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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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JAPS FALL BACK IN NEW GUINEA

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN the old days, ship launchings were social affairs of the first magnitude. In the more social-minded East, they still are in a minor way, but in the great Kaiser yards of the Pacific Coast, where ships come off the end of an assembly line much as automobiles used to in Detroit, they've been streamlined, modernized and STANDARDIZED.

Mixing top-flight social affairs with business slows down production. The rule here is that nothing must be permitted to slow down production of ships.

At the launching described in this column yesterday, the sponsoring party arrived in three automobiles — not limousines, just plain business cars whose only concession to ceremony was a wash and a polish.

The men of the party were in their working business clothes — not even freshly pressed for the occasion. This writer, who likes to deal only with subjects he understands, balks at describing women's clothes. But the women of the party certainly weren't dressed to kill.

The party arrived just as the noon whistle was blowing, and the launching was over and out of the way before the end of the half-hour lunch period.

THE sponsor's gift was formerly a gaudy affair. That, too, has been streamlined. At these standardized, time-saving affairs, the woman who smashes the bottle on the ship's prow receives a wood-lined silver box that can be used for jewelry, knick-knacks, cigarettes or what have you. The lid is engraved with a simple inscription commemorating the occasion.

The bottle — which contains elder instead of champagne — is incased in a silver shell whose top detaches to become an ash tray (or a pin tray, if the recipient is so minded). This shell is also presented to the sponsor as a memory token of the occasion.

The standardized cost of the outfit is \$80.

EXCEPT for the typists in the offices, the woman who smashes the bottle of champagne was formerly about the only feminine contribution to ship-building.

All that is changed. There are women all over the place now. They do a little of everything.

What they do, they DO WELL. The attitude toward them is interesting. They get little chivalry. There are no Sir Walter Raleighs putting down coats for them to walk on. They get no offers from the men to do the hard jobs. They stand on their own feet.

What they DO get is RESPECT based on their demonstrated capacity to do their work well.

DON'T let these pretty pictures of the newspapers nifty fool you. The news editors and their willing serfs, the news cameramen, although capable fellows in other ways, have a strange delusion that the only women fit to be pictured outside the society section are, shapely gals attired in bathing suits.

There are no bathing suits around these modern mass-production shipyards. In the clanging shops, the standard work costume is overalls and a jumper, both well grimed.

Don't come here for a beauty show, either. This writer, speaking offhand and without benefit of accurate statistical research, would say that in the shipyard shops there are four grandmothers for each jitterbug.

THIS typical picture of a woman welder will linger long: Attired in overalls and a jumper, with her welder's helmet pushed back from her face, she stands at ease while her two male helpers are readying a weld on a deck section.

Her face is a kindly, competent

Churchill Raps Second Front Speculations

LONDON, Sept. 29 (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill voiced emphatic disapproval of speculation on the time or place of a second front, as the subject cropped up in the house of commons today and as the BBC broadcast to France that an allied offensive "is in the making."

Churchill's remarks were provoked by a question from Capt. Peter McDonald which was prefaced by the assumption that "the period of offensive operations by the United Nations is now approaching."

As parliament met for the first time since Sept. 11, a high officer of the British army broadcast in French that "today more than ever before the possibilities of a British and allied landing on French soil must be foreseen."

The message followed the pat-

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WOODRUFF FAVORED AS KUHS PRINCIPAL

No Recess Expected During Spud Harvest

Stanley Woodruff, dean of boys and vice-principal of Klamath Union high school, has been recommended to fill the post of Principal Rolla S. Gould, ordered to report to the navy on October 15, for the duration of the war.

Superintendent of City Schools Arnold L. Gralapp said that he had recommended the appointment of Woodruff at a meeting of the school boards last night. It was expected that board action on the recommendation would follow final acceptance of Gould by the navy. The 29-year-old principal is scheduled to appear in San Francisco for a final physical exam this week.

Leave Granted

Gould has been ordered to report to the naval training school at Tucson, Ariz., for duty as an ensign.

The board granted Gould an automatic leave of absence for the duration in accordance with a policy established earlier this year.

Gralapp said the school boards discussed the school problem in relation to this year's potato harvest. It was brought out that an employment bureau for the place-

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One Day Left To Make Bond Quota for Month

Klamath county has one day left to make its September war bond quota.

Needed are purchases amounting to \$15,000, according to J. V. Owens, of the county war savings staff.

"We're too close to the top to miss now," said Owens. "All that is needed is one last spurt of bond buying, and we'll go over."

Son of Former AVG Head Leads Foray in Aleutians

By WILLIAM L. WORDEN
ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND, Sept. 28 (Delayed) (AP) — Two enemy submarines in Japanese-held Kiska harbor were believed damaged by United States army fliers who caught them on or near the surface, air force officers disclosed today.

One submarine came up directly underneath a squadron headed by Lieut. Col. Jack Chennault, son of Brig. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, former leader of the American volunteer group Flying Tigers who fought in China.

Chennault, whose squadron flew planes with tiger jaws painted on the sides, proceeded to strafe the submersible himself. Meanwhile he ordered his fighter squadron into a combat circle around the surprised submarine. Each of nine planes made three strafing attacks on the un-

SENATE STARTS WORK TO REACH PRICE DECISION

Dire Want Predicted If Farm Prices Lowered

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — The senate temporarily, at least, approved today a farm bloc amendment to the administration's anti-inflation bill revising agricultural parity standards upward to include labor costs.

The roll call vote was 48 to 43 to insert in the bill the amendments by Senators Thomas (D-Okla.) and Hatch (D-N.M.) which administration leaders were confident they subsequently could displace with a compromise proposal of their own.

Compromise Proposal

The Thomas-Hatch amendment would have the effect of recomputing parity—at which price ceilings might be fixed on farm products under terms of the bill—to include farm labor costs for the first time. This would mean an average rise of 12 per cent in parity levels, which the office of price administration has said would add \$3,500,000,000 to food and fiber costs.

Unable to prevent adoption of this amendment, Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky.) said the administration had sufficient votes to substitute for it a compromise proposal he submitted directing President Roosevelt to lift farm price ceilings in individual cases where they did not reflect to growers their increased labor and other costs.

It appeared likely from the length of the speeches made, and in prospect, that voting on the bill could not begin before 3 p. m. PWT.

Senator Nye declared that "to blindly follow the president in the kind of leadership he has given in this price controversy might be to defeat every best

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Sprague Doubtful About Speed Limit For Trucks, Buses

SALEM, Sept. 29 (AP)—Governor Sprague said today he is "not too enthusiastic" about applying the 35-mile speed limit to trucks and buses.

"The new limit," the governor said, "will severely handicap operators of commercial vehicles, who already are severely taxed because of large business volume, slow schedules, and loss of manpower."

The governor, who proclaimed the 35-mile limit yesterday, said he doesn't know how the state would enforce it, asserting details yet must be worked out. He said the states would be the enforcing agencies.

When gasoline rationing begins in two months, speeders probably will lose their ration cards, he said.

Hailed As Scrap Champion



Warren Breaux (above), 11, was hailed by Gueydan, La., civilian defense officials as the national schoolboy scrap champion because he had collected 800,000 pounds of scrap metal and such since April. Surrounding him is some of his more recent collection.

Start That Scrap Rolling!

If you want to act NOW in the scrap campaign, do one of these things:

1. Take your scrap to the community depot at Sixth and Commercial streets, or to the salvage depot in your community.
2. Take your scrap to a junk dealer and sell it.
3. If you want to donate the junk and have no way of hauling it, save it for another pick-up program which will be announced shortly.

(Do not dump paper, auto fenders, auto body metal, or tin cans in the salvage depots. Dump rubber, rags, cast iron, steel, copper, lead, brass, babbitt, etc.)

CARRIER BASED AIRPOWER URGED

Horizontal Bombers Ineffective, Says Lt.-Comdr.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — Lieutenant Commander John S. Thach, three decorated for his exploits as leader of a squadron of navy fighter planes in the Pacific, declared today that only carrier based airpower can clear the way for invasion and defeat of Japan.

Horizontal bombers, whether operated by the army or navy, cannot do this job nor can they stop any force of enemy warships directed against American objectives, he said.

Task Force Needed

He declared that "not one major ship in this war has been sunk by horizontal bombing," and when asked whether that included the Haruna, Jap battleship which the army reported sunk by a Flying Fortress (Continued on Page Two)

Shortages Will Close 300,000 Stores, Report

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — Wayne C. Taylor, undersecretary of commerce, told the senate small business committee today that upwards of 300,000 retail stores would be forced to close by July 1943 for lack of goods and labor.

He endorsed a suggestion by Senator Mead (D-N.Y.) that a permanent federal agency be established to preserve the small business structure from "the ravages of war economy."

Taylor testified that department estimates indicated that approximately 1,400,000 workers in the retail and wholesale trades would be drawn into the military and war plant services from July 1942 to December 1943.

Farm Worker Held in Brutal Colfax Killing

AUBURN, Calif., Sept. 29 (AP) — Glenard Brown, 18-year-old Colfax goat farm worker, was held in the Placer county jail here today as state and local peace officers continued their investigation of the brutal murder of Mrs. Ada Belle Turner, 78, widow of a former Colfax city councilman.

Placer County Sheriff Charles Silva said Brown had steadfastly denied killing Mrs. Turner at her Colfax home Sunday. The youth was arrested here late yesterday after officers had received tips he had been seen on the Turner place early Sunday afternoon and later near the house with blood on his shirt.

Silva said Brown explained he got the blood on his shirt

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London Denies Nazi Transport Sinking Claim

LONDON, Sept. 29 (AP)—The ministry of information declared today that the German claim to have sunk American troop transports in the Atlantic is "quite untrue."

"It may now be stated that the enemy claim to have sunk troop transports in the Atlantic is quite untrue," the announcement said.

The Germans said yesterday that three large allied transports had been sunk by German submarines in an attack on a convoy moving from the United States to England.

35 MPH Speed Limit Set in California

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 29 (AP) — James M. Carter, state director of motor vehicles, today ordered a 35 mph per hour speed limit in effect on October 1.

The war-time 35-mile per hour edict will supersede the statutory speed limit of 55 miles per hour now on the state records, Carter said.

Tanks Assault City

REDS WIDEN ASSAULT IN 36-DAY SIEGE

New Purge of German Generals Launched, London Asserts

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor
Marshal Semeon Timoshenko's armies were reported to have widened their counter assault in the 36-day-old siege of Stalingrad today, hammering the German north flank on a 40-mile front between the Don and Volga rivers, while Nazi tanks pressed a new thrust within the embattled metropolis.

German military quarters again trumpeted the claim — first made three weeks ago — that "the last phase in the struggle for buildings" in Stalingrad had begun.

Nazi Shakeup
"Notwithstanding his tenacious resistance, the enemy cannot prevent the continuous German advance," the Nazi radio said.

With winter fast approaching and the great German summer offensive apparently stalled on all fronts, London heard that Adolf Hitler had launched a new purge of top-ranking Nazi generals, ousting Field Marshal Fedor von Bock from the Stalingrad command and replacing Field Marshal Wilhelm Ritter von Leeb at Leningrad.

New Drive Expected
The Nazi-inspired Vichy radio said Field Marshal Siegmund List, who directed the 1941 Balkan campaign, had replaced Von Bock. Previously, Von Bock was reported to have quarreled with Hitler over the Fuehrer's insistence on a costly siege of Stalingrad.

Merchant Marine Toll Numbers 2301 Officers, Men

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — The navy disclosed today that more than 2301 officers and men of the American Merchant Marine were either dead or missing as a result of enemy actions in the war at sea.

The total was composed of 410 known dead and 1891 missing and included, by unofficial count, 61 ship captains and one woman, a stewardess identified as Mary Cullom Kimbo of Nashville, Tenn. No wounded were accounted for in the report.

Since the report generally covered casualties announced to next of kin up to August 1, 1942, it did not include all dead and missing resulting from attacks on American merchant ships to date. These will be listed in later announcements.

Special Events Planned For Klamath Scrap Drive

Klamath's scrap collection program is continuing, with a number of special events coming up that should bring in huge quantities of scrap metal and other materials for the war effort, it was stated Tuesday by Robert McCambridge, county salvage chairman.

City Engineer E. A. Thomas reported that the city of Klamath Falls will have possibly two tons of metal to be picked up around city yards and on other city property.

Thomas obtained permission from the city council for turning over to the scrap pile a heavy iron truck and rails at the city sewage disposal plant. This plant was installed at the plant when it was constructed, but has never been used.

Ray Kent of the Langell Valley Soil Conservation district

Cottons to Job



Camille Anderson, Memphis 1942 Maid of Cotton, dons slacks to learn aviation magneto servicing as she can do her bit in essential war work. The slacks are cotton.

NATIONAL SERVICE ACT HELD LIKELY

Law to Assign Workers To Essential Jobs Considered

By FRANK M. LE MAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP)

A national service act, for compulsory assignment of workers to jobs where they are most needed, emerged today as the probable administration answer to the multiplying manpower problems of fighting a war on three fronts—the firing, food and factory lines.

Paul V. McNutt, war manpower chief, told the house agriculture committee which is inquiring into farm labor scarcities that an administration-sponsored bill for allocating labor probably would be submitted to congress soon.

While remaining silent on the extent of powers such legislation would embrace, he told newspapermen he disliked the

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German Raider Bombs School On British Coast

LONDON, Sept. 29 (AP)—A German raider, diving out of the clouds this morning, bombed a boys' school in a small town near a south coast and killed at least ten boys and two teachers. Others were injured.

Troops and townspeople who recovered the 12 bodies searched on for hours in the heaped debris for others who might have been killed or trapped. All but one of the school walls collapsed.

1400 American Citizens Arrested In Nazi France

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — About 1400 American citizens have been arrested by German military authorities in occupied France, Secretary Hull said today.

The secretary of state told his press conference that information received from the American charge d'affaires at Vichy included reports that the arrest and detention of the 1400 was in reprisal for the alleged arrest of Germans in this country.

He said he hesitated to credit this explanation of the German move, since there were no justifiable grounds for such action in the treatment of Germans in this country.

ALLIES TAKE INITIATIVE ON PACIFIC FRONT

Blow Struck at Nippon's Solomons Air Force

By JOHN H. WIGGINS
WASHINGTON, Sept. 29 (AP) — A determined allied offensive appeared definitely underway in the far-flung Pacific war theater today causing the Japanese invaders to fall back in New Guinea and inflicting heavy losses on enemy planes and troops in the Solomon and Aleutian islands.

The unleashing of allied air and ground power on two of the three strategic Pacific fronts coincided with announcement of a conference of the U. S. navy and air force's high command somewhere at sea. The attacks brought destruction of 49 Japanese planes in the Solomons and Aleutians and damage to five ships in four days of raids.

Progress Made
Taking the offensive for the first time on New Guinea, General MacArthur's ground forces hammered back Japanese troops in the Owen Stanley mountains with an infiltrating and outflanking attack about 32 miles north of the important allied base at Port Moresby.

MacArthur's Australian headquarters announced last night the attacking forces were "making

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Wage Scale In Coast Lumber Set Pending Adjustment

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 29 (AP) — Voluntary agreements by CIO and AFL unions and employers will retain current wage scales in the west coast lumber industry until the war labor board's newly created Pacific coast lumber commission makes industry-wide adjustments, the Oregon office of war information said today.

The announcement came from Thomas F. Neblett, acting executive secretary of the commission and chief mediation officer of the WLB, who said the agreement affects 200,000 workers in the forests of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and Montana.

The recess was designed to halt "wage jockeying" which has resulted in shifting the "united manpower supply of the vital war industry from one company to another with consequent loss of production time due to the labor turnover, Neblett said.

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