

### 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

September 20—High 82, Low 45  
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Last year ..... 17.58  
Normal ..... 12.61  
Stream year to date ..... 13.20

# VIOLENCE FLARES IN KF STREETS

## In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THE war today, as for many weeks past, revolves around Stalingrad—which still holds out. Stalingrad's defense is in its 28th day, whereas Sevastopol fell on the 27th day.

(One must remember, however, that Sevastopol was entirely surrounded in its last days, while Stalingrad still remains open to the east.)

THE Germans, unable so far to take the city by storm, resort today to a mighty bombardment with long-range guns.

Moscow dispatches say: "The bloody struggle is increasing in ferocity by the hour. Russians and Germans are fighting it out house by house in the northwest section with the Russians putting up the same valiant resistance that saved Moscow and Leningrad. Despite fearful losses in dead, the Germans are hurling new divisions of tanks, armored cars and infantry and swarms of planes into the battle."

Pravda (Russian newspaper) says German dead are piled high in the streets, with the FRANTIC Nazis not even taking time to remove their seriously wounded from the battlefield.

IS the German failure (as yet) to take Stalingrad by storm significant? If taken (or when) will its cost be disastrously high? Only time can answer these questions.

THE Tirpitz (modern German battleship, equal of anything we or the British have) is reported today to have left its refuge at Trondheim (Norway) and to be patrolling the Arctic sea lanes under cover of Nazi warplanes in search of allied convoys bound for Russia.

If this report is true, the Tirpitz will have to be hunted down, which will take a lot of allied naval strength away from other areas.

Its suicide mission (if such it proves to be) is an admission on the part of the Germans of the tremendous importance of the Arctic supply line to Russia.

THE Finnish minister to Washington puts out a feeler for a separate peace. He says in a prepared statement:

"Finland wants to cease fighting as soon as the threat to her existence has been averted and guarantees obtained for her lasting security. However, no peace proposal has been made to Finland, still less any promise of restitution of territories belonging to her and least of all any guaranty for lasting security."

The feeler, presumably, is put out in Washington with the idea that the United States will prevail on Russia to offer terms that Finland can accept.

THE Finns are in a tough spot. They can't have much stomach for the war they're in, but if they try to quit they'll have Hitler to deal with—and Finland is full of German troops.

Finland is also the KEY to the Arctic supply route to Russia. With Finland OUT, German attacks on allied convoys to Russia would be more difficult. The Finnish peace feeler opens an interesting situation.

WILLKIE, arriving in Moscow, says the Russians appreciate the help they've had so far from Britain and the United States. (Continued on Page Two)

### Central Point Sawmill Burns

MEDFORD, Sept. 21 (AP)—The Southern Oregon Sugar Pine company sawmill near Central Point was destroyed by fire Saturday at a loss estimated by Chauncey Florey, owner, at \$25,000.

Sparks in a sawdust pile were blamed. A dry kiln, boilers and lumber in the yard were saved. Florey said insurance covered half the loss.

## REDS MAINTAIN SIEGE STAND IN STALINGRAD

"Tirpitz" Leaves Shelter, Challenges Allied Power

By JAMES M. LONG  
Associated Press War Editor  
Germany's mightiest battleship, the Tirpitz, sistership of the sunken Bismarck, was reported today to have left the shelter of Trondheim Fjord under cover of Nazi warplanes, challenging American and British naval power in a hunt for allied convoys carrying aid to Russia on the hazardous Arctic route to Murmansk.

In a siege stand surpassing Sevastopol, the red army fought on desperately at Stalingrad amid the shell and bomb-torn wreckage of that stronghold on the Volga, stemming the Nazi onrush for the fourth consecutive day and in some places hurling the Germans back by the fury of its counterattacks.

Siege Guns Roar  
Despite the disadvantageous position of the defenders, with their backs to the Volga, the outcome could not be foreseen. The stubborn street-by-street and house-by-house battle for the city of Stalin was of the same sort that saved Moscow and Leningrad last fall and early winter. Isolated Sevastopol fell in 27 days. Stalingrad is in its 28th day of battering by tanks and guns and the ruinous rain of bombs.

German long range artillery took over the work of destruction today, shaking the shell-pocked city from end to end in a thundering barrage which all but drowned the clatter of rifle and machinegun fire of the troops locked in close quarter fighting in the streets of the suburbs. In Moscow, Wendell L. Willkie declared he had found the Russian. (Continued on Page Two)

## Tool, Labor Shortage Faces Swan Island Yard

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 21 (AP)—Elmer L. Hann, general superintendent of Henry J. Kaiser's Swan Island shipyard, said today that shortages of tools, steel plate and trained workmen were retarding production. The new Kaiser yard is scheduled to launch its first tanker next month, Hann said, "but we cannot make promises until we see the tools, the materials and the men right here on the job."

Hann said the assembly shop was lacking three-quarters of the necessary tools and that other shops also were short on equipment.

## Amendment Including Farm Labor in Parity Price Eyed

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP)—The senate amended the administration's anti-inflation bill today to provide that salaries of \$5000 a year or more might be reduced by private employers, if they chose, without first having to obtain the consent of the president.

Meanwhile the house rules committee limited general debate to one day on the house anti-inflation measure but imposed no restrictions on the subsequent offering of amendments. The house will take up the bill tomorrow.

Chairman Stegall (D-Ala.) of the banking committee announced that the house bill, as reported by the committee, had included erroneously a section giving the president power to "suspend any provisions of law relating to the establishment or maintenance of prices, or to wages, salaries, or other factors affecting the cost of living which are inconsistent with the purpose of this act."

Rep. Cox (D-Ga.), a rules committee member, protested that by such language, congress would delegate the legislative

## Big Crowd Mills Around Jehovah Witness Convention Hall



The above picture, taken from atop a sound truck parked near the corner of Ninth and Klamath avenues, shows part of a crowd of some 1500 persons who gathered where members of the Jehovah's Witnesses religious sect were holding a rally. Some members are leaving the building but surrendering their literature as they leave. The literature was later burned in the street. The above picture was taken shortly after a fight in the rear of the building in which eyes were blackened and noses bloodied. Additional pictures on page 3.

## RAF DEVASTATES CITY OF MUNICH

Vast Fires, Visible From 100 Miles, Touched Off

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP)—Broad sections of Munich, birthplace of the Nazi party and site of important German war industries, lay devastated today under the weight of a smashing RAF attack which returning pilots said touched off fires so vast they could be seen 100 miles away.

Details of the assault were unfolded last night after the air ministry had analyzed reports of bomber crews who winged their way over the city. The new Kaiser yard is scheduled to launch its first tanker next month, Hann said, "but we cannot make promises until we see the tools, the materials and the men right here on the job."

## Hunters Asked to Save Cartridges

PORTLAND, Sept. 21 (AP)—Oregon hunters can aid the war effort by saving their cartridges. The State Guard asked that the shells be turned over to them for reloading. Those that cannot be used again will be contributed to the scrap metal drive.

## Closure Bans Hunting in All Forest Lands

PORTLAND, Sept. 21 (AP)—With the hunting season only five days off, Oregon forests were closed to all entry today. State and federal forest officials ordered the closure last weekend because of unfavorable conditions.

Governor Sprague promised only that entry would be permitted when conditions improved. The gubernatorial order, it was learned here, affects all forests in the entire state. It means, presumably, there will be no deer or antelope hunting in forest lands.

Desert, or open field, hunting will be permissible, however, on the basis of the governor's order. There was no indication when conditions would improve sufficiently to permit forest entrance.

Matt Finnigan, local sporting goods dealer, said today that a telephone conversation with Frank B. Wire, Oregon state game commissioner, had disclosed that the deer and antelope. (Continued on Page Two)

## Baseball

BROOKLYN, Sept. 21 (AP)—Kirby Higbe won his 15th game of the season today with a four-hit pitching performance as he hurled the Dodgers to a 3 to 1 victory over the Phillies to keep alive their dwindling hopes in the National league pennant race.

AMERICAN R. H. E.  
Chicago ..... 4 9 4  
Detroit ..... 6 10 0  
Haynes and Diekey; Bridges and Parsons.

## Mariner Tells of Rescue Following Nazi Sub's SOS

PORTLAND, Sept. 21 (AP)—Chief Officer Richard C. Lechner, Portland mariner, told today of the torpedoing of his freighter and of his rescue after a German submarine captain sent out an SOS for the survivors.

An Italian submarine sank the freighter in the South Atlantic, he said, but no crewmen were injured. After drifting in lifeboats 22 days, the crew was found by a German submarine. The U-boat captain radioed an SOS, then left. A British cargo ship rescued the crew the next day, Lechner said.

## ALLIED FIGHTERS ATTACK JAP BASE

Lae Assaulted With No Interference From Enemy

GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Sept. 21 (AP)—Operating without interference from enemy planes allied fighters yesterday attacked the vital Japanese base at Lae on the northeast coast of New Guinea for the third successive day, burning five barges and a tugboat and damaging shore installations.

A communique announcing the raid said allied fighters and bombers also had blasted Japanese supply lines extending inland. (Continued on Page Two)

## Two Killed in Flying School Blast in Texas

COLEMAN, Tex., Sept. 21 (AP)—Two persons were killed and 18 others were injured in an explosion which blew the administration building of the Coleman Flying school to pieces today.

No official reason was immediately announced as to the cause, but unofficial reports indicated it resulted from an accumulation of gas from a faulty connection. The dead were George Kneit of Austin, Tex., office manager for the Odum Construction Co., and Mrs. Arch Yarbo about 25, office manager for the civilian operator of the school.

## 1 Killed, 2 Hurt in Collision on Willamette Highway

EUGENE, Ore., Sept. 21 (AP)—One member of a Sumner Wash., family was killed and two others were injured yesterday in a two-automobile collision on the Willamette highway near Oakridge. Edgar Lee Stanton, 19, died almost instantly after the car in which he was riding brushed against one driven by Edward Adams, Eugene, and swerved off the road. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Stanton, Sumner, Wash., were treated for injuries. The accident occurred as the Stantons were driving home from Los Angeles where the youth worked in an aircraft factory.

## Mobilization Of Nation Asked In Bill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP)—A bill to provide for universal service and total mobilization of the nation's industries and material resources was introduced today by Senator Hill (D-Ala.).

The bill provides "that during any war in which the United States is now engaged the president is authorized and it is his duty when in his opinion the successful prosecution of the war requires it to determine, proclaim and select the material resources, industrial organizations and services over which government control is necessary to the successful termination of the war."

The control would be exercised by the president through existing or new agencies.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP)—Chairman Tolson (D-Calif.) of the house special committee on defense migration, citing "the ab- (Continued on Page Two)

## Japanese Woman Arraigned on Bribing Charge

SEATTLE, Sept. 21 (AP)—Brought here from an internment camp at Eden, Idaho, Fujii Yoshida, 41, Japanese woman formerly of Seattle, was arraigned in federal court today on the charge that she offered a bribe to Paul N. Ross, immigration officer, last February in an effort to effect the release of Ruyzo Takimoto, Japanese man held here for deportation. She was arraigned with the assistance of an interpreter, the Rev. U. G. Murphy, Baptist minister.

## Lower Standard of Living Faces U.S., Legion Warned

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 21 (AP)—Roane Waring of Memphis was elected national commander of the American Legion today by a unanimous vote after delegates from every state had stormed on to the stage with their banners in his behalf.

"We are going to have enough to eat throughout this war, and we probably will not have to put any very drastic limitations on our range of choice in that regard, but in almost every other respect we are going to have to be ready to do without—and do without—and do without until this war has been won." Nelson explained that the (Continued on Page Two)

## Riot Ends "Witness" Convention

Violence flared on Klamath Falls streets Sunday as irate townspeople demonstrated against Jehovah's Witnesses at the climax of a four-days convention of the sect.

What began as a patriotic demonstration developed into a riot that left many black eyes and tender heads among both townspeople and members of the organization, who had whipped up local feeling by several days of intensive pamphleteering.

At least three injured persons were carted off to hospitals; windows in the convention building at Ninth and Klamath were broken, pamphlets and banners were burned, several dozen Witness automobiles were overturned, and stench bombs and rotten eggs were hurled.

Order was restored through the efforts of speakers who exhorted the crowd of 1000 or more to disperse, and the police and police reserves, who were called out in full force. Three days of mutterings over the activities of an army of Witness pamphlet salesmen gave advance indication of Sunday's unprecedented local incident, which began when townspeople gathered about the convention headquarters in a vacant garage at Ninth and Klamath.

A war bond booth was brought over from the Pelican theatre and set up on the corner. A loud speaker truck arrived, and Witnesses as well as others were urged to buy bonds. The bond sellers did a lively business among local citizens, but not among the convention delegates.

Small at first, the crowd grew to 1000 or more. A group of men went to the rear of the convention building, where a telephone cable had been strung to carry a message to the convention from N. H. Knorr, Witness leader who was speaking in Cleveland. One man got on a drum and began cutting the cable with a hacksaw.

The Witnesses apparently were ready for this. Suddenly a score or more men rushed from the rear of the building, armed with sticks and clubs. A lively battle ensued, in which blood flowed freely. The Witness fighters retired inside the building, and the (Continued on Page Two)

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## 2-Year-Old Fell Asleep on Rails, Escaped Death

SEATTLE, Sept. 21 (AP)—Donna Lee Smart, 2, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smart, miraculously escaped death yesterday when she fell asleep between the rails of railroad tracks near Lake Sammamish and an engine and two cars passed above her. Deputy Sheriff J. A. Scougal said she suffered only a cut forehead and lacerations of two fingers and was taken home after emergency treatment at a Renton hospital.

Scougal said he heard the freight train jerk to an emergency stop and saw the engineer draw the child from beneath one of the cars. The engineer told the officer that he had seen a small dog scamper from beside a small "bundle" and did not realize the object was a child until too close to stop before the locomotive reached her.

## ROBERT HORTON DIES IN CRASH

M. E. Stevenson Held On Manslaughter Charge

Robert Lee Horton, 23, an employe of the Crater Lake Box and Lumber company, was instantly killed late Saturday afternoon in an automobile accident near Beattie on the Lakeview highway, District Attorney L. Orth Slemore reported today.

Slemore also Klamath's 1942 revealed that Auto Toll Maryln Edward Stevenson, a dealer for the Klamath Indian service and driver of the pickup truck allegedly struck Horton, is being charged with manslaughter. He is being held in the county jail.

Near Curve  
Also injured in the crash were James Riley Wallace and Leon T. Christie, both employes of the Crater Lake firm. Wallace, suffering from a broken leg, and Christie, with chest injuries, were in the Klamath Valley hospital today. Their condition is not critical.

The district attorney said the accident occurred near a curve in the highway as Horton and several other employes of the Crater Lake company were pushing their truck, which had (Continued on Page Two)

## Jehovah Witnesses, War Workers Clash in Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 21 (AP)—Seven persons were in hospitals here today, two with gunshot wounds, following a fight between members of the Jehovah's Witnesses sect and war emergency pipeline workers yesterday.

Authorities said all would recover. Sheriff Gus Cagle said the altercation arose over use of a trailer camp restroom. Several families of pipeline workers lived at the camp where the sect members went for a statewide rally. Five persons who described themselves as members of the sect were arrested for disturbing the peace, Cagle said.

## 207,373 Held Execution Total

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP)—The shooting of 116 Frenchmen last week on the orders of General Otto von Stuelpnagel, German commander in France, brought the total of persons known to have been executed by the Germans in occupied Europe to 207,373, the inter-allied information committee asserted today.

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