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# Russia Clamps Bars on Rumania Frontier GIUM'S "LITTLE MAGINOT" AWAITS ATTACK

# California Has 43 Storm Deal

Million-Dollar Property Loss Taken From Pounding Rain and Wind in Stormy Southern State

Many Drowned as Ocean Craft Wrecked; 14 Boats Are Unreported; **Disaster Follows Heat** 

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25—(AP)—At least 43 persons were believed tonight to have perished in a violent wind and rain storm which struck southern California late yesterday and caused damage that may exceed \$1,000,000.

Dozens of other persons were aboard 14 pleasure boats reported missing along the coast.

The storm wrecked, sank or beached more than a score of boats, created flood conditions in many localities, including mountain resort areas, put 35,900 telephones out of commission in Los Angeles and nearby towns, seriously disrupted rail and highway traffic and cut off power service. A 30-mile gale swept the Los Angeles harbor area to-

night. More rain for the next 36 hours was forecast. Thirty homes were damaged and eight destroyed on

Gets Support

by FDR Forces to

Woo Opponents

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25 .- (AP)

The Roosevelt effort to repeal the

arms embargo gained strength in

the senate today after administra-

tion forces had proposed formally

The introduction of the measure

brought private expressions of ap-

proval from several senators who

have yet to commit themselves

publicly on the crucial issue. In

addition, the influential Senator

George (D-Ga) announced his out-

right support. He said the new bill

Forty-four senators (only five

less than a majority) had previ-

postpone further action until

**Spokane Tot Dies** 

Eastman, was razed by fire.

to a well to draw water and when

she returned the flames were so

fierce she could not reenter the

house where the child was sleep-

Parents of the child, Mr. and

Mrs. David Eastman, were away

working in pear harvest at White

fall from Hortonville, Wis.

As House Blazes

and carry system.

to belligerents.

Alamitos peninsula near Long Beach, causing damage estimated

Portions of Whittier, Artesia, Downey, Montebello, Burbank, Pasadone and Con Burbank, Pasadena and San Fernando valley were without lights or tele-Damage of \$100,000 resulted

from pounding waves at the Los Angeles Yacht club's cove at Fish Substitute Is Offered Harbor. Five racing sloops sank and others were battered. Hundreds Saved From Periled Boats

Some 200 persons were rescued last night and today from wrecked and disabled pleasure boats and fishing craft.

The casualty list includes: Eight persons drowned overboard from boats and in rip tides a substitute which was described and their bodies recovered.

and their bodies recovered. Twenty-three persons believed drowned overboard the fishing boat Spray, from which the body of a 24th victim was recovered and included in the known death

list of eight. Ten other persons believed drowned in the wrecked sloop Conchita and yacht Nino-O.

Wreckage of what apparently had been an 80-foot yacht was found in the surf today near Huntington Beach, Orange county. No craft of that size was listed among those reported missing.

Two unidentified bodies were washed ashore in the Los Angeles-Long Beach harbor area. One was that of a woman about 30 and the other of a man about 40. No Definite Idea

Of Death Total Swamped with rescue work, coast guard officials said they had no definite idea of how many boats might actually be missing. The storm created near-flood

conditions in some parts of Los Angeles with 5.41 inches of rain in less than 24 hours preceding today noon. This is the heaviest September rain in Los Angeles' weather history. The rain broke up the worst

heat wave here in weather bureau records, as measured by its intensity and eight-day duration. Most of the storm victims were aboard the sport fishing boat Spray which sank off Point Mugu

near Oxnard, 70 miles northwest of here. 23 Believed Dead
On Capsized Boat

Twenty-three persons apparently were drowned when the Spray capsized last night within 500 feet of the pier. Two persons fought their way safely ashore.

A water taxi rescued 65 persons from the fishing barge Virginia, caught in the gale off Mali-

The coast guard rescued 40 others aboard the live-bait boat Indiana after she had been reported missing all night.

The US destroyer Cassin took in tow the sport fishing cruiser Dispatch with 25 men aboard. The cruiser had been adrift for nearly two days in the storm.

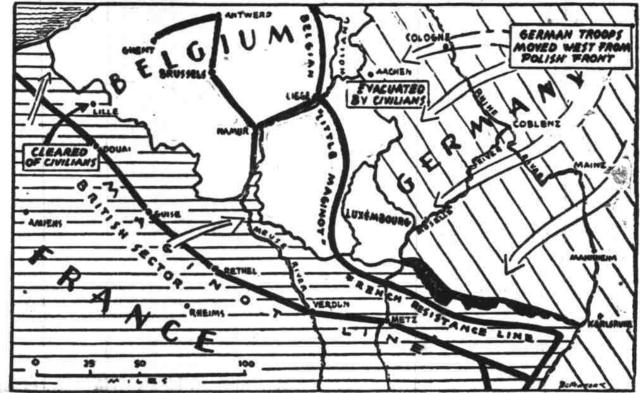
rescued from seven other disabled C. P. Holdren, assistant harbor master at Santa Monica, issued a

warning that a new storm was expected that might be as bad worse than yesterday's. Railways, Highways Telephones Useless

commission more than 26,000 teleones in the city of Los Angeles Heavy rains in southeastern California disrupted railroad and

The Santa Fe main line was raids last night. More than 150 feet of Southern port could not be confirmed.





Should the rumored German drive through Belgium toward northeast France occur, the invaders will not find the open country, dotted with isolated fortresses through which they swept in 1914. Spanning the little country from north to south is Belgium's version of France's Maginot line—a string of concrete and steel forts which connect with the Maginot line on the south and sweep up to the North sea. Top view shows part of Belgium's "asparagus bed"—and tank barricade. Map at bottom shows how Belgium's little fort system connects with the French fortifications. The "Little Maginot" is now fully manned, prepared for any eventuality. (IIN photo.)

#### would mean "strict cash and carry, not only for arms but for every artcle and all materials" exported Added for Salem

ously announced themselves in fa-Liberty' Showhouse, With vor of repeal of the embargo on arms shipments to warring na-700 Capacity, to Open However, the opposition of the After Remodeling

group led by Senators Borah (R-Ida), Vandenberg (R - Mich), Clark (D-Mo.), and LaFollette (P-A new motion picture theatre will be opened at 170-178 South Wis), remained undiminished. Commercial street as soon as the Several of the bloc immediately building there can be remodeled expressed a renewed determinafor the purpose, it was announced tion to hold out until the end Monday by E. H. Randall and against repealing the embargo. B. R. Keller, newcomers to Salem In an harmonious atmospherewho had just closed a long-term of uncertain duration-the senate lease with the owner of the propforeign relations committee met. erty, Mrs. Mary Wenderoth. The received the measure and readily deal was handled by the W. H. approved a request from Borah to

Grabenhorst company. Mr. Randall who recently sold a theatre in Condon which he had operated for 17 years, will move Keller, active in the film distribution end of the motion picture industry for 20 years, principally in Portland, will also make his head-

quarters here. SPOKANE, Sept. 25 .- (AP)-Da-The new show house will be vid Lee Eastman, 30 months old known as the Liberty theatre and boy, was burned to death shortly the policy, the proprietors said, before dinner time tonight when will be that of offering the highthe home of his aunt, Mrs. Charles est class of entertainment at a cost which will appeal to persons of Mrs. Eastman told Deputy moderate income. Sheriff Pat Griffin she had gone (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

> Medford Packing Plant Fire Loss Is \$40,000

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 25 .- (AP) -Fire of undetermined origin de stroyed the Huber packing plant near here tonight at a loss of ap-The Eastmans came west this proximately \$40,000, partially covered by insurance.

# wo days in the storm. More than 50 other persons were general disabled German Zeppelin Plant Is escued from seven other disabled Raided by Allies' Airmen

the former zeppelin works at High winds and rain put out of Friedrichshafen was reported today to have been raided by enemy

Observers here on the Swiss shore of Lake Constance, five

half hours.

A 70 per cent loss of the date crop resulted from storm damage yesterday and heavy rains 10 days ago, said S. H. Winters, manager the United Date Growers.

Was saying French airplanes had been the date area but the raiders had failed to bomb any object in Germany. The agency said the planes had been motors.

"An investigation was opened in an effort to ascertain whether our territory was really violated by the passage of foreign planes."

ROMANSHORN. Switzerland, shore of Lake Constance to watch Sept. 25.-(R)-One of Germany's the bursting bombs on the ground principal airplane motor plants in and the exploding shells in the air. Darkness screened the attackers. Watchers said the bursting man barricades. bombs were visible clearly. The detonations echoed through the Lake Constance hills,

Reports of the raid were conmiles away, said they saw the firmed by this communique of the The same observers said they night after 9 p. m. an air attack washed out in several places be-tween Needles and Kingman, believed the plant had been put took place against, in all proba-Ariz., and service was suspended out of commission by several di-indefinitely. Two trains were ma-rooned at Needles. Highway 66 were not identified. But the Ger-plosions of bombs were heard and was closed both ways from here, man border was closed and the re- very violent defensive fire with the use of tracer bullets observed. Pacific track was washed out in (DNB, official German news ag-Coachella valley. Trains were de-layed from two to four and one- was saying French airplanes had the use of tracer bullets observed.

"In the late evening, between 10 p. m. and midnight, many fron-

# Another Theatre Nazis Explain Troops Massing Near Belgium

BERLIN, Sept. 25—(AP)—Germans in informed quarters explained tonight that the massing of troops near the three-cornered border of Germany. The Netherlands and Belgium was a precaution against any French or British designs to find a "soft front" for a drive through neutral soil

These sources said it would be against Germany's interests to carry on military operations there because of its

# War Briefs

BUDAPEST, Sept. 25.-(AP)-With Warsaw's lone radio voice mute for more than 24 hours, European listeners learned from German broadcasts tonight that the Polish capital still was unconquered.

Using a wave length once belonging to Warsaw, German announcers at 11 p. m. (2 p. m. PST) said that Warsaw again was under heavy artillery fire and that Modlin, 20 miles northwest, was surrounded.

They spoke Polish, but with a strong German accent. Last night the Warsaw radio staff still was at its microphones, telling the outside world of the siege, describing a new German bombardment which the announcers said had killed more than 1,000 civilians.

BASEL, Switzerland, Sept. 25. -(AP)-French troops resumed their drive against the Siegfried line along a 40-mile front today in what dispatches said was the heaviest action thus far on the

Troops in many sectors were said to have moved up with the advance of heavy batteries from the Maginot forts which sent shells battering against the Ger-

Swiss said the reports indicated the Poilus were closing their lines almost within the shadow of main German fortifications.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 25 .- (P)-An unofficial survey today showed Poland lost between 600 and 700 planes in 19 days of aerial warfare with Germany.

Poland was reported to have had approximately 1,000 serviceable planes of all types at the beginning of the war Sept. 1. Aside from about 800 bombers, combat, reconnaissance and training planes interned in Ru-mania and Lithuania, the Polish airforce virtually was wiped out

proximity to the Ruhr coal fields and lower Rhine industrial region.

#### With German military leaders devoting most of their attention to the western front, the opinion was expressed in circles close to the high command that "if the Reich is vulnerabe anywhere, it is along the frontier facing neu-

Commenting on new reports in Britain that Germany was massand Belgium with the object of attacking from the north, DNB

official news agency, said: for suspicion that there is the and shock. intention on the part of Germany's opponents to violate Belgian and Holland neutrality for automobile plunged over an emwhich they are now seeking a plausible excuse."

"Germany wants no extension of the war zone in the west and has emphasized she has no war aims against England or France." t was said in authoritative quar-

"Certainly Germany would least want the battlefront along the Netherlands and Belgian frontiers because that is uncomfortably close to the Ruhr coal fields and to the highly developed lower Rhine industrial region," quarters said.

"It may be true that the neutrality of Belgium and The Nethfrom the German said." DNB quoted the high command

the Friedrichsafen zeppelin base. The German report said the planes failed to drop bombs and were chased off over Swiss territory. The high command earlier refused to comment on foreign re- proceeding northward at full reaching Copenhagen at a b o u t ports of a raid in the Friedrichsafen area.

#### Tack Lifted From Lung

PORTLAND, Sept. 25,-(AP)-A way. carpet tack was removed from the by Sept. 20 as a result of Germany's whirlwind aerial attack. fully.

### French Planes Defeat **Estonian Coup** German Aerial Fleet As Guns Pound Forts

Admit two Tricolor Ships Downed in Great Battle; Conversations Entire Front Leaps Into Life as Poilus Drive Overland to Haardt Mts.

PARIS, Sept. 25—(AP)—The French announced tonight | Turkish | Delegation | Is they had defeated a German air fleet in two major air battles over the western front.

The battles were fought yesterday as a preliminary to the pounding of Germany's main Siegfried forts from one end of the western front to the other by big French guns which opened up today.

The French said "superior numbers" of German planes were defeated in two distinct fights. The French admitted they lost two planes, but said they

French lines.

eight planes.

masens.

Infantry Attacks

As Planes Dogfight

were certain the Germans lost a greater number despite their su-Subs Add two perior strength. The pilots and machinegunners of two German planes shot down on French territory were cap-

French, British Vessels Reached; Planes Get One of Raiders

Allied Victims

LONDON, Sept. 25 .- (AP)-The twin problems of munitions and supply occupied Britain's government today as the Royal air force continued to pepper Germany with pamphlets, German submarines claimed two more victims and the nation continued its placid, almost humdrum prosecution of

Prime Minister Chamberlain and his ministers of supply and labor, Leslie Burgin and Ernest Brown, talked with Maj. Clement Atlee and Arthur Greenwood, lafor party leaders at No. 10 Downing street. The interview was believed to be in preparation for tomorrow's first meeting of the council of ten, the group that will control munitions during wartime Subs Chalk up

Two More Ships Germany's submarine warfare esterday accounted for two more allied ships and 11 British lives. In each case the submarine was

believed to have escaped. A British freighter, the 4646ton Hazelside was attacked and sunk off the Irish coast with a loss of 11 seamen, according to the government's report.

The information ministry said Royal air force patrols hurried to the rescue of the Hazelside while the U-boat was trying to sub-

Without saying any hints were for bombs." It added nothing fur-

Watchers on the shore got their first sight of the war at sea when the French Collier Phryne of 2660 tons was sunk just off the Brittish coast. Coast guard boats rescued

# Hunting Partner's Pellet Kills Man

BAKER, Sept. 25-(AP)-Charles Austin Morgan of Pondosa was fatally shot yesterday by his deer ing troops near The Netherlands hunting companion, Albert Skaggs, also of Pondosa.

Skaggs fired at a deer and the deer moved, resulting in the bul-"The constant revival of this let striking Morgan in the leftleg, discussion must lead to the con- it was reported. Morgan died a clusion here that there is basis short time later from loss of blood

Sherman Bennett of Baker suffered a skully fracture when his bankment on Dixie Butte near Jack Grove.

# In Slavs' Act Between Russia and Estonia

**Held Possible** 

Halted Suddenly

MOSCOW, Sept. 26-(Tuesday) -(AP)-The entire frontier between Soviet Russia and Rumania and Russia's big Black sea port of Odessa were reported unofficially today to have been closed to

The frontier closing was rogarded as the result of precautionary moves by both govern-

The French pilot of one plane shot down by the Germans parachuted safely to his squadron

gary were said to be uneasy. French authorities said they were certain more than two German planes were shot down but they were able to report only those which fell behind the German military advices reaching Paris said the French lost

Leaves Moscow While the planes fought overhead, the French started the drive concerned urgent business.

which today carried them into the German Haardt mountains be-Secrecy shrouded the sudden tween Wissembourg and Pir-Waves of French infantry, aided by artillery fire, were said to be however. ttacking toward the only main

one of the most difficult sectors of the entire northern flank of the front. Turkish flags. As the French infantry attack

#### (Turn to page 2, col. 1 ) Saracoglu, came from important Friendly Bombers To Drop in Here

Flight of 15 big Planes From Hamilton Field Will Land Friday

road through the mountains in

HAMILTON FIELD, Calif., Sept. 25-(AP)-The railroad center five miles north of Spokane, Wash., had better marshal sandbags and made the communique said the dig air raid cellars, for the sevsubmarine "made a good target enth bambardment group is going to head up that way Friday morning on an official "expedition of

destruction." Lieut Col. Ralph Royce gave gentlemanly warning today that the 15 bombers would be dispatched for the railway terminal objective as part of the United

States army air corps war games. It is to be a one-day raid, with bombers scheduled to arrive over the terminal at 3 p.m. Friday, and to make stops at Boise, Ida., Pendleton and Salem, Ore., before returning to their hangars here Friday night.

The management of the Salem airport had not been advised last night of the bombardment group's projected stop here, Mrs. Leo Arany, wife of the lesse of the field,

#### Aged Pedestrian Killed On South Santiam Road

SWEET HOME, Sept. 25 .- (A)-John W. Culbekson, 77, was struck and killed by an automo-Prairie City. He was on a deer bile yesterday while walking on hunting trip with his son-in-law, the South Santiam highway near

# Coast of Norway Stirred By Crashes of big Guns

COPENHAGEN. Sept. 25-(R)-ino report of a naval engagement way today reported day-long cannonading far at sea which they inerlands is endangered, but not terpreted to mean a naval battle was raging.

It was impossible to learn the this evening that French air-time the firing started but it tified. planes had been sighted and ared stopped - at least temporarilya.m. PST).

south of Bergen in southwestern heard distinctly in the coastal Tuna Price War Norway said they saw several towns. ships of undetermined nationality | Reports of the firing began speed last night amid a constant the time it was announced that exchange of gunfire.

Late in the afternoon residents and westward-away from Nor-

Earlier the residents of Algroi right lung of William Gerow, 18- island, six miles west of Bergen, Since a point off Bergen conmonths-old Portland child, by use had said the battle-if it was a sidered by naval observers as a of a bronchoscope Friday, St. Vin- battle-seemed to be moving logical place to organize such a cent hospital attendants disclosed toward shore. convoy, some sources thought it today. The child has recovered (The British admiralty said possible German warships might

Inhabitants of communities and off the Norwegian coast "as would small islands on the coast of Nor- have been the case had one taken Reports came from Martenen, a

small island off Bergen, that six or seven boats had been seen to the northward constantly maneuvering, but they could not be iden-

The cannonading lulled a halt upon over Lake Constance, near between 7 and 8 p.m. (10 and 11 hour early in the afternoon but when it was resumed the sound of Inhabitants of a small island lighter caliber guns could be

> Swedish naval authorities had instructed Swedish ships bound for along the coast said the firing ap- England to stay within territorial peared to be moving northward waters along the Swedish and Norwegian coasts until contacted by British convoys waiting for them

mewnere ou Norway. Monday night that it had received be attempting to disrupt it. Welcomed by Soviet, Pact Rumored

travelers.

Russia's acquisition of Polish territory considerably increased her border with Rumania and for the first time gave her a frontier with Hungary. Rumania and Hun-

Meanwhile, diplomatic circles said Russia might be making demands upon Estonia, a little Baltic neighbor whose territory was Russian-ruled before the World war—like Rumania's Bessarabia. Foreign Minister

Estonia's foreign minister rushed home yesterday, abruptly ending his stay in Moscow after less than 15 hours. It was reported reliably his hurried trip

cessation of conversations between Karl Selter, the Estonian minister, and high soviet officials, At the same time a number of Russian officials welcomed a dis-

lomatic mission from Turkey amid a great display of soviet and The Turkish delegation, headbegan on the northern flank, the ed by Foreign Minister Sukra

> diplomatic and trade talks. Potemkin Greets Turkish Visitors The welcomers were headed by

Valdimir Potemkin, vice commissar for foreign affairs. Envoys of five Black sea and Balkan states were at the station to greet the visitors. They were the ministers of Rumania, Bulgaria, Greece, Persia and Afghan-

(A Black sea pact has been reported numerous times in recent months as among Russia's object-

ives.) It was said in diplomatic circles that Russia has a tremendous bargaining advantage over Turkey now that Germany and Britain, her chief rivals for Turkish trade, are at war. Trade With Turkey

Believed Aim Foreign circles said they expected Russia would seek a guarantee from Turkey to close the Dardanelles to any ships opposed to Russian interests in return for possible soviet guarantees against any German attack on Turkey.

Diplomats were keenly interested in the sudden departure of the Estonian foreign minister. It was learned reliably that he had been called from a ballet performance to a midnight conference with It was understood that after

Russian officials last night. the conference he left Moscow's leading hotel, the Metropole, where he was welcomed last night by a display of Estonian flags, and spent the remainder of the night at the Estonian legation.

# Poisoner of Pets Declared at Work

Declaration that three dogs and two cats have been poisoned without provocation within the last four months, all within a halfblock in the vicinity of Division. North Commercial and D streets was made Monday by Dr. W. C. Kantner, retired minister. One dog in the next block east met similar fate, he added.

The most aggravated case was the most recent, involving a dog belonging to Dr. Kantner's daughter. This dog was poisoned in spite of the fact that a fence had been built around the home to make sure that the animal bothered no one.

Dr. Kantner said he appealed to the police but was told that nothing could be done about apprehending the poisoner.

# Raises to \$120

ASTORIA. Ore., Sept. 25-(P)

-The price war between Oregon
and California albacore tuna packers was intensified today as the Van Camp Sea Foods, Inc., of California boosted its price to fishermen to \$120 a tor The increase was the third in

two days. Oregon packers raised the price to \$117.50 yesterday after California packers upped the price from \$110 to \$115.