

# Ford Factories In US Close

### Big Motor Firm Halts All Supplies; Idle Numbers Thousands

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mines in the eight-state Appalachian area would reopen next week.  
He said, however, that the operators "as a group" had refused to comply or to attempt to comply with the government proposal to permit miners to return to their jobs at their former wage scale, pending the signing of a contract, with the understanding that any wage increases arrived at would be made retroactive to the date that the men returned to work.

WASHINGTON, April 4—(AP)—Negotiations for a new wage contract between the US Steel corporation and its CIO employees have reached "an absolute deadlock," it was learned from an informed source Friday night, and the union leaders are preparing for a strike next Tuesday midnight.

A strike in "big steel," if effective enough to halt operations in the corporation's subsidiaries, would involve approximately 250,000 steel workers.

If CIO calls a strike at US Steel next Tuesday midnight, it will mark the first disruption in relations between the two organizations since 1936 when big steel entered into a contract with John L. Lewis.

The Carnegie-Illinois Steel company in Pittsburgh, with approximately 120,000 employees, would be the largest of big steel's subsidiaries which might be affected by a walkout.

# Text Book Bill Becomes Law

### Governor Also Signs Cigarette Tax Act and Clears Desk

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and Theodore G. Nelson, executive secretary of the Oregon Pension Federation, witnessed the signing of the cigarette tax bill, setting up a levy amounting to two cents a package.  
Saying he was pleased to sign the measure because it would enable the public welfare commission to increase the amounts paid for old age assistance, the governor added, in a prepared statement:

"During my administration the so-called paupers oath has been abolished and this year claims against estates of those who have received assistance have been expedited particularly for the old age program and this cigarette tax should enable the state to do a still better job of assistance for our elderly people."

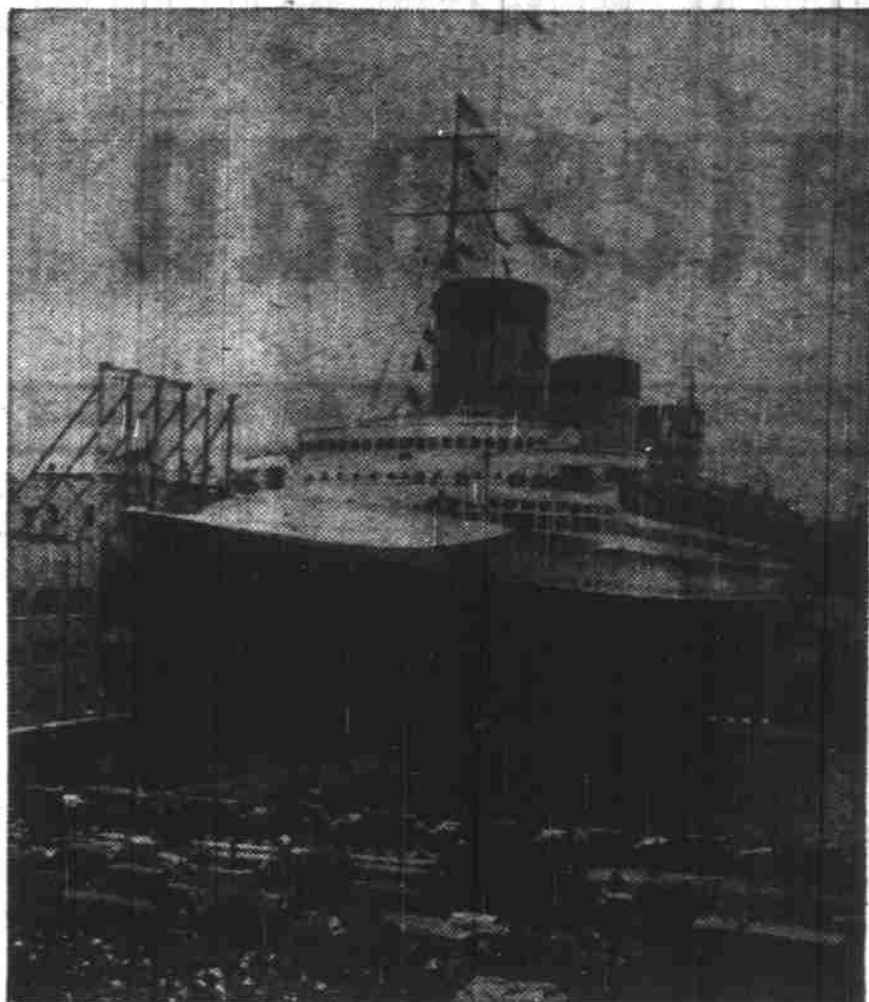
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# Ships Demand Turned Down



Liner Normandie in New York



The seizure of some 69 axis vessels in American ports drew demands for immediate release from both the German and Italian governments but Secretary of State Cordell Hull bluntly refused. Below are the envoys of the two European countries: left, Hans Thomsen, charge d'affaires of the German embassy and right, Prince Colonna, Italian ambassador, who handed Uncle Sam their notes. Above is the Normandie, French liner, which it is believed in Washington may come under US ban together with five French freighters tied up in NY harbor.

# Highway Board Relents, Allows Boat to "Sail" on Roads

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4—(AP)—The state highway commission relented Friday and gave Chet I. Good, Eugene, permission to take his 45-foot ocean going vessel Norwind, to the sea via the Siuslaw highway, providing it can clear a covered bridge five miles east of Cheshire.

# Picket Sees Car Stolen

Mervil B. Van Cleave, who lives at 1410 Turner road and is a union picket assigned to the Loder Bros. garage, was standing in the alley beside the garage taking a brief respite from his marching duties Friday morning when he saw a man steal his car.  
Van Cleave ran out of the alley just in time to see the car pull away from the spot he had parked in on the north side of Center street.

The car, listed on police reports as of \$60 value, was found by police 20 minutes later abandoned at Brook street and Highland avenue.

# Former Salem Teacher Dies

PORTLAND, April 4—(AP)—E. E. Horning, 48, Grant high school teacher of Portland, died of a heart attack at his home here Friday.

Horning was born at Corvallis and was graduated from Oregon State college. He taught at Eugene and Salem before coming to Portland.

# Swim Eliminations Set at Y Today

Eliminations in the northwest YMCA swimming meet will open at 1:30 Saturday afternoon in the Salem Y tank. John Gardner, local aquatic director, is in charge.  
As they will be run, the eliminations are—senior 300-yard medley relay, junior 40-yard free style, senior 220-yard free style, junior 100-yard breast stroke, senior 60-yard free style, junior 100-yard backstroke, junior 100-yard free style, senior 100-yard backstroke, junior 180-yard medley relay, senior 200-yard breast stroke and senior 440-yard free style.

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With weather permitting, the 39-man field will leave the starting point at one-minute intervals, with Art Strohm of the University of Washington starting first at 2:05 p.m.

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# In One Ear . . .

### —Paul Hauser's Column

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She was standing with arms upraised and the funny thing was that from her hips up and out on her well-rounded arms there appeared to be a good second-growth coating of bark. That wasn't all, either. Where her hands should have been there were leaves, green ones full of the vigor of springtime.  
We walked on thinking about spring tones and girls and decided that all in all we'd rather have our girls have hands in the springtime, even if they are the same old ones from year to year.  
We are always looking at the papers and we are always seeing pictures of somebody selling a ticket to something to a governor or senator or a mayor. We are getting a little tired of it. What we would like to see is a picture of somebody selling a ticket to a policeman or a picture of Henry D. Fiddle of 977 Backwater street reluctantly taking the rubber bands off his billfold to buy a ticket from a disappointing-looking girl whom he met at a lodge picnic and hardly knows, but feels he can't refuse her.

COULD BE VERSE  
The kingdom of the Serb, the Slovene and the Croat  
Isn't giving Herr Hitler very much  
to cry at.  
It may make Mister Hitler rave,  
But the papers say a Slav won't be a slave.  
And it's enough to make Sandy in the funny papers go "Er!"  
To learn that the doughy Serb ain't going to be a serf.  
And he'll at least have the satisfaction of knowing that the brave Yugo that he isn't going to be like the other countries that patted other countries on the back and said "You go."

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# Chief Executive Spends Billion

### Portland Gets More Funds for Building of New Ship Ways

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and ways, plus another \$500,000,000 for transfer of existing military supplies and food, and a small indefinite sum for repair of foreign and American merchant ships in United States ports, boosted the total allocations from the \$1,000,000,000 fund to more than \$2,000,000,000.  
Mr. Roosevelt said that in addition, he was studying the allocation of between \$1,500,000,000 and \$2,000,000,000 more for army, navy and agricultural items.  
Last Tuesday the president disclosed that \$1,080,000,000 had been allocated for procurement of new equipment, including guns and ammunition, planes, tanks and trucks, agricultural supplies, and miscellaneous military items.  
The 212 new merchant vessels, to be built at new and existing seaboard yards, are in addition to 200 simple, standard design cargo ships which the maritime commission is building under a separate appropriation to relieve the world shortage of tonnage.  
While it was not stated officially, there were indications that the British, hard-pressed for new tonnage, would be supplied all existing merchant ships the United States could spare, without waiting for completion of any of the new ones ordered built.  
The president said the first of the 212 vessels would be completed about January 1.  
Asked whether this new construction would relieve existing "pressure for convoys," he said he could not answer that categorically.  
The commission declined to say where the new ways would be built, except that the expansion would affect only six of the 18 ship yards now building standard design boats.  
All of the seven emergency yards contracted for during January and February will be expanded, but the number of ways to be added at each was not made public.  
The emergency yards are Portland, Ore.; Los Angeles; Houston, Texas; Mobile, Ala.; Wilmington, NC.; Baltimore and New Orleans.

Troop 13 ran off with first honors Friday night in the Cherry City district Boy Scout rally by winning five of a possible eight firsts in contests. A large crowd viewed the competition and exhibitors of handicraft.

The troop, which won a plaque and ribbons, is sponsored by the First Methodist church.

Troop 14 of the state school for the deaf won second place by taking one first, five seconds and one third in individual competition.

Troop nine was third, and troop six fourth. Thirteen troops from the district participated, and ten troops made exhibits. Sea Scout Ship Willamette presented an inspection drill.

Council Executive Ronald R. Ruddiman announced for May 16, 17 and 18 the annual council Camporee at Silverton.

BERNE, Switzerland, April 4—(AP)—Travelers from Paris reported Friday night that 40 persons were arrested in Paris Thursday after demonstrations against German authorities. The disorders began, the travelers said, in the central market place where lines of shopping housewives shouted against food shortages.

ROME, April 4—(AP)—The Vatican radio Friday night accused Germany of imposing on religious institutions of occupied France conditions which made it difficult for them to exist. The speaker said the Catholic press had been suppressed except for brief diocesan bulletins.

MEXICO CITY, April 4—(AP)—The Mexican senate Friday approved an agreement between Mexico and the United States providing for reciprocal transit of the military planes of both countries.

NEW YORK, April 4—(AP)—The National Broadcasting company quoted the Budapest radio as reporting Friday night that civilians were being evacuated from Zara, Italian Dalmatian coast town separated from the Adriatic sea. Approximately 5000, mostly women, children and the aged, already had left the town whose population is about 13,000 the radio said. Only a narrow strip of the Italian Dalmatian coast separates Zara from Yugoslav Dalmatia.

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SALEM'S NEWEST THEATRE LIBERTY ENDS TODAY 3 Pioneers in "THE WEST" Plus "Street of Missing Men" Plus "Chap. & White Eagle" 15c

STARTS SUNDAY Paul Maud in "We Are Not Alone" and "Mickey the Kid" with Bruce Cabot

MARX BROS. in "GO WEST" Time: 2:20-5:25-7:25-10:20 END HIT — SIDNEY TOLER JOAN VALLERIE "CHARLIE CHAN AT THE WAX MUSEUM" Time: 1:20-4:20-6:20-9:20 POPEYE CARTOON

MIDNIGHT SHOW Jennette MacDonald Nelson Eddy "BITTERSWEET"

# Late Sports

### Spokane Indians Baseball Team Announced

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# New District Befuddles

### Legislature Forgets Three-Man Board; Problem Arises

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new fourth congressional district, will expire. Whoever may be appointed for the next term, Clough or a newcomer to the commission, can, geographically speaking, represent either the first or