

Weather
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Forecast: Fair tonight and Saturday; cooler Sunday.
Temperature: Highest yesterday 96, Lowest this morning 57, Precipitation past 24 hours .06

LENINGRAD GIRDS FOR DEATH STAND

News Behind The News
By Paul Mallon



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Washington, Aug. 22.—Mr. Churchill, with the aid and knowledge of Mr. Roosevelt, is opening up a new line of supplies into Russia from the head of the Persian gulf. The rail line north to the Caspian sea is thin and wobbly in spots, and all the goods will have to be reloaded on ships for transportation across that sea. But it will be a fairly safe line into Russia, relatively free from both the Nazis and Japs, and it can be exploited during the winter.

Mr. Roosevelt, at the instance of Mr. Churchill, is already opening a new bomber-ferry route directly to the near east, through Africa, out of reach of the Nazis. This also can feed bombers into Russia through the winter, although that angle has not been stressed here.

With Vladivostok, only mildly menaced so far by the Japs, as an all-winter port directly across the Pacific, Mr. Roosevelt and Churchill stand in a fair way to implement forcefully their joint promise of aid to the reds.

How it will work out all depends upon the success of negotiations at the Moscow conference of British and U. S. representatives with Stalin. If the red dictator wants help, and offers reasonable terms, he can get it (not much perhaps from the British who have little to spare, but from us).

THE vague yarns being told about Mr. Roosevelt now expecting the reds not only to last through the winter but two more years, developed immediately upon his return from the Churchill conference. The White House apparently did not like the way such a flat prediction looked in print and shushed such "overly optimistic" interpretations with a denial.

No one will assume to relate what Churchill told Roosevelt (Continued on Page Twelve)

LACK OF PUC PERMIT COSTS TRUCKER \$10

Earl M. Manley charged with operating a truck without a PUC permit, was assessed \$10 and costs in Justice of the Peace William R. Coleman's court yesterday.

Ernest V. Webb paid \$1 and costs for no stop light on his vehicle.

Radio Highlights

By Associated Press
(Time is Pacific Standard)
Tonight, the war—4:55 CBS; 5:30 NBC-Blue; 6 MBS; 8 NBC; 8:30 MBS.

SIDE GLANCES

By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Juanita Guile explaining how Hubby Duke spells his last name, she saying it was the same as the common word which he is not full of any.

Bob Mercer recalling the time a coral snake was found on the Pacific highway here, no one knowing where the tropical reptile had come from.

George Green failing in his best effort to exact some worthless but interesting information from a friend.

CIVILIANS FORM PEOPLE'S ARMY TO MEET NAZIS

German Columns Attack From Three Directions — Odessa Ring Tightened

By the Associated Press
Thousands of men rushed from Leningrad today to stem the advance of German siege columns while other tens of thousands toiled to erect street fortifications for a death-stand defense of the old czarist capital, defying Nazi threats to lay the city in ruins.

Great numbers of Leningrad civilians were reported volunteering for service in an "opolechenie" or people's army. "The struggle on the approaches to the city is unceasing," reported the Russian army newspaper, Red Star.

Dispatches from Moscow said that the big industrial center, Russia's second largest city, was now a "formidable military camp" and that after four days of bitter fighting on the outer perimeter of Leningrad's defenses, the Germans appeared to have scored no significant new gains.

Kakisalmi Taken
German-allied Finnish troops reported today they had captured the Russian stronghold of Kakisalmi, 75 miles north of Leningrad, and destroyed the main body of the Soviet 168th division below Sortavala.

The Finnish high command said Red army troops had been encircled at two points northwest of Lake Ladoga and that the 142nd, 198th, 295th and 115th divisions had been thrown back with heavy losses. This would represent about 75,000 men for the five divisions.

While the Finns drove down toward Leningrad on the north, Nazi forces were attacking from two directions in the south, in the Kingisepp sector, 75 miles southwest of Leningrad, and in the Novgorod sector, 100 miles south.

Isles of Opposition
In Berlin, authorized quarters said the Russians were hurling fresh reserves into the battle along the whole front and acknowledged that the Red army was maintaining "islands of opposition" both in the Dnieper bend of the Ukraine and behind German advanced lines on the central front.

Simultaneously, the Germans admitted a new call had been made for Nazi reserves—men 17 to 45 to serve in Hitler's elite SS corps, which has been in the thick of the fighting since the Russian campaign began. Soviet communiques have frequently reported the annihilation of SS units.

Russian military dispatches, picturing the whole battleline aflame, declared that Red army troops were pressing a fierce counter-offensive on the central front, with Soviet cavalry detachments thrusting deep behind the German lines.

400 Die In Sabre Charge
Red horsemen were credited with slaughtering more than 400 German infantrymen in a sabre charge somewhere along a main highway.

Russian monitors and cutters were reported to have smashed repeated German attempts to cross the river "N"—presumably the Dnieper in the lower Ukraine—in actions which cost the invaders nine tanks, 40 motorcycles and 800 men.

On Russo-German Front



Arrows indicate main sectors on the eastern front and the possibility, envisioned in Berlin, of a German thrust at Batum. Soviet oil port on the Black Sea. Russians, reporting a firm stand east of Kingisepp, acknowledged a German drive to the Novgorod region (1) and an advance in the Gomel sector (2). Odessa (3) was reported under heavy pressure, and Germans reported attacks on Dnieper river bridgehead defense forces. In Berlin, where the quick fall of Odessa was predicted, possibility of a sea-borne thrust at Batum (4) was seen.

DANE EXPECTS U. S. WILL KEEP PLEDGE REGARDING ICELAND

Copenhagen, German-occupied Denmark, Aug. 22.—(AP)—Prime Minister Thovold Stauning said in a declaration to the lower house of parliament today that Iceland had no choice in the matter of occupation by U. S. troops.

But, Stauning asserted, he had faith in the American promise to leave the strategic northern island after the war.

Meanwhile, he said, there is a possibility that Iceland may become directly involved in the conflict.

(Iceland and German-occupied Denmark are technically sister kingdoms under the same crown.)

The American occupation, Stauning added, was "regrettable from the Danish and European viewpoint."

"Iceland," he said, "belongs to the northern states and through them to Europe. But in this place I want to express my conviction that historic developments will confirm the solemn promises of the American government."

LABOR CAMP FOR JEWS IN ROUNDUP

Vichy, Unoccupied France, Aug. 22.—(AP)—More than 6,000 Jews arrested in Paris in the last two days were sent to labor camps today as communist activity spread through the German-occupied zone.

F. R. WOULD TAKE OVER OF KEARNY SHIPYARD

Conferences With Strikers, Managers Fail to Give Hope of Settlement Basis

(By Associated Press)
President Roosevelt said today the government did not want to take over Federal Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company's strike-bound Kearny, N. J., if it could be avoided.

The chief executive made this comment at his press conference at Hyde Park, N. Y., on the tie-up of the huge shipyard, which has 493,000,000 of defense contracts, while Detroit city officials continued efforts to settle the Municipal Transit strike there.

Mr. Roosevelt said he did not know and could not guess whether the government could avoid moving into the Kearny plant where the CIO Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers is on strike.

Night conferences in both the Kearny and Detroit cases ended without the slightest indication of agreement between strikers and management.

The Detroit transit strike, caused by a jurisdictional dispute between rival AFL and CIO unions, went into its third day, and Detroiters again were forced to take pot luck in getting to and from their jobs. Though all the municipal buses and street cars were withdrawn from service, the city's streets were clogged by slow-moving rivers of private cars.

MINNIE WHITE IS INJURED IN FALL

Mrs. Minnie White of 223 Willamette avenue was confined in Sacred Heart hospital today with what her physician described as "a serious head injury," suffered when she slipped and fell and struck her head against the stove in the home of friends she was visiting last night at Tillier. She was unconscious.

Mrs. White was brought to Medford in the Peri ambulance about 11:30 a. m. today. The accident happened earlier in the morning.

Bolt Kills Cow, Milker Injured

Redmond, Ore., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Erwin Taylor, 17, was injured last night as a bolt of lightning killed a cow beside one he was milking.

The cow being milked was knocked down, falling on Taylor's leg. A second bolt which struck on the Taylor ranch, two miles north of here, set a tree afire.

AMERICAN FORCES FIND ICELAND DRAB; GIRLS LIKE TO DANCE BUT STAY ALOOF

(Note: Tom Horgan, Associated Press staff writer, has been on a voyage with vessels of the United States neutrality patrol and has visited the new defense bases in Iceland. Here is a story of what he found there, certain details being omitted at the request of the U. S. navy.)

By Tom Horgan
Reykjavik, Iceland, Aug. 12.—(AP)—(Delayed)—American forces assigned to this amazing land of ice and fire may purchase for \$2.50 a paper-covered, illustrated guide book which contains no truer or more significant advice than the following:

"I must be stated that those who seek a life of boisterous gaiety and attach importance to bodily comforts, have at present little reason to come to Iceland."

Of boisterous gaiety, there is none. The capital's leading hostelry, Hotel Borg, holds the only liquor license, and spirits are sold only to patrons who purchase a full meal, and then in strictly limited quantities between the hours of noon and 2:30 p. m., and in the evening between 7 and 11 o'clock.

Domestically brewed beer is sold freely, but it has much the same flavor, aroma and potency as the Icelandic fogs which roll in from the sea.

The closest approach to merriment may be found at the Borg in the evening, when a three-piece orchestra furnishes dance music, thus disclosing a distinctive Icelandic custom. Groups of unescorted young women arrive shortly after the dinner hour. Some have hair the color of new manila cordage; a few are as raven-haired and gray-blue eyed as any Irish colleen, a reminder that more than 20 per cent of Icelandic blood can be traced to the Emerald Isle.

The girls come to the hotel frankly eager to dance with the American and British officers, but they firmly decline to sit at the same table with their dancing partners or to accept refreshments.

Conversation while dancing usually is confined, in excellent English, to, "I am very sorry, but I do not understand English."

In more than a week, this correspondent did not see a single man, American or British, with a girl companion. Common gossip has it that as punishment for associating with British soldiers, the flaxen tresses of several Icelandic maidens were shorn close by indignant countrymen.

However that may be, Iceland women are far more independent than their sex in most countries. Divorces are not only easily obtained but common, and they and illegitimacy are not frowned upon with great severity.

Residents of rural sections, according to Americans who have been stationed here some time, are much more cordial than city dwellers and soon there should be a new version of the marine and the farmer's daughter—Hinky, Dinky, parley voo.

BASEBALL

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CANTONMENT AND ARMY EXPANSION PLANS REVEALED

Longview, Wash., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Plans to increase the 4th army to 260,000 troops, from the present approximate 90,000, were announced by Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, 4th army commander, here today. The increase will begin about the first of next month.

Gen. DeWitt told a press conference five new cantonments, to house 30,000 men each, were now being built or planned along the Pacific coast.

An armored division, of 10,000 troops, will be stationed at Santa Maria, Calif.

The general also said five new "streamlined" divisions, of 15,000 men each, were to be formed. They will be stationed at Medford, Ore., West Yellowstone, Mont., Corvallis, Ore., Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and Marysville, Calif.

The above dispatch, received just before press time, apparently gives the latest plans for the 4th army, according to Capt. Theron W. Bean, constructing quartermaster in charge here.

Capt. Bean, when shown the dispatch, explained that in addition to the 15,000 "streamlined" division, to be stationed in the cantonment here, there will be 15,000 additional troops.

Capt. Bean declined to theorize as to what might be expected in the way of building schedule.

Expenditures on new industrial plants will reach 1.5 billion dollars this year.

SEN. BYRD WRONG ON DEFENSE DATA SAYS ROOSEVELT

President Assails Figures Cited by Virginian in Criticism of Production

Hyde Park, N. Y., Aug. 22.—(AP)—Sharply assailing figures cited by Senator Byrd (D-Va.), President Roosevelt asserted today that while American defense production never had been completely satisfactory, on the average it was up to estimates.

The chief executive told a press conference, and he volunteered the information, that he had heard and read a statement by Byrd earlier in the week in Washington which said defense production was lagging seriously. The president said he had asked the war department for a check and that it had showed Byrd was wrong in all categories but planes.

Somebody, Mr. Roosevelt said, sold the senator down the river on the figures.

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The president said, told him it was most unfortunate that the senator's data were so inaccurate and that somebody had misled Byrd. Then Mr. Roosevelt became specific.

Byrd declared, he said, that not a single tank had gone to England, actually, he asserted, we have turned over hundreds of tanks to the British, tanks of modern design produced in the last year. Some of these as is known, he said, have gone to Egypt and the papers have carried stories on the excellence of their performance.

On anti-aircraft guns, Mr. Roosevelt went on, the senator said the program provides for average monthly deliveries of only four 90-millimeter guns during the balance of this calendar year. The program actually calls, he said, for monthly deliveries of 61 for the four remaining months of 1941 and the war department believes that program will be met.

Gun Output Grows
As for 37-millimeter anti-tank guns, Mr. Roosevelt said the senator had declared the production would be 15 a month, whereas the actual output was 72 in July and would be 160 in August, 260 in September and 320 in October.

There seems to be a certain discrepancy between the figures 15 and the war department figures, and there would be, the president remarked, even if a zero were added to the 15.

Furthermore, he continued, Byrd said only fifteen 81-millimeter mortars would be produced per month in the months immediately ahead. In July, he said, production was actually 221. In August the output will be 340, he said, and in September and October it will be even larger.

Byrd's figures on planes were substantially correct, Mr. Roosevelt said, adding in response to a question that the senator had used those of the office of production management.

The president said that someone should ask William S. Knudsen, OPM director, about the matter, but that it was his recollection the July plane production was 1,465 compared with an earlier estimate of 1,500 for the month.

The president took exception to what he said was Byrd's contention that production of military planes had declined progressively in May, June and July. The number of training planes increased, Mr. Roosevelt said, and the production of military aircraft remained steady because of changes in design and the testing of new designs to meet lessons learned last spring.

But the fact remains, he said, that the senators' statement as a whole, in every single item except planes, was as full of discrepancies as those he had mentioned.

Weather
Northern California: Fair tonight and Saturday, but morning overcast coast area; normal temperature; moderate north-west wind off the coast.