

PICTURES!

Associated Press Teletype, NEA Telephotos and a live local newspaper and engraving staff provide The News and Herald readers with a comprehensive photographic service.

The Evening Herald

ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN THE SHASTA-CASCADE WONDERLAND

UNITED PRESS

PR 100 200000

KLAMATH FALLS, OREGON, MONDAY, APRIL 7, 1941

Number 9252

WEATHER

High 47; Low 36

PRECIPITATION

24 hours to 8 a. m. Trace
Season to date 10.18
Normal precipitation 8.42
Last year to date 15.94



COOL

BALKAN FIGHTERS HOLD LINES

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

WELL, the shooting has finally started. What will happen before it lulls again, no man can say. But we may be certain that in the coming months much history will be made.

HITLER now has war on two fronts — what he has always dreaded. Look for him to do all he can AS FAST AS HE CAN. His idea will be to smash Balkan opposition with all possible speed, thus reinstating his somewhat tarnished prestige.

SOME advice at this point: Don't believe much you hear for a few days. When a big offensive starts, all NEWS sources are plugged tightly. What is allowed to seep through is pretty sure to be tainted with propaganda.

Just read and listen and put two and two together. What is happening will finally come out.

THERE will be two fronts to watch: the military and the diplomatic.

The military front, for the time being, will be in Yugoslavia, Greece and possibly Albania. The diplomatic front will be in Moscow and Ankara, with an interesting side show in Tokyo.

Moscow, as usual, is the BIG MYSTERY.

At the last moment, JUST BEFORE Germany marched, Russia signed a friendship and non-aggression treaty with Yugoslavia. That must mean either treachery or a warning to Germany.

Time will tell which.

WHAT Turkey does will depend on what Russia does — or says privately. That probably goes also for Tokyo.

IF you're interested in the big news show that opened Sunday morning, you'd better get out your map. Only thus can you follow it intelligently. Only thus will the faint hints in the news mean anything to you.

YOUR map (if it is a good one) will tell you that northern Yugoslavia is fairly level territory, a part of the great basin of the Danube. It is therefore favorable to blitz warfare, which is Germany's specialty.

So don't look for the Yugoslavs to cripple themselves hopelessly by trying to defend it against superior force. It is a reasonable guess that they will make their last stand at the mountain barrier in the south, the historic fighting ground of the Serbs.

Don't think all is lost when the Germans overrun the level part of Yugoslavia (which is the

(Continued on Page Two)

Gas Fatal to Two Soldiers Following All-Night Party

PORTLAND, Ore., April 7 (AP) — An all-night party ended in death from gas asphyxiation for two soldiers from Camp Clatsop early yesterday. Deputy Sheriff George Minelli reported.

The sheriff's deputy said the victims were identified as Robert J. Boulanger, 23, St. Louis, Mo., and Oscar H. Voss, 22, Red Bud, Ill., members of Company G, 37th Infantry.

Death occurred in an auto cabin on the city's outskirts. Minelli said the two victims and three other soldiers rented two auto cabins and began a party.

At 3 a. m., three of the soldiers, including George Castillo, retired to their cabin, the deputy sheriff reported, leaving Voss and Boulanger in their cabin.

Castillo informed the officer he went to the pair's cabin about 9 a. m., and found them dead in bed, asphyxiated by gas that poured from four open jets of a stove.

TROUBLED CROSSROADS



This map shows the general theatre of hostilities in the new fighting phase of the European war, following Germany's decision to attack Yugoslavia and Greece. The plains of the north are expected to be rapidly over-run by the mechanized axis forces, but more difficulty is expected as the Yugoslavs drop back into mountainous country indicated on the map. Black arrows on the map indicate the general trend of axis thrusts, while the open arrows show what steps Russia might take if it becomes actively involved in this new phase of the war. The Greeks are reported battling Germans on the Struma river, just north of Salonika. Note the rough and mountainous character of the Balkan peninsula.

FOUR DIE, SEVEN INJURED IN CRASH

Headon Smash Near Medford Brings Heavy Toll

MEDFORD, Ore., April 7 (AP) — A head-on collision between two automobiles early yesterday on the Sams Valley road killed four youths and seriously injured seven others, Coroner H. E. Conger said.

The dead were: Orville Zimmerman, 17, Bill Lees and Byron Miller, all of Central Point, and Earl L. Baker, CCC enrollee, stationed near Butte Falls.

The injured, all of whom were found unconscious at the crash scene, included Rex Coy, Lawrence Cassman and William Merritt, all of Central Point, and Alfred Williams, Delton Rogers, Ed L. Morris and N. H. Crain, all CCC enrollees. Next of their injuries was not known.

Deputy Sheriff William Grembre, who described the crash as terrific, said it occurred on a straightaway. Both cars apparently were traveling at a high speed and were telescoped by the impact.

All of the Central Point youths were returning from a dance.

INDICTMENT

NEW YORK, April 7 (AP) — An indictment charging conspiracy and tapping of the securities and exchange commission's wires was returned against Jacob Gruber, assistant general counsel for the SEC from 1934 until 1938, and two other persons.

Big Steel Strike Averted; Allis-Chalmers Tie Ended

By The Associated Press

The United States Steel corporation and the CIO steel workers organizing committee agreed today to continue their wage negotiations, thus averting the threat of an immediate work stoppage in the steel company's mills.

The SWOC issued a statement saying that workers would remain at their posts under the present contract until April 15 and that any changes in wages or working conditions agreed upon in the meantime would be retroactive to April 1. The SWOC previously had called a strike for mid-night Tuesday.

Coal Dispute Clears

In Washington, Secretary Perkins told the house military committee that she had been informed that difficulties surrounding work stoppage in the bituminous coal fields would "be cleared before the day is over—maybe even now."

Agreement Ratified

Termination of the Allis-Chalmers strike was assured when members of the CIO plant local ratified an agreement settling the 76-day shutdown.

Federal conciliators turned full attention, with the Allis-Chalmers settlement, to the problem of ending labor strife at the Ford Motor company.

Ford Meeting

James E. Dewey, federal conciliator, announced "we're going to do some real mediating today" and said he knew he was going to bring the CIO leaders and Ford officials face to face. It was indicated the joint conference might take place tonight, as Dewey had separate afternoon meetings with the union and company representatives.

The Allis-Chalmers Walkout

which has blocked work on \$45,000,000 of defense orders

since January 22, was virtually settled by the defense mediation board yesterday when management and CIO union officials signed an agreement which needs only union membership ratification to become effective.

The company announced it would reopen the plant to its 7800 employees tomorrow. Union leaders said they would ask members to ratify the agreement and go back to work the same day.

In New York northern soft coal mine operators and the CIO United Mine workers made ready a new contract to replace one which expired last week. Southern operators, who claim to produce 35 per cent of the nation's bituminous coal, said they would not sign. Principal UMW demands included wage increases and elimination of a north-south pay differential.

Next 100 Days Most Important For U. S. Defense Work, Claim

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP) — Asserting that the United States was 100 days from mass production of defense supplies, John D. Biggers declared today that "every industrial manager, every worker must realize that the history of the world may depend on what we all do in these 100 days."

Biggers, who is defense production director in the office of production management testified after Secretary Perkins had said that labor and employer had a responsibility to cooperate in avoiding delays in defense production.

Hoarding Charged

Miss Perkins was the first witness in the committee's investigation of labor conditions in defense industries.

Biggers, a dollar-a-year man, declared that some manufacturers were "hoarding unwarrant-

BRITISH CAPTURE ETHIOPIA CAPITAL

Addis Ababa Gives In Without Fight as Drive Near End

CAIRO, Egypt, April 7 (AP) — The British announced today their forces were continuing to withdraw east of Benghazi in North Africa but in East Africa had captured Debra Markos, 120 miles northwest of Addis Ababa, after the fall of the Ethiopian capital without a fight.

More than 10,000 have been captured in Eritrea since March 25, and the imperial forces are drawing closer to the Red sea port of Massaua in that colony.

(Continued on Page Two)

Commission Denies Suspension of Cut In Potato Rates

A petition asking the suspension of a proposed 34 cent potato shipping rate from the Klamath basin to Los Angeles has been denied by the Interstate Commerce commission.

Southern California officials said Monday at the same time revealing the rate will go into effect Tuesday, April 8.

Announced a few weeks ago by all three California lines in order to meet a reduction by the Union Pacific from Idaho points to Los Angeles, the plan drew protests from several Southern California growers.

The new rate entails a six cent reduction from the normal charge and will be effective until late May.

Germans Capture No Vital Points

HULL DECLARES RUSSIAN PACT HOPEFUL SIGN

American Aid Rushed To Yugoslavia As Germans Strike

WASHINGTON, April 7 (AP) — The friendship and non-aggression pact which Russia and Yugoslavia signed just before Germany's invasion of the Balkan nation was termed encouraging today by Secretary Hull.

Hull told his press conference at the same time that American envoys in the Balkans still were cut off from communication with the state department.

Nations Aware

The secretary of state said that the Russian-Yugoslav agreement made clear that an increasing number of nations were becoming acutely aware of the world nature of what he called a movement to conquest of people by force.

He declined to interpret the pact except to say that it apparently spoke for itself and that he considered it encouraging.

Hull today also termed as important a statement by Marshal Henry Petain, chief of the French state, that France's honor required that she take no action against a former ally.

Aid Rushed

The United States pushed shipments of war supplies to Yugoslavia and Greece after Hull had denounced German's Balkan invasion as "barbaric" and promised that material assistance would be dispatched to the defenders "as speedily as possible."

Indications were that these munitions would be started across the Atlantic, probably in Yugoslav vessels now in American ports, either today or by midweek at the latest. The administration is understood to have been preparing for several days against the hour when Germany would launch her Balkan blitzkrieg.

Included in the shipments may be the 75 millimeter guns which President Roosevelt said last week would be sent to Greece, as well as machine guns, mortars, ammunition, bombs and other supplies drawn from the stores of the United States army.

In addition to these implements of war more than \$1,000,000 worth of medical supplies were ordered sent to Yugoslavia. Chairman Norman H. Davis directed the Red Cross to furnish "without delay" 10 field hospitals, ton of medicines and blankets and an initial shipment of 2,000,000 surgical dressings.

Aircraft were not expected to be included in the munitions (Continued on Page Two)

Commission Denies Suspension of Cut In Potato Rates

A petition asking the suspension of a proposed 34 cent potato shipping rate from the Klamath basin to Los Angeles has been denied by the Interstate Commerce commission.

Southern California officials said Monday at the same time revealing the rate will go into effect Tuesday, April 8.

Announced a few weeks ago by all three California lines in order to meet a reduction by the Union Pacific from Idaho points to Los Angeles, the plan drew protests from several Southern California growers.

The new rate entails a six cent reduction from the normal charge and will be effective until late May.

By The Associated Press

Adolf Hitler's two-day-old invasion of Greece and Yugoslavia was reported late today to have failed to capture any strategic points along the 750-mile Balkan war front, although the Germans laid claim to an advance of 18 to 25 miles into Yugoslavia.

Greece's rugged mountain fighters, out-numbered 10 to one by Nazi legions hammering at the Struma river front, were declared in Athens to have stood off violent new German assaults at the end of the second day of fighting.

Dive-Bombing Heavy

Advices reaching Bern, Switzerland, of Hitler's double-barreled thrusts said the Nazis' heaviest blows fell in dive-bombing raids on cities, railway centers, airports and bridges.

British RAF planes bombed "military objectives" at Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, it was officially announced.

PLAN OF BRITISH STRATEGY STUDIED

Clearing Albania Of Italians First Objective

LONDON, April 7 (AP) — The primary objective of Britain's expeditionary force in embattled Greece will be to drive the Italians out of Albania, after which it will seek to hold Greece, Albania and part of Yugoslavia defensively until the time is ripe for a "final offensive," informed observers said.

When this time comes, they said, Britain's "anti-invasion" army at home will be ready to spring across the English channel to open up a second front against the Germans.

The presence in Greece of an imperial British army of undisclosed strength was admitted officially by Britain for the first time yesterday. At the same time it was announced Britain's air power there had been reinforced.

The British earlier had reaffirmed their promise of full support to Yugoslavia.

(Balkan dispatches began reporting the arrival of British forces at Greek ports last month and subsequent reports said as high as 300,000 troops had been landed with mechanized equipment.)

Troops from Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand were sent to Greece, the ministry of information said, to help "soldiers of our brave ally in defense of their native soil."

The bulk of the expeditionary force was believed to have been shifted from Egypt, while other troops were thought to have come directly from England.

Youth Digs Out of Mine With Hands After 52 Hours

CENTRALIA, Pa., April 7 (AP) — Eighteen-year old Joseph Loftus didn't even wince today while hospital nurses changed dressings on his hands worn raw by digging his way out of a coal mine cave-in 80 feet underground where he had been trapped and almost given up for dead for 52 hours.

Except for a deep cut on his head—he was knocked unconscious by a falling timber in the slide which entombed him and a fellow worker last Friday at 11 a. m.—Loftus was pronounced in good condition by doctors.

Miners dug their way to Leonard Burns, 45, on Saturday morning, but had almost abandoned hope for Loftus, who had been working about 40 feet further on.

Yesterday, two men went down the first emergency shaft sunk toward the cave-in while others labored at a new shaft about 40 feet away.

In the first, the earth slowly bulged beneath them and Loftus clawed his way into the tunnel.

Albanian Drive

Athens dispatches said Greek infantrymen were holding fast amid furious attacks in narrow Macedonian mountain passes laced with German dead and the wreckage of 10 Nazi tanks.

The Greek high command said the German Palm Sunday invasion had been stopped with the loss of only a single fort.

Stefani, the official Italian news agency, said Premier Mussolini's fascist armies in Albania had frustrated an attempt by Greek troops to make contact with Yugoslav forces in two days of bitter fighting.

Stefani reported that the Italians had virtually wiped out a Greek division of three regiments.

In Struma Valley

The German onslaught against Greece centered on the narrow, gorge-trapped Struma river valley in Macedonia.

Authorized quarters in Berlin admitted the precipitous terrain in both Greece and southern Yugoslavia might enable poorly equipped forces to hold up superior German contingents temporarily.

These "quarrels" of the German army in the blitzkrieg against France last summer should not necessarily be expected in the new Balkan conflict.

Athens reports said fierce air battle over the fighting ground (Continued on Page Two)

British Bombers Attack Nazi Army Concentration Area

LONDON, April 7 (AP) — German troop concentrations at Sofia, Bulgarian capital, were heavily bombed by the RAF last night and hits also were scored on the main railway station, yards, junctions and warehouses, said a British communique issued tonight.

A large factory also was hit, many explosions were heard and a number of fires, large and small, were started, the RAF reported.

Motor transport ships were among the objectives, the communique added, and after one blast "trucks were seen to be hurled into the air."

After carrying out their bombing attack, the aircraft dived and machine-gunned objectives and motor transport on roads in the Struma valley, the communique said. This valley is one of the invasion routes into Greece.

"Considerable damage was caused," the communique concluded. "All our aircraft engaged in the raid returned safely to their base."

News Index

City Briefs	Page 5
Comics and Story	Page 8
Editorials	Page 4
Information	Page 5
Market, Financial	Page 10
Midland Empire News	Page 7
Pattern	Page 3
Sports	Page 6
Transportation	Page 2