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WEATHER

High 61; Low 44
PRECIPITATION

24 hours to 8 a. m. Trace
Season to date 10.73
Normal precipitation 10.07
Last year to date 16.28



GERMANS MAY PUSH INTO SYRIA

Patrols Far Out

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

TODAY the island of Crete is the hot spot to watch. Tomorrow, of course, it may be somewhere else. Hitler likes to keep his enemies guessing as to where he will strike next. Uncertainty is hard on morale.

At any rate, there's a tale on the wires that the Germans are preparing an attack on Crete (only 75 miles from the southern tip of Greece) that will be a full-dress rehearsal for an attack on England.

The idea is that in attacking Crete over 75 miles of water they would learn things that would be of value in attacking England over 20 miles of water.

TALE No. 2 on the wires today is to the effect that the Germans may by-pass Turkey entirely by attacking French-occupied Syria.

At this point, you'll have to get out your map if you want to keep things straight. Your map will show you that Syria lies just south of Turkey and between the Mediterranean and oil-rich Iraq, which is becoming quite a hot spot in the speculations as to the future.

Away from the Mediterranean coast, Syria is largely desert. It is crossed by oil pipe lines but no railroads.

THE island of Crete lies in the sea path of such an enterprise. So does the British island of Cyprus. Before tackling Syria, the Germans would have to take both Crete and Cyprus, as they couldn't afford to leave strong British naval bases in their rear.

THERE'S another tale on the wires today—a reported battle between British and German speed boats off the southeast coast of England. The Germans claim to have come out ahead. (They usually make that claim.)

There is speculation as to whether that is another rehearsal for the expected attack on Britain.

IN London there have been hints that the Balkan defeat may result in abandoning Churchill's 8-man cabinet and substituting for it a 4 or 5-man cabinet headed by Churchill and including the premiers of Canada, South Africa and Australia.

Asked whether some such move is in the offing, Churchill answers: "No sir" and calls for a vote of confidence in the house of commons next week on his conduct of the war.

In the commons, this motion will be offered: "That this house approves the policy of the government in sending help to Greece and declares its confidence that our operations in the Middle East and ALL OTHER theatres of war will be pursued by the government with the utmost vigor."

Under the English system, if this vote of confidence is defeated Churchill will automatically be out. So the house of commons will be one of next week's hot spots.

NOTE Tobruk. It is providing an interesting exception to the German blitzkrieg technique of passing strong points by and relying on taking them later. The German armored columns rushed on past Tobruk, as they had been in the habit of doing in Poland, France and elsewhere. But they didn't rush far.

British Claim Nazi Warships Out of Service

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—The RAF raided the Nazi battleships Scharnhorst and Gneisenau at Brest last night for the 12th time in a month and a well-informed source said the vessels still were in the French port because they were so badly damaged the Germans couldn't move them.

The British officially have claimed only one hit on one of the 26,000-ton men-o-war, but his source said their continued presence in such an accessible port to the RAF was proof enough that there had been more.

The likely thing for the Germans to do, he asserted, would be to move the two powerful surface raiders the minute the British showed they knew where the ships were. He recalled that the German cruiser Hipper "disappeared" from Brest after she was bombed a second time by the RAF on March 2.

F. R. ASKS REPORT ON CIVIL AVIATION

President Roosevelt announced today he was requesting a survey of civil aviation facilities to see how many planes could be bought for the defense of democracies.

At the same time, the chief executive told a press conference that American naval vessels could enter combat zones if necessary in the interest of defense of the western hemisphere.

The president said he had asked Jesse Jones, secretary of commerce, to make the survey of all civilian air lines to see how many planes could be obtained.

He said there was a real need for them and it was hoped a substantial number could be taken over.

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	2	4	2
Brooklyn	13	12	0
Turner, Thompson (6), Logan (8), Moore (8) and Lombardi, Hamlin and Owen.			
Pittsburgh	2	4	3
Philadelphia	6	12	0
Butcher, Bowman (3), Lanning (8) and Davis, Lopez (8); Crouch and Livingston.			
Chicago	3	7	0
Boston	6	13	2
Passeau, Pressnell (8) and McCullough; Lamanna, Sullivan (4) and Berres. (11 innings).			
St. Louis	5	12	0
New York	4	10	1
McGee, Grodzicki (3), Lanning (6), Hutchinson (9) and Mancuso; R. Bowman, Melton (5), Dean (9) and Danning.			

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Washington	2	7	1
Chicago	3	9	3
Masterson, MacFayden (7) and Ferrell; Lee and Tresh.			
Chicago	3	8	0
Detroit	5	10	2
Grove, Harris (4) and Pytlak; Gorsica and Tebbetts.			
Philadelphia	3	9	2
Cleveland	8	15	0
Denn, Besse (8) and Hayes; Smith, Heving (8) and Desautels.			

STEPS FROM WAR

TOKYO, April 29 (AP)—The newspaper Kokumin declared today the United States decision for extended patrol of Atlantic waters of the western hemisphere "means the United States is but a step from entering the war."

ADMIRAL SAYS VESSELS 2000 MILES AT SEA

Jones Tells Meeting Debt Will Reach \$90 Billion

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—Admiral Harold R. Stark disclosed today that American neutrality patrols were operating at some points as much as 2000 miles from shore.

Addressing a defense luncheon of the United States chamber of commerce on "the navy" the chief of naval operations indicated in an extemporaneous addition to his prepared address that generally patrol vessels were operating about half way across the Atlantic "from the high latitudes to the Antarctic in both oceans."

Convoys Mentioned

Indirectly he linked patrols with the problem of conveying ships to Britain but in such a manner as not to indicate what connection he saw between them.

"I wish I could talk about convoys," he told his audience. "I'd like to tell you about our patrols three thousand miles out from the latitudes to the Antarctic in both oceans."

Asked to explain this statement after he had finished speaking, he told reporters that 2000 miles was a better approximation than his extemporaneous 3000 and comparing present operations in the Atlantic with those of a few weeks ago he said that the patrol line had been moved substantially eastward.

Senator Nye (R-N.D.) formally introduced today his resolution to require congressional approval before the president could order convoys.

The resolution provided that unless congress approved the use of convoys within 14 days after the president requested them they could not be employed.

Admiral Stark spoke after Gen. (Continued on Page Two)

Government Rests Deportation Case Against Bridges

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29 (AP)—The government rested its deportation case against Harry Bridges today after introducing all of "the alien's admissions and testimony" at his 1939 hearing regarding affiliation with the Industrial Workers of the World, Marine Workers Industrial union, waterfront worker and purchase of communist literature.

That testimony was introduced instead of calling Bridges to the stand as a witness against himself. If his statements were not accepted by the court, the prosecution said it would call Bridges.

An hour before it provisionally rested its case shortly after noon, the government filed additional charges against Bridges, accusing him of once belonging to an organization teaching "unlawful damage, injury or destruction of property and sabotage."

The new charge against Bridges was filed in an unsuccessful attempt to present other evidence.

President to Speak On Security Sale

WASHINGTON, April 25 (AP)—President Roosevelt will speak to the nation by radio tomorrow night when he participates in a program inaugurating the sale of defense securities to the public. He is expected to discuss both the defense program and taxes to help finance it.

Armistice Signing Seals Doom of Greece



At Larisa, Gen. Tsolachogio of Greece's army Epirus signs the armistice which led to the fall of Athens, placed Greece No. 14 on Germany's conquered list. Some 300,000 Greek troops were involved in the surrender.—Radio from Berlin.

COAL WORKERS TO RESUME THURSDAY

Southern Operators Willing to Start Wage Confab

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The United Mine Workers' union announced today that soft coal production would be resumed Thursday morning in the nation's bituminous fields shut down since April 1 in a dispute over a new wage contract.

The announcement was made by a spokesman for Union President John L. Lewis after he had discussed with his district presidents in the Appalachian coal area the decision of southern producers last night to accept President Roosevelt's proposal to reopen the mines.

The union said it had received the notice from L. Ebersole Gaines, chairman of the southern producers' group, that the latter was willing to negotiate a new two-year agreement with the miners' union to be made retroactive to the date of resumption of coal production.

The southern operators unexpectedly agreed to a \$1-a-day wage boost pending the final contract settlement.

The end of the month-old deadlock was buoyant news to worried defense officials, for it promised speedy replenishment of the dwindling fuel supplies which threatened to cause major curtailment of arms production in vital defense plants.

Price Legislation Eyed by White House

WASHINGTON, April 29 (AP)—The administration is considering the possibility of asking for legislation to provide power for price fixing, the White House disclosed today, coincident with a conference between President Roosevelt and Leon Henderson on that topic.

Stephen Early, presidential secretary, said Henderson, the price stabilizing official of the defense set up, was calling on Mr. Roosevelt to go over the question of legislation. He said, however, that Henderson might not yet be ready to discuss it.

TRAGIC FIND

YORK, La., April 29 (AP)—En route to work, Frank Morgret stopped his car yesterday at the scene of an automobile wreck to offer aid. He found his 18-year-old son Eugene dead in a machine which had struck a pole.

REVERSE ACTION

PORTLAND, April 29 (AP)—William Conner, 64, expected his alarm clock to awaken him yesterday. Instead it put him to sleep.

A prowler, who had inadvertently awakened Conner, crashed the clock over his head.

CITY AIRPORT, TRAFFIC LIGHT JOBS NEARING

Bid Opening in May To Set Stage for Construction

With bid-opening on Klamath's major pending municipal projects—airport expansion and traffic signals—dated for the first half of May, City Engineer Edwin A. Thomas said Tuesday that at last actual construction is approaching on these jobs.

From the United States army engineers Thomas received specifications for the airport project, on which bids will be opened by the engineers May 15. He also received specifications on the traffic signal system, with the state highway commission naming May 8 as the date for opening of bids.

Plans Given

While Thomas did not receive copies of plans for the airport development, the government previously had announced intention of grading and paving a northwest-southeast runway, 150 x 5100 feet, and a northeast-southwest runway, 150 x 4600 feet.

The specifications received by the city engineer show the project entails 152,000 cubic yards of excavation and grading, the use of 15,600 tons of bituminous mixture, installation of 62 boundary and range lights, 5 obstruction lights, 3 flush range lights, 1 beacon, 1 beacon tower, 1 illuminated wind cone and 1 illuminated wind tee. In addition to grading and surfacing runways and installing lights, the job calls for installation of a drainage system, moving an existing fence and constructing another, and several other details.

To Buy Property

The city council at its meeting Monday night passed an ordinance providing for purchase from nine owners property to be added to the airport in connection with the expansion program. Following are the list of owners, acreage, and (Continued on Page One)

Meat Strike in London Settled

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—A strike which yesterday tied up distribution of meat in Greater London has been settled, the ministry of labor announced today.

Some of the 2500 employees of wholesale establishments affected were back on the job today and the ministry said full resumption of work could be expected by tomorrow.

The workers struck in protest against dismissal of 60 of their number when one establishment was closed because of air raid damage.

Streamlined War Cabinet Not Favored

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—With a snappy "No Sir," Prime Minister Churchill flatly rejected today a suggestion that he form a streamlined supreme war cabinet and called for a vote of confidence next week on his conduct of the war.

Churchill put the question of his conduct of the war in general and the ill-starred Balkan campaign in particular before the house in announcing that debate would be held next week on the entire issue.

He indicated that Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, whose trip to the Balkans and the middle east preceded the Greek campaign, would "take an important part" in the discussion.

Churchill replied, "No Sir," to a question whether he would consider appointing a small supreme war council without departmental responsibilities.

To a supplementary question whether Churchill thought it time to "invite empire statesmen to join the war cabinet or an imperial war cabinet similar to the last war" the prime minister replied: "We had debate about all this some time ago."

DOVER BLASTED BY CHANNEL BARRAGE

British Shells, RAF Reply; Speedboat Raid Reported

DOVER, April 29 (AP)—For nearly seven hours today German guns on the French coast shelled the Dover area—the heaviest such cross-channel action of the war and the sort to be expected with any invasion attempt.

(Berlin reported a speedboat attack on that section of the English coast, apparently timed to coincide with the shelling.)

British guns replied, making it a mammoth duel across some 20 miles of water, and the RAF droned out to blast at the Nazi emplacements.

The British Press association reported at 3:59 p. m. (9:59 a. m. EST.) that the shelling had stopped and added that damage to that southeastern corner of England—long known as "hell's corner"—was negligible, confined to cottages.

BERLIN, April 29 (AP)—Several British speedboats were damaged early this morning in a battle with similar German craft which undertook an attack along the southeast coast of England, DNB, official German news agency, reported.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, April 29 (AP)—The Costa Rican government announced today it had expelled Kary Bayer, whom the announcement described as chief of Nazi propaganda here.

ISLANDS NEAR TURKEY OFFER BY-PASS LINE

Nazis Pursuing BEF Toward Southern Tip of Greece

LONDON, April 29 (AP)—A German attempt to use Greek islands in the Aegean sea as stepping stones to "by-pass" Turkey in a drive aimed at Syria and the Suez canal was suggested today by British observers as a logical sequence to Nazi successes in Greece.

First steps toward such a "leap-frog movement" already have been taken by the Germans, it was pointed out, with occupation of the islands of Thasos, Samothrace and Lemnos in the northern Aegean.

Natural Bridge

From Lemnos, the tabled Isles of Greece extend southward at short intervals for some 200 miles down the coast of Turkey, offering a natural bridge to the Italian-owned Dodecanese Islands.

Rhodes, largest of the latter, is less than 350 miles from Alexandria, Egypt, and about 450 miles from the nearest point in Syria.

British observers expressed belief a German thrust at Suez from this direction would be accompanied by an assault upon Gibraltar and an intensified axis thrust at Egypt from Libya.

BERLIN, April 29 (AP)—Informed sources said tonight that German troops were "approaching the last harbors in extreme southern and southwestern Greece."

These harbors were described as the only ones available for removing the remainder of the British and Greek forces still fighting in Greece.

The high command had said only that the Germans were reaching into the southern half of the Peloponnese in their pursuit of the allies.

These informed quarters said that the British had been embarking on sailing ships and other small vessels—even fishing boats—in their flight to Crete, about 75 miles away.

By all indications, Crete, Greece's largest island and now seat of her government and base for the British, is next in line for attack after the mainland mop-up.

The "mopping up," today's communique said, had progressed beyond Tripolis, in the heart of the Peloponnese.

While Nazi land forces were in hot pursuit of the allies, the high command said the Luftwaffe sank five ships aggregating 18,500 tons and damaged a number of smaller vessels in Greek waters yesterday in a relentless effort to cut off escape of the British expeditionary force.

Police to Direct Saturday Traffic

Mayor John Hoffman and Police Chief Hamm announced Tuesday that policemen will be posted at important downtown intersections Saturday evening to direct traffic.

The control plan will be in effect at Sixth, Seventh and Ninth streets on Main, between 4 and 7 p. m.

Serious congestion on these streets on Saturday evening led to the decision, the officials said, and asked fullest cooperation on the part of the motoring public in making the control program work.

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Odds Were Uneven, But Keeper Battled Charge to a Draw



Six tons of mad elephant vs. one unarmed man—this was the unequal struggle in a Chicago zoo when "Ziggle" attacked his keeper, George Lewis, pinned him to the ground with his trunk, Lewis wriggled free, socked Ziggle in the eye and escaped when the elephant lifted his head in pain from the blow.