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Weather News			
August 7, 1944			
Max. (Aug. 8).....	77 Min.	42	
Precipitation last 24 hours.....		.00	
Stream year to date.....		10.82	
Normal.....	12.22	Last year.....	17.85
Forecast: Fair.			

By FRANK JENKINS

war moves forward swiftly with Americans PUSHING on two fronts across world from each other.

France, our men over-run bank of the Brittany peninsula making apparently GERMAN the capture of its great and at the same time EASTWARD to threaten the Bonins (almost at the front door) an American force, using both naval and planes in a two-day and planes a Jap convoy was intended to STRONGEN the islands against us.

the Breton peninsula, we've FOLLOWED OUT the center are now striking at the ports of the edge. The German force at one port, Lorient, OFFERED TO SURRENDER.

While smacking the Breton peninsula with one fist, we a haymaker with the other PARIS ITSELF. Today's dispatches report dramatically that we are nearer to Paris NOW than we were a week ago. We covered the last 75 miles covered the last 75 miles of the outskirts of Brest in (day).

the other end of the line, the British and Canadians are to be bursting out of the area, where the Germans fought with unexampled ferocity to stop them. They've been the Orne NEARER to us than we are.

the Germans are to get their second wind and pull themselves together, SOUND military LEADERSHIP will be needed. Her and his gang have been getting a lot of German gen.

the south, the Russians take Drobobycz, in Poland's Gallie oil field.

NOTE that we're hearing little from the small neutrals and allies. This is probably censorship, rather than lack of news. It's a fair guess that Europe's German-controlled little things are getting worse scared the day.

ONE of the open questions is how much fighting there will be in Florence, Italy's greatest art center. If Florence's art treasures are destroyed, it will be a pity.

Shil, WHAT IS ART? History's answer is that it is part of the culture that human beings acquire IN PEACE and in WAR.

MORE important than art itself is the HUMAN SPIRIT that produces art. That spirit lives on in war as well as in peace.

Leonardo da Vinci, one of the greatest of Italy's artists in the era when the human spirit that (Continued on Page Three)

Carrier Force Shells Bonin Islands

ELEVEN JAP SHIPS SUNK IN ATTACKS

Bombardment Levels Town on Main Isle

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, PEARL HARBOR, Aug. 7 (AP)—

Striking within 600 miles of Tokyo, a fast American carrier task force has shelled the Bonin islands for the first time in this war and, in a two-day attack, sank 11 Japanese vessels—including five warships—and damaged 30 other surface craft.

Zoot-Suiters, Seamen Jailed

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 7 (Canadian Press)—More than 30 Canadians and servicemen were taken into custody yesterday as disturbances continued between the city's "zoot-suiters" and merchant seamen.

Briton Awakened Rudely by Bomb

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP)—Prof. Harold Laski, widely known British economist, had a rude awakening recently when a German flying bomb struck a coast hotel.

Bombers Pound Synthetic Oil Plants in Germany

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP)—More than 500 U. S. heavy bombers blasted at two synthetic oil plants in the Reich today in concert with 700 American Liberators and Flying Fortresses which struck at vital targets over a wide area of France.

Nazi Defense

The Germans threw up smoke screens and interceptors swarmed into the air to guard these plants, one of which is the third largest synthetic oil plant still operating, but the bombers fought through and dropped their loads visually or by instrument.

Russians Hammer At Prussia; Nazi Resistance Stiff

LONDON, Aug. 7 (AP)—Red troops in Latvia captured Lubana, 100 miles east of Riga on the Baltic coast, a soviet communique announced tonight.

The Reds also cut the railway line and highway between Medona and Gubene, Medona is 80 miles east of Riga. Continuing their drive into East Prussia other soviet forces captured the large highway junction towns of Kurtavenia and Saukenal, which is 70 miles northeast of Tilsit in East Prussia.

LACK OF RESISTANCE REPORTED IN BURMA

SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, Aug. 7 (AP)—British forces pursuing the Japanese beyond the captured Burmese frontier base of Tamu found no organized resistance today and they captured prisoners described officially as "in a shocking state."

Events Planned For Contestants

Dinner at the Pelican cafe is next on the program of events scheduled for the entertainment contestants for the title of Miss Klamath. The junior chamber of commerce has invited the girls to its dinner-meeting to be held tonight at 6:30.

Police Identify Body of Girl

PORTLAND, Aug. 7 (AP)—Police have identified as Rose May Kafahl the girl who was found dying in a hotel bathroom here three weeks ago.

Bernard Perkins Hurt in France

Mrs. John Cole of 131 South Payne has received a message from the war department informing her that her son, Pvt. Bernard B. Perkins, was seriously wounded in action in France on July 17.

Baby Girl's Body Found in River

KELSO, Aug. 7 (AP)—Police were seeking today to trace the identity of a newborn baby girl whose body was found floating in the Lewis river south of Woodland yesterday by Vern Larson, Portland, while fishing.

Hitler Visits Officer Injured In Bomb Blast



The caption accompanying this German photo, supplied by Pressens Bild, Swedish picture agency, describes it as Adolf Hitler visiting Maj. Gen. Walter Scherff, a German officer injured in the bomb blast attempt on Hitler's life. (AP Wirephoto by Radio from Stockholm)

LEND-LEASE FUTURE OF BRITAIN EYED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7 (AP)—Acting Secretary of State Stettinius declared today that Britain has not taken up with the United States the future of lend-lease.

Train Derailment Injures 26

LAKE CITY, Minn., Aug. 7 (AP)—Twenty-six persons were injured when the Milwaukee road's east-bound Olympian was derailed near the station here today, but only five still were in the hospital this morning.

War Bulletin

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 7 (AP)—The Americans recaptured Mortain today, blunting a German tank counter-attack against the Avranches corridor.

Jury Chosen in Treason Trial of Jap-Americans

By JOE STOCKER DENVER, Aug. 7 (AP)—A federal court jury consisting almost entirely of businessmen was completed today to try three Japanese-American sisters charged with treason in allegedly aiding two German prisoners of war to escape last October.

Southern Parts of Florence Hit by Nazi Bombardment

By NOLAN NORGAARD ROME, Aug. 7 (AP)—Big German shells continued to land today in the southern portions of Florence, which is in allied hands, but Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's headquarters announced "There will be no need for the city itself to become a battlefield."

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Employes Injured In Rail Accident

Mrs. George Stanley and Elms Kasper, employes at the Southern Pacific railroad yards were slightly injured this morning in an accident at the yards.

Recapture Mortain

The Germans in their first rush recaptured Mortain, cutting the road behind the most advanced Bradley spearhead at Domfront where it was aimed at Paris, 135 miles away.

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ATTEMPT MADE TO SEPARATE ALLIED LINES

Four Divisions Shot Into Coastal Strip

By GLADWIN HILL SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 7 (AP)—The Germans today struck their most furious counterblow at Americans since D-Day, shooting four armored divisions to a depth of about three miles into the thinnest allied coastal strip east of Avranches.

The counterattack, described in front line dispatches as the most concentrated the Germans have yet made in France, apparently was aimed at outflanking four American spearheads pointing dangerously toward Paris and at separating Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's American forces in Brittany from the British forces to the north in Normandy.

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