

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

October 13—High 63, Low 27
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2 JAP CRUISERS SUNK IN PACIFIC

War Chiefs Urge Teen Draft

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

SAN DIEGO. Saw a woman on the street this morning in a dress! Cross my heart and hope to die.

People turned to gaze at her as she passed, but she looked kind of nice.

In an old-fashioned way, of course.

SAN DIEGO is relatively quiet up to around 4 in the afternoon. About that time the navy and marine bases and the still uncounted number of training camps begin releasing their leave parties, and from then until a little before ten the streets are alive with sailors and Marines. There are relatively few soldiers.

At that time of the day, civilian males are so scarce that when one passes it is slightly as if a passenger pigeon or a wild buffalo or some other form of extinct life had suddenly appeared. San Diego's early night life is almost exclusively a service affair.

Shortly after midnight the swing shift at the great airplane factories begins to discharge its thousands into the streets. Most of the night, planes are roaring overhead. San Diego, once sleepy and quiet, now has trouble getting any quiet or sleep at all.

IN the mornings the oldesters who came here in the quiet, sleepy days to retire still sun themselves in the Plaza, but the city is now talking of taking out its palms and its grass and its fountain and paving it.

SHORTAGES of merchandise favored by service men are beginning to appear. Razors are practically non-obtainable. There isn't a metal soap box to be had in the city.

Here's an odd quirk—or at least it seems odd to this writer: Hunting knives with five and six inch blades and Colt and Smith & Wesson revolvers have been practically cleaned out of the cities down this way. San Francisco stores report a few knives left, but no guns. San Diego has neither.

The boys of the various services, the dealers say, have been quietly buying them up.

They aim to be heeled when they get across, regardless of what Uncle Sam does for them in the way of weapons.

CAMP ELLIOTT. Out here in the bright California sun, Marine work parties are busy at various tasks. A formation of tanks roars out on a maneuver. Planes circle overhead.

At the main gate happy guys who have leave coming up are waiting for transportation down town and unhappy guys who have no leave coming up for tonight are grouching in the immemorial manner of soldiers and sailors.

A typical camp scene.

BEFORE one of the buildings, two civilians of about the same age as the boys in camp are preparing to lay a cement walk.

Their work is hard. They are going about it with a will. There is no loafing on their part.

But when the hands of the clock reach a certain hour, they will be THROUGH. There will be no question of LEAVE. They will just go HOME to the quiet, pleasant, FREE ways of civilian life, doing as they please until the time comes to go to (Continued on Page Two)

PLANS AFOOT TO DISCHARGE UNFIT, ELDERS

4,250,000 in Army; Draft Average is 450,000 Monthly

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (P)—Admiral Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the fleet, joined General George C. Marshall and other high army officials today in recommending that the minimum draft age be lowered to 18 years.

"Do it now—do it all at once, and not in bites, saying 'we'll take those 19 now and those 18 later on,'" the naval chief urged.

Army Size
Chief of Staff Marshall, along with Secretary of War Stimson and other military officials, pointed up these highlights in the course of a day of testimony before senate and house military committees:

The army now has 4,250,000 men and next year is to swell to 7,500,000. By the end of this year the total is to be 5,000,000. The monthly draft average now is 450,000.

Plans are being studied for release of some older draftees and those physically unfit for service, following the draft of younger, tougher men.

It is hoped that fathers will (Continued on Page Two)

Yanks Fighter Planes Victor In Mid-East

CAIRO, Oct. 4 (P)—United States fighter planes won their first major victory of the middle east war yesterday when 12 of them fought 20 Messerschmitts over the German lines and shot down two, a statement from United States army headquarters said today.

A third German plane was damaged and the rest forced to disperse, the statement said.

Although American heavy and medium bombers have played an active role in this theatre for several months, this was described as the first important combat for United States fighters.

The successful American airmen were Second Lieutenant Arnold D. Jaqua of South Bend, Ind., who got one Messerschmitt and damaged another, and First (Continued on Page Two)

Newell Jap Center Conditions Flayed; Japanese Charged With Duck Fishing

Heilbronner Notifies McNary Investigation Needed

Conditions at the Japanese relocation center at Tulelake, subject of widespread current discussion in southern Oregon and northern California, have been called to the attention of California congressmen and senators by Senator Charles L. McNary, following receipt of a protest from this area, it was learned Wednesday.

Fred Heilbronner, prominent Klamath Falls man and grand chief de gare of the 40 et 8 in Oregon, has sent a letter to Senator McNary citing conditions he said are "grossly wrong and should be investigated immediately." In addition to Heilbronner's statement, the situation relating to freedom allegedly granted the Japanese colonists at Tulelake have been widely (Continued on Page Two)

Wedding Bells for Them



Gypsies—more than 300 of them—gathered from all corners of the nation to witness the wedding of 11-year-old Katy Miller to Tom Johns, 9, at Belleville, Ill. The celebration was a day-long affair. Frank Johns, father of the groom, said Katy, who came from Wisconsin, and Tom would live in his household at Arlington County, Va., until they reached legal age for civil marriage.

GERMAN-ITALIAN FRICTION VIEWED

Himmler Visits Rome; Control of Port Eyed As Issue

By The Associated Press
Berlin announced today that Heinrich Himmler, chief of Hitler's dread gestapo, "is in Rome for a private visit as guest of the fascist government," but reports of German-Italian friction, current in neutral European capitals, suggested that it might be more than a social call.

These reports indicated strongly that German suspicion of Italy's attitude toward the United States was a source of trouble.

No Hint
A DNB dispatch from Rome, broadcast by the Berlin radio, (Continued on Page Two)

Oregon Tied for Fourth in U. S. Scrap Campaign

NEW YORK, Oct. 14 (P)—An average of more than 50 pounds of metal per person was reported today for ten leading states in the newspaper scrap collection campaign and the piles were growing hourly.

The total bounded to 1,238,260 tons or 38 pounds per person for the top 24 states, the newspapers united scrap metal drive committee reported, with many communities unreported and the rest of the week to go.

Donations ranging from horse-shoes to bedsprings added to the piles of metal destined to keep America's hungry steel mills operating at top speed this winter, when scrap collections ordinarily dwindle.

Neck-and-neck races developed among states on a per capita basis, with less than two pounds (Continued on Page Two)

California Game Chief Charges Violation Of Federal Laws

SACRAMENTO, Oct. 14 (P)—Japanese held in the Tule Lake internment center have been illegally caught ducks and geese by using baited fish-hooks, according to George Miller, executive secretary of the California fish and game commission.

Miller said the commission has been informed several flagrant violations of the federal wildlife laws have been recorded at the huge internment settlement and that "at least four" persons may be prosecuted in federal court here.

However, Assistant U. S. District Attorney Emmet Seawell said no complaints have been filed here yet.

Japanese have also devised ingenious snares to capture pheasants (Continued on Page Two)

SOVIETS ROLL GERMANS BACK; WINTER NEARS

Hitler Onslaught Loses Momentum In 51st Siege Day

By HENRY C. CASSIDY
MOSCOW, Oct. 14 (P)—The blunted German salient reaching toward the Volga was hemmed in tighter today by new Russian gains northwest and south of Stalingrad, and battlefront dispatches reported that even in the debris-strewn streets of the city Red army counterattacks had rolled the nazis back.

Thus in the 51st day of Stalingrad's siege Hitler's mightiest 1942 onslaught appeared to have lost momentum, with barely another month until the present biting chill of autumn on the steppes gives way to the second winter of the war in Russia.

"Winter Shelter"
Aside from the sharp street battles in which Stalingrad's defenders reclaimed positions, the fight for "winter shelter" in the ruins of the city was reverting to artillery duelling.

Exchanges of shells and mortar grenades developed after Red army counterattacks had regained positions lost before a short-lived German infantry drive Monday, the Russians said. "Our artillery destroyed two guns, seven mortars and 11 trucks and wiped out about a battalion of German infantry," the noon communique announced in one of two paragraphs it devoted to the Stalingrad struggle.

The army newspaper Red Star said Russian troops advanced in two sectors on the steppes northwest of the city. It reported there were frequent local encounters in separate areas.

Tanks Advance
A Pravda dispatch declared that the Germans also had been thrown back in a salient south of the city, and that advancing Red army troops seized a basic point in the German lines and held it against counterattacks.

Red army tank forces, following up an attack which folded back advanced enemy lines upon the German flank northwest of the city, were reported to have "killed about 300 Hitlerites, destroyed four guns, eight mortars, 20 machine guns and several trucks with supplies."

The communique said 22 snipers of one Russian detachment had slain 323 Germans in two weeks of this battle.

Stewart-Lennox Grass Fire Brought Under Control

Fire which burned over a considerable area of grass and brush land north of Stewart-Lennox addition, west of town, last night was under control today.

Klamath Forest Protective association sent a tractor out last night to help bring the blaze under control.

Glow and smoke from the fire was observed by many city people who telephoned the Herald and News office to make inquiry last night.

WILLKIE BACK

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (P)—Wendell L. Willkie returned from a tour of world battlefronts late today and immediately made arrangements to report to President Roosevelt.

Willkie said on landing shortly after 4 p. m., EWT, in a four-motored bomber which had taken him around much of the world, that he was "damn glad to be back."

Twins Separated



Erwin (left), and Darwin, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Wissenback of Shady Pine, near Algoma, have been separated with the war department's report that Technical Sergeant Erwin Wissenback is missing in action. Both young men, members of the U. S. army air corps, were last heard from "somewhere in England."

Combat Action Separates Twin Brothers

Twins brothers, both technical sergeants in the United States air corps, reunited recently in England, were separated in a cruel blow when one was reported missing in action this week.

The two, Erwin and Darwin Wissenback, 22-year-old sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Wissenback of Shady Pine, went through their training together. Not since October 1, 1941, date of their enlistment in the air corps, had they been parted until they were shipped overseas, one by plane, the other by boat. They found themselves together again in England a short time ago.

Wednesday the parents were advised by the war department that Erwin was missing.

Erwin and Darwin were graduated from Klamath Union high school, employed for a time with the Algoma Lumber company and enlisted just before war was declared. They requested that they remain together and as much as possible, their wishes were granted. Both were graduated from the air corps technical school, Chanute field, Ill., where they were together for special instrument training in New York and finally to Wendover field, Utah, where they were members of the graduating class, gunners school.

Both boys left by train for Westover, Mass., and here separated for the first time, one by boat, the other by plane, en route to England. They recently advised their parents that they were together once more, stationed somewhere in England. It is thought that both boys were members of bombing crews which have operated with the United States forces over Europe. Hope that Erwin is a prisoner is being held out by the parents. The father of the twins is head mechanic at Algoma Lumber company.

Oregon Penitentiary Setup Flayed in Survey Report

NEW YORK, Oct. 14 (P)—Oregon's state penitentiary administration is sharply criticized in the report of the Osborne Association, Inc., privately supported national survey organization, released today.

"This institution (state penitentiary) continues to function as an example of old-fashioned penology and the program may best be described as a stagnant one," the report stated.

Placid Tempo

"It provides only a minimum of essentials for improvement and redirection of the prisoners and many of the methods employed, although not overly cruel, are anything but constructive."

"The administration appears satisfied to carry on in a placid

FARM UNION DRIVE HAILED BY LEWIS

UMW Chieftain Reveals Aim To 'Free' Agriculture Hands

CINCINNATI, Oct. 14 (P)—President John L. Lewis announced today that the United Mine Workers of America would start an organization drive among 20,000 chemical workers in West Virginia; 50,000 coal-mine supervisory employees and "great segments of agricultural labor."

As the 37th UMW convention came to a close and after conditional agreement to work a six-day week and postponement of wage demands, Lewis made a 45-minute speech pledging his union to "great continued efforts to organize the unorganized."

"Free Citizens"
Reiterating previous statements that the UMW—which withdrew from the CIO last week—would not seek to destroy established unions, Lewis said:

"There are millions more to organize, clamoring for organization. Great segments of agriculture are knocking at the door of the UMW for help toward becoming free and independent citizens."

"In the Anawha valley of West Virginia there are 20,000 chemical workers who must be organized under district 50. Many are sons and daughters of our members. Have your local members write them to join district 50. It matters not if they are employed by Union Carbide or Dupont—they are free men and women."

Referring to the convention's action amending the UMW constitution to admit non-mining mine-bosses, Lewis said "we will (Continued on Page Two)

THIRD VESSEL HIT, BELIEVED TO BE DOWNED

Transport, Four Destroyers Also Bagged In Solomons

By The Associated Press
United States warships, planes and submarines smashing at Japan's far-flung invasion forces were officially credited today with sinking at least two and probably three heavy enemy cruisers and inflicting havoc on the Japanese from the Solomons to the Aleutian Islands.

These blows made up for the loss of three United States cruisers sunk in the Solomons on August 8-9 while covering the landing of U. S. marines on Guadalcanal Island.

Four Others Sunk
Capping previous bulletins reporting American naval and air forces in the Solomons had sunk one heavy Japanese cruiser and damaged another so badly that the crew abandoned ship, the navy in Washington announced today that U. S. submarines operating in the western Pacific had definitely sunk a third Japanese heavy cruiser.

Moreover, the latest navy communique said, American undersea raiders sank four other ships, probably sank another, and damaged two.

Communications from the three active war fronts presented this picture of United States and allied fighting successes:

Kiaka Hammered
Solomon Islands—A heavy cruiser, four destroyers and a transport sunk; another destroyer probably sunk; three cruisers torpedoed and bombed, one se- (Continued on Page Two)

RAF Hammers Kiel in 70th Blow at Base

LONDON, Oct. 15 (P)—An RAF bomber fleet of well over 100 planes struck Kiel last night with a concentrated blast of explosives in a raid possibly as destructive as any of 70 which have been made against the nazis' battered Baltic naval and U-boat base.

British sources said the results well compensated the RAF for the loss of nine planes, a cost apparently considerably below five per cent. Although the numbers in the raiding force were not disclosed, the Evening News said that "several hundred bombers, including a large number of four-engine 'heavies' made the round trip of over 800 miles."

Lapine, Elkton Designated as Conshie Camps

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (P)—Selective service headquarters said today Lapine and Elkton, Oregon, had been designated as sites for camps for conscientious objectors.

Selective service said the Lapine camp would be operated by the reclamation bureau of the interior department and the men would be used in reclamation work.

The Elkton camp will be operated by the general land office and the men there will do work required by that division of the interior department.

Committee Approves Rent Freeze Power

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (P)—The house banking committee today approved a bill authorizing President Roosevelt to stabilize and freeze rentals on all residential and commercial real property, and to regulate rates charged by hotels and boarding houses.

Chairman Steagall (D-Ala.) said the measure would be brought up on the house floor tomorrow and he expected it to be acted on immediately.