

Blackout Signal

One 5-minute blast on sirens and whistles is the signal for a blackout in Klamath Falls. Another long blast, during a blackout, is a signal for all-clear. In precautionary periods, watch your street lights.

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Weather News

June 29, High 85, Low 46
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Normal 11.61
Stream year to date 12.97

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BRITISH FALL BACK FROM MATRUH

Axis Drives At Vital Russian Railway

SEVASTOPOL FIGHTS OFF BRUTAL BLOWS

Russ Counter - Attack
in Kharkov Region,
Win Ground

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
MOSCOW, June 29 (AP)—
Probing the long, resilient Russian line for a weakness, the Germans were smashing out from Kursk, about 280 miles south of Moscow, today in a new drive presumably aimed at cutting the vital railway connecting the southern and central fronts. The new offensive—the fourth started by the Germans this spring—came as the battered and weary soviet defenders of Sevastopol fought off a succession of brutal axis blows at the Black sea fortress, now under attack for the 25th day. Other red army units were counter-attacking fiercely in the Kharkov region and winning back some lost ground, front dispatches said.

Today's mid-day soviet communique gave no details of the fighting east of Kursk, saying merely that during the night "in the Kursk and Sevastopol directions our troops engaged the enemy in battle."

A supplement to the communique said the Germans had opened 25 field hospitals at Simferopol, northeast of Sevastopol in the Crimea, to handle the large number of wounded from Sevastopol.

Axis on Offensive
The new blow in the Kursk sector came Sunday and the Russians said only that the Germans "had gone over to the offensive" there. The drive was pointed directly at Voronezh, 120 miles to the east, an important railway center 300 miles south of Moscow and about 400 miles north of Rostov, the gate to the Caucasus now held by the Russians.

The Russian winter offensive had failed to dislodge the Germans from Kursk and the Russian line in this region runs roughly north and south to the east of Kharkov, Kursk and Orel.

A German break-through east of Kursk would not only threaten vital Russian communications, but also could be maneuvered to bring the Russian forces (Continued on Page Two)

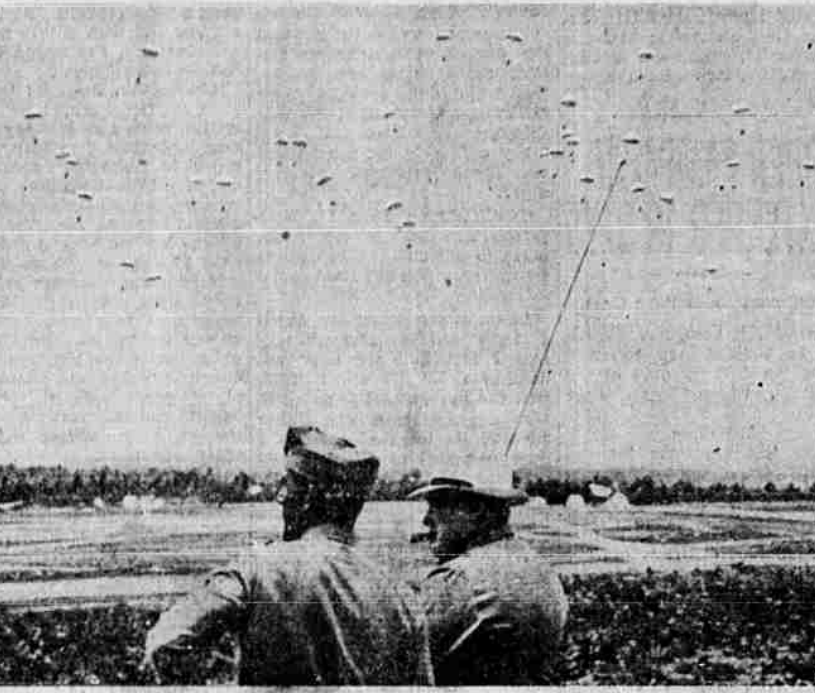
Third July Call Announced for Draft Boards

A third July call for both Klamath county draft boards was announced today by selective service headquarters. The office said that 25 men from Board 2 will leave here on the night of July 20, and 25 more from Board 2 are scheduled to leave on July 21. Names of the men will be announced later.

Army Deserter Jailed at Yreka After Mountain Chase

YREKA, Calif., June 29 (AP)—
A youth identified by Sheriff Ben Richardson as William Crox, 19, an army deserter, was held in jail here today after the attempted holdup of an elderly couple and a mountain chase that ended in Crox's capture.

Churchill Sees War Maneuvers Done "The American Way"



Scores of U. S. Army paratroops drop from the sky at Fort Jackson, S. C., as Brig. Gen. W. C. Lee, left, explains the American technique to British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who is smoking his perennial cigar and carrying a "walkie-talkie" radio set, aerial of which sticks up above his hat.

COMMITTEE OKES BIG SUPPLY BILL

Score of War Agencies
Taken Care Of in
Appropriation

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST
WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
The house appropriations committee fired another financial salvo in the war program today, sending to the floor a \$1,810,487,615 supply bill which it estimated would boost to approximately \$228,000,000,000 the amount projected for national defense since June 1940.

The new bill carries funds for almost a score of war agencies for the fiscal year starting July 1. Most of them have been operating in the past on emergency allocations.

While more than one-half the total, \$1,100,000,000, is for the war shipping administration, a \$75,000,000 item for Leon Henderson's office of price administration was expected to be the only part of the bill over which a controversy of any consequence would develop.

The committee more than halved Henderson's original request and shaved \$86,000,000 from the budget bureau's recommendation. To make certain the \$75,000,000 would be all that Henderson's agency would have to spend during the new year, the committee wrote into the bill a restriction that the OPA funds "shall not be augmented by allocations or transfers of funds from any other appropriation."

The OPA item was almost certainly (Continued on Page Two)

RAF Raids Yards At Hazebrouck

LONDON, June 29 (AP)—
British fighter planes raided the railway yards at Hazebrouck sharply today in a followup of last night's assault on the German submarine base at St. Nazaire in occupied France.

Kangaroo Court Takes in \$50 For Troop Fund

Fifty round dollars were added to the troop entertainment fund as the result of the kangaroo court held Saturday night in connection with Klamath Buckaroo Days "Victory" celebration. Men appearing on Main street without the traditional big hat were victims of the court conducted by Police Judge Leigh Ackerman along Main street. All money derived from the court went into the entertainment fund.

Judge Ackerman was assisted by Bud Easterton, Clarence Adams and Pat Hogue.

Plans are now being made for the big Fourth of July parade which will form promptly at 10 a. m. Saturday at Second and Klamath. The line of march will proceed along Main street and pass in front of the reviewing stand at Ninth and Main streets, where the winners will be tagged by three judges, W. E. Lamm, Henry Semon and G. A. (Continued on Page Two)

Fifth Draft Registration Starts Tuesday

The nation's fifth draft registration, for all male persons born on or after January 1, 1922, to on or before June 30, 1924, will be held tomorrow and Klamath county is expected to furnish 1200 names to the country's roll call.

Major Ted Case, county selective director, said that registration places in each community and hamlet throughout the entire county will be open from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. Tuesday. In Klamath Falls, the Fremont school gymnasium will be the only registration office. Don Fisher of the National Guard (Continued on Page Two)

RUBBER CAMPAIGN EXTENDED 10 DAYS

FDR Orders Extension
Because Total Is
Disappointing

WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
President Roosevelt extended the rubber collection drive today for an additional ten days because collections through Saturday had brought in a disappointing total of 219,000 tons. Originally scheduled to have ended at midnight tomorrow, the campaign now will continue through July 10.

The continuation was ordered upon the recommendation of Secretary Ickes, in his capacity as petroleum coordinator, and William R. Boyd Jr., chairman of the petroleum industry war council.

Speaking for Mr. Roosevelt, Presidential Secretary Stephen Early told reporters: "In the face of the very serious needs for rubber, the total collections as reported today are disappointing. Hence the continuation of the drive."

The total of 219,000 tons was exclusive of rubber turned in since Saturday and also of that in the hands of some 20,000 junk dealers in the country, (Continued on Page Two)

Restrictions on Fuel Oil To Be Modified, Report

WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
Representative Angell (R-Ore.) said today that the office of the petroleum coordinator had notified him fuel oil restrictions in the Pacific northwest would be modified in a few days and all heating plant owners would be urged to fill their tanks to capacity.

Angell sought a modification of the restrictions after the Portland Apartment House association notified him its members could not get fuel oil. He said it was planned to store as much fuel oil in the northwest as possible while it could be moved to that section.

U. S. BOMBERS LASH AT JAPS ON WAKE ISLAND

Air Field, Shore Installations Held
Damaged

WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
The navy announced today that United States bombers had attacked Japanese-occupied Wake Island in the Pacific last Saturday, damaging the enemy's air field and various shore installations.

The navy's communique, based on reports received up to 11 a. m. (PWT) today, said: "Central Pacific area: '1. U. S. bombers attacked Japanese-occupied Wake Island on June 27.

"2. Under favorable conditions of weather and visibility, our planes, attacking in formation, damaged the air field and various shore installations.

"3. Enemy anti-aircraft and fighter defense was weak and, although one bomber suffered minor damage during the attack, all of our planes returned safely."

Near Hawaii
Tiny Wake Island, which overwhelmed enemy forces wrested from an American marine garrison, Dec. 23, is Japan's nearest base to the Hawaiian area. It is 2000 nautical miles west of Pearl Harbor and little more than 1000 miles southwest of Midway, the American outpost nearest to Japanese territory.

The raid reported today was the second made by American aircraft on the atoll. Planes from a task force led by Vice Admiral William F. Halsey wiped out shore installations and some minor surface units Feb. 24.

It was considered probable by authorities here that American raiders on Saturday were looking for a concentration of enemy shipping of the sort which they found in the Marshall and Gilbert islands raid Jan. 31 when they destroyed 16 ships as well as 41 planes and land marks. If that was their hope, apparently they were disappointed since the communique mentioned no damage to shipping.

U. S. Fliers Get Four Axis Planes, Balkan Source Says

ISTANBUL, Turkey, June 29 (AP)—
Balkan sources reported today that the U. S. army bombers which raided the Rumanian oil fields June 12 shot down four axis planes and damaged the railway stations at Ploesti and Buzau.

Hawaii Air Chief



Maj. Gen. Willis H. Hale is the new commander of the Seventh Air Force in the Hawaiian area. He is Maj. Gen. Clarence L. Tucker, shot down in the Midway victory.

GENERAL RATIONING PROGRAM FORESEEN

Henderson Predicts
Action to Help
Car Dealers

WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
The house appropriations committee and Price Administrator Leon Henderson predicted today that heavy demands on two groups of basic cost of living items would mean "a general rationing program for the entire country" before the end of the year.

"It would be folly to name any specific items which are likely to be rationed," the committee said in a report on a \$1,810,487,615 defense appropriation bill. "To do so would cause immediate runs on existing stocks and bring about rationing earlier than ordinarily would be necessary."

Henderson told the committee during hearings on the bill that there would be a need for rationing of 15 major groups of (Continued on Page Two)

Agitation For Replacement of Churchill Mounts

LONDON, June 29 (AP)—
Agitation for Prime Minister Churchill's replacement as minister of defense mounted today with the axis asserting that Field Marshal Rommel's forces had seized Matruh and swept on to the coast.

Some of London's most influential newspapers gave support to the advocates of removal of war strategy from the hands of the prime minister, who, just back from his American conferences, will face a "no confidence" motion in an imminent parliamentary debate.

Churchill's stated conviction that "Egypt will be held" is likely to become a political issue. The government's optimism at the start of the current African campaign, which events have shown to be unjustified, is one of the chief targets of the opposition.

Navy Communique Reveals More Jap Losses at Midway

By EUGENE BURNS
PEARL HARBOR, T. H., June 29 (AP)—
The defeat of the Japanese invasion fleet off Midway was even worse than first reported.

BATTLE MOVES TOWARD HEART OF NILE VALLEY

British Indicate Retirement Made in
Good Order

By EDWARD KENNEDY
CAIRO, June 29 (AP)—
The British defenders of Egypt have evacuated Matruh, coastal anchor of the defense line 175 miles west of Alexandria, British authorities announced tonight.

The bitterly fighting eighth army fell back in the third day of a great tank battle in which it had sought to stem the drive of Marshal Erwin Rommel's armored columns toward the Nile valley and the Suez canal.

The British used the term "evacuated," indicating that the main British forces were retiring in good order and fully capable of turning to give Rommel battle when the time and ground was favorable.

Matruh was abandoned as the battle, a wild mele of men and machines, spread over an ever-broadening battlefield southeast of that town.

(Both Berlin and Rome announced the capture of Matruh together with 6000 British troops and there was little doubt in London that their claims were true.)

U. S. in Fight
Many newly arrived planes, including those of the United States air corps, were thrown into the battle to help stem the axis tide.

The desert struggle has been in progress without a break since Saturday afternoon, when an axis armored force from the west, taking advantage in the glare of the sun in the defenders' eyes, struck at positions southwest of Matruh.

Marshal Rommel loosed the (Continued on Page Two)

Japs Fail to Reach Tungsten Fields

CHUNGKING, June 29 (AP)—
The Japanese have failed to reach one of their major objectives in their present drive in east China—the Tungsten fields of Kiangsi—an official Chinese government statement declared today.

And meanwhile Chinese pilots, flying under the tutelage of veteran American volunteer airmen, have sunk two Japanese warships in the Yangtze and inflicted heavy losses on the Japanese ground forces in eastern Kiangsi, the Chinese reported.

The official statement said that while the enemy accomplished much to prevent the use of the bases from which the Chinese hope to bomb Japan, the tungsten deposits are still far from the most advanced Japanese spearheads.

Oregon Japanese Allowed to Vote

SALEM, June 29 (AP)—
Oregon Japanese who are American citizens will be able to vote by absentee ballot in the November general election, even though they now are in concentration camps, the state elections division said today.

It would be impossible to deprive them of the right to vote, the division said, because voting rights of all citizens are guaranteed by the constitution.

NAVY PAY RAISE
WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—
Naval officers were made eligible for the \$5 an hour additional pay allowed enlisted men for diving operations under a bill signed today by President Roosevelt.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
THE Germans and Italians claim today to have taken Matruh—the place where the British were expected to make their first stand in Egypt.

Up to noon, the British haven't admitted Matruh's fall, but news sources in London are inclined to believe it.

THE battle of Egypt was started by Rommel at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when the sun would be worst in British eyes. (Duck hunters will understand what this means. A bird coming in out of the sun is hard to get because it is hard to see.)

It raged all Saturday night in the bright desert moonlight and apparently all day Sunday. It is described in today's dispatches as a swirling battle of swift movement, largely between tanks and MOBILE artillery (presumably anti-tank guns).

The dispatches add that pitched battles between tanks have been comparatively rare.

(ONE guesses from past disclosures that the German tanks OUT-GUN the British and American tanks, which are therefore compelled to avoid shoot-it-out action.)

ALONG that line, the Russians report an interesting change in German tank tactics at Sevastopol—where, they say, tanks formerly LED the assaults, but now stay BEHIND the infantry, like mobile artillery, and fire on the Russian positions.

No reasons for the change are offered, but one guesses the Russians have been handling the German tanks pretty roughly.

WHAT may be the main all-out German offensive is launched today from Kursk, about halfway between Kharkov and Moscow. It is presumably aimed at the general region around Voronezh, which lies east of the Don river on the main north and south railroad that feeds the Russian lines.

Watch it. If this rail line is broken, it will be a serious loss to the Russians—although they will still have lesser rail lines in their rear for receiving supplies and moving troops.

IF you want to follow these moves at all intelligently, you'll have to consult your map. Without a good map, the news is merely a meaningless jumble of unfamiliar names.

THE navy gives out new statistics today on the losses inflicted on the Japs in the Midway fight.

According to these figures, ten Jap warships, including FOUR carriers and two heavy cruisers, are known to have been sunk. Two more are believed to have been sunk and between 10 and 12 damaged. Heavy damage is believed to have been done to Jap battleships.

That adds up to a real jolt to Jap sea power.

PAUSE here and consider a fact of the utmost importance: All this damage was DONE BY WARPLANES, not land-based and carrier. Not a big gun was fired by a navy ship on either side. The big ships never came in sight of each other. Only their anti-aircraft guns were fired.

Naval warfare, you see, has ENTERED A NEW ERA.

IN this new era, aircraft carriers are immensely important. Battleships are relatively UNIMPORTANT.

The air men, however, insist that carriers are only TRANSITIONALLY important. By that they mean that carriers will be (Continued on Page Two)

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