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WEATHER

High 87; Low 57
PRECIPITATION
24 hours to 8 a. m.0.00
Season to date17.02
Normal precipitation12.22
Last year to date8.52
Wednesday's official high, 82



FIERCE RAIDS POUND BRITAIN

House Committee Ups Draft Age

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE best that can be said of peace-time conscription (just adopted by the senate and now up to the house of representatives) is that it is an abomination made necessary by PRESENT conditions.

THE attitude of all good Americans toward peace-time conscription should be:

"We will tolerate and support only as long as danger imminently threatens and will GET RID OF IT at the earliest possible moment when it is safe to do so."

DON'T fool yourself about peace-time conscription.

Getting rid of it will involve a fight, just as adoption of it is involving a fight. There are many who believe that universal military training is desirable as a DISCIPLINE for Americans.

This writer doesn't so believe. Military training (if it is to be effective) requires the habit of instant UNQUESTIONING obedience to orders. It involves the idea of superiors and inferiors, with the further idea that an inferior must not question the authority or the wisdom of a superior.

These ideas, when forced on us in peace time, are dangerous to the American way of living.

MORPHINE, administered in emergencies by competent physicians, eases pain and saves lives. Taken regularly by persons in normal health, it FORMS DANGEROUS HABITS.

THE purpose of conscription is national defense against threatened danger. As such it is sound.

But don't forget this: The purpose of taxation is to PROVIDE REVENUE for the legitimate needs of government; yet in this country (increasingly in recent years) we have seen taxation used for all manner of purposes— from redistribution of wealth to punishment of individuals who get in the bad graces of THOSE IN POWER.

If we permit peace-time conscription to become PERMANENT, we shall see it similarly used to shape the nation and its destinies and its way of living according to the ideas of those who happen to hold the reins of power.

So let's be very sure it DOESN'T BECOME PERMANENT.

Klamath to Grow Major Part of Nation's Alsike

Preliminary reports of acreage and production indicate that Klamath county will again produce a major part of the nation's alsike clover crop. It was made known Thursday at the county agent's office. Records of national production and estimates of the local crop indicate that 10 per cent of all alsike produced in the United States will come from the Klamath basin.

25 YEARS AGO TODAY

By The Associated Press

Aug. 29, 1915 — Turks successful in land and sea attacks against allies in Dardanelles; French silence four German batteries in Argonne forest; hand-to-hand fighting with grenades breaks out.

VOTE FOLLOWS CONSCRIPTION BILL PASSAGE

Military Group Asks Increase of Limit to 44 Years

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP)—The house military committee approved today a Burke-Wadsworth conscription bill calling for drafting of men from 21 to 44 years of age, inclusive—a much wider age range than that provided in the bill which the senate passed last night.

The house committee acted quickly after senate passage on a 58 to 31 vote so that its version of the legislation might be brought to the floor Tuesday for possible final house passage late next week.

Chairman May (D-Md.) said the house committee vote approving the bill was 17 to 4 with four members absent. He declined to disclose either the names of those who voted "no" or the absentees.

Limits Expanded
Before the final vote was taken, May reported the committee "decisively defeated" a proposal to make the age brackets conform to the senate figures of 21 through 30.

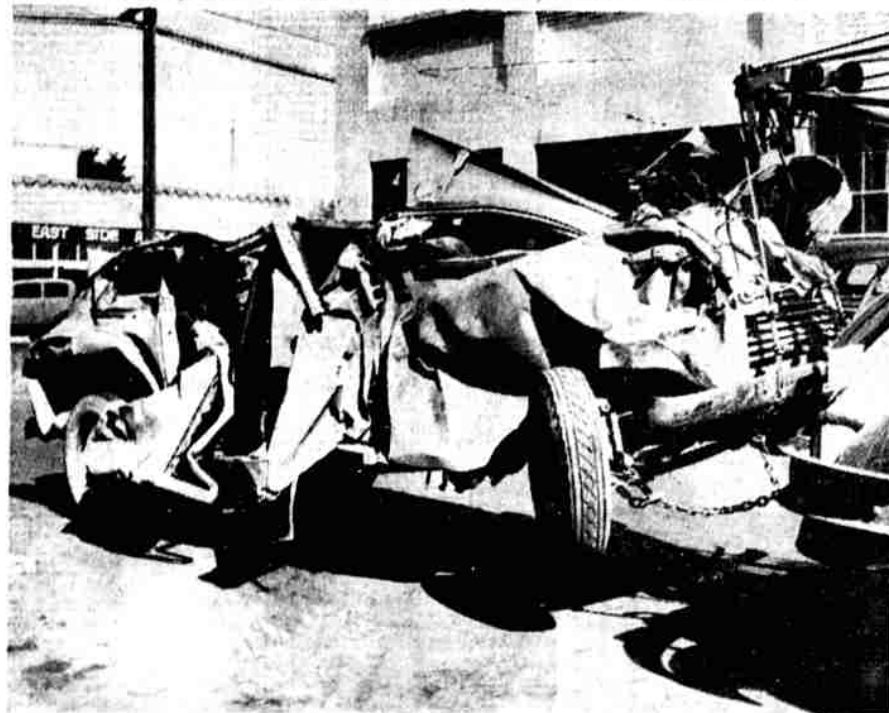
Another point of difference in the two bills is that while the senate provided a limit of 900,000 on the number of conscripts who might be serving at any one time, the house committee wrote in a 1,000,000 limit. Members said that figure was necessary to provide also for conscripts for the navy.

After three weeks of stormy and often acrimonious debate, the senate gave its approval to conscription last night at the close of a tense, 9-hour session. The bill, as passed, was substantially unchanged in its essential features, originally recommended by the senate military committee. One major addition would give the government the power to "conscript" industry for defense, if necessary.

Passage Predicted
The victory of peacetime conscription in the senate was expected to hasten the action of the house military committee on a somewhat different version of the Burke-Wadsworth bill which it is considering.

House debate is tentatively scheduled to start Tuesday and forecasts were that it would consume at least four days. Proponents of conscription were optimistic that the bill would be passed, and opponents of the (Continued on Page Two)

"This, Ladies and Gentleman, Was Once a Car!"



A twisted mass of metal and four wrenched wheels, is all that remains of R. C. Woodruff's 1940 Chrysler on which he had but 9000 miles. The wrecker obligingly took it to the dump ground. The car was stolen a week ago by a young culprit who let the machine roll down Hogsback mountain and into a deep gully. "Not enough flat metal on the car to scratch your initials," observed the man on the Turner Chevrolet wrecker who brought the car into Klamath Falls late Wednesday afternoon.

FIVE-YEAR-OLD KILLED BY CAR

Eleventh Fatality Brings Death to Spencer Dean Osborn

Klamath county's eleventh traffic fatality, and the third within two weeks' time, occurred shortly after 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon when Spencer Dean Osborn, 5, son of Warren L. and Lillian Osborn of Bly, was almost instantly killed when he ran in the path of a car in front of the Klamath Medical clinic, 1435 Esplanade.

Driver of the machine, Henning Nelson, Esplanade court, an employee of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, was exonerated of all blame by police.

Head Strikes Headlight
The child's father was in the clinic at the time, and Spencer and his mother were sitting in their car across the street. Suddenly the child jumped out of the car, ran across the street and directly into Nelson's car which was proceeding north on Esplanade. Nelson said he was on his (Continued on Page Two)

Crime Bared As Rat Leads To Slain Man

SPOKANE, Wash., Aug. 29 (AP)—How a dead rat lead to the discovery of a five-week-old slaying and the arrest in Yakima of a man whom, he said, had confessed the crime, was related here today by Sheriff Ralph Buckley.

Buckley said the slain man was David Johnson, 58, farmer near Marshall and that J. B. Anderson, 50, a former neighbor, had been arrested in Yakima, where he posed as Johnson and had confessed the slaying.

The strange case opened Monday when Mrs. Ruth Boleneus, who was renting the Johnson farm, called the sheriff's office and told them she smelled a strange odor in the farmhouse basement and that she had not seen Johnson since before she rented the place through a real estate office.

The sheriff checked the realtor and discovered Johnson was in Yakima and was negotiating for the sale of the property through a Yakima firm.

Deputy Sheriff Ted Holmes went to Yakima, the sheriff said and recognized "Johnson," as Anderson, who was wanted in Spokane on a chicken theft charge, the sheriff said.

Deputy James Cannon and Assistant Prosecutor Max Etter went to Yakima last night, the sheriff continued, and obtained a confession that Anderson had shot Johnson through the heart when he was discovered raiding the Johnson hen house the night of July 20.

Judge Withholds Decision in Case Of Auto Thefts

Circuit Judge Edward B. Ashurst withheld decision in the case of two boys, one 14 and the other 16 years of age, charged with theft of four cars and the destruction of one. The judge stated Thursday he felt the case of the two could bear further investigation.

It is understood that the mother of the 14-year-old boy, who admitted to officers he ran R. C. Woodruff's 1940 Chrysler over the fire trail from Hogsback mountain, completely demolishing the machine, had left with her son for Portland where he will submit to examination by psychiatrists. Woodruff stated he would assist the mother in her efforts.

BIG ORDER FOR ENGINES PLACED

17,000 Motors for Army and Navy Included in Transaction

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP)—An agreement was reached between the navy and United Aircraft corporation today for the manufacture of 17,000 airplane engines for both the army and navy at a cost of \$160,000,000.

Announcing the agreement at a press conference, Secretary Knox said that it had the full approval of the war department and would cover the entire requirements of both army and navy from United Aircraft for the 1941 and 1942 fiscal years.

A formal contract covering the agreement, Knox said, will be negotiated as soon as funds for the engines are provided in the \$5,008,000,000 defense appropriation.

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DEFENSE TAX BILL SENT TO SENATE FLOOR

Excess Profits Legislation Passes House by Voice Vote

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (AP)—Excess profits tax legislation, carrying special provisions designed to speed up expansion of industrial defense facilities, was passed swiftly by the house today and sent to the senate.

The bill passed on a voice vote.

Imposing a profits levy of 20 to 50 per cent, the legislation also would permit defense contractors to deduct from taxable income over a five-year period the entire cost of new facilities installed in connection with defense.

Another section of the bill would suspend, during operation of the excess profits tax, 8 and 7 per cent limitations on manufacturers' profits from warships and military aircraft.

The defense commission and military departments urged the plant amortization plan and the suspension of profit limitations as a means of encouraging contractors to sign armament contracts quickly.

Yields \$300,000,000
The profits tax was estimated by experts to have a potential yield of \$300,000,000 in 1940 and \$900,000,000 a year thereafter.

The legislation was rushed through the house in a single day under procedure permitting no amendments except those approved by the ways and means committee. Total debate was limited to two hours.

Under the taxing provisions, all corporations would be allowed a flat \$5000 exemption. This, the ways and means committee said, would exempt some 400,000 corporations from the tax.

Above the exemption, all corporations would be permitted to earn at least 7 per cent on the first \$500,000 of their invested capital and 5 per cent on the remainder of their investments, without paying the excess profits levy.

Corporations with higher average earnings during a base period, 1936-1939, would pay no excess profits tax on amounts equal to their average earnings, but would be subjected to an income tax rate increase, from 20.9 to 25 per cent. Excess profit rates would be higher for corporations with high earnings.

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British Air Attack Kills 10 in Berlin

By The Associated Press
BERLIN, Aug. 29—The German high command reported receiving as well as giving blows in the aerial war with Britain today.

Berlin residents swept up glass and debris from scores of British bombs which killed 10 persons, injured 30, set a string of fires and dug craters in parts of the capital in a three-hour attack last night.

It was Berlin's worst air raid. British planes crossed and recrossed the heart of the city as they dropped a thundering barrage of bombs and incendiaries but two miles from Adolf Hitler's chancellery.

Devastation Claimed
But German reporter-fighters returning from early morning attacks on Britain used such phrases as "a sea of flames" to describe the effect of a surprise dive bomber onslaught on Britain's great Portsmouth naval base, and "a desert full of craters" to indicate the damage done to a nearby airfield.

Great clouds of smoke were (Continued on Page Ten)

JOHNSON SWEEPS POLL BY 7 TO 1

Final Count Gives Veteran GOP Solon Huge Ballot Victory

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29 (AP)—The final unofficial report on Senator Hiram Johnson's sweep in Tuesday's California primary election indicated today he won the republican nomination by about 7 to 1 over the other three contestants and received a majority for the democratic and progressive nominations as well.

Totals from 13,053 of the 13,540 precincts on the republican vote were:
Johnson 581,858; Lieutenant Governor Ellis E. Patterson 51,901; John Anson Ford 45,379; and Assemblyman Sam W. Yorty 32,031.

In 13,039 precincts, Johnson rolled up 483,328 ballots to win also the democratic senatorial nomination. This was an actual majority over the combined totals of the five other democratic candidates. Their vote was: Patterson 196,331; Ford 169,409; Yorty 71,697; James D. (Continued on Page Two)

It's Practically a Cinch for Him



California's veteran Senator Hiram W. Johnson (center) was the envy of most of his colleagues in Washington as a result of his apparent triple victory in the California primary election wherein he captured both the republican and democratic nomination and held a huge lead on the progressive ticket to succeed himself for a fifth term. Shown here congratulating him are Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Montana democrat and Senator Warren R. Austin (right), Vermont republican.

Roar of Bombs Drowns Important Word Battle

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

Bombs raining on England and Germany almost drown out other operations but there are two matters of great importance to the battle of Britain which at the moment fall within the field of words rather than bullets— (1) The anxious efforts of the Hitler-Mussolini brotherhood to prevent a Balkan war, and (2) The growing Franco-British animosity.

The German and Italian foreign ministers, Von Ribbentrop and Count Ciano, met in Vienna today with representatives of Rumania and Hungary to try to compose the volcanic quarrel resulting from the Hungarian claim to Rumanian Transylvania. A Balkan war might easily grow out of this fight, and that might represent a catastrophe for the axis powers.

Russia Watched
There are two vital reasons

why Hitler and Mussolini must maintain peace on the peninsula. One is that they must have the vast supplies of war materials and foodstuffs which they get from the Balkans. The other is even more important—that of keeping Russia in hand.

The ways of the sphinx of Moscow, Josef Stalin, are all but inscrutable—but not quite. The axis partners have given indications that they suspect him of intending to increase his influence through the Balkan situation. Indeed, some observers believe there is a chance he may become involved in war against the axis, and that is something which Hitler and Mussolini must head off at all costs until the battle of Britain is settled.

Attack Delayed
The tenseness of the situation in the Balkans, and the great potentialities of damage to the (Continued on Page Two)

FLAMES LIGHT SKY AS BOMBS STRIKE CITIES

Most Extensive Attack of Conflict Blasts London Area

By The Associated Press
LONDON, Aug. 29—German raiders dropped thousands of incendiary and high explosive bombs all over England and Wales last night and early today in the most widespread and intensive night attack on Britain since the beginning of the war.

Civilians were killed in all of some 20 odd areas which were hardest hit. Reports from around the country spoke of "hundreds of bombs" being dropped, of "twenty bombs dropped in quick succession" and of "fifty bombs dropped quickly."

London Sky Lighted
The Nazi bombers staged the longest sustained attack of the war on London itself, lighting the night sky at times to a daylight brilliance with their fire warfare and blasting their high explosive bombs in many sections of the capital's ring of outskirts in a seven-hour attack which lasted practically from darkness to dawn.

Some sections of the country were attacked by single planes, while others apparently were raided by successive waves of 18 and 20 bombers.

(A surprise dive attack this morning made a "sea of flames" of the great naval base at Portsmouth, and a "desert full of craters" of a nearby airport, the official German news agency reported.)

German observation plane pilots reported a dense pall of smoke covering Liverpool, Chatham and other ports attacked.)

RAF Planes Busy
Meanwhile, Britain's own bomber force was at work during the night in enemy territory.

(Berlin had its longest and worst air raid of the war as British bombers crossed and recrossed the German capital, and sprinkled explosive and incendiary bombs but two miles from the chancellery, starting many roof fires and craters.)

The admiralty announced its dive bombers destroyed the only two remaining oil tanks at a depot on the Norwegian coast previously attacked, set fire to a patrol vessel and scored two direct hits on a 2000-ton supply ship.

Despite the great number of attacking planes, only one of them was reported shot down during the night's operations.

This bomber was caught in a searchlight beam over a southeast area and held there until a British fighter climbed to attack. The lights then were turned off and the bomber shot down.

No Nuisance Raid
In the London area, where the raiders seemed to mean business—this was no mere "nuisance raid"—bombs were dropped both by single planes and by small waves of planes.

Fires were started in several London suburbs as well as in towns of southeast, southwest and northeast England, and in the midlands and Wales. All were reported controlled before large damage resulted.

In one London district, more than 80 incendiary bombs fell but 1800 civil defense workers on duty smothered them before they could do any damage. In the same district, high explosive bombs dropped at the same time damaged houses along two streets.

The London and Northwestern railway suspended train service from London on one line and (Continued on Page Two)

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