

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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100 U. S. BOMBERS BLAST FRANCE

Reds Push Into Nazi Trenches

HITLER OMITTS ANY MENTION OF STALINGRAD

German Troops Fan Into Kalmyck South of Volga Capital

By ROGER D. GREEN
Associated Press War Editor
Soviet headquarters reported today that Russian troops had broken into German trenches northwest of Stalingrad and beat off four night attacks inside the Volga metropolis, while the nazis captured two streets of an industrial suburb at a sacrifice of 2000 dead.

For the first time since the siege began, Adolf Hitler's field headquarters omitted any mention of the gigantic battle for Stalingrad.

Kalmyck Taken
Soviet reports said German invasion columns sweeping south of Stalingrad had advanced into the U.S.S.R. Autonomous area of Kalmyck, which lies along the lower Volga to the Caspian sea. (The Germans long ago claimed they had captured Elista, a major city of the Kalmyck area, about 180 miles west of the big Caspian sea port of Astrakhan.) It was not immediately clear whether this meant that the nazis, disheartened by the slaughter and lack of success at (Continued on Page Two)

5 CONVICTS PLEAD GUILTY TO ARSON

Klamath Man Allegedly Leads Burning of Salem Flax Sheds

SALEM, Oct. 9 (AP)—Five state penitentiary convicts pleaded guilty in circuit court today and were sentenced on arson charges in connection with the burning of three of the seven flax sheds at the prison, at a total loss of \$214,082. The convicts were given sentences by Judge E. M. Page, the sentences to be added on to the sentences they now are serving.

Klamath Man
Warden George Alexander told the court that the men were influenced by Theodore Jordan, Klamath county, received at the penitentiary 10 years ago to be hanged for murder. Governor Julius Meier commuted his sentence to life. Jordan, who refused to plead guilty, later will be taken before the Marion county grand jury on arson charges. Alexander said that Jordan, a radical and an agitator, told the five men that if they burned down all the flax sheds, there would not be enough work for the convicts, and hence (Continued on Page Two)

Roosevelt Will Speak to Nation Monday Night

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—President Roosevelt said today his previously announced radio speech would be made next Monday at 7 p. m., Pacific war time, and would last about half an hour. He reiterated at a press conference that he had not decided what subjects he would talk about. On Tuesday he said he probably would cover many subjects, which he had been thinking about himself and which had been suggested to him.

U. S. Has Taken Offensive in Pacific—Knox

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Oct. 9 (AP)—Secretary of the Navy Knox declared here today that the United States definitely has passed to the offensive in the Pacific.

Knox, who arrived here last night on a tour of inspection of U. S. bases, said at a press conference that America took up the offensive "when we went to the Solomons."

He did not expand his statement further. He said the allies were getting "excellent cooperation in every respect from Brazil," which he said was helping fight submarines to the utmost of her ability. Air bases at Recife, Natal and Belem, which he inspected, were "amazingly well equipped in every respect," he asserted.

KLAMATH AGENCY EYED FOR SCRAP

Bonanzas Said Found in Old Logging, Rail Castoffs

Klamath Indian reservation is a potential source of huge quantities of scrap metal, and before long the needed material will be moving to the steel mills, it was stated by B. G. Courtright, agency superintendent, who was in town Thursday.

B. E. O'Hara is in charge of the Agency scrap campaign, and is a member of the county salvage committee.

Piles Forming
Scrap piles are already building up on the reservation, and there is a huge quantity of scrap steel from this road which became the property of the reservation after it was abandoned by a logging outfit.

Another batch of railroad steel which will soon be in the scrap harvest is that in the flooded area near the Algoma Lumber company. Freeman Schultz, manager of the Algoma company, reported (Continued on Page Two)

Forest Fire Smoke Casts Pall Over City

Smoke sweeping in from the southwest Friday afternoon was coming from a forest fire in a nearby district of northern California.

Due to wartime news limitations, no other information on the fire was available at mid-afternoon Friday.

'Show-Off' Ended for Film Star; Son Killed in Crash

LONG BEACH, Calif., Oct. 9 (AP)—It was in July a year ago that Comedian Joe E. Brown planted a proud kiss on his eldest son, Don, then 24, as he received his wings as a second lieutenant in the army air corps reserve at Stockton, Calif.

Today Brown had abruptly left the show in which he was starring at Detroit and was flying back to claim the body of his son, who as an army ferrying command captain died in the crash yesterday near Palm Springs of a bomber he was piloting to Utah.

"Far as I am concerned 'the show-off' is ended," said Comedian Brown, breaking a tradition that the show must go on. "Don was my oldest son. . . . But I have another who will take his place within a few weeks. He is Joe Jr., 20, now employed in the Douglas Air-

Letter for "Mom"



Mrs. I. E. Kilgore, 321 South Sixth street, reads a "V" letter from her son, Staff Sergeant Buford Robin, recently awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action at Lae, New Guinea.

'Either Him or Me---And It Was Him,' Says Klamath Boy Given Medal for Zero

By LOIS STEWART
"All I was doing was saving my own neck. It was either him or me and it was him!" That was the way Staff Sgt. Buford D. Robin, 28-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Kilgore of 321 South Sixth street, described the action which brought him the Silver Star for gallantry in action at Lae, New Guinea. The decoration is believed to be the first given a Klamath county youth.

The Kilgores received word from their son last week advising them that, as rear gunner on a bomber, he had shot down a Jap Zero plane. A portion of his letter is given here: "I am told that the names of boys who have earned medals were made public back in the States. In case they were not and if it is of interest to you, I was awarded the medal, the Silver Star, for gallantry in action. I earned this as a rear gunner. I don't think the censor will allow me to say much but I think since it is in the past that it will be alright. It was on April 11th, when coming out of a dive at Lae, New Guinea, my plane was attacked by a Japanese Zero fighter and I fought him off and shot him down with my machine gun.

They gave me a medal for it but believe you me all I was doing was saving my own neck, it was either him or me and it was him. They say they may send this medal home from Washington. If they do, when they do, don't get scared and think I have been killed or anything."

Young Robin commented on the food in true American dough-boy fashion. "Mama, I still DON'T LIKE MUTTON! And if I ever get out of here and anybody tries to feed me some, they'll be killed in two seconds flat—that and TEA!" Young Robin, graduate of Klamath Union high school with the class of 1931, said he had a chance to go to school in Australia as he was off combat duty for the time being. "I haven't been always here in Australia although you may have thought so. I have been in Java, Ball Ball, New Guinea, Fiji and several other places including all over Australia. I (Continued on Page Two)

Klamath Again Reminded to Help In Spud Harvest

Klamath people were reminded again Friday of the serious need for help in the potato harvest over the weekend.

People who have no way of getting to the fields should gather, ready for work, in front of the courthouse at 7 a. m. Saturday, according to Jack Almeter, manager of the U. S. employment service. Farmers who can come in for workers will be more certain of getting them to their places, he said.

MARRIED MEN NOW DRAFTED, WOOTON SAYS

Director Warns Wives Against Quitting Present Jobs

SALEM, Oct. 9 (AP)—Colonel Elmer V. Wooton, state selective service director, warned today that married women who quit their jobs with the intent of delaying the drafting of their husbands will not accomplish their purpose, but also will be hindering the nation's war effort.

Wooton said that in the case of married men with no children, it doesn't make any difference whether the wives are working. The colonel disclosed that married men without children are now being drafted, as they are in other states. In fact, he said, the vast majority of Oregon draftees now are married men.

Finance Out
"Since the passage of the servicemen's dependents allowance act by congress, the question of financial dependency has been virtually eliminated in any consideration of deferment of married men," Colonel Wooton said. "In the few cases where the allowance which would be received by a dependent wife under the act is insufficient, local boards consider not merely whether the dependent is working, but whether or not she is capable of working. Most such cases involve invalid wives."

He said that women who quit (Continued on Page Two)

200 Medford Game Tickets Sold; More On Sale Monday

All 200 Medford - Klamath football game reserved seats have been sold, the chamber of commerce reported today. The tickets were all gone by 10 o'clock this morning.

It was announced that 65 more tickets will be available Monday and will go on sale at 1 p. m.

They may be obtained at the chamber office at 323 Main street. Each pasteborder costs 80 cents, including tax.

SENATE DENIES FDR, APPROVES TAX FREEZING

Amendment Locking Social Security Tax Rate Approved

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—The senate overrode a protest from President Roosevelt today and adopted, 50 to 35, an amendment to the new revenue bill freezing social security payroll taxes for 1943 at their present levels of 1 per cent on employers and a like amount on employees.

The president had written Chairman George (D-Ga.) of the finance committee declaring that retention of a provision of the present law doubling the tax next January 1 was desirable not only from the standpoint of the necessities of the social security system but because of the contribution such an increase would make to the non-inflationary financing of rapidly mounting war expenditures.

Action Sustained
The senate vote sustained previous action of its finance committee in amending the revenue bill to stay the automatic increase (Continued on Page Two)

WILLKIE ESCAPES JAPANESE SHELLS

Planes Also Machine-gun Train; FDR Has Statement

By J. REILLY O'SULLIVAN
WITH THE CHINESE ARMY IN NORTH CHINA, Oct. 9 (AP) Wendell Willkie, touring the Yellow River front, got a taste of real danger when four Japanese shells exploded yesterday near the railway on which he and his party were traveling by hand-car.

Earlier Willkie missed by only a few hours a heavy Japanese air raid on Loyang, during which enemy planes machine-gunned a blue railway coach similar to the special car in which he made part of his trip to the front.

Shells Scream
Thirty-five planes participated in the attack on Loyang, the most violent raid on a (Continued on Page Two)

Double, Double, Toil and Trouble

Beverly Switzer will have a hard time eating her birthday cake Monday, when she will be 11 years old.

The little girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earle H. Switzer, 1632 Manzanita street, fell while roller skating Thursday and broke her right arm. It was set and placed in a cast.

Friday morning, she went out to play, tripped on a board, and broke her left arm. It was set and placed in a cast.

ALLIES PLASTER SOLOMON ENEMY

North Pacific Forces Again Hit Kiska Last Tuesday

By JOHN H. WIGGINS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—Persistently belting Japanese invaders throughout the vast Pacific war zone, the allied offensive left surprised enemy forces in the Solomon islands today with eight less aircraft and five damaged ships including a heavy cruiser.

The latest of the recently initiated attacks which already have forced the Japanese back virtually to their starting point in New Guinea and apparently driven them out of two of the three western Aleutian islands they once occupied, struck at the heart of the Nipponese invasion base in the north Solomons.

Catching the Japanese unaware in bad weather, an American aircraft carrier force shattered the enemy's ships and planes in the Shortland island area, on Monday, the navy disclosed last night.

Simultaneously, long range bombers under General Douglas MacArthur's Australian command forestalled an aerial counter-attack by splashing the enemy's airbases in nearby islands with bombs.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—The navy announced today that army bombers, continuing their steady pounding of Japanese in the Aleutian islands, had dropped 15 tons of bombs on the enemy base at Kiska last Tuesday, starting fires in the camp area, damaging a cargo ship in harbor and strafing the radio station.

This information was given in navy communique No. 145, which also disclosed the loss, in the Atlantic, of the U. S. coast guard cutter Muskeget, the (Continued on Page Two)

BIGGEST FORCE POUNDS LILLE IN DAY RAID

Four Planes Lost, Five Enemy Shot Down In Large Foray

LONDON, Oct. 9 (AP)—More than 100 United States four-motored bombers—Flying Fortresses and Liberators—bombed the Lille industrial region of northern France today.

The great bombers' fighter protectors shot down five of many enemy fighter planes which rose to challenge this extraordinarily heavy daylight assault. The bombers themselves "had many successful combats but the number of enemy fighters destroyed by them is not yet known," the communique said.

This was the first participation for the Liberators in an air blow on this front.

Four Planes Lost
Four of the United States bombers were lost but the crew of one was safe in the biggest American bomber and fighter force ever to take the air in the European theater, United States army headquarters announced. The focus of the attack was the Fives-Lille Steel and Locomotive works.

Fliers of the high-altitude bombers said they could see many bursts on the target and a huge spout of flame and smoke (Continued on Page Two)

Old Battleship Oregon May Be Scrapped

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—The navy reported today that its decision not to scrap the old Battleship Oregon, a historical relic, probably would have to be reconsidered.

The announcement cleared the way for a possible reversal of the navy's objection to the scrapping of any historical naval relic, a potential change in policy which might bring about the scrapping of old ships in various ports.

The intention to reconsider the Oregon decision was announced by Undersecretary James V. Forrestal in a letter to Governor Charles A. Sprague of Oregon. Forrestal said that he had written Sprague July 22 that the navy was opposed to scrapping the Oregon and tossing the scrap into the current metal drive because "it regards this vessel as one of the historic symbols of the nation."

SALEM, Oct. 7 (AP)—Governor Charles A. Sprague wrote Undersecretary of the Navy James Forrestal today that the people of Oregon are willing to accept the verdict of the navy department should it decide to scrap the Battleship Oregon, now a naval relic moored in Portland. The governor earlier had suggested that if the Oregon is scrapped, a new battleship be named the Oregon. This is doubtful now, however, since all battleships under construction have been assigned names.

BOISE PAPER BANNED
WASHINGTON, Oct. 9 (AP)—Postmaster General Frank G. Walker banned from the mails today the Boise Valley Herald, a weekly paper published at Middleton, Ida., by A. and I. W. Cornell, on the grounds it had printed axis propaganda.

Walker cited articles which he said criticized United States participation in the war, praised the Japanese and Vichy French and criticized lend-lease aid to England and Russia.

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There's plenty of usable steel in the old naval cannon, shown above, which used to grace the grounds of the Dorris city hall. Now it rests on neutral ground at the Butte Valley high school, where 100 students and the faculty members competitively piled upwards of 25 tons of scrap metal Monday, opening day of a two-weeks nationwide drive. "Captains" of two classes laid claim to the cannon, placed on the city hall grounds after World War No. 1 by the Butte Valley American Legion post. Left to right: H. B. Brashears, Jean Motchenbacher, Jean Anne Irselson and Junior Dodson.