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### Weather News

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Max. (Aug. 25)	79 Min. 53
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Stream year to date	10.82
Normal	12.37 Last year 17.85
Forecast: Clear	

## Nazis Ordered To Withdraw From Bulgaria

**By The Associated Press**  
LONDON, Aug. 26 (AP)—Bulgaria has ordered all German troops to leave Bulgaria, threatening force if they refuse, Moscow announced tonight, and the new Romanian government has snatched its capital firmly from Nazi control.

The Bulgarian moves menaced Hitler with early collapse of yet a second vital segment of his Balkan wall.

**Withdraw Demanded**  
The Bulgarian government, assuring Moscow of "absolute neutrality," told the Nazi command that German forces must be withdrawn, and would be disarmed if they refused, declared a broadcast statement of the Soviet commissariat of foreign affairs.

Any German soldiers retreating from Romania into Bulgaria will be disarmed, added the statement recorded by the Soviet monitor.

The Soviet information bureau assumed that Romanian troops have seized the Carpathian mountains in that country already flipped over to the allied side, and are battling Germans retreating westward.

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Ankara radio said all German troops had deserted Sofia, the Bulgarian capital.

The statement said enthusiastic demonstrations in Bucharest greeted the new Romanian government formed by King Mihai. Bucharest, the "Paris of the Balkans," became the third capital to be freed from the Nazi yoke, joining Paris and Rome as liberated cities.

Marshal Ion Antonescu, Romanian premier who collaborated with the Germans, has been arrested, and the German military mission in Bucharest was interned, said the statement recorded by the Soviet monitor.

The Germans still were shelling Bucharest with anti-aircraft guns, since they lack artillery, and are bombing military barracks from the air, the statement said.

U. S. heavy bombers from Italy today blasted an airfield near Bucharest from which the Germans were hitting at the capital.

Moscow's statement came after early German radio announcements that "quarters of the German command" in Bucharest were engaged in fierce fighting with Romanian army formations.

**Attacks Repulsed**  
The German high command said that repeated attacks "made by traitors" were repulsed and that German troops were engaged in a general retreat in Romania while defending themselves against numerous Soviet attacks.

The German legation in Bucharest was hit by a bomb (Continued on Page Three)

## RED TROOPS SPEED THROUGH GALATI GAP

**By DANIEL DE LUCE**  
MOSCOW, Aug. 26 (AP)—Romanian troops were reported turning on the Germans, killing and taking them prisoner, as the red army sped through the Galati gap today toward Bucharest at a pace, which, if maintained, would carry Soviet spearheads to the Romanian capital tomorrow night.

The charging Russian troops last were reported little more than 100 miles from Bucharest and barely 75 from the Ploesti oil fields. The Siret river was crossed 20 miles south of captured Tecuci.

LONDON, Aug. 26 (AP)—Premier Marshall Stalin tonight announced capture of Ismail on the Danube 38 miles east of Galati in Romania.

Ismail was captured by storm today by troops of the third Ukrainian front, Stalin said in (Continued on Page Three)

## Chinese Advance Into South of Yunnan Bastion

**CHUNGKING, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Chinese forces besieging the main Japanese bastion of Tengchung have made advances in the southern section of the city, the Chinese high command announced tonight, after Japanese counterattacks against positions inside the city were repulsed.

Large quantities of food, supplies and medical stores were captured as the attacks were thrown back, the high command said.

Enemy positions in the southwestern part of Lungling, the secondary Japanese base in the province on the Burma road, were attacked and taken Thursday.

On Friday, a key position south of the city, held stubbornly by the Japanese for more than 10 days, was taken by the Chinese, who captured large quantities of food and ammunition.

## Helsinki Raided By Finn Police

**NEW YORK, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Finnish police blocked all roads leading out of Helsinki at dawn yesterday and staged mass raids through the capital until early this morning, the Finnish radio said today in a broadcast that failed to offer any explanation of the action.

The broadcast, recorded by FCC monitors, said "results have been very satisfactory" and that "about 500 people were interrogated as their identity papers were not in order."

"Since the raid continued into the early hours of this morning, further details will be made known later," the broadcast said, adding that Minister of the Interior Kaarlo Henrik Hillilae "expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which the raids were carried out."

## Liberators Hit Otopeni Drome

**ROME, Aug. 26 (AP)**—American Liberators from Italy today bombed Otopeni airdrome, nine miles north of Bucharest, in support of the Romanian government defending the capital against German attacks.

"Otopeni is the nearest German-held airdrome to the capital and was the base for Friday's German bombing attacks on points within the city," Mediterranean allied air force headquarters announced.

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## Japs Make Swift Retreat to Burma

**SOUTHEAST ASIA COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, Aug. 26 (AP)**—The Japanese are retreating so rapidly from India into Burma along the Sittang trail east of Tamu that explosives they had prepared for blasting bridges remained undetonated, SEAC headquarters said today.

Occupation of the village of Pyinbon Sakan near the summit of the range between Tamu and the Chindwin river, five air-line miles from the Chindwin, was reported by the 14th army. The monsoon rains were reported hindering allied progress more than the Japanese, who were refusing to make a stand.

## War Bulletin

**LONDON, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Five Romanian divisions and 31,000 other troops, mostly German, have surrendered to Russian forces attacking in the Carpathian sector east of the Carpathian mountains today, the Soviet communique announced.

## State Department Scotches Story on Pre-War Navy Acts

**WASHINGTON, Aug. 26 (AP)**—The state department declared today that Japanese peace envoys in the immediate pre-Pearl Harbor period never raised any question about the disposition of American naval forces.

The department issued a statement in comment on assertions made by Rep. Magnuson (D-Wash.) in his home state.

The representative told the Seattle Post-Intelligencer there were reports both in Washington and on the Pacific coast that "the Japs made a 'patsy' out of the state department, contriving to have our fleet bottled up in Pearl Harbor where it could easily be dealt a death blow," in 1941.

**Question Not Raised**  
The state department's statement: "At no time did Kurusu during the course of his visit here in 1941—or did any other Japanese representative—raise a question with this government that the disposition of our naval forces in the Pacific was likely to prejudice the success of the conversations then taking place between the two governments."

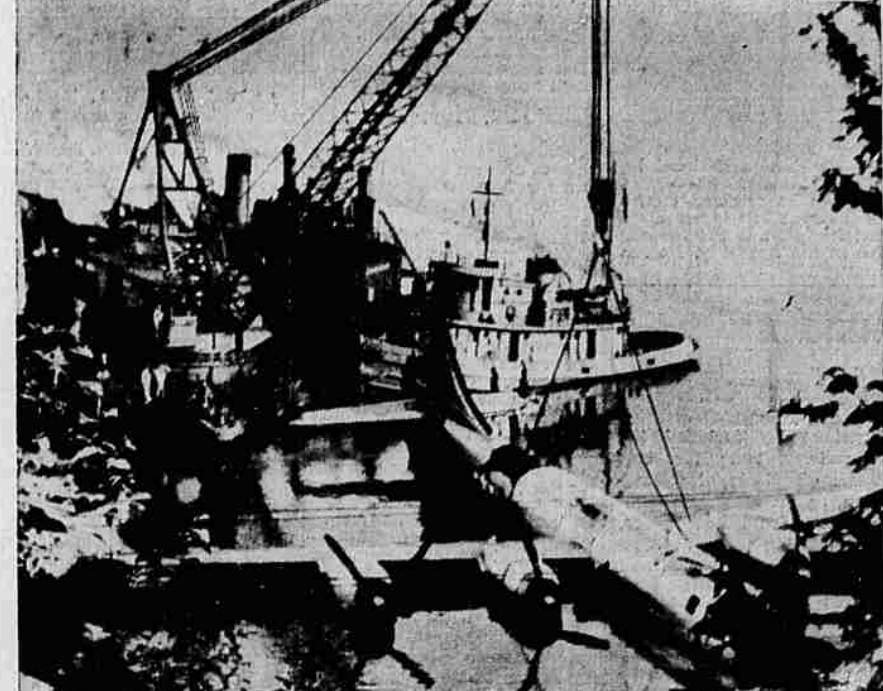
"Furthermore, the state department did not at any time raise this question with the navy or war department."

**Peace Talk Man**  
Saburo Kurusu was the special Japanese who came here for "peace talks" in 1941.

Magnuson's account of the reports he had heard was that Kurusu protested to Secretary Hull that American naval operations in the Pacific were giving militarists in Japan reason for blocking Kurusu's peace efforts.

"I do not know whether this story is true or false, and I don't venture to speak for or against it," Magnuson continued, "but I (Continued on Page Three)

## Wrecked Super-Fortress Lifted From Puget Sound



Seven check-flight crewmen escaped with minor injuries when this B-29 Super-Fortress made forced landing in Puget Sound near Seattle, Wash. Here a navy crane prepares to hoist the giant craft from shallow water after it was towed from scene of landing, a quarter mile off shore.

## Paris Attains Freedom, Hangover, as Nazi Army Leader Signs Surrender

**PARIS, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Paris is free today, but the old town has a terrific hangover, as the Nazi army leader signed at 6 p. m. last night in the dingy baggage master's office in Montparnasse railroad station, and Paris greeted it with one of the wildest nights in its history.

But machinegun and rifle shots played a staccato overture to the blaring brass bands celebrating the end of German rule.

**Occasional Shots**  
From dusk until early morning it seemed as if everybody was shooting in all directions, and there was occasional cannonading.

Some of the shooting was at Germans still fighting after the formal surrender, but a lot of it was simply Parisians letting off steam.

**Virtually Unscarred**  
A quick tour of the city showed Paris was virtually unscarred by war. The greatest damage was to buildings in the Luxembourg garden area where the Germans made a last stand.

When the sun rose this morning, all was quiet and Paris (Continued on Page Three)

## STOCKADE EMPTIED AT SEGREGEE CAMP

For the first time since last November's riotous demonstrations, the isolation area for troublemakers at the Tulelake segregation center was empty today.

WRA officials said the last occupant of the stockade was transferred today to the main residential area, and added that "conditions in the center at this time make isolation of individuals no longer necessary."

The statement was interpreted here as indicating smooth going at the big camp, possibly due to recent war trends against Japan.

Since the isolation area was established, 386 men have been detained there for various periods ranging from one to two (Continued on Page Three)

## Gas Coupon Sale Conducted Here

A sale on C-car gasoline coupons was conducted recently by a 16-year-old boy, before he was picked up by local juvenile authorities.

The boy had stolen 37 coupons from the glove compartment of a parked car and was disposing of them for 75 cents each.

## Former President Of France Alive

**LISBON, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Edouard Herriot, 72-year-old former president of France, still is alive somewhere in France, although the Germans several times have reported him dead, Jules Sauerwein, a French newspaperman, said here last night.

Sauerwein fled Paris just before the patriots began occupying France.

## COMMANDOS DROP PLAN FOR BUILDING

Abandonment of their proposed plan for a large new service center building, to cost upwards of \$50,000, was disclosed by Klamath Commandos at a meeting of people interested in service hospitality, held at the city council chambers last night.

Captain Bernice Heidemann of the Commandos said that the project had failed to receive sufficient community support. The Commandos, she said, are anxious that alternate proposals be put into effect as quickly as possible so that the service center program can be expanded to meet increasing needs.

Remodeling of the present quarters to include use of the basement, or rent and remodeling of another building, are the two alternatives.

**Reynolds Attends**  
C. W. Reynolds, associate regional executive of USO, attended the meeting and discussed the situation here with the Commandos and members of the military service committee. Reynolds said in response to inquiries that USO is willing to come into the community and make a grant at any time. He said its program would not be intended to replace any local activity, but to supplement it.

Commandos, he said, could (Continued on Page Three)

## Nazis Withdraw To Gothic Line

**ROME, Aug. 26 (AP)**—German withdrawals toward the Gothic line fortifications in the central portions of the Italian front were reported today by Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's headquarters.

Polish troops of the eighth army on the Adriatic sector continued aggressive patrolling activity into the enemy's new positions north of Metauro river.

The Nazi retreat to the shelter of the Gothic line in the rugged northern Apennine range was most pronounced in the area of the upper Tiber river and on the east side of the upper Arno behind Pontassieve.

Eighth army units following up the retreat reached Apoggio, 35 miles from the Adriatic and 24 miles due south of the principality of San Marino, without opposition.

## Swedes Report Von Kluge Dead

**STOCKHOLM, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Field Marshal Gen. Guenther von Kluge, commander of the German armies on the western front, has been killed, the newspaper Dagens Nyheter said today on the basis of information received from Germany. (The report lacked confirmation in either axis or allied quarters.)

Circumstances of the reported death were not known here and the newspaper had no additional details. The 61-year-old Von Kluge succeeded Field Marshal Gen. Karl Rudolf von Rundstedt on the western front last July 6.

## French Capture Forts; Yanks Occupy Briancon

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## FARM LABOR WAGES EYED AT HEARING

**Five Cents Per Sack, \$1.25 Per Hour Proposed**

A piece rate of 5 cents per 60 pound sack and \$1.25 an hour for agricultural labor was proposed jointly by the Klamath County Potato Growers association and the Tulelake Growers at a farm wage ceiling hearing held at Merrill all day Friday by the farm wage boards of Oregon and California.

The hearing was held to determine a fair wage ceiling which will be established for this year's harvest period in the Klamath basin. After hearing testimony from both growers and laborers, the wage board officials said they would prepare recommendations to be sent immediately to Washington, and that an early announcement of the wage ceilings could be expected.

**Ask Higher Ceiling**  
Some sorting contractors appeared before the hearing to contend that wages for sorting should be higher than the proposed \$1.25 an hour, and urged particularly that higher allowances be made for head sorters. They said in effect they could not keep crews at \$1.25 an hour.

Farmers contended that higher wages in the sorting sheds would tend to draw labor from the fields during the critical harvest period.

The war labor board was represented by two officials at the hearing, and it was stated by them that sorting crews up to eight in number employed in farm cellars would come under agricultural wage ceilings, but crews greater than eight in number and all crews in the sorting sheds, would come under war labor board.

**Canning Wage to Apply**  
They said that in the absence of specific war labor board rates for work of this type, rates established for the canning industry in Klamath county might apply. These rates would be 30 cents for No. 1 labor and 68 cents for No. 2 labor, or the (Continued on Page Three)

## Mrs. Ann Mason Files for Post

The office of city treasurer will have at least one name placed on the ballot in the fall election. Mrs. Ann Mason filed her intention to run for that office by obtaining a petition from the city hall Friday.

Mrs. Mason is employed at the Willard hotel at the present time, but could not be reached Saturday for a statement.

There have been no petitions drawn as yet for the councilman from ward four.

## Yanks Smash at Jap Shipping

**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SOUTHWEST PACIFIC, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Hitting Japanese ships at a pace of better than five a day for August, the far eastern air force was reported today to have blasted a cruiser, seven freighters, transport and a barge tender at Dutch Celebes on the invasion path to the Philippines.

Seventeen ships have been sunk in recent raids at Celebes and 29 around Halmahera.

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## TROOPS SLASH NAZIS CAUGHT IN SEINE TRAP

Border Provinces are Warned of Danger

**By WES GALLAGHER**  
**SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Allied columns struck powerfully toward Germany and Belgium today and supreme headquarters warned the people of the border provinces of Alsace-Lorraine and the Duchy of Luxembourg that war "very soon" may reach their lands.

Four bridgeheads southeast of Paris were strengthened for this eastward assault upon Germany. West of Paris allied armies whittled on perhaps 40,000 Germans trapped near the Seine's mouth, slashing their dwindling ranks with artillery shells.

**Seventh Eliminated**  
The elimination of the German seventh army as a fighting entity has decided the battle of France, supreme headquarters asserted in broadcasts warning the residents of Alsace-Lorraine and Luxembourg to prepare for approaching battles.

German survivors of the Falaise and Seine traps "can at best fight a series of delaying actions on their retreat into Germany," the order added.

**Cross Seine**  
American troops already have struck across the Seine northwest of Paris, in spearheads that can slice to the Pas-de-Calais robot bomb coast and to Belgium.

Southeast of Paris, officially described as fairly quiet but with some mopping up continuing, American troops liberated Melun, 23 miles away, after a hard battle.

**Push North**  
A London broadcast heard by BS reported Americans pushing northeast toward the Marne on roads leading to Reims, Metz and Nancy.

Bridgeheads over the Seine were built up near Melun, at Corbeil, 25 miles below the capital, and at Fontainebleau and Montargis, 32 and 40 miles southeast of Paris.

Other U. S. units captured Marigny le Chatellais, 15 miles northwest of Troyes. The latter (Continued on Page Three)

## Writer Reaches Swiss Border

**GENEVA, Switzerland, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Edward Kennedy, Associated Press correspondent with Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's seventh army in southern France, arrived here today in a jeep.

The first American correspondent to reach the Swiss frontier, he was accompanied by Chicago Times, International News Service and News Chronicle representatives.

With one soldier as a bodyguard they travelled well ahead of the army.

## Children Hurt In Truck Smash

**MARSHFIELD, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Thirty-seven children were slightly injured late yesterday when a broken steering wheel sent the truck in which they were riding hurtling into a ditch.

The truck, taking the children from a Baptist summer camp on the Coos river to a nearby swimming beach, overturned in the ditch. Alice Smith, Marshfield, suffered a broken rib. The others escaped with scratches and bruises.

## Marple Killed In Action

Word has been received by friends here that Charles Marple, formerly of Klamath Falls, was killed in action in the South Pacific theater of war.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Marple Sr., box 116, Sherwood, Ore., received word of their son's death the middle of this month. No further details are known here. The young man was with the marine corps and had been overseas for the past year and a half.

His parents are long-time residents of Klamath Falls and he made his home here most of his life.

Before entering the service, he was employed at the Ewans Box company in Klamath Falls.

## Nelson, Hurley Now in Edmonton

**EDMONTON, Aug. 26 (AP)**—Donald M. Nelson, chief of the U. S. war production board, and Maj. Gen. Patrick J. Hurley, en route to China to discuss military and economic problems with Chiang Kai-Shek, arrived in Edmonton late last night and left today on the second lap of their journey.