

Weather
Increasing cloudiness today and Thursday, light rain; little change in temperature; ten to twenty day 57, min. 39. River 10.1 ft., south wind.

EIGHTY-NINTH YEAR

In One Ear...

—Paul Hauser's Column

We wonder if many people are afflicted with the slipping habit which is such a trial to us. We are always clipping something or another out of newspapers and magazines and carefully filing a way the clipping in an old shoe which we keep for the purpose.

Every once in a while we get out the old shoe and gleefully go over our board, wondering all the while what made us clip those things in the first place.

Here's a clipping, for instance, about the ghost writers employed by the secretary of agriculture, Mr. Wallace. It's absolutely no good to us. Here's one about a penguin who got lovesick and then was miraculously cured when his owner put a mirror in the penguin pen. Then there's another, neatly pasted on a piece of paper, a fact which makes it exceptional, which tells about the mayor of New York, one Mr. LaGuardia, seeking free soap for public bathhouses.

We don't know and never will what made us think those things were significant. We're afraid our whole life is going to be cluttered up with nondescript bits of spotted newspaper. In spite of all we do to break the habit we go on having Scissorsian seizures.

You might be interested to know that there is a sign in front of a house on the Turner cutoff which says, simply, "We Do Teamwork."

Governor Sprague not only receives books from Ann "Oomph" Sheridan but also many other varied and interesting donations. Recently delivered at the executive offices have been the following: Item, one sack of Idaho potatoes from Governor Bottolfsen of Idaho; item, one case of codfish from Governor Saltonstall of Massachusetts; item, one cookbook from Maine, from whom we don't know, but it certainly came at a handy time; item, one case of beer from somebody's brewery.

The potatoes, the codfish and the beer found their way to the Sprague kitchen. The beer didn't, but we don't know to whose kitchen, if anyone's, it did find its way.

While walking in the rain the other day we saw Murray Wade under the biggest umbrella we have ever seen. He sweats he didn't borrow it from Ringling Brothers.

FIRE LADY NOTE
Rung by dizzy rung catlike firemen scale towering ladders. No height awes them, no tiny foothold stops them. They clamber to the awaiting top of an aerial ladder without a second thought. So it was quite a surprise when the fire department this week at the sides of the flight of stairs leading from the main floor of the central fire hall to the mezzanine recreation room installed handrails.

Mr. Zizzle, we are pleased to report, has at long last received his Sylph Six and is at present busily engaged in wearing it out. This may also serve as a warning to stray dogs, stray cats, loose chickens and pedestrians.

\$9600 Commercial Street Sale Made

F. Louie, proprietor of the New Shanghai cafe, 12 South Commercial street, yesterday announced purchase of the property at 332 and 342 North Commercial streets for a reported consideration of \$9600 and the removal of his restaurant to that location within the next few weeks.

The property was purchased from the Misses Louisa and Clothilda DeGuire, to whom it had belonged for 58 years.

Louie has operated his cafe in its present location since 1938. He has operated restaurants specializing in Chinese cuisine for 15 years, both here and in Portland.

The transaction was handled by William E. Moses.

Spring Is Here; Scout Swallow Has Come Back

One swallow may not make a summer, but when the scout swallow arrives some time in March, spring and the rest of the bird clan are pretty close behind.

J. E. Putnam, who always watches for the "scout" swallow to come to his barn, reported its arrival yesterday morning and predicted that the rest of the birds would soon follow.

Last year the first swallow appeared at the Putnam farm on March 20.

Logger Is Killed

HILLSBORO, March 5.—(AP)—A falling tree killed Lee Jacobson, 57, logger at the Belding Logging company, Cochran, today, Coroner F. J. Sewell reported.

Gaming Probes Spread in two Eastern Cities

Three Jones Boys Facing Income Tax Evasion Counts, Chicago

Detroit Sheriff Is now Defendant Along With 5 Other Officials

CHICAGO, March 5.—(AP)—The policy wheel stopped on an unlucky number for the three affluent Jones brothers of Chicago's Harlem today. The government charged them with evading more than \$1,000,000 in income taxes.

The indictments, first in the policy field during the current investigation of incomes of alleged Chicago gambling kingpins, also accused Thomas R. Gilson, a lawyer and former federal deputy collector of internal revenue, with aiding and abetting the Joneses in the alleged evasion.

Several hours later William R. Johnson, allegedly one of the top men in Chicago's gambling syndicate, surrendered at the federal building, was fingerprinted and posted \$50,000 surety bond on an indictment returned Friday charging he owed the government \$2,232,497 in income taxes, penalties and interest. He made no statement.

Thousands Daily Taken Policy Game

Government agents said the three negro brothers, Edward P. Jones, McKissack McHenry Jones and George P. Jones, came from Mississippi 20 years ago, worked as railroad dining car waiters and then entered the policy game, profits of which rapidly pushed them up to a plane of "lavish living."

Agents said they cantered along park bridle paths garbed in the height of equestrian style, owned a motor car.

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Iowa Republicans Reveal Strength

Goodwin, Youthful Mayor, Elected to Congress to Fill Vacancy

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 5.—(AP)—The sixth Iowa district held true to its republican traditions today by electing Robert K. Goodwin, youthful mayor of Redfield, to fill the unexpired term of the late Congressman Cassius C. Dowell.

Byron G. Allen of Des Moines, democrat who campaigned on a new deal platform, conceded defeat.

With 165 out of 218 precincts tabulated, Goodwin held a three-to-two lead over Allen.

Robert K. Goodwin (R) 24,555. Byron G. Allen (D) 15,316. W. W. Klein (Ind.) 321.

Goodwin was ahead in every one of the six counties in the district.

The election had been heralded as a test of new deal's comeback charge in Iowa after the republican triumph in 1938. Goodwin is 35; Allen 38.

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace's home is here, and Allen sought in his campaign to establish the AAA as the prime issue.

Goodwin, however, is an AAA co-operator on his 250-acre farm. He talked "parity prices for farmers" just as emphatically as did his opponent.

The republican nominee is a son of W. J. Goodwin, Des Moines banker and a regional chairman on Glenn Frank's program committee. Allen, who has been elected to Iowa legislature both as an independent and a republican, joined the democratic party in 1936.

Cooperage Firm Workers Strike Over Wage Issue

PORTLAND, March 5.—(AP)—A collapse in the two-month-old wage and hour negotiations resulted in a strike of 400 APL lumber and sawmill workers today at the Western Cooperage company.

According to local authorities, Parker, 21, a student at the North Pacific Dental college in Portland, recovered the skins from a waste receptacle in the dental college laboratory and sent them to McDowell in Salem.

The latter turned them over to the Salem Tanning company, the manager of which, not wanting to work with them, sent them to the Napa tannery. Their presence was reported to authorities, who then requested an investigation here.

The fragments of skin are listed in the complaint as being in one instance 12 inches wide by about 20 long, and in the other, somewhat smaller.

British Holding Dozen Italian Coal Ships; Soviet Fliers Strafe Finn Village, 50 Dead

Hospital Hit; Viipuri Still Is Being Held

32 Planes Rake Village Killing 50; "Brutal" Attack Protested

Moscow Says Encircling Tactics Successful, Beleaguered City

HELSINKI, March 6.—(Wednesday)—At least 50 persons were killed and scores wounded in a small south central Finnish town yesterday when Russian planes executed one of their worst bombing raids of the war.

Five direct hits were scored on a hospital, and one bomb dropped on an air-raid shelter.

The raiders, diving out of the clouds to 1,400 or 1,700 feet, swept over in two flights 50 minutes apart.

Fifteen of the bombs struck in the vicinity of a military hospital and one big explosive missile went directly down the stairway from the top of the four-story building to the bottom.

Twenty-five persons, nearly all of them women, were killed when a bomb hit the top of the air raid shelter.

Two hundred bombs, all effective, were dropped in the raid by 32 planes just after a party of five foreign newspaper correspondents and photographers arrived in the town. (Military censorship forbids naming the town.)

The attack, a sample of the air warfare which Russia is pressing home, came as the Finns with their own air force had bombed and machine-gunned red army detachments attempting to cross ice-crusted Viipuri bay. The Finns said they still were holding the Russians at the outskirts of that battered port.

Russians Drowned And Tanks Sunken

Some Russian troops were drowned and several tanks sunk in huge fissures on the ice of Viipuri bay, opened up when bombs and artillery on the attackers coming west in an attempt to encircle the city, unofficial Finnish reports said.

The Finnish high command said fighting still was in progress among the rugged inlets at the mouth of the bay, and the Finnish (Turn to page 2, col 1)

Economy Possible Trustees Declare

Independent Trustees of PEP Back up Request to Include PGE

PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—(AP)—The Portland Electric Power company's independent trustees reported to the federal court today that operating costs of the Portland General Electric and Portland Traction companies, subsidiaries, can be cut considerably.

The holding company's attempt to have the subsidiaries included in its reorganization act met with opposition from the Guaranty Trust company of New York. Hearing on the question has not been completed.

The trustees also reported that Bonneville's entrance into the local power field and the possible creation of public utility districts has made it difficult for them to conserve the interests of the company's stock and security holders.

Purchase of Bonneville power on a longer term contract than the one now in effect was urged.

Federal Judge James A. Fee approved an order providing for the report's distribution to stockholders. The trustees are Thomas W. Dezell and R. L. Clark.

R. H. Rees Named Deputy Treasurer

Reginald H. Rees, 27, was appointed deputy county treasurer yesterday by the county court to assist Lawrence Rich, whom the court named to take the place of David G. Drager following the latter's resignation last week.

Rees was sworn in late yesterday by County Clerk U. G. Boyer and will begin his new duties today.

The son of Mrs. Clara H. Rees of Salem route four, Rees has recently been bookkeeper and salesman at the Tallman piano store. He is a graduate of Salem high school, and attended the Capital Business college, Willamette university and the University of Oregon. His major during his college course was business administration.

Rich yesterday praised Rees' qualifications for his new position and indicated that he had been selected from among a number of applicants for the position.

Don't Kick at Snarl in Dark; May Have Claws

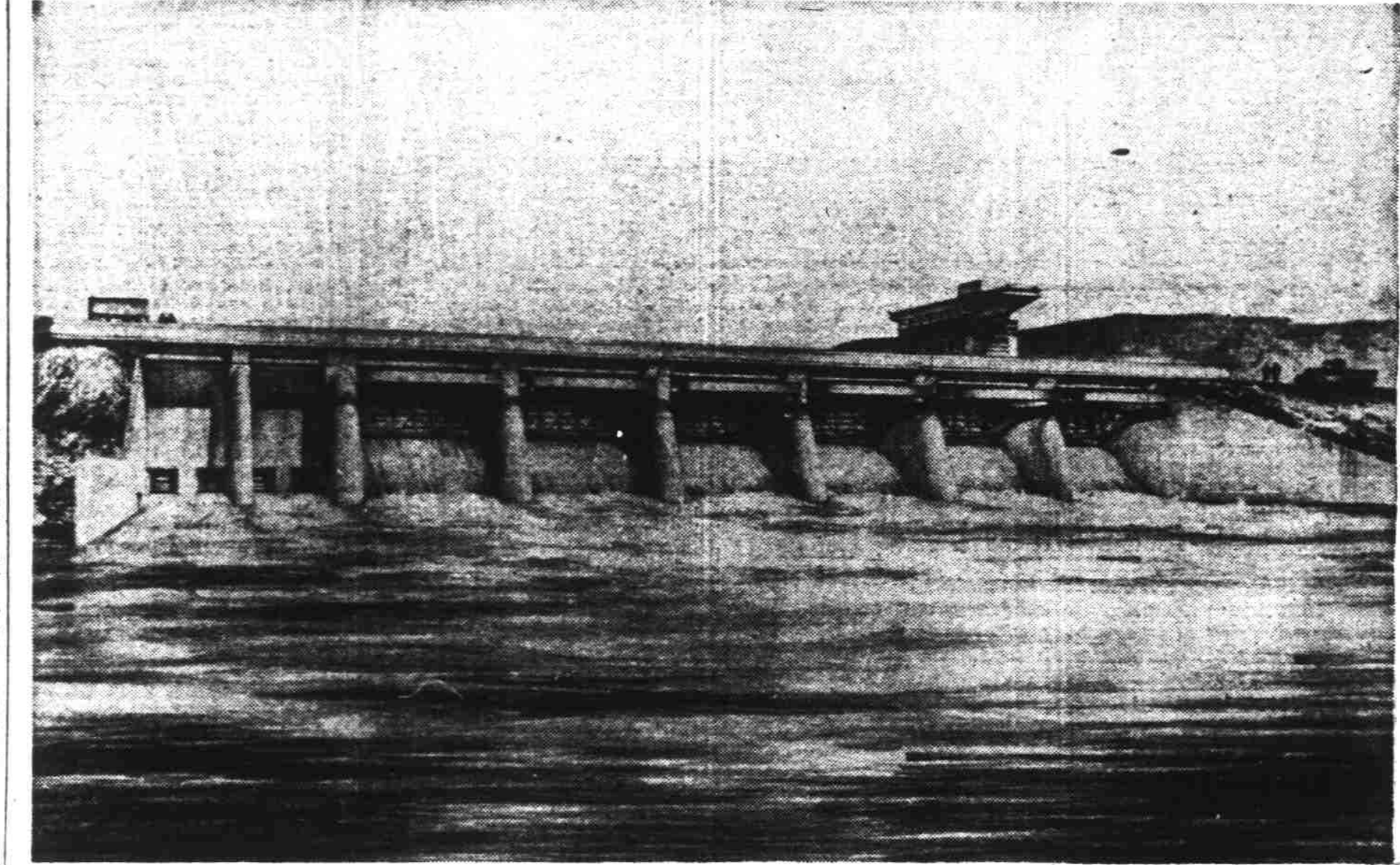
DETROIT, Ore., March 5.—Mrs. Mae Phelps received the surprise of her life when she went outside her Marion Forks home to investigate the sudden, pitiful cry of her pet house cat.

Discovering the intruder was a big cat, she promptly kicked it before she discovered it was a wildcat.

Dewey BreVierre came to her aid and shot the unwanted visitor.

"I'll look before I kick next time," she said.

BIDS ARE OPENED ON FIRST BIG DAM OF VALLEY PROJECT



Major construction on the Willamette Valley Project was imminent as the US Army Engineers' office in Portland opened bids Monday on the Fern Ridge dam which will impound the waters of Long Tom river in Lane county. This is how the spillway below the dam will look, according to army engineer draftsmen. The concrete part of the dam, flanked on either side by earth fill, will be 800 feet long. Flow of water will be controlled by the six large gates at center and right, and the four small gates at the left.—Cut courtesy Eugene Register-Guard.

Shenandoah Folk Seek Safeguards

Mass Meeting Called but Legal Right Doubtful, Governor Remarks

SHENANDOAH, Pa., March 5.—(AP)—Determined mine-town men tonight demanded damages and adequate safeguards against cave-ins wrecking their undermined homes.

They gathered for a mass meeting in the face of a statement by Governor Arthur H. James that court mining rights decisions made "the property rights of the people of Shenandoah about as fleeting as a cloud."

Meanwhile, widening cracks in walls and floors of the most populous section of slowly sinking Shenandoah—on a mountain slope—fanned fears that damage to a 16-block district would rise to more than \$1,000,000.

Amid intermittent rumblings of the steady sagging that started early yesterday, engineers examined the underlying honeycomb of old workings 1000 feet below the streets and reported finding nothing "immediately alarming."

Families returned to their tilted, cracked houses today and began repairs. Most of the damaged houses still are without heat. Some lack water because of broken mains. Four schools, the postoffice and several business places remained closed—condemned as unsafe until they can be repaired or rebuilt.

Late Sports

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—(AP)—Taisto Maki, running foot races in behalf of his war-embattled native Finland, made an impressive American debut here tonight when he easily outstripped a local field to win a three-mile race.

Without being pressed and leading in all but two of the 36 laps over the wooden saucer, the tireless Finn was clocked in 14 minutes 15.3 seconds. The indoor American record, set by one of Maki's countrymen, Willie Ritola, in New York Feb. 24, 1935, is 13:56.2.

Ted Vollmer, University of California runner, finished second, and W. Madrid of Fresno, was third. Both were lapped by the Flying Finn.

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y., March 5.—(AP)—Steve Belloise, sensational young New York welterweight, gained an easy eight-round victory over Wild Bill McDowell of Dallas, Tex., before a record crowd of 7,500 at the county center tonight. Belloise weighed 146½, McDowell 145½.

Boise Firm's Bid Low

On big Fern Ridge Dam

Award Will Be Announced in 10 Days After Other Proposals Compared; First Major Unit of Valley Project to Be Started

PORTLAND, March 5.—(AP)—A low bid of \$723,000 was submitted by the Morrison-Knudsen Construction company of Boise, Idaho, today for construction of the Fern Ridge dam in Lane county.

The US army engineers' office reported the award would be made in about 10 days, after 19 other bids are studied.

The dam, part of the \$63,000,000 Willamette valley flood control project, will be located about 12 miles southwest of Eugene, on the Long Tom river.

Other low bids included Frederickson & Westbrook, Sacramento, \$744,447; Hamahan-Connelly company, San Francisco, \$747,470; Ackley Construction company, West Coast Construction company and Macri Brothers, all of Seattle, \$770,427; A. Teichert & company, Sacramento, \$812,115; Parker-Schram company and Eaton & Smith, both of Portland, \$816,248.

Japanese Advance Stoutly Resisted

HONGKONG, March 6.—(Wednesday)—Chinese militiamen and armed civilians were reported in Chinese quarters today to be stoutly resisting the advance of a strong Japanese force which landed this morning on the south bank of the Pearl river, 50 miles south of Canton and only 20 miles north of the Portuguese colony of Macao.

Landing under the protecting fire of destroyers anchored in the Pearl river, the Japanese navel and military forces met with determined Chinese resistance after they had pushed beyond the protecting range of their naval guns. The fighting was increasing in intensity.

The objective of the new Japanese drive has not been disclosed.

Merchants Order Clear Sky For 16th Spring 'Opening'

Although Salem's 16th annual spring opening Thursday night will be the earliest ever held, participating merchants are relying for clear skies on their past successes in ordering good weather for the event. Rain has fallen on only one spring opening night in 15 years.

Officially starting at 7:30 o'clock when windows are unrolled to show the latest in 1940 spring merchandise, the opening will include an auto show, band music and style shows. Window decorators of many of the stores were yesterday promising something entirely different in the way of arrangements, leading to expectations that a new high may be reached in colorful and attractive displays. An outdoor style show with 25 models will be presented by one firm and living models will also be utilized by several other stores.

Every Salem automobile dealer will have several models on display at the auto exhibit, which will be held on Liberty street between Court and Chemeketa. Latest in farm machinery will also be shown there by local dealers in farm equipment.

Four bands will add to the festive spirit by playing while marching through the downtown streets. The Willamette university band, high school band, Master Bread juniors and Master Bread seniors will participate.

Arrangements are being made by the Ad club, with Earl Daus heading the committee.

Aberdeen Probe Being Organized

Civil Liberties Group to Investigate Declares Howard Costigan

PORTLAND, Ore., March 5.—(AP)—A civil liberties committee of eastern liberals, led possibly by Theodore Drieser, the novelist, may go to Aberdeen, Wash., to investigate the status of civil rights there, Howard Costigan of Seattle declared here tonight.

The Washington Commonwealth Federation's executive secretary returned from Washington, DC, and entrained a few hours later for Seattle. He declared that both official Washington and liberal elements in New York expressed "deep concern" over the Laura Law death case in Aberdeen.

Mrs. Law was the wife of (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

President Parries Third Term Query

WASHINGTON, March 5.—(AP)—President Roosevelt adhered to his policy of strict public silence on the third term question today despite the heaviest barrage of press conference questioning in more than a year.

He dismissed most queries with the statement that he knew nothing about this or that development because he had just returned from a 17-day trip to the Panama canal.

The president declared he had not read an article by Ernest Lindley, columnist, which said the chief executive had told an unidentified southern congressman he wished to retire and thought Secretary Hull would be a good man to succeed him. Therefore, Mr. Roosevelt added, he could not answer a direct question about the truth of the story.

Canby Reports Saving With Bonneville Power

CANBY, March 5.—(AP)—Canby saved \$554 during its first month of operation with Bonneville power, Water Superintendent Louis Lent reported today.

The city paid \$295.75 for 59,150 kilowatts, which would have cost \$849 under a previous contract with a private utility, Lent said.

Vote big Interior Department Fund

WASHINGTON, March 5.—(AP)—Developing less opposition than a similar measure in recent years, the \$119,071,187 interior department appropriations bill moved to the amendment stage in the house late today. Indications were that it would be sent to the senate tomorrow virtually as it emerged from committee.

During four hours general debate the house heard only one rather mild attack on the big supply bill—by Representative Rich (R, Pa.), who said he knew of "no reason under the sun" why it couldn't be reduced by ten or twelve million dollars.

Western members, however, deflected funds for reclamation and other projects carried in the measure as "modest."

Rome Keeping Silence After First Protest

Status of Second Group of six Vessels not Fully Revealed

Jerusalem new Trouble Spot for England as Rioting Reported

ROME, March 5.—(AP)—Britain's detention of Italian coal ships was received silently in Italy tonight, although the government only yesterday registered an emphatic protest against the halting of German coal exports.

Government sources, declaring they were not officially informed of the seizure, the British contraband control, declined to make any prediction as to what the Italian reaction might be.

LONDON, March 5.—(AP)—Up to six Italian ships carrying German coal from Rotterdam arrived tonight off the Downs, British contraband control station, where six others were taken during the day.

At least two of those already held were known to be laden with German coal, which Britain has declared contraband. It was not clear whether tonight's new arrivals came voluntarily, or under the guidance of British warships, or whether they yet included all of the second group of six which sailed from The Netherlands port during the day.

A third group of six Italian colliers continued loading at Rotterdam.

The seizures, constituting an emphatic reply to a sharp Italian protest, came as British stepped up other phases of her economic warfare against Germany by announcing a \$200,000,000 (about \$1,200,000,000) war loan and a campaign to increase British exports.

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Today's moves further to strangle German exports were accompanied by Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir John Simon's announcement that the new war loan would open March 12 and a government white paper promising efforts to obtain the "greatest volume of export trade possible" to bolster England's financial and economic defenses.

JERUSALEM, March 5.—(AP)—Stones flew in strategic, long-troubled Jerusalem today and one British constable was injured as police broke up fresh Jewish demonstrations against new British laws restricting the transfer of land from Arabs to Jews.

Windows were broken in Jaffa Road and in a theatre.

Police imposed a curfew from 3:30 p. m. to 1 a. m. on the Jewish quarter for the first time since the beginning of the Jewish city of Tel Aviv.

Miss Henrietta Szold, of Baltimore, and a group of leaders of the Jewish women's council presented a memorandum to the land laws to British authorities, who will forward it to London.

The latest demonstration followed disturbances of last Saturday in which 14 British police and several Jews were injured. An 18-year-old university student injured in Tel Aviv died today.

The clashes Saturday began when crowds gathered and stoned police stations.

(In Rome, a reliable informant from Jerusalem gave an uncensored account of demonstrations late last month in Palestine. He said the largest disturbance was at Tel Aviv, where cavalry troops were summoned and charged the crowd with down sabers. About 140 Jews and scores of police were hurt. More than 15,000 Jews took part in the Tel Aviv protest.)