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Max. (May 23)	58
Min.	31
Precipitation last 24 hours	0.00
Stream year to date	7.70
Normal	10.84
Last year	16.25
Forecast: Fair and warmer.	

Log Strikes Spread

Churchill Sees Balkan Victory

By WILLIAM SMITH WHITE
LONDON, May 24 (AP)—A confident Winston Churchill looked today toward the Balkans as a theater of coming victory and told commonsense.

The allies will decide whether Germany must undergo territorial changes and the Atlantic charter "in no way binds us about the future" of that country.

"We intend to set up a world order equipped with all necessary attributes of power in order to prevent the breaking out of wars or long planning of them by restless and ambitious nations."

Hope for Rome
"We have great hopes that Rome may be preserved."

In his speech of 85 minutes, opening a foreign policy debate, the prime minister said the allies had "suspended" efforts to bring Turkey in with them but "it looks probable . . . the allies will be able to win the war in the Balkans and throughout southeast Europe without Turkey being involved in it at all, although the course of aid of Turkey would be of great help and acceleration in that process."

Churchill spoke kindly of Spain, criticizing those who "insult and abuse" the Franco government. Spain's internal policies, he asserted, were a matter for Spaniards alone.

Advocates Council
Proclaiming the British commonwealth and empire in complete unity to go on with the allies "to beat the enemy as soon as possible," Churchill advocated "a whole council of great states" to keep up enough arms to preserve peace after the war, and "a world assembly of all the powers."

His suggested "world organization," he said, would embody much of the structure of the league of nations, but this time it must bristle with "overwhelming military power."

"I hope and pray that this may be established and that we may be led to exert ourselves to secure these permanent glories and achievements which alone can make amends to mankind for all the heroism and sacrifice which is their glory."

Quiet on Front
He mentioned the "western front" only once as it is commonly defined—and then to observe jocularly that "all this talk of invasion forces across a talk of invasion across the channel was keeping Hitler frantic."

Using the Yugoslav situation at one point to illustrate the allied policy, he said:

"All questions of monarchy, or republic, or leftism are strictly subordinated."

Only to Beat Enemy
At another point he said: "In one place we support a king, in another a communist. There is no attempt by us to enforce particular ideologies. We only want to beat the enemy and then, in happy and serene peace, let the best expression be given to the will of the people."

In touching on British and Russian relations, the prime minister said it seemed to be the great desire of the peoples of

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BOOMMEN MAY JOIN 18,000 IDLE MILLMEN

"Wildcat" Walkouts Paralyze Pacific Lumber Plants

SEATTLE, May 24 (AP)—Several thousand more lumber and logging workers were scheduled to join an estimated 18,000 already idle today in the billion-dollar Pacific northwest lumber industry which has become paralyzed by swiftly-spreading wildcat walkouts.

Between 60 and 75 plywood mills, door plants, woodworking mills, sawmills and kindred companies in 20 cities and towns of Oregon and Washington were closed. In addition, workers quit on at least eight log booms, and nine logging camps already were down.

Boom Workers Join
Boom workers—those who handle water shipments totaling millions of feet of log every day—were expected to join in the general walkout during the day. Boommen, members of the CIO-Boommens and Rafter's union, are a small group who virtually hold the key to operations at mills located on lakes or salt water.

Some lumber workers have already turned to other jobs paying higher wages. Don Gallaher, secretary of Seattle local 2519 of the AFL-Lumber and Sawmill Workers, reported.

Look for Work
"Some of the boys have come in to look for something else and I've sent them to longshoring or building-labor work," he said. "There have been maybe 50 or 60 of these, so far. Part of them are getting \$1.15 an hour." (Continued on Page Two)

Survey Committee Gets to Work



A survey committee appointed to investigate damage done by the May 15 break in the government canal near the Shasta way bridge, knuckles down to work in the Federal building. Left to right, F. Schlapkohl, Boise, Ida.; Thor Torkelson, Coules Dam, Wash.; H. A. Parker, Ephrata, Wash.; and Naomi Heath of Klamath Falls, stenographer. Committee heads said that 90 per cent of the residents in the area affected by the flood, reported some damage. Complaints involved basements, gardens, sidewalks, and a few lost chickens. The survey will not be completed before the fore part of next week. Findings will then be sent by the committee to the commissioner in Washington, D. C., through the office of B. E. Hayden, superintendent of the Klamath project, U. S. bureau of reclamation.

HONAN CHINESE PUSH JAP RETREAT

By J. B. KRUGER
Associated Press War Editor
A Chinese counter-offensive steadily gathering momentum today forced into full retreat a crack Japanese army aiming at the heart of China.

The weeks-long fighting in wheat-rich Honan province has "reached a new phase," the Chinese high command declared, and the new full-scale counter blows are forcing back the Japanese in all sectors.

Lushui Recaptured
Lushui, roughly 400 miles northeast of Chungking, was recaptured from the invaders. Other Chinese forces besieged a strategic Loyang furiously fought off attackers and awaited reinforcements pushing in from the southwest.

The main Chinese counter-attack appeared developing along the Lunghai railroad, leading toward Shanshan and Loyang. Thus it seemed the threat to Tungwan, west of those cities and controlling an invasion route to Chungking, was being eased.

Stillwell Prize
Myitkyina far to the south in northern Burma continued a bitterly-sought prize for Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stillwell's Chinese and American troops. His head-

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quarters of government (except in enemy countries) and will work with ALL of them—namely, democracy or communism. (It's good sense to work with ANYBODY who can help you.)

CHURCHILL speaks for 85 minutes to the house of commons. What he has to say is very interesting. Read it in part of his speech in this news- paper today.

He talks of the after-the-war future largely for effect on the Germans, their satellites and the neutrals—who are still standing. He takes a crack at Turkey, telling her she won't have much to say (as to the Dardanelles, for example) at the peace table. He speaks KINDLY of Spain, whom we're courting.

He says we're not interested in forms of government (except in enemy countries) and will work with ALL of them—namely, democracy or communism. (It's good sense to work with ANYBODY who can help you.)

CHURCHILL'S speech is carried at great length on today's crowded cables. When he speaks, the world always listens.

THIS thrilling dispatch comes from China:

A Chinese counter-offensive, steadily gathering momentum today, has forced into FULL RETREAT a CRACK Japanese army aiming at the heart of China (especially the wheat-growing province of Honan)."

The dispatch adds that it seems today that the threat to Chungking and the mountain passes controlling the invasion route to Chungking is being eased.

These fighting Chinese!

In the soaking monsoon rain, Stillwell's men are still battling the suicide Japs hanging on in the dugouts of Myitkyina.

In Washington, AP's John M. Highower (a capable reporter) says today: "Japan's Pacific defenses have JAPAN'S SO WEAK under American and allied pressure that military authorities here are frazzled, puzzled about what the enemy can do next to protect himself."

It is a bit puzzling, but we'd better keep our fingers crossed. Japan isn't licked yet.

On our own Oregon and Washington sector of the home front, 18,000 lumber workers are today. From 60 to 75 sawmills, plywood mills, etc., are down in the two states.

These men who have walked their jobs, with lumber critically needed by the army and navy, are good citizens. They have sons in the service. Just everybody else. This is their country. They love it, and want to save it, just as other Americans do.

What is wrong?

As nearly as this writer can get at it, they're MAD because they think they've been discriminated against. They see their war workers getting paid more than they are (notably in the employments, which seem to be

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Lamm Loggers Off Job Today

Men at Lamm Lumber company's logging operation at Chin-challo were reportedly off the job today, but it was understood here the work stoppage occurred over a question involving the discharge of an employee and had nothing to do with the wage issue affecting lumber production in Portland and Washington districts.

The loggers at Lamm's did not go to work yesterday, it was reported, and were still off the job this morning. Neither the Pine Industrial Relations office here, nor the office of the CIO, which is the bargaining agent at the operation, could give specific information on the stoppage. It was reported, however, that some question had arisen over an employee who had been removed last week, and that the wage issue was definitely not involved.

About 80 men are employed at the camp.

SKF Workmen Held as Spies

STOCKHOLM, May 24 (AP)—Three employees of the SKF ball-bearing works at Goeborg have been arrested on charges of supplying information to a foreign power about the size of orders and destinations, Aftonbladet said today.

Two of the employees were Swedes and the other was described as a foreigner. All worked in the company's order department, and Aftonbladet quoted one as saying he furnished information to the unnamed foreign power for "ideological reasons."

Super-Coyotes at Large

A vicious band of super-coyotes, given exceptional size and intelligence by cross-breeding with police dogs, is preying on livestock and wildlife in a large section of the northern California country, according to Fred Starr, veteran game warden of Dorris.

Cross-breeding, first noted by Starr a dozen years ago, has now continued for several generations, and the big wolf-like animals now range over the country from Hackamore on the east, to the east side of Ball mountain. Sighted on a number of occasions have been a number of renegade police dogs which apparently have reverted to the wild and mated with coyotes.

Heavy Toll
Starr, who noted the presence of the animals in a report this week to the California fish and game division, said they are

Standard Stock Seizure Ordered

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The alien property custodian today ordered the Standard Oil company of New Jersey to surrender to the government certain blocks of securities in three American corporations which before the war were jointly sponsored by Standard Oil and I. G. Farbenindustrie, A. G., the German chemical and dye trust.

Custodian James E. Markham said the surrender order applied to 20 per cent of the outstanding stock of the Standard Catalytic company, 50 per cent of the outstanding stock of Jasco, Inc., and 25 per cent of the outstanding stock of the Hydrocarbon Synthesis corporation and that these securities were formerly the property of I. G. Farben.

Kurile Islands Bombed Again

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—Striking across the North Pacific, American planes flew through moderate anti-aircraft fire to bomb enemy positions in the Kurile islands just before dawn Sunday.

All of the planes, the navy said today, returned to their base from the attacks on Paramushiro and Shimushu at the northern end of the island chain which stretches from the Japanese mainland to the Kamachatka peninsula.

Negro Demos Name Delegates

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 24 (AP)—The progressive (negro) democratic party today chose 18 delegates to the national democratic convention to contest the seats of South Carolina's democratic party, which excludes negroes.

The keynote speaker, Osceola E. MacKaine, called the party's first state convention "the third revolution" and added: "We must here and now decide if all the Americans living in this state shall be free men or if some shall continue to be serfs."

Youngsters Stage Spending Spree

ATLANTA, May 24 (AP)—Even the monkeys in the zoo had stomach aches in the wake of a spending spree staged by three boys, aged 7, 8 and 13, who told police they found \$766 in a grocery store.

After the "find" the trio started peeling the roll at Grant Park zoo. They stoked the elephants with peanuts, the monkeys with sweets, and themselves with hamburgers, hot dogs, pop and ice cream. The mixture floored the boys.

After a stay in the juvenile detention home, the spenders, still pale, led police on a fruitless search in the woods where they said they hid \$700.

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FDR'S WARD GRAB OKAY, SAYS BIDDLE

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—Attorney General Biddle testified today that he believed President Roosevelt was authorized by the war labor disputes act to seize Montgomery Ward and company's strike-bound Chicago properties, but that even "without regard" to that statute the chief executive has requisitioning authority in wartime.

Appearing before a special house committee investigating the seizure last month, Biddle cited specifically section 3 of the war labor disputes act, giving the chief executive power to take over property equipped for "manufacture, production or mining."

Disagreement
Acknowledging in a prepared statement that "there is room for disagreement on the legal aspects" of the case, Biddle suggested that if congress itself believes Mr. Roosevelt exceeded his authority it should clarify the laws so the chief executive

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Found---\$1000 In War Bonds

One thousand dollars worth of war bonds, found in the gutter at 8th and Main, are safe again in the back pocket of James Rainbolt's trousers.

Rainbolt was carrying 30 bonds, totaling \$1000, and Monday reported them missing to city police. In the meantime, Mrs. A. J. McManus, 2300 Radcliffe, and Mrs. I. H. Howell, 2442 Shasta way, noticed the packet of bonds near the street curb. They took them to the First National bank, and when city police checked the bank a few minutes later to advise officials of the serial numbers, they learned that the bonds were safe.

Rainbolt lives at 39 Main and is an employee of Lamm Lumber company.

Patton's Rank Jump Held Up

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—The senate military affairs committee today held up approval of a permanent rank promotion for Lt. Gen. George S. Patton Jr., in recommending favorable action in the cases of 13 other general officers.

Patton's slapping of a soldier in a Sicilian hospital had been subjected to a committee investigation.

The committee gave no formal explanation of its refusal to sanction a proposed permanent advancement from the rank of colonel of cavalry to major general, but Chairman Chandler (D-Ky.) of the nominations subcommittee said he personally opposed approval because of the slapping incident.

Timber Trade Gets Okay

BEND, May 24 (AP)—The secretary of agriculture has approved a timber exchange with the Shevlin-Hixon Lumber company of Bend whereby the Dechutes national forest acquires 89,560 acres of cut-over land and the company cutting rights in other parts of the forest.

The approval was announced by Ralph W. Crawford, Dechutes supervisor, who said the acreage extends from south of Bend to the Klamath county line and borders part of highway No. 97. Clearing of the land for new pine growth already is underway, he added.

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YANKS BASH PARIS, BERLIN, VIENNA

LONDON, May 24 (AP)—Upwards of 5500 planes, mostly American, bombed Berlin, Vienna, Paris airdromes and military targets on the French coast today in perhaps the greatest allied aerial assault of the war.

The sky fleets—augmented as the day went on by medium and light planes flying out in the evening hours—dumped perhaps 5000 tons of explosives on military targets from the Atlantic wall to the three capitals.

Berlin Battered
A force of around 2000 U. S. heavy bombers and fighters struck Berlin and German fields fringing Paris. The nazis said intense air battles were fought over Berlin and the Baltic. Plans returning from France said that no interceptors were encountered near Paris and that the flak was moderate to heavy. Four airfields were pummeled in northern France.

American heavy bombers from Italy soared across the Alps to Vienna and bombed the Atinbendorf aircraft factory and other targets nearby.

Italian Raids
The Italy-based bombers also attacked the Avisio viaduct north of Trento on the Brenner Pass (Continued on Page Two)

Early Mum on Ship Transfer

WASHINGTON, May 24 (AP)—Presidential Secretary Stephen Early said today that yesterday's senate speech by Senator Bridges (R-N. H.) concerning a reported transfer of U. S. naval units to Russia was tantamount to getting information out which would otherwise be barred by the censorship code.

Asked at his press conference whether he had seen the Bridges' speech, Early said:

"Yes, I saw it in the papers."

"Any reaction?" he was asked.

"No," he replied, "but that is one way certain people seem to have of getting information out that is very probably of military value that some other nations would like to have, but can't get it from the executive branch of the government."

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YANKS SLASH APPIAN WAY; NAB TERRACINA

Canadian Tanks Back Nazis to Melfa River

By NOLAND NORGAARD
AP/IED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, May 24 (AP)—American troops occupied Terracina today and Canadian armor smashed through the Hitler line in the Liri valley to the Melfa river. On the Anzio beachhead U. S. troops seized a mile-long chunk of the Apennine way below Cisterna.

The Canadians reached the Melfa by smashing five miles through the heaviest Hitler line fortifications in the Liri valley—sending forward a pincer offensive upon the beachhead and Rome from the east.

Above Terracina
American troops also battered 10 miles through the mountains above Terracina, fashioning a potential trap for the Germans below the beachhead. Allied planes took heavy toll of nazi convoys attempt to escape encirclement.

The Hitler line now has been smashed through deep strikes in the north, the center, and the south.

Cut Nazi Flank
On the beachhead, a U. S. armored column penetrated the German flank on the Rome or northern side of Cisterna, menacingly threatening that fortress town. The Apennine way to Rome above still was open, however.

The whole German position hourly worsened.

West of Cassino
The spectacular Canadian thrust upon the Liri valley put the allied spearhead 13 miles west of Cassino. It carried to the last water obstacle between the Canadians and Arce and Cassino, both five miles away, and both key points guarding the entrance to the broad Sacco valley, leading to Rome.

The Melfa is a small stream flowing into the Liri from the north.

Other Canadians were closing in upon Pontecorvo, another Hitler line stronghold.

Capture Hill
Terracina fell after American fifth army troops had plunged 10 miles north of that port and captured a mountain height only 19 miles due east of a junction with the beachhead forces, thus threatening to entrap the nazis in the Pontine marsh area between the beachhead and Terracina.

A beachhead dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent Daniel De Luca said American (Continued on Page Two)

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