

FIRST SNOWS HINDER PUSH ON MOSCOW

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plains, perhaps smothering Adolf Hitler's hope of a pre-winter victory.

The Russian dispatches said that the German drive had been slowed particularly in the direction of Vyazma which the Germans have reported passed and already in the process of being mopped up. Vyazma is 125 miles west of the Russian capital.

One of the Russian counter-attacks, made possible by fresh reinforcements, was said to have recaptured a town near Bryansk, 210 miles southwest of Moscow, in the region of the Germans' drive on Moscow from the south.

Another counter-attack was launched north of Orel and east of Bryansk. Orel was lost to the Germans a week ago.

Despite the Russian resistance, a dispatch to the Moscow newspaper Pravda acknowledged that the Germans still were moving on Moscow and the only question was whether the drive could be robbed of its momentum short of the goal.

Reinforcements were streaming steadily into the Russian front, it was said—fresh, well-equipped regulars who already had been under German fire but who had been rested for their new test. German reinforcements maintaining a numerical superiority for the invaders, however, also were reported.

The dispatches to Moscow pictured the morale of the Russians as high. All wore warm winter uniforms with long gray great-coats and fur hats in preparedness for the winter at hand. There was little question that the greatest test of the war was impending.

Five-Day Week, Paid Vacations Favored by AFL

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"can never be" a strike against the government by civil service employees.

Two of the resolutions, due to start coming out of committees today, call for a flat pay increase or bonus of \$240 yearly for government workers to meet increased living costs for the duration of the emergency.

President Green's anti-government strike statement was made at a weekend meeting of a local of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks. The meeting was billed as the kickoff in a national drive for the first increase for postal clerks since 1925.

"I don't think any civil service employe who understands the priceless heritage of liberty, freedom and justice that is ours ever will belong to an organization which would strike against the government," Green declared, while referring to what he said was such a threat by a CIO union.

Green assured the postal employes, however, that the AFL had a "mighty power" in support of the wage demands—political power of 5,000,000 members.

Congressmen "understand the language we speak," he added. "You ought to have had that pay raise a long time ago. We will never fail you. Any member of congress who votes against the bill for civil service pay raises will be classed as an enemy of the American Federation of Labor."

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to thank our many friends for the beautiful floral offerings and kind expressions of sympathy tendered during our recent bereavement, the loss of our beloved husband, father, and brother, Samuel H. Francis. Mrs. Anna Francis Lucille, Evelyn, Vernon, Alton, and brothers and sister in California.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

INTERSTATE BUSINESS COLLEGE NEWS — Edith Overman, Charles Straughn, Patricia Woodruff, Dorothea Stelzenmuller, Geraldine Manning, Mildred Calhoun, Francis Foster and Ruth Henry enrolled recently. 10-13

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crowded into it, either by the acts of our leaders or by the pressure of events, there's nothing to do but go ahead. We can't back down."

You hear few people (with the exceptions already noted) shouting that we ought to get into this war RIGHT NOW and knock somebody's block off.

You hear practically no one saying that under no circumstances should we get into the war.

THIS is obvious:

Those who are most vocal in their advocacy of American participation in the war without further delay are practically without exception beyond the ages when they are likely to be called for military service.

The professional shouters and the beaters of the tom-toms and the dancers of the war dance are NOT rushing en masse to the recruiting offices.

AIR BASE CHIEF DUE WEDNESDAY

Air-minded Klamath Falls is expected to turn out a big crowd for Wednesday noon's luncheon in honor of Colonel Joseph J. Stromme, commanding officer of the Portland air base.

This event is being sponsored by the chamber of commerce through its forum committee, with the cooperation of the city-wide airbase committee.

Anyone is welcome to attend the no-host luncheon, regardless of membership in the chamber of commerce. Reservations should be made at the chamber to give an idea of the number who will attend.

Colonel Stromme will inspect the Klamath municipal airport while in the city. He is widely known in aviation circles and has a reputation as a forceful speaker. He gave the address at this year's annual meeting of the Eugene chamber of commerce and has spoken in many Oregon communities since taking over command of the Portland base.

Mrs. Stromme is expected to accompany the colonel to Klamath Falls.

Two Deer Hunters Lost In Hills; Snow Reported

Snow storms in the hills Sunday were followed by reports of two lost deer hunters.

"Tiny" Wilson, 68, who lives south of Klamath Falls, was reported gone from his camp at Warm Springs on the Rock creek road.

Charles Burns, 50, San Diego, who has been camped at the Mike Barry reservoir southwest of Strawberry in the mule deer country, did not return after going out on a hunting jaunt from camp Sunday morning.

Sheriff's offices here said an airplane may be taken up to look for the lost men.

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ARMING SHIPS CLAIMED BEST U. S. COURSE

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law would not only conduce to regaining our self-respect upon the ocean," Stimson said, "but that it would materially promote the safety of the vessels which we are now sending out and the safe landing of the munitions which congress has decided to make available to the nations whose defense is vital to our own defense."

Before starting the hearings, the committee voted to consider only the question of whether to permit merchant ships to be armed, but although President Roosevelt sought that authority primarily in his recent message regarding revision of the law, he expressed the hope that congress would give early consideration to the need for other changes, including that dealing with the matter of combat zones.

Hull earlier had told the committee that the United States "can not turn and walk away from the steadily mounting danger" of the nazi military campaign of "world conquest."

NAVY DOCTOR DUE HERE OCTOBER 22

Dr. Enkelis, senior medical officer with headquarters in Portland, will pay a visit to Klamath Falls on October 22, as part of the program in connection with Navy day.

On this day the American Legion has offered to recruit an entire company of men for the United States navy, the entire lot to be sworn in in Portland on Navy day. Dr. Enkelis announced he would be prepared to conduct physical examinations of applicants here during his stay.

Horse Killed On Klamath Avenue Sunday Morning

City police, working on the graveyard shift Sunday morning, received a frantic call from some city slicker that a horse was trotting around town and going north on Sixth street from Plum avenue.

Officers, not used to clocking the time on horses within the city limits, jumped in the prowl car but before they could get very far they learned the horse was hit at Eighth and Klamath and killed instantly.

Driver of the car was Ed North of Tulelake, and passengers were Marilyn Decker and Luther Carey.

Early morning motorists thought they were seeing "pink elephants" when they ran onto the white horse in the street.

CITY BRIEFS

To Portland — Arthur Charles Bates, minister of the First Christian church, with Mrs. Bates, left for Portland early Monday morning. He will attend the state convention of the Ninety and Nine, men's organization where he will be guest speaker. Mrs. Bates will visit relatives. They plan to return late Thursday.

Returns North — Mrs. M. A. McMeeken of Portland returned to her home this weekend after a week spent here as the house guest of Lola Lee Albert. Mrs. McMeeken is the wife of Detective McMeeken of Portland police.

Recovering — Mary Lou Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King Gray of Tionesta, Calif., is recovering from an appendicitis operation at Hillside hospital. Mary Lou is the niece of Dr. and Mrs. Marsha, 2526 White avenue. She has been attending Armstrong's college in Berkeley.

Attend Game — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wiesendanger returned this weekend from Corvallis where they visited their daughter, Jean, and attended the OSC-Stanford game.

Visit — Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Rogers were among the Klamath folks seen at Corvallis this past weekend, enjoying the big game.

See Game — Earl Hamaker and Charles Mack returned Sunday from Corvallis where they attended the OSC-Stanford game.

AFL Strike Shuts Shipyards; Texas Yards Hindered

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the job in sympathy. Their business agent, J. B. Knapp, said this union had about 350 workers on the shipyard job.

C. P. Driscoll, carpenters business agent, said he could not estimate the number of carpenters working on the new plant but other sources estimated there were 600.

L. T. Bolin, Brown and Root vice president, said only about 70 of his concern's 1100 regular workers had remained away from the job.

Work was resumed, meanwhile, at the \$8,000,000 San Jacinto, Tex., ordnance depot, tied up by a strike since Wednesday. A total of 1800 workers was affected.

Pickets were withdrawn from the project Saturday at the request of Joseph Keenan, OPM labor consultant.

Keenan asked officials of the truck drivers local (AFL) to send a representative to Washington. The union is seeking bargaining rights for 140 truck drivers.

HEAVY BLAST KILLS SIX AT SITKA BASE

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Albert A. Spurling, Everettville, W. Va., and Hedley C. Eastabrooks, whose rank and home address were not given. The sixth victim was a marine, Private Thomas A. Baskom, whose father lives in Tennessee.

Among the injured were Private Lester B. Kirk, home ungiven, who suffered a severe case of shock, a Sergeant Crosby and a Mrs. Roche, wife of a contractor's employe, who was badly cut by flying glass and may lose an eye.

The earth-shaking blast came just as benediction was being pronounced in the famous old Russian church at Sitka at 12:10 p. m. The concussion showered broken window glass over the parishioners, injured dozens on the narrow Sitka streets and sent 15 to the air base hospital. The station at Millerville, close by the base, was denuded of its windows and many of the homes recently built to house personnel of the \$5,000,000 base — called vital to Pacific defenses — were badly damaged.

The navy declined to give many details of damage inside the air station itself and did not reveal whether huge hangers built within the last year suffered damage.

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But in arming our merchant ships, the guns put on them should be of size and range to give the merchantman a fair chance to fight off, in gun play, any submarine or small raider. That is, the range of the gun on our merchantman should be sufficient to reach the enemy.

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Klamath Guardsman Gets Officer Rating At Fort Monroe

George Kinney, member of Battery A of the 249th Coast Artillery, has become the first man from the ranks of Klamath Falls' own national guard unit to earn an officers' rating, it was learned Monday.

Kinney, a first sergeant, was recently graduated from an officers' training school at Fort Monroe, Va., with the rank of second lieutenant. Home on a short furlough, he left Monday for Fort Worden, Wash., where he will be stationed.

Kinney is the son of Mrs. Nell Kinney of 2138 Vine street.

RENO LICENSE
RENO, Nev., Oct. 13 (UP)—Marriage licenses: Floyd E. Pike, 40, and Marie I. Peterson, both Klamath Falls.

In order to be of hurricane proportions, a wind must attain a velocity of 75 miles an hour or more.

Range Important Item in Talk of Arming U. S. Ships

EDITOR'S NOTE: If American merchantmen are to be armed they should be armed with modern, long-range guns and sufficient anti-aircraft batteries to oppose German dive bombers. The United Press naval critic says in the following dispatch, commenting on the president's message to congress.

By REAR ADMIRAL YATES STIRLING JR., U.S.N. Retired United Press Naval Critic

The president has asked the congress to permit the arming of American flag ships engaged in foreign commerce.

He intimates they are sailing the seas on missions connected with the defense of the United States, and it is not just the crews of these vessels should be denied the means of defending their lives and their ships.

The president also explains this arming adds to the safety of our seamen. Guns can keep a raider at a distance until help comes. Against an airplane attack it gives them a chance to shoot down an enemy or keep an enemy at great height.

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by those of enemy submarines. To place guns on a merchantman that will not reach the enemy is obvious folly.

Likewise in defense from the air, guns on merchantmen should have range enough to keep enemy planes at a height where a miss is likely. Such guns should be capable of destroying a dive bomber before it can unloose its "eggs."

If we arm our merchant ships, of course, Hitler will have a legal excuse for attacking them, but I believe most navy men will agree it is better to arm our merchantmen than to resort to subterfuges, such as placing them under Panamanian registry.

If we are to carry out the pledges of aid we have made to Britain and her allies, indeed, we may have to take a great many steps not envisaged when the neutrality law was passed.

GROWING
In 1930, Denver, Colo., had a population of 287,861. The 1940 census showed a population of 318,415. It is the 25th largest city in the United States.

ARTIFICIAL FOGS
German farmers try to stave off frosts with artificial fogs. They use barrels with unslaked lime into which drips dissolved sulphur trioxide. The reaction produces a protecting cloud of vapor.

ONE STATE—SIX FLAGS
"Old Glory" is the sixth flag to wave over the plains of Texas. Flags of France, Spain, Mexico, independent Texas and the confederacy also flew over Texas

Blaze Cripples Rubber Factory On East Coast

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others before being controlled after dawn Sunday.

Eleven firemen were hospitalized for minor injuries and smoke inhalation.

Plant officials said the 12 buildings and contents, including the stored government rubber stocks were covered by approximately \$17,000,000 insurance. Four of the buildings were virtually undamaged.

The blaze originated, a workman said, in an oven in a small room of the third floor of a five-story brick manufacturing building where rubber automobile cushions were being heat-cured. Seven workmen fled to safety after finding fire extinguishers were ineffective.

NEWS WAS SLOW
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