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High 40; Low 27
PRECIPITATION
24 hours to 8 a. m. 0.00
Season to date 10.08
Normal precipitation 7.54
Last year to date 8.12



WARMER

RUSSIAN PLANES BOMB SWEDEN

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

WINNEMUCCA, Nev.—Headed East, via U. P. Weather freakish, as everywhere in the West. No snow, except on the high hills. Creeks and puddles unfrozen. On a warehouse platform beside the track, curled up in the warm sun, a boy is sleeping without even a coat over him.

THERE'S something screwy about this trip, anyway. Last night, no babies cried and no snorers snored.

A casual check-up this morning indicates no babies on the train. Can't tell about snorers. They're an unpredictable breed. May lay off one night and double up the next.

And when they start doubling up !!!!!!!**xx!

ONE of life's abstruse problems:

Why can a snorer snore until he rattles the windows two cars in each direction and starts the coyotes howling a mile away and himself sleep through it all like a Persian kitten on a silk cushion in a sunny window?

THIS writer encountered one such a few weeks back. Starting with a resonant blast like the middle notes of a tuba in a Fourth of July parade, he went on to choking snorts like a hippopotamus that has swallowed a bone and has it stuck in his throat, ending with variations suggesting a buzz saw biting into a hard knot.

The other passengers moaned in agony, and beat upon the section partitions with the heels of their shoes. Finally the porter came and shook him awake, and there was a respite as in a boiler factory when the noon whistle blows.

It was only for a moment. Restored and refreshed by the pause, he went on to new heights of achievement; and the louder he snored the harder he slept.

THE stewardess brings around a blank whereon you are requested to enter the story of your life, including the firm you work for, your position in the firm, your business address, your home address, your telephone number and other miscellaneous scraps of information.

The request is sugar-coated with the suggestion that you're a big shot who will be getting important telegrams at every stop, and that flattering idea brings 'em through. The young, the youngish and the would-be young males get their money's worth by inducing the pretty (darned pretty, if you want to know) stewardess to fill out the blanks, perjury themselves shamelessly by announcing they've lost their pens.

WOULDN'T it be awful to be a big shot who couldn't relax even when crossing the country, but had to stay keyed up all the time so as to dispose of important telegrams at every stop?

REAL big shots, though, are that way. Among the lower income brackets the idea persists that tycoons are just fortune's darlings, with all the good things dropping into their laps without (Continued on Page Six)

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

By The Associated Press

Feb. 21, 1915—Australians and New Zealanders ordered to the Dardanelles.

Three in Marriage Mixup



Floyd C. Trimble, 23, and Mrs. Norma Trimble, 20, shown together in top picture, were questioned by a Seattle divorce proctor after Maxine Trimble, 18, accused Trimble of marrying her without divorcing two previous wives, of whom Norma said she was the first, and that she'd remarry Floyd "when all this is straightened out." Mrs. Jennie Trimble, 19 (lower) who said she was Trimble's second wife, said she'd have no objection to the remarriage when the annulment action is settled.

PLANES FLY OVER GERMAN SEA BASE

Berlin Reports Sinking Of Three Vessels In Raid On Coast

LONDON, Feb. 21 (AP)—The air ministry announced today British warplanes carried out a successful reconnaissance flight over Helgoland Bight, off Germany's northwest coast, last night.

The Berlin communique previously had reported a flight of several enemy planes from the west and northwest "over the Bight, which contains the naval base of Helgoland and heavily fortified islands near the coast."

BERLIN, Feb. 21 (AP)—An early morning foray of "several" (Continued on Page Six)

Cash Turns Up In Socks of Suspect

Eddie Whisner was broke until the officers, who arrested him at Algoma Tuesday, took off his shoes and socks.

Inside of his socks were \$2.80 in small change. A further shake-down of the freight-train rider revealed 35 pennies in a tobacco sack.

Whisner was picked up by Sheriff Lloyd Low on information from Wishran, Wash., where he is suspected of the robbery of a restaurant. He was taken from a box car of a Great Northern train.

Long Dynasty Defeated in Louisiana

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 21 (AP)—The Huey P. Long political dynasty, born of 12 years of dictatorial violence, died peacefully by ballot yesterday after one of the longest and bitterest election campaigns in Louisiana's history.

Voters in the democratic gubernatorial runoff primary swept to defeat Governor Earl K. Long, brother of the "Kingfish" and titular leader of the machine, and nominated Attorney Sam Jones of Lake Charles to the office.

Jones, a newcomer to politics, pledged himself to restore democracy to Louisiana, regain much of the millions of dollars he said administration office holders stole from the state, and jail those found guilty of graft and corruption.

The machine rout appeared complete with Jones' state of secondary state officers, engaged in the runoff, going in without a break, together with a new anti-machine legislature, and possibly an anti-machine state central committee.

NO GAME TONIGHT

The Molators-First National Bank championship game at the armory was postponed late Wednesday afternoon when three players sent word they could not return by game time. The game will be played Thursday night.

Aid Sent To Finns

SOVIET ARMY BATTERS BOTH ENDS OF LINE

British Artillery, Warplanes Released To Defend Isthmus

LONDON, Feb. 21 (AP)—Authoritative sources said tonight the British government had released large quantities of military supplies to Finland, including 144 planes, both bombers and fighting planes.

These informants said Britain was sending Finland 150 anti-tank rifles, 10,000 anti-tank mines, 50,000 hand grenades, 25 howitzers, 100 machine guns, 24 anti-aircraft guns, 30 field guns, four six-ton tanks, 12 six-inch guns, 10 three-inch mortars, with ammunition for the artillery.

France Helps

These supplies were said to be in addition to considerable amounts being sent by France.

Some of the planes already are in Finland, the informants said, including some gladiators, one of the best types of British fighting planes.

The others are being sent rapidly in view of the steady pounding of the Russian army on the Karelian isthmus.

In addition to this material assistance to Finland, thousands of men and women have registered at the Finnish legation here as volunteers for the Finnish army or auxiliary services.

Tacoma Girl Near Death After Club Attack in Yard

TACOMA, Feb. 21 (AP)—Virginia E. Riffle, pretty 26-year-old confectionary clerk, lay near death in a Tacoma hospital today while her former sweetheart, against whom she had filed a \$7500 personal injury suit, was held for questioning concerning an early morning attack made on the girl in the yard of her home.

Miss Riffle was bludgeoned with a sharp instrument. The blows fractured her skull and damaged her left eye. In addition to severe cuts and bruises on her body, she suffered a broken left hand. Tacoma general hospital attendants said the girl's condition is "grave."

Deputy Prosecutor De Witt Rowland said he was holding James Hampton, 33-year-old five milkman, for questioning.

Malin Chamber Reviews 1939 Achievements at Annual Meet

MALIN—More than 300 persons turned out for the annual banquet of the Malin chamber of commerce, described by its leaders as the largest civic organization in the entire Klamath basin.

The banquet was held in the high school gymnasium, and featured a review of constructive accomplishments of the year as well as talks by numerous visitors and members of the chamber.

Improvement in mail service, installation of dial telephones, lowering of railroad rates on farm products, and promotion of better roads in that vicinity were major features of the year's achievements. Particular emphasis was given to the lower conjunction rates to western Oregon points, for which Malin people had been working for many years. Thompson paid tribute to John Reber, chairman of the transportation committee, and John Ebinger, attorney for the chamber, for (Continued on Page Six)

The Winner



This is Helen Cox, junior at Klamath Falls high school, who won the American Legion auxiliary essay contest on Americanism. Miss Cox will receive a scholarship of one week at "Girl's State," a summer school held in Portland for active instruction in governmental work. The local auxiliary conducts such a contest yearly, according to Mrs. Sam Miller, committee chairman.

RUMANIAN BAN ON NAZI OIL REPORTED

Nation Attempts To Keep Balance in War With Reply to Britain

BUCHAREST, Feb. 21 (AP)—Pressure by Britain and France was reported authoritatively today to have led to a Rumanian government decree banning the shipment of aviation oil to Germany.

The reported decree is in direct contradiction with an arrangement made with Germany's trade envoy, Dr. Karl Clodius, a few weeks ago by which Rumania agreed to increase her shipments of aviation oil provided that increased export taxes were paid.

(The decree presumably applies only to refined lubricating oils for aircraft.)

The decree was said to be the latest of Rumania's desperate attempts to keep the balance between Germany's demands for fuel and lubricants for her war machine and the allies' counter demands. It was believed to be the result of Britain's recent note asking an explanation of Rumania's petroleum policy toward Germany.

Both Britain and France consistently have pointed out in Bucharest that they might be compelled to reconsider their guarantees of Rumania's independence if King Carol's government favored the Nazis in oil policy.

WAR EXPORTS DRAW FIRE IN TRADE DEBATE

Republicans Charge Reports "Padded" With Sales To Russia

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21 (AP)—House democrats and republicans accused each other today of juggling figures to prove their cases for and against extension of the administration's reciprocal trade agreements program.

Rep. Buck (D-Calif.) started this line of argument when he charged republicans and democrats with employing "statistical legerdemain" in an effort to show the trade pacts had been injurious to American agriculture.

White-haired Rep. Reed (R-N.Y.) retorted a few minutes later that much of the exports increase when the democrats "boasted" was due to the trade program actually consisted of war materials being shipped to Russia and Japan.

"While you are padding your export figures with this war traffic," the New Yorker shouted, "don't forget that the United States is going to be the most-hated nation in the world—hated by those who have suffered from our war exports of death and destruction; despised as a shrylock by those from whom you are extracting blood money to obtain war materials."

"Why then, in the name of heaven, don't you be honest about it and discard the pious peace argument to your trade agreements program, which you invented only as an after thought, an excuse for your discredited and ruinous economic creed."

Discussing exports of war materials, Reed declared: "The press informs us that (Continued on Page Six)"

Explosive Plant Magazine Blows Up; One Killed

ELKTON, Md., Feb. 21 (AP)—One man was killed and at least 13 persons injured today when a powder magazine of Triumph Explosives, Inc., blew up, setting afire small buildings nearby.

The dead man was identified as Edward Kneese, 35, of Glasgow, Del. His clothes were virtually torn off by the force of the blast. All the injured were reported to have been working in the small building where the explosion occurred.

Little hope was held for the recovery of Charles Gatchell, 22, who was burned about the body.

Others treated at Union hospital for severe burns included: John Fulty, of Northeast; John Logan, 20, of Northeast; Craig Reed, 28, of Northeast; Walter Moore, 22, of Elkton; Raymond Kopp, 30, of Elkton, and Edgar Staratt.

Freeland Staley Dies in Bay City

Freeland Staley, 41, well known Klamath Falls man, died Wednesday morning at St. Mary's hospital in San Francisco. Staley had been ill for some time, and had recently undergone an operation.

He was connected with the Pelican Bay Lumber company and was active in lodge No. 1247, BPO Elks. He was a former officer of the lodge. He was a native of Philadelphia. Survivors include his wife Lillian, of Klamath Falls, and other relatives in the bay district. The body will be shipped here for funeral services, to be in charge of Ward's and the Elks lodge on Friday at 2:30 p. m.

Mystery Death



Mrs. Betty Hardaker is shown at top with her 5-year-old daughter, Geraldine, whom she reportedly confessed slaying in a park washroom. The father, Charles Hardaker, who told police his wife belonged to a "human sacrifice" cult, is shown below.

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The terrified inhabitants had brief warning of the approaching planes from the village of Kengis, which is closer to the frontier. Thus most residents were able to find refuge. Many fled to the fields; others crouched in their homes.

Accounts attributed to eyewitnesses said 29 explosive bombs fell near Pajala church, which, however, was not hurt, while an undetermined number of incendiary bombs fell in the center of the village.

Among the buildings hit was an old hospital from which patients had been moved recently to a new building. One bomb struck the gymnasium of a school building and penetrated to the basement without exploding.

Pajala's telephone operator, Miss Astrid Perttu, related that at 12:15 p. m. she received a call from a border station stating that foreign planes were observed. Half an hour later a call came from Kengis village, near the border, stating that seven Russian planes were proceeding into Swedish territory at high speed.

"I immediately informed the nearest military commander and then went to work to inform people and answer calls," said Miss Perttu.

Deer Hunting Trip Ends in Death at Gold Beach

GOLD BEACH, Ore., Feb. 21 (AP)—Death ended an out-of-season hunting trip near here yesterday for J. M. Pettyjohn, 25, Bonneville surveyor, who was shot accidentally by his brother, Robert, 20, State Police Corporal Guy Forsythe said.

The brothers and Vernon Turner of Gold Beach, had separated. The elder Pettyjohn shot a deer and was packing it to camp. His brother saw the animal in the dense underbrush and fired. The bullet struck the surveyor in the head.

VILLAGE NEAR BORDER BURNS AFTER RAID

Vigorous Protest Slated Over Incident; None Injured In Raid

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MOTHER ASKS DEATH FOR SLAYING CHILD

Woman Tells of Hearing "Voices," Maintains Girl "Too Good"

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21 (AP)—Mrs. Betty Hardaker, who, police say, confessed slaying her 5-year-old daughter, sobbingly asked for death in her jail cell today.

"Why don't they electrocute me?" she cried. "Why do they have trials? I want to die."

Asked about reports that she belonged to a cult which believed in "human sacrifices," she said: "I believe in God, but I don't belong to any one church. I did belong to the Presbyterian church. I tried to get my husband to go with me but he just laughed and told me I was crazy to go to church."

The 25-year-old mother was transferred later today from her cell to a bed in the jail hospital ward. An inquest into her daughter's death was set for Friday morning.

"She was too good to live," Police Chief Harry Bishop of Palm Springs said. Mrs. Hardaker told him after he arrested (Continued on Page Six)

Passenger Mails Self on Journey

LONDON, Feb. 21 (AP)—Major L. Palmer, after waiting unsuccessfully for six days for a passenger vessel to take him from Guernsey to Alderney, today "mailed" himself for the 20-mile English channel journey.

He bore a label with the word "parcel," and was accompanied by a postman charged with the task of "delivering" him to the addressed destination.

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