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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

IN London (where these words are written) the overriding interest for the American newcomer is the bomb damage. That's what we've read about. That's what we want to see.

If you have the proper credentials, the ministry of information will arrange a tour for you, but the only advantage of such an arrangement is the background information and official guide will give you. You don't need a "tour" to see the bomb damage. It is ALL OVER.

All you need, no matter where you are staying, is to walk a few blocks from your own front door. You will see plenty.

THE startling thing about the damage wrought by the bombs, both blitz and buzz, is the casualness of it. Outside the dock areas, etc., where Goering's bombers in 1940 had at least the excuse of military objectives, it is everywhere. There is hardly a block where there is free from it.

There are differences, of course, in the havoc that was created. In the old, solidly built (how solidly an American can't realize until he sees it) parts of the city, the area smashed by each bomb will be small—maybe only one house, maybe two or three. In the poorer, flimsier districts, the area will be larger, MUCH larger, perhaps as much as a whole block, possibly even more.

The point is that (excepting always the docks, etc. at the beginning of the 1940 blitz) there was NO concentration. That means that NOBODY was EVER free from fear. NO ONE in this great city ever knew what moment might be his last.

You have to take that fact into consideration if you are to appreciate fully the grim, bulldog FORTITUDE of these people. It takes guts to stand up to that knowledge day in and day out, in every waking moment, for five long years and still carry on and do your job.

It isn't just the death that hovers always in the air. The men at the fighting fronts face that continually. There is something DIFFERENT about this warfare against civilians. The returning veterans comment on it constantly.

On the bombed home front, it isn't just your LIFE that is in danger. There are the women and the children and the old and the young. There is the constant pressure on your brain of the knowledge that at any moment you may be stripped of your every possession, and your family left homeless waifs even if God has been so good as to leave you all alive and whole. Somehow you must get food, and shelter from the elements—and somehow you must pull yourself together and get BACK ON THE JOB, for you still have a living to earn and the economy of the nation must be kept going.

Otherwise the ENEMY WILL WIN, and that will be the end of everything.

A MIDDLE-AGED worker in one of the ministries said to this writer: "We were bombed out three times, fortunately." (Continued on Page Two)

Service Station Site Purchased

Three lots on 11th, extending from Main to Pine, have been purchased recently by A. M. Collier from H. S. Wakefield for a consideration of approximately \$49,000, according to a deed filed in the county clerk's office.

The property possesses frontage of 132 feet on Pine and a frontage of 66 1/2 feet on Main. The land has been occupied by Leo's garage up until this time. A 10-year lease has been taken with Collier on the property by three Klamath Falls businessmen and it is their intention to install a complete service station and garage on the property.

Automobiles will be serviced there and a storage garage will also be constructed.

The new business will handle electrical equipment, batteries, tires and all other automobile equipment.

Lutheran Synod Counsels Germans

BERLIN, Aug. 3 (AP)—In an effort to reduce the number of suicides in the Berlin area, the Lutheran Synod admonished the church's followers today not to "flee from suffering and hunger into death."

Meeting in complete freedom for the first time in years, the synod declared that Germany's collapse was "God's visitation upon us" and stated that "whoever has faith does not flee."

Takes New Post



Marine Colonel Charles T. Brooks, of San Francisco, will assume command of the Marine Barracks here, Colonel Brooks recently served on the staff of Admiral Halsey.

COL. BROOKS WILL ARRIVE SATURDAY

Col. Charles T. Brooks will arrive Saturday to take over command of the Marine Barracks from Col. Merlin Schneider, according to word from the barracks Friday. Col. Schneider has been transferred to Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif.

Col. Brooks served for many months on the staff of Adm. William F. Halsey, commander of the third fleet, and holds the Bronze Star medal for his work with the planning division of the third fleet.

Graduated from the University of California in 1917, Col. Brooks was commissioned as second lieutenant in the marine corps at that time. In addition to service in China and other shore stations, Col. Brooks has had three tours of sea duty.

Shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, the colonel was named commanding officer of the Marine Barracks there. He held that post for 10 months and then went to sea as a member of Admiral Halsey's personal staff in operations of the fleet in the South Pacific.

Col. Brooks participated in the operations of the fleet at Palau Islands, in its support of the landings in the Philippines by General MacArthur and his men off the Japanese coast, and in the campaign for Okinawa.

His wife is making her home in San Francisco for the present.

Efforts Made To Raise Bail In Herron Case

Efforts were being made this morning to raise \$1000 cash bail for Ed Herron, who is being held in the Klamath county jail charged with assault while armed with a dangerous weapon. J. C. O'Neill, prominent local attorney, is representing Herron.

Herron allegedly slugged Edgar L. Butler of Dorris, Calif., over the head with a four-foot piece of iron pipe during an altercation between the two men near Worden where they were working on a job for the Tru-Mix Concrete company.

Butler was released Wednesday from the Klamath Valley hospital, where he had been treated for a fractured skull. Herron took time to plead when arraigned before Justice J. A. Mahoney.

Plans For Early Trial Of War Criminals Predicted

LONDON, Aug. 3 (AP)—An agreement by the first of next week on final plans for early trial of major war criminals was predicted today by an American closely connected with the allied war crimes commission.

The Potsdam communique released last night, by consenting the desire of the Big Three for trials to begin at the earliest possible date, gave weight to the stand taken by Justice Robert H. Jackson, chief U. S. prosecutor, that the United States was prepared to proceed alone with the trials if necessary. The communique promised publication

MASTER PLAN EMERGES FROM POTSDAM MEET

Russia Still Silent On Policy In Jap War

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (AP)—A master plan for reconstructing a peaceful Europe out of the ruins of war emerged today from the decisions of the Big Three conference at Potsdam. But Russia's role in the conflict with Japan remains cloaked in the same secrecy as ever.

The plan provides for a stripped-down Germany, shorn of territories, wealth and power. The nation that once aspired the world dominion is to be limited to farming and "peaceful, domestic industries." And it is to be subjected to years of allied control until it earns its way slowly back into the family of sovereign nations.

Poland's Part

The plan provides also for a reshaped Poland, augmented by huge slices of Germany and stretching westward to within 50 miles of Berlin, and for the addition to Russia of one-third of the territory of German East Prussia.

It leaves most other decisions, however, to future peace settlements. And for these the Big Three agreed on a five-power council, including China and France in addition to the United States, Britain and Russia. Assuming China and France agree to the plan, the five foreign ministers will hold their first meeting in London by September 1.

This evidently means another trip abroad this month for Secretary of State Byrnes, now on his way home from Potsdam with President Truman aboard the cruiser Augusta.

6000 Words

The big-power pattern of peace for Europe was disclosed in a 6000-word report on the Potsdam meeting of Mr. Truman, Generalissimo Stalin and Prime Minister Attlee released simultaneously yesterday in Washington, London and Moscow. The (Continued on Page Two)

8600 Japs Killed In Burma Battles

CALCUTTA, Aug. 3 (AP)—More than 8600 Japanese have been killed between the Rangoon-Mandalay road and the Sittoung river in Burma in less than two weeks, Southeast Asia command headquarters announced today.

Six hundred and fifty enemy troops have been captured in bitter fighting as the Japanese attempted to break out of the Pegu Yomas in apparent attempts to escape eastward toward Thailand.

Crash Victims Said Recovering

The condition of Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Trees, who were badly injured in an automobile accident with the county fire truck Sunday afternoon, was said to be satisfactory today by the attending physician.

Mrs. Trees' left leg was found to be broken upon examination and it was set today, he said. It was necessary to put a different type of cast on Trees' right leg, which was badly broken, and the leg may require surgery, he declared.

Both are in the Hillside hospital.

EAST COAST ARRIVALS

By The Associated Press

Harold R. Crane Jr., Cpl. 521 Alameda, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Wayne I. Smith, T/S. 2321 Wantland, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Jackie W. Nutter, T/S. 706 Uerlings, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Albin T. Nelson, T/S. 58 Main, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

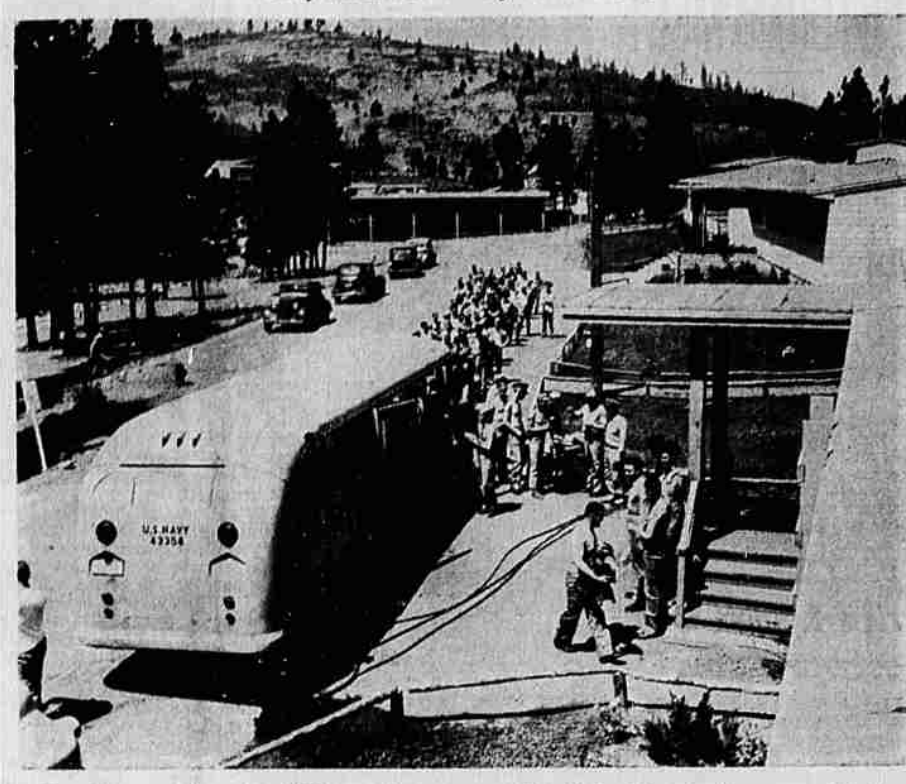
Fay Morris, PFC. 1814 Johnson, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

William F. Atkinson, PFC. 2228 Wantland, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Louis Della Costa, Sgt. 2044 White, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Alfred P. Donacs, T/4. 1759 Summers Lane, Klamath Falls, arrived on SS Hermitage, due August 2 at New York.

Navy Mobile X-Ray Unit Here



Chest X-rays at the rate of 150 per minute are capable of being taken by the navy mobile X-ray unit, shown above as it was parked in front of the dispensary at the Marine Barracks Thursday afternoon. The unit is being made available to navy and marine personnel in this area this week. Story on page 2.

Jesse Owens, World's Fastest Human, Made Laughingstock Of Nazi 'Supermen'

By PAUL HAINES

Jesse Owens, Olympic track champion and the world's fastest human, will be here Wednesday at 5:30 p. m. at Recreation park to stage his streamlined track exhibition in addition to the spectacular ball game between the equally famous Harlem Globetrotters and Bearded Daviddies.

Thirty-five per cent of the proceeds of this "sports jamboree" will go toward American Legion junior baseball in Klamath Falls. This program has been progressing well and ground work has been laid for next year when Klamath Falls will send a representative club to the district tournament.

Owens has been shattering attendance records all over the nation like he shattered all existing track records in the Olympic games at Berlin in 1936, where he won four first-place medals and broke four records, the first time any athlete ever achieved this feat. Never in the history of

any sport has a champion approached Owens' superlative record.

He has equalled or shattered world's marks in eleven recognized track and field events, especially the sprints, hurdles, and running broad jump. He broke three world's records and tied another within a period of two hours in a Big Ten track meet at Ann Arbor, Mich., when, as a member of the Ohio State track team, he gave one of the

FIGHTERS NEEDED FOR COAST BLAZE

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 3 (AP) Fire fighters, spurred on by cooler weather, rushed additional equipment to the most stubborn sectors of the Tillamook blaze today to restore lost trails.

Nearly all the fire line along Hembre ridge at the southern tip of the blaze had been lost despite a hard-won battle earlier in the week. Forestry officials appealed desperately for still more crews to check savage fires on the northern front attacking Clatsop county.

Tired crews in western Washington county striving to protect the Forest Grove watershed reported proudly today no trails (Continued on Page Two)

Navy Tells Names Of Crash Victims

The navy revealed today that Ens. A. W. Ainsworth, 22, Vicksburg, Miss., and ARM 3/e Donald Allen, 20, Spokane, Wash., were the two men who were killed in the plane crash Thursday about 9:30 a. m., one mile east of Dorris, Calif.

Ainsworth was the pilot of the plane which was on a training run when it crashed on a bombing range between Dorris and Macdoel about 25 miles south of here. The plane burst into flames when it struck the ground, scattering flaming material over a wide area.

The cause of the accident was not disclosed to the navy. Next of kin have been notified.

Anglo-American Program Told

WITH PRESIDENT TRUMAN ABOARD USS AUGUSTA, Aug. 3 (AP)—President Truman and Prime Minister Attlee were disclosed today to have agreed at Berlin upon a coordinated program for the total defeat of Japan which may involve major shifts in the Pacific command.

An Anglo-American statement said the American and British chiefs of staff perfected details at daily meetings in Potsdam for coordinating their forces to force Japan's unconditional surrender and the liberation of Japanese-occupied territory "at the earliest possible date."

Canada's Idle Return To Jobs

TORONTO, Aug. 3 (AP)—Canada's meat-packing strike simmered today as virtually all the 9000 striking workers returned to their jobs in 10 cities.

Toronto, local 114 of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers of America—the local which started the strike July 24—approved an agreement by which their dispute with Canada Packers, Ltd., will be submitted to a board of arbitration for settlement.

BASEBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE

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Weather News

August 3, 1945

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| Max. (Aug. 2) | 87 | Min. | 51 |
| Precipitation last 24 hours | | | .00 |
| Stream year to date | | | 13.28 |
| Normal | 12.19 | Last year | 10.62 |

Forecast: Fair Sunday.

Superforts Mine Harbors, Hit Shipping

GUAM, Aug. 3 (AP)—The 20th air force announced today that Superforts have established a complete shipping blockade on Japanese homeland islands.

Reporting on huge mining operations carried out by the 20th, a spokesman estimated that Japan's teeming millions are receiving less than half of the food and raw materials needed to carry on the war and feed its troops and civilians.

As a result they are now dipping heavily into stores, the spokesman said.

Every harbor of any importance through out the home islands and Korea from Fusan to Rashin, in northern Korea near Siberia, has been and is being mined by Superforts.

Summing up Japan's desperate situation, headquarters announced that enemy shipping had been reduced to "a shadow."

Hundreds of thousands of tons of shipping have been destroyed by mines or naval vessels and planes.

Home islands' ports have been virtually closed by the aerial-borne mines, headquarters added.

LAVAL VOICES LOVE OF FRANCE BEFORE COURT

By RELMAN MORIN

PARIS, Aug. 3 (AP)—Pierre Laval ruefully admitted the treason trial of Marshal Petain today that he had said "Here is where we overthrew the French republic" when he was pushing through acts which made the old soldier a virtual dictator. He contended his remark was a jest.

"I am not a fascist! I am not a Nazi! I love the republic," he shouted the haggard, white-tied former chief of government of Petain's Vichy regime.

After recounting numerous secrets of France in the days before and after the armistice, including a military alliance with Mussolini after 1936 "against German aggression," Laval was confronted by M. Pomaret, former secretary general of the senate.

Fateful Meeting

Pomaret recalled the fateful July 10, 1940, meeting at which three constitutional acts were passed giving the marshal full powers. He said Laval asked him to get the signature of Jules Jeanneney, senate president, commenting: "This is where we overthrew the republic."

Judge Paul Mongibeaux, who had propelled numerous hostile questions at the former premier, brought under heavy guard from Fresnes prison, asked if he used those words.

"I cannot deny it," Laval said. "I may have pronounced those words, but only as a joke."

An angry murmur arose in the sultry courtroom, delaying the trial.

Answering a question by Mongibeaux, Laval admitted he had said "Germany a German victory." He testified that he made the statement to make the Germans believe he was on their side.

Laval will continue his testimony tomorrow. Guards escorted him back to his cell when court recessed at 3:35 p. m.

Denials

He denied, too, that he "hated England." He asserted that in the turbulent '30s, while war was being spawned, King George V sent Sir Samuel (Continued on Page Two)

67 GET CHEST X-RAY DURING FIRST HOUR

In the first hour of operation in Klamath Falls Thursday, 67 persons were given free chest X-rays in the mobile chest X-ray unit, according to the Klamath County Public Health association.

The unit, which is stationed behind the court house, pulled into Klamath Falls yesterday and will be in town until Tuesday, August 7.

The first person to take advantage of the X-ray service yesterday was Mrs. R. P. Ellington, president of the Public Health association, and the first man to have the X-ray taken was County Judge U. E. Reeder.

Assisting at the unit Thursday were Mrs. Arnold Galappo, Mrs. Ann Robin, Pauline Anderson, Helen Williams, Donna Moberg, Jean Oestendorf, Marlys Steinsiefer and Lillian Redkey.

Technicians from Portland who are in charge with the operation of the unit are C. R. Bradford, Keith Grossenbacher and Robert Martin.

There will be no X-rays taken on Saturday or Sunday but the unit will be open on Monday with hours from 10 until 12 and from 2 until 5.

There are still a few openings for appointments and anyone interested may call 6259.

Half-Brother Of Hitler Released

TWENTY-FIRST ARMY GROUP HEADQUARTERS, Germany, Aug. 3 (AP)—Alois Hitler, Adolf's half-brother, has been released by British authorities after having been detained for about six weeks for questioning, it was announced today. He had been captured in the Hamburg area.

"It is clear to us," a British military government statement said, "that he has led a perfectly blameless existence, being absolutely scared stiff of being associated in any way with the fuhrer's activities. He was released yesterday."

Alois was said to have been the proprietor of a beer tavern in Berlin during most of the war.

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