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Weather News

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Max. (Oct. 17) ..... 72 Min. 33
Precipitation last 24 hours ..... .00
Stream year to date ..... .22
Normal ..... 54 Last year ..... .93
Forecast: Bright and Clear.

Thursday Shooting Hours

Oregon: Open ..... 6:12 Close 6:00
Tulelake: Open ..... 6:52 Close 6:20

...the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

ONLY in the news from East Prussia are there hints today something big and new and T RIGHT NOW. Elsewhere the world the war reports are rely progress notes—preparans for something bigger later.

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THE Germans say the Russians are OVER THE BORDER in East Prussia in their offensive of Lithuania along the main railroad that leads to Insterg and Koenigsburg. Their ve there, Berlin reports, is pported by heavy artillery preration and SWARMS of lowing bombers.

Farther north, they are withartillery range of Tilsit. Still ther north, they are moving wn the Baltic seacoast toward st Prussia. There are nazi tterings of STILL ANOTHER e red attack moving on East ussia from the southeast.

It looks like business. All the re so because the Russians e ominously silent.

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THE fighting at Aachen is lulling a little at the moment. e is tempted to guess that the rmans have given up hope of ing the city. We're bombing logne heavily. The nazis say're going to hit hard there on.

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THE British take Venray, in Holland, thus STRENGTHING the right flank of their hly strategic Nijmegen-Arn salient.

The Germans assert (and it nds reasonable) that the Brit have huge forces, including 00 tanks, massed there and ll touch off a big offensive t as soon as they are assured ample supply lines to their r.

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NTWERP is the supply port we want. It is RIGHT BEND our lines in Holland, and ll give us practical equality h the Germans in the way of nsport.

A pocket of Germans still ds the south bank of the elde, thus preventing us n using the Antwerp route. Canadians are biting into pocket and are reported to making progress.

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PEAKING of pockets, today's dispatches tell us that 100,Germans are still pocketed France—at Dunkerque, Brest, ient, St. Nazaire, etc. Eisenwer, you see, has borrowed cArthur's BY-PASSING strat.

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S these words are written, the silence from Hungary y is practically total. The le of Belgrade still rages on. rade is on both the Danube r and the great trans-Balkan road. Hence its importance.

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ON'T overlook the fact that at best less than a month of fighting weather is left in ope. That, in itself, insures events soon.

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ERMANY organizes a home guard of EVERYBODY from o 60. In a decree broadcast him (not read personally), er says: "Relying on our own e, we will not only break enemy will of destruction we will throw him back n."

other words, the nazis will t to the last German.

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UR own South, in our war between the states, FOUGHT LONG. When Lee surrend, he had literally no food, ammunition, no men left. ting too long wrecked the h for three-quarters of a ury.

he nazis are doing that to many.

Maybe it's best for the world e future that they are.)

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E'RE still smacking the Jap in the Pacific, Tokyo radio e contrary notwithstanding. rrestal (navy secretary) says in the past 4½ months our and 5th fleets have sunk or aged 905 Jap ships, shot n 1827 Jap planes and deyed 1253 more on the nd.

at's a lot of ships and es.

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THE loss of TRAINED PILOTS is probably hurtg the Japs worse than the of planes. Planes can be faster than good pilots can rained.)

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AC ARTHUR is getting so close to the Philippines that FIGHTERS now range all Mindanao (southernmost

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Deadline Nears for Game Ducats

morrow noon, Thursday, is last time reserved seats to Medford-Klamath game this y can be purchased at the ber of commerce. After 12 k Thursday, any remaining ts will be sent back to the y city.

mand for seats at the Medgame has been only fair, ber of commerce personnel

Britons Take Venray; Yanks Mop Up Aachen

By The Associated Press

LONDON, Oct. 18 (AP)—British troops captured Venray and formed a solid 10-mile front in eastern Holland 33 miles from Duisburg today, while Berlin declared half a million men were facing each other in The Netherlands ready for "battle that may flare up at any moment."

Canadians to the west pressed back the German pocket blocking use of the great supply port of Antwerp.

Aachen still was being beaten into submission. U. S. heavy bombers again struck at Cologne 40 miles beyond it, sapping German power to move up reserves. Berlin asserted the American first army was preparing a new offensive aimed at Cologne.

A small German attack east of Aachen was beaten off today, a front dispatch said, in another of the series of vain blows that have now badly cut up two enemy divisions. One of these divisions is substantially destroyed as a fighting unit, while the second has been materially reduced. The rest of the rainswept Aachen front was generally quiet.

The front in France sprang to action also. U. S. third army troops in a mile gain hit within four miles of the fortress city of Metz, and French forces farther south made progress, punching within from three to

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LUZON SWEPT BY CARRIER PLANES

By VERN HAUGLAND

U. S. PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Pearl Harbor, Oct. 18 (AP)—Carrier planes swept northern Luzon Tuesday sinking or setting afire seven ships and destroying 19 planes as a recheck of Japanese losses in the Morsa raid of October 11 showed 37 additional ships and 68 small craft sunk or damaged there.

Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, in a communique today, announced that a reassessment of Japanese plane losses, based upon still incomplete reports, showed 915 enemy airplanes were destroyed in the Philippines-Formosa-Okinawa area from October 9 to October 15.

Atoll Occupied

Nimitz also announced the occupation by U. S. ground forces of Ngulu atoll in the western Carolines, 80 miles south of Yap and 210 miles east of Palau, October 15. There was only slight resistance at the tiny group of islands encircling

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Detroit Locals Ordered to End Work Stoppage

DETROIT, Oct. 18 (AP) — The United Automobile Workers (CIO) today ordered officers of local 174 to end immediately strikes of 6500 production workers that have halted output of war materiel in three plants of the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel company.

"The international union will be compelled to take drastic action unless the strikes are ended without delay," George F. Addes, international secretary-treasurer, said in a message to the local officers.

Statler Inquiry Called Off

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)—The senate campaign expenditures committee decided today that it was without authority to investigate the so-called "Battle of the Statler," involving fisticuffs between two naval officers and members of the AFL Teamsters union, following a political argument.

The senate group, headed by Chairman Green (D-R. I.), announced it was dropping the subject as none of its business. It has been making a preliminary inquiry during the last two weeks and had obtained affidavits from those reported to have been involved.

Subs Bag 7 More Jap Warships

Associated Press War Editor

Japan's war and merchant fleets have suffered another heavy blow at the hands of American submarines, Navy Secretary Forrestal disclosed today as he reported destruction of seven additional warships and 25 merchantmen by undersea craft.

The secretary said that during the past four and a half months the guns of America's third and fifth fleets, operating against the Japanese, have sunk or damaged 905 vessels. He added that planes and flak weapons of the two fleets have shot down 1827 planes and destroyed 1253 aground since last June.

The Yank submarines boosted to 804 their bag of Japanese ships destroyed since Pearl Harbor as the secretary credited them with three destroyers, three escorts, one minelayer and 25 merchantmen of different types.

COMMITTEE TO KEEP HOSPITALITY FUND

Directors of the chamber of commerce were informed by the local troop entertainment committee today that the committee will not relinquish $1000, left in the original troop hospitality fund when other money was turned over to the Klamath military service committee.

The directors had suggested that the $1000 be turned into the Klamath county combined community fund, to be earmarked for troop hospitality. The committee said that it desires to retain the $1000 as an emergency fund, for use for hospital trains or other unexpected development here.

The committee pointed out to the directors that it was not a committee of the chamber of commerce. The committee was formed several years ago and there had been an impression that it had its origin in the chamber.

Members of the committee are Lynn Roycroft, chairman, representing the American Legion; Ed Bell, representing the city;

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German Civilians Mobilized

SECOND TRY FOR ALL-OUT WAR DECREED

All Able-Bodied Men Ordered Into Home Guard

LONDON, Oct. 18 (AP)—Adolf Hitler, observing that "just as in 1939 we are facing the enemy alone," proclaimed tonight the formation of an armed German home guard and declared:

"Germany's second all-out effort must and will succeed."

Hitler's voice, which has not been heard on radio channels since shortly after the reported assassination attempt of July 20, was absent again from the German airways today. His decree setting up the guard was read for him for the home service of the official German news agency, DNB.

"Throw Back Enemy"

"Relying on our own force, we will not only break the enemy will of destruction, but we will throw him back again," the Hitler utterance said.

"I call on all able bodied men to fight."

The decree then announced all civilian men between 16 and 60 were ordered into the volkssturm, an armed home army similar to that which Britain organized in 1940 after the fall of France.

Second Mobilization

"Whereas, the enemy believed that he could get ready for the last knockout blow, we, on our

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Bulletin

U. S. Senator Guy Cordon informed The Herald and News late today he had been notified that the navy department had authorized additional $1,008,000 for construction at the Marine Barracks.

The work will include 12 new barracks for 180 men each; six additional barracks store rooms, swimming pool, and a gate house.

Reds Invade German Soil

East Prussia was invaded today by soviet forces, which advanced a mile inside the border to the town of Schirwindt, 42 miles northeast of Insterburg, Berlin reported. Red units also invaded Czechoslovakia on a 170-mile front, crossing the barrier of the Carpathian mountains.

Pheasants For Harry Truman

E. P. Ivory, left, democratic county chairman, presents a string of pheasants to Vice Presidential Candidate Harry Truman, who made a brief campaign stop here today.

South Still Solid, Says Harry Truman in Talk Here

Declaring the solid south is still solid and that California will go for Roosevelt with a 400,000 majority, Democratic Vice Presidential Candidate Harry Truman made his first public campaign appearance in Oregon at the Southern Pacific depot here this morning.

About 75 democrats and other interested citizens were on hand to greet the train of the Missouri senator, which was slated to arrive at 7:40 but didn't come in until 8:30 a. m. Heading the group were Henry Aiken, Heppner, state democratic chairman, and E. P. Ivory, Klamath democratic central committee chief.

Informal Chat

Truman chatted informally with the Klamath group, shaking hands all around after receiving a handsome gift of Chinese pheasants from Ivory.

He declared that the Roosevelt-Truman ticket offers the country an experienced administration in time of great crisis, and urged democratic workers not only to get in the registration but to get out the vote.

Still Solid

He recalled his recent trip through the south, which he said, is "still solid" and his more recent journey in California, which he said he was sure would go for his ticket by a 400,000 majority. "We're going to win, all right," he said.

Ivory made a short speech of greeting. A number of the local democrats rode the train as far as Chiloquin, and Aiken accompanied the train on to Portland.

Lew Wallace, Oregon national committeeman, and Nancy Honeyman Robinson, national committeewoman, were to join the party at Salem.

Truman posed for pictures with local and state democratic leaders, including a number of democratic candidates for office. These included Marius Petersen, aspirant for the state senate; Tom Bustin, candidate for the legislature; Dorothea Buck, candidate for county commissioner, and Joe Mahoney, candidate for justice of the peace.

Report on Pearl Harbor Disaster Expected Soon

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP) A report from the naval board of inquiry, studying responsibility for the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor is expected in the near future, Navy Secretary Forrestal said today.

He told a news conference that the report will be submitted to him and he will "determine what further action is indicated."

Rear Admiral Husband E. Kimmel and Maj. Gen. Walter C. Short, navy and army commanders at the time of the attack, are under charges of dereliction of duty.

Nazis Claim New Secret Weapon

LONDON, Oct. 18 (AP)—The Berlin radio came up with a new secret weapon story today, announcing that nazi troops on the Russian front now are using an "electric machinegun."

The weapon, said the broadcast, is known as "the death scythe."

DESTROYER FORCES TAKE SCARPANTO

ROME, Oct. 18 (AP)—Two British destroyers landed forces which took over the island of Scarpanto at dawn yesterday after the Greek population on the island had "contained" the enemy garrison there, allied headquarters announced today.

Located in the Dodecanese group, the mountainous island of Scarpanto is between Crete and Rhodes. The island is 30 miles long and has an extreme width of eight miles. Approximately 8000 people live there.

No Opposition

The British destroyers, Terpischore and Cleveland were involved in the operation, carried out without opposition. The landing parties were given an enthusiastic welcome, a communique said.

It was announced that German demolitions on the Greek mainland caused severe damage to the harbor installations at Piraeus, the port of Athens, but most of the utilities at the port are functioning.

More allied parachute troops have been dropped in the Athens

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Doughboys Move Past Livergnano

ROME, Oct. 18 (AP)—American troops, driving toward the ancient Italian city of Bologna, have advanced nearly a mile north of captured Livergnano on highway 65, allied headquarters announced today.

In the Adriatic sector eighth army troops, continuing their painful advance into the Po valley, took over a few more yards of the Rimini-Bologna highway and closed in on Cesena from the east and south.

Harvest Weather

Clear today, tonight and Thursday. Lowest temperature tonight in lower thirties. No immediate prospect of rain. No abnormally low temperatures expected for several days.

RELEASE OF CARS RENEWS SHIPMENTS

TULELAKE—Cancellation of the refrigerator car freeze, in effect since midnight, October 2, brought about renewed activity in the potato harvest area and buyers said they would start shipping as soon as they had spotted cars. Several shippers said that cars would be available Wednesday.

The problem of obtaining reefers was quickly solved in this area as growers reported the sidings "full of cars" even during the freeze. Ival Wolfe of Crawford and Wolfe, buyers and growers, said there was "no reason the reefers couldn't have been used and plenty of pressure has been brought on Washington by the growers."

Potato shipments for the month of October in the Tulelake area, were anticipated in the neighborhood of 2500 cars. Between October 3 and 17, inclusive, a reported 380 carloads went out of this section. Malin shipped 143 boxcars, Great Northern at Merrill, 50; Tulelake-Stronghold tuber points, 187. There was no report on the Southern Pacific at Merrill.

Yank Divisions Now in Europe

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, PARIS, Oct. 18 (AP)—A recapitulation of official announcements shows the following American divisions have been identified as operating on the western front since D-Day:

Armored — Second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh.

Airborne—101st and 82nd.

Infantry—First, second, third, fourth, fifth, eighth, ninth, 28th, 29th, 30th, 35th, 36th, 45th, 79th, 80th, 83rd and 90th.

BREAKTHROUGH MADE ON 170 MILE FRONT

Soviets Advance Mile Inside German Border

LONDON, Oct. 18 (AP) — The Russian army has crossed the Carpathians and invaded Czechoslovakia in force, Marshal Stalin announced tonight in a triumphant order of the day.

This thrust was disclosed shortly after the German high command implied that soviet troops had invaded East Prussia and advanced to Schirwinda, a mile inside the reich.

Stalin said General Ivan Petrov's fourth Ukranian army had broken through from southern Poland on a 170-mile front, capturing seven passes and advancing 12 to 30 miles.

Cross Carpathians

"Troops of the fourth Ukranian front, continuing their offensive, have crossed the Carpathian range, and having captured the passes of Lupkovo, Ruske, Uzok, Verecky, Viskovsky, Jablonicky and Tatar, have advanced into the depths of the territory of Czechoslovakia up to 20 to 50 kilometers on a front of 275 kilometers," the order said.

"During the course of the offensive the troops captured the Czechoslovak towns Koros-Mezo, Jasina, Rachovo and the large populated places of Chegtezne, Velkopolyana, Ruska, Ljuta, Uzok, Nizne Vereck, Zalomeckaya, Philipec, Giljatin, Toguna, Nadposto, and in northern Transylvania captured the town of Sziget."

Seize Virbalis

Berlin's announcement early today indicated the Russians had

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Plans Underway For 80 Houses

Plans are being made for the construction of 80 FPHA rowhouses for the use of families of men stationed at the Marine Barracks and the naval air base here.

Howard Perrin has been chosen as architect for the local project, which will be part of the "fastest mass production housing program ever tackled" by the FPHA, during which program 525 government-financed living units will be constructed at 11 Oregon and Washington points.

Completed plans will be issued and bids for the construction of the row-houses will be called by November 1. Bids will open about November 8.

The project will be constructed in the general vicinity of the Shasta View row-houses.

Today On The Western Front

By The Associated Press

British 2nd Army—Captures Venray, important Dutch highway center, after two days of bitter house to house fighting, and masses tanks for push toward the Rhine.

U. S. 1st Army—Continued mopping up inside encircled Aachen and cleared segments of the Siegfried line northwest of the city.

Canadian 1st Army—Pushed back the German pocket blocking use of the great supply port of Antwerp.

U. S. 3rd Army—Advanced nearly a mile north of Ancis-sur-Moselle to within four miles of Metz against only light opposition.

U. S. 7th Army—Against heavy German counter-attacks, made progress on the southern wing of the front just south of the road junction at Bruyeres and northeast of Le Thillot.

Hurricane Whips Havana; Six Killed, 20 Injured

HAVANA, Oct. 18 (AP) — A tropical hurricane lashed Havana today and Cuban Red Cross reported at least six persons were killed and 20 injured.

A heavy casualty list in isolated areas from the winds of more than 100-mile-per-hour force was feared. Thousands of dollars of damage was done in a five-hour whipping of the capital before the center of the hurricane passed northward toward the Florida keys.

Children Killed

Five of the dead, including two children, were pulled from the water near Alcoy bridge leading from Havana to suburban Guanabacoa.

An even higher toll was feared in rural areas. Virtually all of Havana was without power, and the city was isolated from other storm-torn areas.

The national observatory sent a message to the presidential palace by army messenger, reporting the highest wind velocity in Havana to be 110 miles an hour. The 1500 ton Cuban navy transport Colombia, broke her mooring in Havana bay and was driven aground. No one was aboard.

At 5 a. m., wind velocity in the city reached 60 miles an hour, ripping down telegraph and telephone wires.

The two principal radio chains broadcasting from Havana left the air early in the morning due to power failures. But several small stations continued operating.

Communications with the western end of the island were cut last night.