

# BOTH NATIONS CLAIM OTHER PUT TO ROUT

(Continued from Page One) pictured one British naval force in the role of attacker, supposedly intent upon raiding the central Mediterranean and attacking by sea and air "some important coast position of ours."

(The British acknowledged no losses.)

The Italian score sheet, (noteworthy in that it acknowledged greater Italian losses than claimed by the British) follows:

Scored against the British: Hits which are "believed" to have sunk a warship—"probably a battleship"; torpedoing and sinking of a destroyer; bombing which left "some" vessels "seriously damaged, with fires visible aboard."

Scored against the Italians: Sinking of the destroyer Zefiro, 1073 tons; a hit on an unidentified warship in an engagement which killed 29 of the crew and injured 69; loss of a submarine and four Italian planes, one of which was forced down on Greek territory and three which failed to return to their base.

The theatre of battle was the length of the Mediterranean which Italians like to call "Mare Nostrum"—"Our Sea." There were three general zones of the fighting which ranged in the air, undersea and on the surface.

Engagements centered in the eastern Mediterranean, near the Greek island of Crete; in the central Mediterranean or Ionian sea off the instep of the Italian boot, and in the western Mediterranean south of the Balearic islands and east of Gibraltar.

The last seems to have been purely a test of British sea power versus Italian air power. Three Italian planes failed to return from this clash, but yesterday's day-long bombing of the British naval formation which had left Gibraltar gave "evidence of effective results," as the Italian high command expressed it.

The eastern and central engagements tested both the naval and aerial strength of the two belligerents.

# JAP MASS MEETING DEMANDS APOLOGY

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marines committed such acts fully knowing the Japanese were gendarmes is a deliberate and grave insult to Japanese soldiers," Admiral Takeda said.

"I am greatly offended as a soldier and as a Japanese subject by such an insult to the honor of Japanese forces. I am paying attention to developments of the case with the greatest concern."

Violence Claimed

A Japanese army spokesman said Colonel Peck had not yet replied to Major General Miura's demand for an apology. He said the statement made yesterday by the marine commander (explaining that the Japanese were arrested after they had been pointed out as possible terrorists) was not considered an answer. The point of Miura's protest, he explained, was not the arrest itself, but violence against the gendarmes "and unfriendly treatment to which they were subjected like criminals sentenced to death."

Asked whether any measures had been taken against anti-American agitation in Hongkong, Japanese-occupied section of the International Settlement, the spokesman replied, "It is a matter of course to suppress unreasonable, illegal or improper action, but we are not in a position to suppress a spontaneous expression of national feeling." The campaign, he added, would be stopped if it reached such proportions that it would be likely to impair Japanese-United States relations or disturb the peace.

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# Ice Star, Millionaire—Now They're One



(NEA Telephoto) Sonja Henie, ice and film star, and Daniel T. Topping, millionaire sportsman, grin happily as they cut wedding cake after their marriage in Chicago.

# LONG RESIDENT OF KLAMATH FALLS DIES

Word of the passing of John G. Bermont, for more than 25 years a resident of Klamath county, was received from Hanna, Wyo., Monday, July 8. Mr. Bermont was en route to Lafayette, Colo., and had been ill for the past two years.

Mr. Bermont was born in Franklin county, Pennsylvania, January 31, 1869. He was a member of Lafayette lodge, No. 91, AF&AM, Lafayette, Colo., and also a member of Klamath chapter No. 35, Royal Arch Masons, and Calvary Commandery No. 16, Knights Templar, Klamath Falls, as well as the Hillah Shrine.

At one time Mr. Bermont served on the city library board and was a member of the board at the time the library was constructed. Surviving are the following: a brother, George E., of Lafayette; two sisters, Margaret B. Chilcote and Elizabeth Leonard, both of Hagerstown, Md. Funeral services and interment will take place in Lafayette Friday.

# YOUTHS FINED FOR CHASING FIRE TRUCK

The thrill of going to a fire brought the law down on the heads of four young men when state police arrested and charged them with traveling too closely behind a fire truck. Fines of \$5 were levied against four whose names were withheld by city officers. Police asked that persons keep their distance behind fire trucks, and also that they do not park too close to fires.

Five drunks appeared in police court, and \$6 in traffic tickets were paid. Hazel Vandenberg paid a \$5 fine for having no operator's license, and Harold Haight was fined \$2 for running a stop sign. Robert Ray told police a tire and wheel had been stolen from

his car parked at 1515 Avalon street near Shasta way. Bill Cummings advised officers his car was stripped of a spare tire and wheel while parked between Seventh and Eighth streets near Pine.

A Ford dump truck, license No. 76-773, was said stolen from Bonanza, according to a report filed with city police by Camp Bonanza.

# MUNSELL TO RUN FOR POLICE JUDGE

Herbert Munsell, employed as bookkeeper with the Ostendorf Motor company, Tuesday obtained petition sheets which he hopes to fill and file with the city clerk in order to place his name on the fall ballots for the office of city police judge.

Munsell resides on Lincoln street in this city and is active in work of the Odd Fellows lodge.

Police Judge Carl K. Cook is now making his home in Dunsmuir, Calif., where he has accepted a position with the Shasta National forest, and the council recently appointed Sergeant Leigh Ackerman of the police department as acting judge. Ackerman made it known at the time he accepted the temporary position, that he would not be a candidate for the office in the fall. Munsell's petitions are the first to be circulated for the office.

During the time that the department of commerce had control over commercial aviation, the fatal accident rate among them was one death every 28 days; among passengers, one fatality on the average of every 15 days.

A novel lightplane engine starter, recently developed, enables the pilot to spin the motor from his seat by pulling a handle which operates a ratchet device behind the propeller.

The Douglas B-19, now being built for the army, will have four motors, have a wing span of more than 210 feet, weight 42 tons empty, and have a 6,000-mile range.

# CONFERENCE ON DISPUTE COMES FRIDAY

Officials of the Lamm Lumber company and the negotiating committee of the strike-bound logging camp at Yamsey will meet for discussion of the labor dispute Friday night.

Arrangements for the meeting were made Tuesday during a visit of W. E. Lamm, company president, to the logging camp at Yamsey. The meeting will be held at 7 o'clock at the office of John Ebinger, Lamm Lumber company attorney.

Although several earlier meetings between officials of the lumber company and the negotiating committee have been held, it was considered possible bargaining on the 10 points of the dispute may be opened Friday night for the first time.

L. H. Fenton, international representative of the IWA, said that woods employees of the Walker-Hovey Lumber company, meeting at their camp at Hildebrand Tuesday night, voted to draw up a letter to be sent to Walker-Hovey officials asking that lumber concern to "use its influence" in bringing a settlement of the Lamm dispute. The letter, mailed Wednesday, was similar to the communication addressed earlier this week by woods employees of Kesterson Lumber corporation to their employers. It asked Walker-Hovey officials to "weigh carefully" any request that might be received to sell logs to the Lamm mill.

Charles G. Hovey, Walker-Hovey manager, said at noon Wednesday that he had not yet received the letter and that he had no comment to make on the situation.

# BRITISH AIRMEN WIN HOT BATTLE

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swift British Spitfires split them up. Then they released their bombs, shaking buildings for miles inland, and turned back toward France, according to British accounts.

The government announced that "a few persons" had been killed on the south coast of Britain when German bombers struck there.

Anti-aircraft batteries went into action elsewhere along the coast as raiders made attacks which have become almost a daily routine. Many casualties were reported to have been caused in Wales by German bombs.

"When our planes returned," one witness said, "they did a

# Germany Big Latin American Buyer



"Customer is always right" theory may influence current Latin American feeling toward Nazis, for until war blockade began Germany was one of the lower Americas' biggest buyers. Ships on map carry principal products exported to Germany, valued in 1938 at nearly \$1,500,000,000, more than three times U. S. imports from Latin America.

sort of war dance in the sky, cutting figures in apparent high glee at having put eight of the enemy to flight and accounted for at least two of them."

Anti-aircraft batteries were kept active elsewhere along the English coast as German raiders continued a series of attacks which have become daily routine.

One Nazi bomber penetrated Wales and dumped its bombs before fleeing under heavy fire.

Casualties in Wales

In one district of Wales, many casualties were caused by German bombs.

One man was killed and many houses were damaged when German planes dropped five bombs on a town in southwest England after daylight this morning.

A German Dornier 17 bomber was shot down by British fighter planes off the east coast of England early this morning, the air ministry announced.

A total of nine German planes were shot down yesterday, the air ministry said, adding one to its previous total.

According to military aviation experts, modern military developments tend to make warplanes obsolescent in three or four months, the life of the average fighting plane in service not exceeding three months.

The Vultee Vanguard mounts 10 machine guns—eight .30-caliber and two .50-caliber—can be stripped down for servicing in two minutes, and completely serviced in a few more minutes.

Case Set—Trial of the case of the state versus R. L. Weeks was set for August 12 Wednesday by Circuit Judge Arthur D. Hay.

# F. R. ASSERTS NO AGGRESSION SLATED BY U. S.

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men, and to produce the ordinance items required for the aircraft program of the army and navy—guns, bombs, armor, bomb sights and ammunition.

"Procurement of 15,000 additional planes for the army and 4000 for the navy, complete with necessary spare engines, armaments, and the most modern equipment."

Training Plan

Mentioning that congress was considering enactment of a system of "selective training" to develop "the necessary man power to operate this material and man power to full army non-combat needs," Mr. Roosevelt commented—but without specifying what plan he favored.

"In this way we can make certain that when this modern material becomes available, it will be placed in the hands of troops trained, seasoned, and ready, and that replacement material can be guaranteed."

Threat Cited

At one point Mr. Roosevelt declared: "We fully understand the threat of the new enslavement in which men may not speak, may not listen, may not think. As these threats become more numerous and their dire meaning more clear, it deepens the determination of the American people to meet them with wholly adequate defense.

"We have seen nation after nation, some of them weakened by treachery from within, succumb to the force of the aggressor. We see great nations still gallantly fighting against aggression encouraged by high hope of ultimate victory.

Defense Definite

"That we are opposed to war is known not only to every American, but to every govern-

ment in the world. We will not use our arms in a war of aggression; we will not send our men to take part in European wars. "But, we will repel aggression against the United States or the western hemisphere. The people and their representatives in the congress know that the threats to our liberties, threats to our security, the threats against our way of life, the threats to our institutions of religion, of democracy, and of international good faith, have increased in number and gravity from month to month, from week to week, and almost from day to day."

# Hildebrand Fire Brought Under Control Tuesday

Fire in a dangerous area of grass, juniper and cut over timber in the Hildebrand district bordering the Klamath Indian reservation was under control last night after men and equipment were rushed there Tuesday.

Klamath Forest Protective association and the Indian agency both sent aid when the fire broke out near the Horton reservoir yesterday afternoon. Two caterpillars, a bulldozer and about 30 men were started in that direction immediately.

A fire covering about 25 acres was reported at the Meva station along the SP tracks between Chiloquin and Kirk last night by Charles Ogle of the protective association. It was expected the blaze would be brought under control shortly.

Flies To Klamath — Ken Kleever and party arrived Tuesday evening in Klamath by plane from Oakland.

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