

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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FRESH TROOPS AT STALINGRAD

Oregon Leads Nation in Scrap Drive

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
AFTER all, there isn't as much difference between the big cities and small cities as we ordinarily think.

In San Francisco, where these words are written, they talk first of the war, then of the labor shortage and what it is doing and is going to do to the life we have been familiar with and wind up usually by talking about the impending shortage of consumer goods and what one is going to do about it.

That is about the line the conversation follows when two or more people get together in the smaller places.

AS to the war, San Francisco, as mentioned in this column yesterday, is slightly different. The convoys go out from here and they come in here. Those going out bear young men heading for the war zones. Those coming back bear wounded who are returning from the war zones.

So San Francisco is closer to the war than the average of the country. The fighting isn't something vague and remote (and made more so by the censorship which keeps all but the barest outlines of facts away from us).

Nobody can be remote from the war at a spot where the wounded are coming back. That makes war real.

WOMEN are constantly replacing men in an ever-widening range of services. One big office building down town still has men elevator operators. They are already beginning to look odd. Almost everywhere girls handle the business of getting people upstairs.

Women are edging steadily into the street car and bus services. On the street cars and the trolley buses, they still handle only the collection of fares. On the trolley buses they are already the whole works on about a third of the vehicles, doing the driving along with the rest of the job.

The number of women bus drivers is increasing steadily. The time is near when a man driver will be a rarity.

A FEW months ago, when the man shortage first began to become acute, the concern that operates these busses started sending out recruiting parties into the back country.

It was a good idea, but something slipped. They'd come back with a bus load of recruits, presumably all ready to start their training for the job of hauling people from place to place, but after they were unloaded from the bus the bulk of them were never seen again.

A little sleuthing developed the fact that by and large they were just getting a free ride to town and as soon as they got here they scattered to the shipyards.

The bus companies, the story goes, quit recruiting men in the back country and started training women.

TWO personable young sailors were relaxing in a fairly big way last night. It seemed possible that somebody might have permitted them to smell a cork somewhere along the line.

The consequences were interesting without being depressing. You know how it is. When some people smell corks, or even go a little farther, they tend to become heavy on their feet, falling from one to the other in a drab sort of way and looking as if the only thing they really want to do is to lean up against a building that is solid enough to keep the world from going around.

Others go places and see things and comment thereon in a cheery and enlivening manner. These boys belonged distinctly to the latter school, and somehow they seemed to see things and be seen all over town.

When last seen by this writer, (Continued on Page Two)

PENNSYLVANIA TOTAL SECOND IN PRESS PUSH

Per Capita Figure Set At 45.5 Pounds; Michigan Third

By The Associated Press
Oregon today took the lead from Pennsylvania in reported scrap metal collections to lead all states in the national newspaper drive to collect iron and steel junk, the newspapers' national committee reported.

Collections in Oregon since opening of the campaign September 28—it ends October 17—were reported at 25,000 tons, a per capita average of 45.5 pounds for every man, woman and child in the state.

Penn Total Best
Pennsylvania was placed second in the day's tabulation compiled by the committee which hourly is receiving reports showing the scrap collection from coast to coast is reaching great proportions.

The keystone state, with a total tonnage of 141,885, had a per capita collection of 28.6 pounds. Michigan was third with 15.2 pounds per capita and an aggregate of 40,000 tons.

The other states' collection—in the top ten—reported by the committee, first on a per capita basis in pounds and then by tonnage, were: Maryland: 13—11,843; Virginia: 10.5—14,000; Wisconsin: 9.6—15,018; Missouri: 9—17,000; Idaho: 7.6—2000; Oklahoma: 6.9—7708; West Virginia: 6.5—6218.

Massachusetts reported 5.5 (Continued on Page Two)

Crash Fatal to Former Klamath Falls Resident

ALTURAS, Calif. — Wayne Blakemore, a former Klamath Falls resident, died in the Modoc General hospital Tuesday as the result of an automobile accident which occurred about 1 p. m. Sunday.

The car was driven and owned by Robert Dorris, with Blakemore as the only passenger, when it ran into a Southern Pacific freight train at a crossing just south of the city limits. Blakemore was an employee of Fluhrer's bakery in Klamath Falls.

Louis Hoagland, local manager of Fluhrer's bakery was in Alturas Wednesday in connection with the accident. It was learned, Blakemore was said to have been employed in the plant here, prior to driving truck for the bakery, working out of Alturas. He had been with the firm for six years.

He is not known to have had any relatives here. He is survived by his wife, resident of Alturas and his parents who live in Oklahoma.

An Explosive Condition in Ringling Circus Freak Tent

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 7 (AP)—A feud in the freak tent at Ringling Brothers-Barnum and Bailey circus, boiled over into city court today, producing these reactions:

Miss Patricia, sword swallower, paid a \$20 fine for bopping Baby Betty, fat lady, over the head with a pop bottle.

"It was worth \$200, the biggest bargain I ever got in my life," commented Miss Patricia.

Baby Betty displayed a long cut on her forehead as the ground of her complaint against Miss Patricia.

"Now I can sleep again," chortled Miss Hanka Kelter, the long-haired Venus. She testified



W. W. Bushnell, salvage inspector for the war production board, is shown at the left in a picture which was taken just after he presented an award of merit to the M. and S. Bag company of Klamath Falls for shipment of scrap in September exceeding by 93 1/2 per cent the first six months average of 1942. Others in the picture are Chet, Mill and Clarence Sessler, operators of the company. (See story on page 2.)

JOSEPH L. SHIRK PASSES TUESDAY

Prominent Klamathite Succumbs to Long Illness Here

Joseph Logan Shirk, 63, for the past 22 years a resident of Klamath county, died late Tuesday afternoon at Klamath Valley hospital following a lengthy illness. Mr. Shirk, one of the best known residents of the community, leaves many friends to mourn his passing.

Mr. Shirk was born in Plumas county, Calif., December 19, 1878, son of David Lawson and Frances M. Shirk who were among the first pioneers of Harney county, Oregon. As a young boy, "Joe," as he was familiarly known, lived on his father's ranch, "Home Creek," in Harney county and at 12 years of age he was entrusted with the duties of buckaroo boss.

Educated in both public and private schools in Catlow valley, (Continued on Page Two)

15 EXECUTED

LONDON, Oct. 7 (AP)—Fifteen more persons were executed by the Germans at Trondheim in Norway today, bringing the two-day total to 25, the Oslo radio reported tonight.

Help Harvest Basin's Crop

If you have time that can be spared for Klamath's potato or onion harvest, register at the U. S. employment service offices.

Workers are asked to congregate at the courthouse Saturday morning by 7 a. m., if they cannot provide their own transportation to the fields.

Farmers may call the employment office, No. 3193, at any time to learn if workers are available.

(This appeal is addressed particularly to city people, factory and mill workers and others who have a day or two off during the week.)

Meat Ceilings Predicted by OPA Official

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—Representatives of 600 independent packers were told today the price administration was preparing to establish "flat dollars and cents ceilings" on all meat products.

Assistant Price Administrator J. K. Galbraith told the senate small business committee the new ceiling regulations for pork and lamb had been prepared and that similar regulations for (Continued on Page Two)

WILLKIE CALLS FOR ALLIED OFFENSIVE

Envoy Says Time Here For All-Out Armed Push Everywhere

CHUNGKING, Oct. 7 (AP)—Wendell Willkie called upon the United Nations today for an "all-out armed offensive everywhere" and said he expected to dedicate his life to urging a post-war world "where all men can be free and with governments of their own choosing."

"It is my personal opinion that the time has come for an all-out armed offensive everywhere by all United Nations," Willkie said in a statement on his tour of 13 nations. "We are ready to deliver some knockout punches if I can believe what I have seen with my own eyes."

Shortly after issuing his statement, (Continued on Page Two)

SENATE REJECTS LA FOLLETTE TAX

Votes for 40 Per Cent Levy on \$80,000 Income Firms

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—The senate voted today for a 40 per cent combined normal and surtax rate for corporations with \$50,000 or more net income after rejecting a proposal by Senator LaFollette (Prog.-Wis.) to tax at a 50 per cent combined rate all corporations with \$25,000 or more income.

LaFollette was turned down, 75 to 9, after Senator Taft (R-Ohio) told his colleagues that too stiff taxation would destroy initiative and "might wreck the success of the war."

Before turning to the contro- (Continued on Page Two)

Mercury Hits 86 On Monday, Nears Klamath Record

Indian summer, the kind you read about, gave Klamath basins a warm time of it Monday when the mercury jumped to 86 degrees, warmest October day in eight years.

The last time an October sun heated the area to such a degree was back in '34, when the thermometer chalked up 88.

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STANLEY PEAK IN HANDS OF ALLIED FORCE

Aussies, Yanks Pursue Japs Downslope in Guinea Campaign

GENERAL MacARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, Australia, Oct. 7 (AP)—The mile-high gap in the Owen Stanley range apparently was firmly back in allied hands today with Australian advance forces, still on the offensive, pushing on toward the downslope to the Japanese base at Kokoda across the mountains from Port Moresby.

The chance of a Japanese stand in the high ridges seemed hourly more remote as dispatches from the inland New Guinea battlefield reported the Australians continuing their cautious, steady advance on the trail of the Japanese who once pushed within 32 miles air line of Port Moresby before being outflanked and hurled back.

No Resistance
By yesterday the Australians were moving up the last mountain grade north of Kagi, within four miles of the gap through the highest ridges. A report to the Melbourne Herald estimated that by early today they had pushed through within two miles of the end of the pass—headed for the downslope, still without resistance. Australian advance forces moving into the Owen Stanley mountains of New Guinea in the wake of steadily withdrawing Japanese were reported today to have found a num- (Continued on Page Two)

Johnson Says Pauley Pack Can Service Klamath

C. Ed. Johnson, owner of the Pauley Packing company plant, said Wednesday that his plant has stepped up its production to meet the additional requirements resulting from Saturday night's fire which destroyed the only other meat packing plant here.

The Pauley plant is working two shifts, and is now killing as much beef as the two plants were killing together previous to the fire. Owner Johnson said that his operations are now in a position to handle the situation and there need be no fear of a serious meat shortage.

He warmly praised his employees for the part they are playing in meeting the new situation. Some of the men have worked double shifts in cases where it was impossible to hire labor for the additional work to be done. The Pauley plant employed a majority of the former employees of the Klamath Packing plant after the fire.

The Pauley Packing company plant was killing 40 per cent of the local beef requirements prior to the fire, Johnson said.

New Jap Drive On Guadalcanal Seen Imminent

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—The navy announced today that aerial reconnaissance had failed to show any signs of enemy occupancy or activity on Attu and Agattu islands in the Western Aleutians for several weeks, indicating the Japanese have withdrawn from those islands.

The enemy is still holding Kiska island, however. The navy reported new attacks by bombers on the camp area there, which met, however, with only light anti-aircraft resistance.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—Apparent Japanese desperation to regain—seemingly at any cost—the Guadalcanal airbase in the Solomons from which they were driven by U. S. marines portended today a new struggle for control of the strategic island.

Striving to halt mounting and costly losses inflicted on their air and navy strength by American planes operating from the base, the Japanese under cover of darkness have enlarged their Guadalcanal forces but at the further expense of 11 planes and a damaged heavy cruiser.

The landing of enemy reinforcements was reported by the navy yesterday to have been accomplished on October 3 and 4. In doing so they raised their total losses in the two-months old battle of the Solomons to (Continued on Page Two)

U. S. EVACUATION NOTICE SOUNDED

British Radio Gives French Warning on Work Areas

LONDON, Oct. 7 (AP)—The BBC broadcast a United States warning today that French people should evacuate places where work is being done for the Germans because of increasing American air attacks on France.

The warning was described as coming from "the American high command," and the announcer closed by cautioning against any premature rising by the people.

"Such an outbreak, not coordinated with allied action, would be senseless sacrifice," the announcer said.

The warning followed another night raid on Osnabrueck, German industrial and railway city, by heavy bombers of the RAF last night—the second on the enemy homeland in a row and the fourth in six nights.

LONDON, Oct. 7 (AP)—Headquarters for combined operations —the commandos—announced today that a commando group made a small raid on the channel island of Sark the night of October 3 to obtain information concerning suspected ill- (Continued on Page Two)

SOVIET WIPES OUT HITLERIAN SUBURB WEDGE

Germans Claim Bottle-neck On Russians; Civilians Hit

LONDON, Oct. 7 (AP)—The Russian relief armies striking across the German left flank above Stalingrad tonight were reported by the British agency Reuters to have thrown pontoon bridges over the Don and sent troops to the west bank of that stream. The dispatch, quoting an Italian report, said Italian aircraft were strafing these bridges.

By ROGER D. GREENE
Associated Press War Editor

Adolf Hitler threw fresh masses of troops into the welter of blood and flame that marked the 44-day-old siege of Stalingrad today, but the Russians declared they had virtually wiped out a German wedge in the northwest suburbs and crushed a series of 10 assaults along the 40-mile northern barrier.

"The enemy is drawing up fresh forces and hurling them into battle immediately after marching," the Russian command announced, in its noon communique.

Reds Move Up
Red army reinforcements also were reported to have moved up during the night to meet the swelling Nazi siege forces.

German field headquarters devoted exactly 13 words to the gigantic struggle for the city: "Northwest of Stalingrad, the bottleneck was closed tighter (Continued on Page Two)

Army, Navy, Draft Blamed for Delay In 18-19 Bill

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—The army and navy, and not the forthcoming elections, were blamed by members of the house military committee today for any delay in holding hearings on legislation to lower the draft age from 20 to 18.

Apparently irritated by widely circulated suggestions that the hearings were being held up for political reasons, members said they were ready and willing to begin consideration of the bill, introduced last month by Representative Wadsworth (R-N.Y.), but were awaiting recommendations from the war and navy departments and selective service.

Parisian Bomb Kills 2, Hurts 18

LONDON, Oct. 7 (AP)—A bomb explosion killed two persons and wounded 18 in a Paris motion picture theater last night, the British news agency Reuters said today.

The film was "Jew Sues," from the novel of Lion Feuchtwanger, published in the United States under the title of "Power!" The picture was shown after a talk on "The Jewish Problem" by a propagandist of the pro-Nazi French people's party.

The Vichy radio said the theater was in the Miallot-palace.

Agriculture Department Will Call for Increased Farm Production Goal in 1943

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (AP)—Faced with increasing war demands for food, the agriculture department has drawn up tentative production goals for the 1943 crop season calling for even greater acreages and output of most farm products than was requested under the record 1942 production program.

Officials who preferred not to be named said increases would be asked for despite prospects that farmers would have to get along with less manpower, machinery, fertilizer and other facilities. Needs of the armed forces and the allies, particular-

ly Russia, were said to be much greater than had been expected a few weeks ago.

Hedge Plans

As a hedge against the possibility that farmers might be unable to meet the 1943 goals, the department was working on plans to reduce civilian consumption of a number of essential foods. These plans would be designed to make existing supplies last longer should next year's production fall short.

Preparatory to consumer rationing to be inaugurated the first of the year, the government acting upon the department's

recommendations, has asked civilians to limit meat consumption to two and half pounds a week. Butter, cheese, cooking fat, vegetable oils, eggs, poultry and canned fruits and vegetables may be placed in the same class with meat.

Spud Boost Eyed

Only in the case of three crops—wheat, short staple cotton, and commercial vegetables—are tentative goals below those set for 1942. Supplies of wheat and short staple cotton are sufficiently large, officials said, to permit lowered production. As for (Continued on Page Two)