ore.

Hitler Aide Denounces U. S. For Discriminatory Tactics

Berlin, July 25.—(P)—Adolf Hitler's minister of economics, Walther Funk, today attacked the United States for what he termed its discriminatory tactics against Germany, disparaged efforts to evolve a Pan-American plan of economy and ridiculed the United States' vast stores of gold as useless.

Speaking to the foreign press, Funk said: "If all the gold now accumulated in the United States were taken on some island and that island disappeared, world economy would not suffer."

Funk said he had a low opinion of the Pan-American economic plan now under discussion in Havana, and, in effect, warned South America it would be boycotted if it entered any such United American front arrangement.

He also warned the United States to abandon its idea of "forcing economic conditions on Germany."

"We don't need North American mediation," he said.

Funk asserted it was up to the United States itself to decide whether, and to what extent, it will trade with Europe after the war, but it must abandon the idea it can force its economic terms upon Germany or Europe.

FOOD SUPPLY DWINDLING FAST IN FRENCH UNOCCUPIED ZONE

Basel, Switzerland, July 25.—(P)—Rapid dwindling of food supplies in that part of France not under Nazi occupation has led even the censored press there to report "the fate of France for months to come is in the hands of the German armistice commission at Wiesbaden, not the government at Vichy."

But those same newspapers hold out hope the Germans soon will permit food supplies to move freely from the occupied to the refugee-swollen unoccupied zone.

Other sources, however, assert the tragedy of this hope is that the German-held areas apparently are very little better off, and soon may be in worse condition, than the southern zone.

Farmers and inhabitants of rural villages have been the first to feel the pinch, rather than residents of big cities and towns.

K. F. MAN MISSING ON UPPER LAKE

Klamath Falls, July 25.—(P)—Sheriffs officers today set out on the western shore of upper Klamath Lake to look for Ralph M. Pray, local insurance man, missing in that area.

R. F. McLaren, his fishing partner, told authorities Pray had left him at Howard Bay yesterday and set out in a canvas boat with an outboard motor to go to Rocky Point a few miles north to get more hooks. McLaren waited until sundown before hiking out to catch a ride to town and notify officers.

No report had been made by Sheriff Lloyd Low and his officers by mid afternoon.

\$1,000 FLIVVER PLANE AUTO MAGNATE'S PLAN

Detroit, July 25.—(P)—Preparations for production of a new all-metal "flivver plane" designed eventually to sell for \$1,000, are being made here with backing by Fred J. Fisher, eldest of the family of Fisher brothers and a founder of Fisher corporation, it was disclosed today.

GASOLINE CONSUMPTION SETS RECORD IN OREGON

Salem, July 25.—(P)—Gasoline consumption in Oregon during June set an all-time monthly record of 26,145,739 gallons, a 24 per cent increase over that of June, 1939, Secretary of State Earl Snell said today.

COOL AIR WAVE CARRIES RELIEF TO TORRID AREA

By the Associated Press
The prolonged heat wave showed signs of cracking today as a mass of cool air advanced from the northwest.

Cooler air began moving eastward last night, bringing relief to Montana, Wyoming, the Dakotas, and parts of Minnesota.

Forecasters said the air mass would overspread the upper Mississippi valley and Great Lakes region by tomorrow night and should be felt all the way to the Atlantic seaboard by Saturday.

Thunder showers promised temporary relief today for most of the middlewest and much of the east. Temperatures, however, remained abnormally high from the Rockies to the Atlantic.

At least 338 deaths were attributed directly or indirectly to the torrid spell, more than a week old in some sections. There were 131 heat fatalities and 207 drownings. In addition more than a half dozen persons were killed by lightning.

Most of the heat deaths were recorded in the middle west. Illinois had 24, Minnesota and Pennsylvania 16 each, Michigan 15, Ohio and Wisconsin 12 each.

JOHNSON RESIGNS AS ASSISTANT TO WAR SECRETARY

Washington, July 25.—(P)—Louis Johnson has resigned as assistant secretary of war, the White House announced today.

President Roosevelt immediately nominated Robert Porter Patterson of New York to succeed him.

Patterson has been a judge of the second circuit court of appeals in New York since March 21, 1939.

Mr. Roosevelt expects shortly to offer Johnson a post as administrative assistant to the president, designating him as his "progress reporter" on the entire national defense program.

White House Secretary Stephen T. Early disclosed that Johnson submitted his resignation yesterday. His withdrawal was in conformance with the tradition that a cabinet member may choose his own assistant secretaries. Johnson was a hold-over from the cabinet service of former Secretary of War Harry Woodring.

The new secretary of war, Henry L. Stimson, exercised his right to select his own first assistant, and Johnson's resignation followed.

Food Supply Dwindling Fast In French Unoccupied Zone

In Alsace, hand-picked groups of farmers, taken back to their homes by the Germans, still are being fed and supplied by the German army of occupation. In the great central northeastern section, overrun by refugees and demobilized troops, food already is at a premium.

Farmers sent back to work their land were reported in some cases to have returned to the cities within a few days.

"We cannot plow on empty stomachs," said one who came to the Swiss frontier seeking food.

Independent economic experts in Switzerland say Germany soon may be forced to draw on her own food stocks to feed the French. If England still is blocking the continent by winter these sources report, all of France's millions may be dependent on axis aid and relief from such outside agencies as the American Red Cross.