

### 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

July 18—High 82, Low 58  
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Stream year to date ..... 17.78  
Last year ..... 13.15 Normal ..... 12.00

# YANKS "LAY EGGS" OVER ROME

## Allies Gain in Sicily

### In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
IN SICILY, we're slowly but surely getting set for what is to come.  
One of these days, what will seem to the island's axis defenders to be all the furies of hell will be let loose.  
When it is over, the Catanian plain, with its great airfields (there are NINE around Gerbini alone) will be in our possession.  
WHEN you remember that what we've done from the air so far to Sicily and southern Italy has been accomplished by our bombers operating from bases IN AFRICA, you'll get an idea of what CAN BE DONE when we begin to operate from the ample air bases of Sicily.



Leo T. Crowley (above), named by President Roosevelt to head the new office of "Economic Warfare." The new bureau relieved Vice President Wallace and Commerce Secretary Jones of all responsibility in foreign economic warfare matters.

## CALTANISSETTA TAKEN BY U.S. SEVENTH ARMY

Montgomery Within Three Miles of Catania  
By RELMAN MORIN  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 19 (AP)—The American seventh army has captured Caltanissetta, almost half way across the mid-section of Sicily, in an eight-mile smash to split the enemy's front, battle reports to allied headquarters said today as allied forces gained all along the front.  
While the fury of the powerful allied air force rumbled for the first time upon Rome, the seat of fascist power, and bombed war and industrial targets in and around the Italian capital, Canadian, British and American troops drove forward in all sections of the Sicilian front.  
Edging up toward the Italian toe, the invasion host of Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's eighth army burrowed relentlessly into local defenses protecting Catania on the Sicilian east coast, and pressed closer to that keystone of the enemy's position in all central and north-eastern Sicily.  
Montgomery's men wrestled some of the most important strong points of Catania's defenses from picked shock divisions of the German army and reached a point within three miles of the city.  
Canadian Jobs  
While these veterans were fighting the hardest battle of the Sicilian campaign against the hard core of Axis resistance. (Continued on Page Three)

## TULELAKE FARM WAGES GET NOD

One Scale Now Set For Entire Basin  
Suggested wage scale in the Tulelake area, set at a previous meeting on July 14, has been approved, it was learned Monday from Chester Main, president of the Tulelake Growers association.  
A similar scale was set some time ago by the Klamath Growers association. This one scale will cover the entire basin area for the coming harvest.  
Wages Listed  
The prevailing scale, which will involve all agricultural work done in an agricultural area, is as follows:  
Potatoes, 8 cents per sack; \$1 per hour, bucking and trucking.  
Onions, 18 cents per sack; \$1 per hour.  
Grain, \$1 per hour.  
Mexican Help  
Fifty-five additional Mexican laborers arrived in Klamath Falls at 11:45 a. m. Monday and were transported to Tulelake where they will begin work immediately. (Continued on Page Three)

## Mercury Climbs to New High Sunday

Klamath citizens sweltered Sunday the hottest day of the year so far when the mercury climbed to 92 degrees. Minimum for the same day was 58 degrees. It was the hottest day since August 23, 1942, when the thermometer registered 96 degrees.

## Jeep Rides Free to War Stamp Buyers Thursday

Want to buy an interest in the aircraft carrier, Shangri-la? Want to ride in a jeep? Both are possible in one fell swoop because the retail merchants committee of Klamath county chamber of commerce is bringing in 17 jeeps from Camp Newell and Camp White, and rides for the public will be granted at \$2 a stamp.  
Buy stamps  
All you have to do is to go to any store in town, buy \$2 worth of war stamps which will go toward the \$40,000 goal set for this county as our part of the Shangri-la construction, and you will receive a ticket good for one ride in a jeep. If you want a dozen rides, you just buy that many tickets.

## Judge Postpones Nassau Bludgeon Death Hearing

NASSAU, Bahamas, July 19 (AP)—A preliminary hearing was adjourned today before the prosecution produced witnesses by whom they seek to link Alfred De Marigny with the bludgeoned slaying of his multi-millionaire father-in-law, Sir Harry Oakes.  
Magistrate F. E. Fields granted a postponement until next Monday at the request of prosecutors, who indicated that they had not yet completed their investigation of Sir Harry's death.  
First witnesses described the finding of Oakes' body in a charred bed at Westbourne, his big country estate.  
The tall, bearded De Marigny, who was arrested the day after the slaying and charged with murder, left his seat once during the proceedings in the packed courtroom to peer at photographs of the death scene.  
The former count sat in the defendant's chair at a preliminary hearing, silently stroking his Van Dyke beard and his moustache, until the pictures made by Michael Muir, air force cameraman, were introduced.

## RAF Bombers Take Big Shipping Toll From Burma Japs

NEW DELHI, July 19 (AP)—Royal air force bombers took a heavy toll of Japanese river shipping and railway rolling stock in sweeps over enemy positions in Burma yesterday, a British communique said today.  
While the general situation on the ground was reported unchanged, regular patrolling continued in the Arakan, Chin hills and Sumprabum areas, the communique said.

## Weeps for Missing Baby - Now Found



Mrs. Stella Tucker, 19-year-old wife of a soldier, sat weeping in a Los Angeles bus station, hoping her three-month-old baby would be returned to her. She told police a woman had offered to care for the baby while she took a nap, but both woman and baby were gone. Today the child was safe in a San Bernardino, Calif., hospital while the woman, Mrs. Laura Marie Thornton, was booked on suspicion of kidnaping. The child appeared to be in good health.

## Lower Prices or Higher Wages, Demands AFL Chief

DETROIT, July 19 (AP)—Asserting that "America has failed to hold the line against inflation," William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, served notice today that "unless prices of food are brought down to a reasonable level," organized labor "will have no other recourse but to demand wage increases."  
Green's ultimatum, in an address prepared for delivery before the convention of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, followed by less than a month a warning by CIO President Philip Murray to a congressional committee that labor will demand scrapping of the "Little Steel" formula unless prices are rolled back.  
Under the "Little Steel" formula, the government has permitted wage increases of 15 per cent over January 1, 1941, levels to offset rising living costs.  
Lack of Appreciation  
After reviewing progress on the war fronts and labor's contribution to the war production effort, Green said "There has been an almost complete lack of appreciation in our country of the corresponding need of keeping America's soldiers of production in top-notch condition."  
"Our domestic war economy," he said, "has not been (Continued on Page Three)

## Republicans Predict Triumph At 1944 Polls

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—Ten years a bridesmaid in presidential politics, the republican party came out flatly today with the forecast that it would be the bride in the 1944 elections.  
In a seven-page statement referring to President Roosevelt as "Candidate Roosevelt," Chairman Harrison Spangler of the GOP national committee made the prediction of republican victory on what he called the strength of "polls of public opinion."  
Spangler said the election would be decided in the northern states. Yet, he declared, the "solid south" was not so solid for the democrats as they usually reckon.  
These "private polls," said Spangler, have showed that the GOP has gained three per cent among the ranks of labor and five per cent in the rural areas of the north.

## Meat Company Files Answer To OPA Charge

C. E. Johnson, doing business as the Pauley Packing company, filed an answer in federal district court to charges of violating ceiling prices made June 10 by the OPA, George Lewis, enforcement attorney for the OPA field office, reported today.  
A pre-trial will be held July 26 in the Portland district court. Damage asked in the (Continued on Page Three)

## Gasoline Outlook Smiles On East--Frowns on West

WASHINGTON, July 19 (AP)—The starved east had a promise of more gasoline today but the outlook in the west was for less than it has been getting, and the news on tires was not so good.  
Completion of the huge pipeline from Texas to the east coast, scheduled for today, coincided with these developments:  
1. Secretary of the Interior Ickes, who also serves as petroleum administrator, announced that gasoline rationing for the driving public would be equalized over most of the nation, meaning more fuel for the east, and a reduction for the midwest and the southwest. No change was indicated for the west coast.  
2. The office of price administration (OPA), acting at the request of Rubber Director William Jeffers, banned sale of new tires for spares for the next few months—no specific date given. Excepting firemen, doctors and others dealing with emergencies, OPA said that new, used or recycled tires will be denied motorists who have four solid tires, plus one that can be spare to serve as an emergency spare. Jeffers said he was striving to make the present stocks last until synthetic casings can be turned out in sufficient quantity.  
3. OPA also notified drivers that their B, C, T and R gas coupons hereafter will be good (Continued on Page Three)

## SOVIETS MOVE TO PINCH OFF NAZI BASTION

Germany Reeling Back Under Russian Hammer  
By WILLIAM MCGAFFIN  
MOSCOW, July 19 (AP)—Advancing red armies have battered their way from the heavily-wooded terrain northeast of Orel and are moving swiftly across rolling fields in their intensified drive to pinch off that German bastion and cut the Orel-Bryansk railway, front dispatches reported today.  
Separate detachments of soviet tanks rolled deep into the enemy's rear to the very approaches of the main enemy base, believed to be Orel itself, while massed Russian forces were paused on a river valley in the Otputukha spring valley only eight miles northeast of Orel.  
Nazis Reel Back  
As the campaign reached the close of the second week of furious fighting along the 165-mile stretch of the central Russian front, the nazis were reported reeling back under the sledge-hammer blows of the Russian counter-offensive.  
The German communique said today that the red armies attacked in the rear the central and southern sectors of the eastern front yesterday suffering serious losses in manpower as well as 337 tanks.  
Severe Losses  
("On the Kuban bridgehead," the communique said, "the enemy discontinued his attacks in the course of the afternoon owing to his severe losses.") Similar attempts to pierce the German (Continued on Page Three)

## Three Million Men Needed for Army Next Year

CINCINNATI, July 19 (AP)—Charles M. Hay, general counsel of the war manpower commission, said today the armed services and industries would need 3,600,000 more men and women the next 12 months.  
Hay told the opening session of the American mining congress that armed services would need a total of 11,300,000 by July 1944, munitions industries 11,600,000, other non-agricultural industries 30,000,000, and agriculture 12,000,000, for an over-all total of 64,900,000.  
At present, he said, the service total is 9,300,000 and munitions 10,000,000. In industry, he added, replacements of drafted men must come from older workers, women, and minority groups.

## "Last Ditch" Fight Asked of Italians

By THOMAS HAWKINS  
BERN, July 19 (AP)—Declaring that Italy would be dismembered, her people enslaved and her treasures looted if she yielded, Carlo Scorza, new secretary of the fascist party, broadcast from Rome last night a frantic appeal for last-ditch resistance to the allies.  
The speech, obviously a reply to the Roosevelt-Churchill unconditional surrender demand which last week was conveyed to the Italian people by radio and leaflets dropped from planes, acknowledged, however, that the plight of Italy is desperate.  
By THOMAS HAWKINS  
DALLAS, July 19 (AP)—Mrs. John Mericle (Dover), N. J., and her two children got off the bus Saturday night and looked around for her husband.  
No husband.  
She told sympathetic listeners Mr. Mericle had come west some days before to work in a mine near a place called Horse Heaven.  
"Oh, Oh," said the listeners. "That's in Jefferson county. Your husband wanted you to meet him in The Dalles, not Dallas."  
The station agent put her on the right bus.

## Persistent Prowler Heats Ice Cream On Second Visit

PORTLAND, July 19 (AP)—Mrs. Walter A. Schenzen told police a prowler she frightened away one night, apparently returned the next, stole a camera, whiskey and food, fed the goldfish and put a quart of ice cream in the oven.

## Higher Wages Or -



William Green, president of the AFL, issued an ultimatum today in a speech before a union convention demanding lower food prices or higher wages.

## U. S. TROOPS PILE PRESSURE ON MUNDA

Jap Shipping Socked By Air Attacks In Solomons  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, July 19 (AP)—Allied airplanes and surface ships battered Japanese shipping in the Solomon Islands over the weekend as American troops increased their pressure on Munda with attacks on enemy positions near that key airbase.  
United States warships beat back two more attempts to run supplies to the besieged Munda garrison on New Georgia. Two destroyer flotillas, the first of three ships, the second of six, were intercepted west of Kolombangara island and forced to retreat northward. One destroyer was believed to have been sunk and hits were scored on three others.  
Zeros Destroyed  
A powerful aerial force, described by a spokesman as almost as strong as the 200-plane armada that sank seven Japanese ships and shot down 49 planes in the Buin-Faisi area Saturday, struck again at the remnants of enemy shipping in that harbor and pounded the nearby Kahili airbase. Thirteen Zeros were shot down. A cargo ship was sunk and two (Continued on Page Three)

## It Finally Happened

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## Guard Knifed, One Convict Dies as Freedom Try Fails

SALEM, Ore., July 19 (AP)—An attempted prison escape by two state penitentiary convicts, who knifed a prison guard captain in their break for freedom, ended yesterday in death for one, capture for the other.  
Kenneth L. Hougham, 22, convict serving five years for auto theft in Tillamook county, was felled with a single shot inside the prison walls by Bert Dunham, prison guard.  
The other convict, Albert Doolin, 32, serving 25 years for attempted robbery in Clackamas county, threw himself to the ground and awaited capture.  
The pair had obtained knives, possibly from the prison kitchen or the prison workshop, entered the prison yard and seized Sol Worden, a guard captain.  
They forced him to the penitentiary gates, and demanded that he give them his keys.  
Guard Dunham came running down the wall, shouting, "Go back, Kenny."  
"Go to hell," Hougham shouted back and stabbed Worden. Doolin also knifed the guard captain in an attempt to get the keys before Dunham freed.  
Worden was hospitalized. Attendants described his condition today as "quite good."  
Most of Hougham, who had spent most of the past four years in prison. It was the second escape attempt. Last year he was successful but was recaptured after two days' freedom. Hougham entered prison in 1939, Doolin last year.

## ETERNAL CITY QUAKES UNDER FIRST BOMBING

Precision Attack Hits Only Military Targets  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA, July 19 (AP)—An all-American force of Flying Fortresses, Liberators, Mitchells and Marauders carried out the war's first bombing of Rome, it was disclosed tonight.  
The fliers concentrated on military targets in the eternal city.  
The San Lorenzo marshalling yard, one of the targets, lies four miles from Vatican City.  
The Flying Fortresses led the way and while they were attacking the San Lorenzo yards Liberators bombed the Littorio railway freight yards.  
Attack Airdrome  
Simultaneously hundreds of Marauders and Mitchells, escorted by Lightnings, began a lengthy attack on the Campino airdrome.  
The fliers struck at the very heart of fascist Italy in a veritable follow-up to the Churchill-Roosevelt surrender demand. The crews were specially trained to carry home a precision attack, pinpointing targets which supposedly were protected by their proximity to some of the most sacred symbols and monuments of Christianity.  
Close to Vatican  
The San Lorenzo marshalling (Continued on Page Three)

## Allied Airmen Follow Up Blow At Nazi France

LONDON, July 19 (AP)—A strong force of allied planes was reported heading across the English channel this afternoon in the direction of Calais and Brnoigne.  
Observers on the southeast coast said the planes flew almost at sea level. Other planes were heard along the coast.  
Earlier, the air ministry announced that RAF bombers and fighters destroyed eight enemy aircraft and damaged two enemy vessels in attacks last night on Nazi airport facilities in France and shipping off the Dutch coast.  
Swift Mosquito planes on intruder patrols over north-west Germany and enemy-occupied territory attacked and damaged 10 locomotives and bombed railway targets near Dieppe.  
Two enemy fighters were knocked down as Typhoon bombers with fighter escort blasted the Abbeville airfield in France and two others were destroyed by Mustangs on patrol off the Dutch coast, the announcement said.  
An additional four fighter planes were reported shot down in an attack on an enemy convoy by coastal command Beaufighters supported by Spitfires and Typhoons. Hits were registered on two units of the convoy.