

Weather
Full U. S. Weather Bureau report inside
Forecast: Fair tonight and Wednesday; little change in temperature.
Temperature
Highest yesterday 86
Lowest this morning 53
Precipitation past 24 hours .00

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NAZIS ADVANCE ON ROAD TO MOSCOW

Kelly's Comment

From Washington
Government to Make Aluminum
Ickes Relents
Fabricating Plant
Due On Coast

By John W. Kelly

Washington, D. C., July 1.—Within six months the federal government will be in the aluminum business in a large way in the Pacific northwest. Also under consideration is a plant for manufacturing magnesium, but this is less certain than the aluminum enterprise.

At the current moment, to meet the needs of the government, it is proposed that three aluminum plants be established instead of one; by this scheme the various advocates will be given a plant. There are details to be worked out, many details, but it can be stated that, subject to possible revision, there will be aluminum plants at Cascade Locks, at Tacoma and Spokane.

To meet the needs of the airplane industry for fabricated aluminum the government will establish a rolling mill in the state of Washington. This fabricating plant, which could be placed anywhere in the Pacific northwest, will, in all probability, be on the Columbia river and either at Longview, where the Reynolds Metals Co. is located, or at Vancouver, where the Aluminum company of America has its large ingot pots.

A PROGRAM for magnesium is less conclusive. There is a strong probability of a magnesium plant being installed on the power lines of Boulder dam, but it is almost certain that another government plant will be placed close to Grand Coulee switchboard. This is another instance where various governmental agencies are pulling and hauling, unable to agree on the best place for a site in accord with the fact that magnesium is wanted by the ton for several years to keep pace with the airplane program.

IF one of the three contemplated aluminum plants of the

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WPA PORT WORK TO BE RESUMED

Through a misunderstanding WPA work at Medford municipal airport was shut down this morning, but will be resumed tomorrow morning, Fred W. Scheffel, city superintendent, announced.

It was thought by mistake that the president had not yet signed the necessary appropriation bill to continue the work, Mr. Scheffel explained.

"It was all an error and we want all the men back to work tomorrow morning," Mr. Scheffel said.

Destroyers Sunk

Rome, July 1.—(P)—The Italian high command reported today the sinking of two British destroyers, one off Bardia, Libya, and the other in the eastern Mediterranean.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Ralph Woodford thinking a photo in the MT looked familiar and then discovering it was his son-in-law.

And Ken Murray being equally thrilled at finding his photo in a Klamath Falls newspaper high school class photo of 30 years ago.

Babe Lillard expressing her disappointment that friends did not keep their date to help themselves to an overabundance of berries weighing down the Lillard vines.

Marion and Hank Fisher gladly helping Norma and Ken Madden celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary.

INVADERS CLAIM REDS IN DISORDER ON POLISH FRONT

Moscow Admits Reverses in First Clash But Says Lines Now Holding Foe

By the Associated Press

The Germans penetrated the Russian center today with a thrust by advanced units that carried to 90 miles southeast of Minsk to the region of Bobruisk on the road to Moscow, and pushed back the extreme Russian right in the Arctic front before Murnansk.

Moreover, Berlin claimed that far to the south, on the Polish front, the Russians were in disorderly and costly flight from the Lwow region, and that the river Dvina had been crossed by Nazi troops between Dvinsk and Riga, the Soviet naval base in old Latvia.

Admit Early Reverses

Moscow acknowledged initial reverses in the Bobruisk vicinity and in the far north, but claimed that in both cases a steadfast Russian resistance had defeated all German efforts to further these advances.

The German air force was reported ranging far ahead of the land columns, smashing Russian communication lines in the Smolensk and Odessa regions and dealing punishing blows at Murnansk, on the Arctic sea.

Stockholm heard reports that Riga had fallen; a German reporter described the entry of Nazi troops into Mitau, 60 miles to the southeast, but the high command said of the thrust along the Baltic toward Leningrad only that the Dvina river had been crossed at many points.

In bitter all-night fighting, Russia's troops declared today they had checked the advance of German invasion forces at two main sectors of the 2,000-mile battlefield—in the Minsk-Bobruisk and Luck areas—where the nazis are striking directly toward Moscow and the Soviet Ukraine.

Near Smolensk

The Germans, by contrast, asserted that two Nazi tank columns "now are far east of Minsk," capital of white Russia and that German schnelle truppen (speed troops) were in sight of Smolensk, 250 miles from Moscow.

Radio reports from Stockholm said Riga, the capital of sovietized Latvia, had fallen into Nazi hands. France's off-stage role in the 10-day-old struggle moved nearer the actual fighting with a statement by the Vichy French government that it had "no objection" to French volunteers fighting alongside their former enemies, the Germans.

Only yesterday France broke off diplomatic relations with Russia. Rome radio said Chancellor Hitler and Premier Mussolini decided on "the war against Moscow and the destruction of the red army" at their latest Brenner pass meeting, June 2.

A Berlin radio broadcast said German Bavarian Alpine troops in violent action at Lwow, former Poland, had destroyed 100 Soviet tanks with hand grenades.

A Russian communiqué tersely sketched the huge-scale conflict as follows:

All Units Engaged

"In the Minsk and Bobruisk directions, our troops fought all night against superior enemy forces, successfully counteracting their attempts to thrust toward the east."

"Infantry, artillery, tanks and the air force participated in the fighting."

Minsk lies 20 miles inside the old Soviet frontier. Bobruisk is about 90 miles southeast of Minsk.

The communiqué also declared that the red army had stemmed the Nazi onslaught toward the Ukraine, counter-attacking and destroying German tanks.

Prineville, Ore., July 1.—(P)—Head-on crash of an automobile and a gasoline truck last night killed L. M. Mills, 80, Paulina stockman, and F. J. Brown. Mills was driving the car and Brown was a passenger. Ernest Edwards, driver of the truck, was unhurt.

Blaze Threatens Bridge



Tank cars which caught fire after collision with a switch engine in the railroad yards at Omaha threatened the Ak-Sar-Ben bridge across the Missouri river. Firemen kept burning oil from spreading to the span. Damage to railroad equipment was estimated at \$100,000.

War Bulletins

Berlin, July 1.—(P)—German forces attacking Russia have captured Riga, capital of Latvia, it was announced officially tonight.

Stockholm, July 1.—(P)—German parachute troops were reported in dispatches reaching Stockholm to have landed at a Russian naval base at Baltisk, Estonia, today. The dispatches said all were captured.

Berlin, July 1.—(P)—German dive bombers have set a British destroyer afire off the Egyptian coast near Salum and at besieged Tobruk have bombed harbor facilities and British motor vehicles. The German high command announced today.

A Northeast Coast Town in England, July 1.—(P)—More than 200 German seamen captured in the battle of the Atlantic were landed from a British warship today and taken to an internment camp. Most were believed to be additional survivors of the German battleship Bismarck.

London, July 1.—(P)—Exchange Telegraph (British news agency) said tonight that it had heard the Moscow radio announcing that seven German submarines had been sunk in the Baltic and Black seas.

Willkie's Son In Draft Registry

Rushville, Ind., July 1.—(P)—Philip Willkie, son of the 1940 Republican presidential nominee, registered here today under the selective service act. Young Willkie, who was 21 December 7, has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Phil Willkie, and working on his father's farms.

British Reinforcing For Syrian Campaign

Vichy, July 1.—(P)—The British and Free French forces in Syria were reported here tonight to be bringing up heavy reinforcements in all sectors apparently in preparation for a general offensive.

French military advances indicated that British motorized columns had pushed around Nebek and had made contact with French secondary positions north of the town on the road to Homs.

Constanta Raided

Moscow, Wednesday, July 2.—(P)—Russian bombers have again raided Constanta, Rumanian Black sea port, it was stated early today.

ROCKING QUAKE JARS L. A. AREA NEAR MIDNIGHT

Los Angeles, July 1.—(P)—A powerful rocking-chair earthquake swayed southern California just before midnight last night, causing noticeable damage in the Santa Barbara area.

Downtown plate-glass windows were shattered and bricks fell off the parapets of some buildings in Santa Barbara. Plaster was shaken down as cracks appeared in some walls. Similar damage to a lesser degree was reported from Carpinteria and Ventura, south of Santa Barbara.

In the Los Angeles area, the swing-like quake awakened thousands of sleepers and remained perceptible for about a minute.

The sensation was that of some great cosmic rocking chair in motion—rocking southeast to northwest in comparatively long, lazy sweeps. It was a contrast to the usual jolting or shuddering quakes usually felt in this area.

From Santa Barbara was reported the recurrence of twin phenomena associated with many large earthquakes and never fully explained scientifically. The sheriff's office said there was a weird flashing of light in the sky followed closely by a pervasive rumbling sound.

Because of the broken store windows in the Santa Barbara business section, 100 men were placed on guard under police direction to prevent looting. These included home defense guards, soldiers off duty, American Legionnaires and policemen.

The quake was felt sharply as far northward as Santa Maria, 160 miles from here, but not in San Diego and Imperial Valley in the lower end of southern California.

Zivic, Davis Fracas Postponed By Rain

New York, July 1.—(P)—The 12-round non-title fight between welterweight champion Fritz Zivic and Al Davis, scheduled for the Polo Grounds tonight, was postponed until tomorrow night because of rain.

Russian Women In Defense Regiment

Stockholm, Sweden, July 1.—(P)—A regiment of young Russian women has been formed for the defense of Estonia, a Riga radio announcement heard here said today.

F. R. Still Holds Peace Hope

HALF OF DRAFT IN JACKSON CO. LISTED BY 2 P. M.

35 City Residents, 54 County and 22 Out of County—Gold Hill Youth Is First

Up to 2 p.m. 111 men who had become 21 since last October 16 had registered under the selective training and service law at Jackson county's local board headquarters, 204 West Main street.

Of the total, 35 were city residents, 54 county residents outside the city and 22 out-of-county residents here temporarily, headquarters said.

First to register was Marvin William Betts of Gold Hill. Betts was waiting at 6:30 when the first local board employee arrived.

The office opened for registration at 7 a.m. and will remain open until 9 tonight. It was estimated that somewhere between 200 and 300 would be registered.

Portland, Ore., July 1.—(P)—Draft registration for men who became 21 since Oct. 16 last, lagged somewhat in Oregon this morning and the state total at noon was far short of the expected 6500.

Washington, July 1.—(P)—At country cross-roads and in great urban centers, the United States enrolled today its military "class of 1941"—some 750,000 young men who have just reached 21.

All men—citizens or aliens—who have become 21 years of age since the first selective service registration last October must sign up, and all signs are that a good many of them will get an early call for their year of military service.

HOUSING SURVEY GETS UNDER WAY IN MEDFORD AREA

About a dozen enumerators took to the field this morning to make a complete Medford housing survey for the army cantonment civilian coordination board.

It is hoped to have the survey completed by a week from tomorrow, Frank J. Van Dyke, civilian coordinator said. Purpose is to ascertain definitely how many lodging accommodations are available for workers on the proposed cantonment without additional building.

The office of the coordinator was to be moved this afternoon from the army to the tourist information bureau at North Riverside avenue and Fifth street. It was thought that the new location would be more convenient for the public, Mr. Van Dyke said.

The AAA and tourist information bureau will continue to occupy the premises also. Site of the proposed cantonment was viewed yesterday by Col. G. O. Kurtz, from the office of the chief of field artillery, Washington, D. C., and Maj. Lawrence Bixby, from the field artillery school at Fort Sill, Okla. The visiting officers were accompanied on the all-day site tour by Capt. Theron W. Bean, constructing quartermaster.

Col. Kurtz and Maj. Bixby, who came in from San Francisco yesterday morning, left by train last night for Portland whence they were to return east by streamliner train.

Astoria, Ore., July 1.—(P)—Ocean trollers along the Oregon coast reported today that the best silverside salmon hauls of the season have been made in the past week. A number of Columbia river gillnetters have converted their boats into trollers.

BUILDING PERMITS SO FAR THIS YEAR SHOW HEAVY GAIN

First Half Total \$176,985 Shown by City Inspector; June is Highest Month.

Already far ahead of the corresponding period in 1940, figures released by the city inspector's office today indicated that 1941 building activity in Medford would surpass by a considerable margin that of last year, when permits totaling \$212,955 were issued.

For the first six months of this year the valuation of permits issued was \$176,985 as compared to \$93,436 at the half-way point in 1941. Thus far this year permits for 43 new residences have been issued, June being the high month with 11 at a total stated cost of \$26,100.

Big June Increase

The total value of 30 permits issued last month was \$31,625, a big increase over the \$15,275 of June 1940, and over the \$20,600 of May 1941. In addition to the 11 new-residence permits of last month, 16 were issued for remodeling and repairing at a total cost of \$3,235, and three were issued for new businesses at a total cost of \$2,300.

With the lone exception of March, every month thus far this year has topped the corresponding month in 1940, and the building inspector's office indicated that construction of all kinds, especially that of new residences, was expected to surge still higher in the next six months of 1941.

W. E. Thomas applied for the first application of July today, to remodel a store front at 135 West Main street at a stated cost of \$500.

Following is a table showing the month-by-month value of building activity for the first six months of 1941 and 1940:

	1941	1940
January	\$20,400	\$8,186
February	32,325	14,405
March	11,900	23,795
April	60,125	18,343
May	20,600	13,430
June	31,625	15,275

Total \$176,985 \$93,436

Santa Cruz, Calif., July 1.—(P)—The Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel has purchased the Evening News and will continue to operate it at the same location in the evening field.

Huge Bomber Fleet Promised By Pooling of Plant Efforts

Los Angeles, July 1.—(P)—American airplane builders are pooling their productive resources to give the United States and Britain an unprecedented fleet of long-range, four-engine heavy bombers.

The aviation news committee of the aeronautical chamber of commerce of America reported today this cooperation would produce an estimated 500 bombers monthly in 1942. It based its figures on government records and forecasts.

Col. John H. Joutet, president of the aeronautical chamber, said these bombers, produced in sufficient numbers, successfully could convoy shipping from America to England.

Three Pacific coast manufacturers—Boeing of Seattle, Douglas of Santa Monica, Calif., and Vega of Burbank, Calif.—have agreed upon a cooperative program for production of Boeing's B-17E bombers. Each will produce completely assembled warplanes. Parts will be interchangeable.

Consolidated Aircraft Corp. of San Diego and Douglas are building two \$22,000,000 plants, to build B-24 bombers. The plants are scheduled to begin operation by the end of 1941. Consolidated will operate at Fort Worth, Tex., and Douglas

BASEBALL

American

New York, July 1.—(P)—Joe DiMaggio tied Willie Keeler's major league record when he cracked out a single in the first innings of the second Yankee-Red Sox game today to run his hitting streak to 44 straight games.

First game: R. H. E.
Boston 2 7 1
New York 7 15 1
Harris, Ryba, Potter and Pylak; Russo, Chandler and Silvestri.

Detroit 5 12 0
Chicago 1 3 2
Trout and Tebbetts; Smith, Hallett and Tresh, Dickey.

National

St. Louis R. H. E.
Pittsburgh 11 17 3
Pittsburgh 7 14 0
Krist, Warneke, and Mancuso; Sewell, Wilkie and Baker.

New York R. H. E.
Boston 4 7 2
Boston 6 10 0
Schumacher, Bowman, McGee and O'Dea; Lamanna, Hutchings and Masl.

(10 innings)

Philadelphia 6 12 1
Brooklyn 4 8 0
Grissom, Pearson and Warren; Livingston; Fitzsimmons, Brown, Casey and Franks.

FEHL REFUSED PERMIT TO TAKE SANITY CASE TO U.S. SUPREME COURT

Salem, July 1.—(P)—The state supreme court refused today to permit Earl H. Fehl, former Jackson county judge who was paroled several days ago from the state hospital, to appeal to the United States supreme court in his fight to have invalidated the proceedings in which he was committed four years ago to the state hospital.

The decision today was announced orally by Chief Justice Percy J. Kelly.

Circuit Judge Carl Hendricks of Fossil ruled that Fehl's insanity proceedings were regular, and the state supreme court upheld the judge two months ago. It was from this order that Fehl wished to appeal to the United States supreme court.

Fehl wanted outright release from the hospital, rather than a parole. He said a few days ago that he would appeal to the U. S. supreme court for the outright release.

at Tulsa, Okla., in another cooperative program. Subassemblies will be produced by the automotive industry.

Output of these plants, the aeronautical chamber predicted, will increase production of heavy bombers to 200 planes per month.

After the Boeing-Douglas-Vega cooperative begins production in 1942, the output should total 500 a month, the chamber added.

The chamber stressed that these figures cover only the heavy bombers and do not include other cooperation for the production of medium bombers. Under the latter, fast ships of the Martin B-26 and North American B-25 type will be produced by the Glenn L. Martin Co. and North American Aviation, Inc., at government plants at Omaha, Neb., and Kansas City, Mo. Automobile manufacturers will supply assemblies.

To augment the program, Boeing plans immediate construction of a large addition to the No. 2 plant of its Stearman division at Wichita, Kas. Douglas' new "blackout plant"—a windowless building from which no light can escape—soon will be ready to manufacture B-17E bombers at Long Beach, Calif. Vega will produce them at its new factory at Burbank, Calif.

If Motoring—and the old car is unsatisfactory to make the trip, look up the used car ads in this newspaper and trade the old car in for a better one. After all, if it is to be a pleasure trip, play safe.

NO COMMENT ON KNOX ADVOCACY OF NAVY ACTION

President Also Mum On Arrest of 32 Suspected of Spying—Critics Scored

Washington, July 1.—(P)—Senator Wheeler (D-Mont.) said in a statement today that Secretary Knox "should resign or be thrown out of office" for asserting in a speech last night in Boston that the "time to use our navy to clear the Atlantic of the German menace is at hand."

Hyde Park, July 1.—(P)—President Roosevelt reaffirmed today a hope that America could stay out of war.

He drew a distinction, however, between a hope and a belief.

But he also said at a press conference that it was obvious how anyone would vote in a poll on whether this country should plunge actively into the conflict against the axis powers.

Certainly everyone is against war, he said, just as everyone is against sin.

Follows Criticism
Mr. Roosevelt has asserted at a number of press conferences in the last two years that he hoped this country could keep out of Europe's conflict. Today's reiteration, however, followed recent statements by critics of the administration's policy that the United States was being led along the road to active participation in the war.

The president preferred not to comment on Secretary Knox's declaration in Boston last night that the navy should be used immediately to clear the Atlantic of a German menace so war supplies could be delivered to Britain.

Nor would he discuss the arrest of 32 persons on spy charges over the week-end; and he passed over with obvious disdain the contents of a report of the house military committee criticizing the handling of the defense program and suggesting that it have a single head.

Rep. Fish (R-N.Y.), who represents the congressional district in which the president lives, has been polling his constituents to determine whether they believe the United States should enter the war.

Washington, July 1.—(P)—Secretary Knox's call for immediate use of the United States navy "to clear the Atlantic of the German menace" led the capital to wonder today whether he was hinting at an important change in administration policy toward Nazi activities.

The direct language the navy secretary used in his speech at Boston last night gave rise to the belief in some quarters that a definite revision was contemplated in existing naval strategy.

Knox, who addressed the annual conference of governors, urged that the naval forces be used to deal Hitler "a smashing blow," even though it involved "risk and danger... sacrifice to the extreme... if need be, American blood."

The speech, it was generally agreed here, went farther than Knox or any other cabinet officer had gone in any previous public pronouncements.

GERMAN, ITALIAN SHOPS LOOTED BY URUGUAYANS

Trinidad, Uruguay, July 1.—(P)—German and Italian shops were looted by a mob today in a spread of reaction to rioting at Durazno Sunday in which a bystander was killed.

The crowd threw merchandise into the streets and burned it.

Albany, Ore., July 1.—(P)—A state highway gravel truck killed M. W. Counts, 65, Salem, while he was at work on a road construction job near Foster yesterday. Counts, spotter foreman for an oiling crew, bent over to light his pipe as the truck, driven by E. N. Hills, Salem, backed up.