

**The Weather**  
 Forecast: Fair tonight and Wednesday; not much change in temperature.  
 Highest yesterday 93  
 Lowest this morning 47

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# FIRE WIPES OUT NOME, ALASKA



**News Behind The News**  
 By PAUL MALLON  
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 18.—No one can prove it, but every financial insider knows that a certain group of bankers is trying to force and dangerously to show President Roosevelt the error of his spending ways.

They are the ones who are selling government bonds in large and small quantities. Their purpose is to scare the new dealers about their financing and convince them that they had better get conservative.

The elder financiers in Wall street do not like the idea. They (the Morgans, for instance) are taking no part in it. They are new deal is here for a good long while; that there is nothing constructive they can do about it, and if they want to make money, they had better adjust themselves to the unpleasant (for them) requirements of the existing situation.

The young Turks of the financial district think differently. Their names are well known among the treasury insiders.

The treasury got so excited about the situation last week that Mr. Morgenthau sent to New York his able assistant, Under-Secretary Thomas Jefferson Coolidge. Mr. Coolidge made the rounds of suspected short sellers, telling them that they are making a mistake if they think they can profit by selling the new deal short in the government bond market.

Mr. Morgenthau also has pressed into similar service a New Yorker with whom he is closely acquainted. They were put to work when Mr. Morgenthau heard that a New York crowd dumped some fifteen millions of governments on the market in the middle of his refinancing program.

The conspirators do not realize it, but their tactics cannot be anything more than annoying. The upshot of it probably will be that they will lose money in a fruitless endeavor to embarrass the government. However, you cannot tell them that. They think they will put the new deal on the run.

There have been a lot of exaggerations about the drought. It was very bad, but not as bad as it was pictured. As far as national purchasing power is concerned, its effects certainly have been over-emphasized.

## POPULATION LEFT WITHOUT SHELTER OR FOOD IN COLD

**Famed City of Gold Faced by Dire Dilemma—Loss Estimated at \$2,000,000—Help Plea Is Sent Out**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Secretary Ickes, the public works administrator, said today that he might be "able to aid in financing a rebuilding program" at Nome, Alaska, with public works funds.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 18.—(AP)—The "Gateway to Alaska," Seattle, stood ready today to rush aid to stricken Nome, and one 4,000-ton vessel has already been chartered to rush food and supplies north.

While cabled news of the disaster was still reaching here last night, Ralph Lomen, vice-president of the Lomen Commercial company and head of the Arctic Transport company, announced the vessel had been chartered. Loading will begin within a day or two, he said.

"Seattle has the ships and the tonnage to take care of the situation," he said.

NOME, Alaska, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Alaska's famous city of gold lay in smoking ruins today with two dead and a property loss estimated as high as \$2,000,000.

Faced by a definite food shortage and an early winter which will lock the city's roadstead with ice, Nome's homeless citizens pleaded for immediate aid from the states.

"We must have help from outside expediently," said Dr. Rex M. Schwartz, the city's physician-mayor.

The federal government, Red Cross and American companies promptly promised to rush aid in an effort to beat the winter's ice into the harbor.

Starting from a spark on the roof of the Golden Gate hotel yesterday morning, flames roared through the wooden town. Leaping from building to building, and then from block to block, efforts of firemen aided by all able bodied citizens—men, women and children—were futile.

Federal buildings, the miners and merchant's bank, every grocery store and restaurant, all of the hotels, but one, fell before the worst disaster this city has known in its 35-year history.

Two Eskimos perished. Two Eskimos were trapped by the flames. They burned to death. Buildings were dynamited as the blaze raced down front street. A number of white persons were injured. At the hospital—one of the few buildings to escape the fire—physicians said Nome was in a serious condition.

Most of the city's food supply was consumed by the fire—a dire predicament for a city as isolated as Nome which must import all that it eats. Food and material to rebuild the city must be brought in by boat over long rough water journeys from southeastern Alaska or Seattle before ice freezes out all ships six weeks hence.

Food supply problem. Food may also be flown in by airplane from Fairbanks, half way across Alaska. Dog sled journeys from Fairbanks take months under normal conditions, and the fall is one of the poorest times of the year for mushing.

Hundreds of Nome's summer population of 1000 were utterly homeless. In winter time the city has about 1300 residents.

## Flaming Torch Thrown In Room Of Sleeping Boy

SEATTLE, Sept. 18.—(UP)—No motive could be found today to explain hurling of a flaming torch into the bedroom window of six-year-old Monte Solkover.

Mrs. Ben Solkover, his mother, told police a wad of newspapers soaked in gasoline, was lighted and tossed through the window as the child slept. It ignited window curtains.

The boy's screams brought his mother to the room, where she extinguished the blaze with a blanket.

## NEW DEAL PLAYED BY MILLS AS PATH TO DICTATORSHIP

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—(UP)—Osgood L. Mills, secretary of the Treasury and the Hoover administration, declared last evening that the "new deal" government of President Roosevelt was rapidly leading the American people toward a dictatorship and the death of democracy.

Mills, speaking before the Women's National Republican club in a constitution day address, declared the Rooseveltian theory of government was "the negation of the fundamental principles set forth in the constitution and of the supreme objective for which it was established."

"In the field of government," he said, "it calls for an authoritarian government, of which a dictatorship is the supreme expression, and which is exemplified in the modern world by the fascist government of Germany, the nazist government of Italy, and the communist government, or Russia."

Mills pointed to the decline of democracy in Europe, and the rise of dictatorships with the rule of single men over nations. He pointed out how parliaments delegated "vast powers to the executive; then were satisfied merely to record his wishes, finally fading from the scene altogether."

"We have witnessed something of this kind in our country," Mills declared.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Describing by inference, the gold nationalization act as "brutalized racialism," and asserting that "democracy is not safe in this republic," James A. Reed, former democratic senator from Missouri, slipped into the new deal in a fiery address here last night in which he said the current administration was sponsoring a paternalistic violation of the constitution.

Apparently referring to Upton Sinclair, democratic nominee for governor of California, Senator Reed declared that "thoughtful people everywhere gaze with astonishment as the most radical socialist of our time is honored by official Washington."

PORTLAND, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Benjamin Popham, 76, was fatally injured Monday when he fell from a tree, which he had been pruning.

## CHALLENGER WINS SECOND STRAIGHT AND SETS RECORD

**British Endeavor Sails 30-Mile Course 51 Seconds Faster Than Rainbow—Bad Luck Attends Start**

Sail Tomorrow  
 NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 18.—(AP)—The New York Yacht club announced today, following the second straight victory of the British challenger Endeavor, that the third official race of the America's cup series would be sailed tomorrow, starting at the usual time, 10:40 a. m. (E. S. T.)

ABOARD U. S. C. G. CUTTER ARGO OFF NEWPORT, Sept. 18. (AP)—Endeavor, British challenger for the America's cup, today set a new cup record for a 30-mile triangular course as she sailed home in 3 hours, 9 minutes and 1 second to defeat the American defender Rainbow by 51 seconds for the second straight day.

The British sloop's elapsed time for the windward leg of 1:17:01 bested the cup record, set by Reliance in 1903, by 2 minutes and 57 seconds, but a shift in the wind had made the last fifth of today's best made of a reach that a beat and the comparison hardly would stand challenge.

Bad Luck at Start  
 Beaten over the starting line and handicapped with a torn sail, the blue-hulled challenger quickly made good mark a winning one as she sailed home winner by 51 seconds.

In her victory she added new laurels as she broke the record for a triangular course set by Enterprise in 1930.

Her time was 3 hours, 9 minutes and 1 second, compared to Enterprise's old cup record of 3:10:13.

With the start at 10:40 a. m. (E. S. T.), the official finish was Endeavor 1:49:01, Rainbow 1:49:52.

It was only the second time in the 83-year history of the international racing classic that a British boat has won two successive races. The other was in 1920 when the late Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock IV defeated Resolute in the first two races only to lose the next three and her chance at the cup.

British Now Favored  
 Today's race was one of the closest in cup history but it established the British boat as a favorite to regain the famous trophy won by the schooner America in 1851 and defended successfully against 15 challengers.

Endeavor had all the hard luck, making a late start with a torn jib, then losing control of her reaching jib as she rounded the first mark and again losing precious seconds at the 20-mile mark sheeting in the jib again.

Harold S. Vanderbilt and his American cup defender cut down the victor's margin on the last 10-mile leg in a close reach, but could not overtake.

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## BASEBALL

American.	R.	H.	E.
New York	0	6	0
Detroit	2	7	0
Ruffing and Jorgens; Rowe and Cochrane.			
National.	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	6	12	0
Chicago	0	6	1
Dietrich and Hayes; Kennedy, Tietje and Madjeski.			
National.	R.	H.	E.
Pittsburgh	4	13	4
Brooklyn	9	17	0
Swift, Meine, Grimes and Padden; Leonard and Lopez.			

## MUSIC PROGRAM CHARMS ROTARY AT LUNCH MEET

Another splendid musical program was presented by Mrs. Lilla Purucker at today's luncheon meeting of the Medford Rotary club. Mrs. Fredricka Reinbeck of Los Angeles, better known in this city as Helen Purucker, entertained a large group of Rotarians with two song numbers, "I Passed by Your Window" and "The World is Waiting for the Sunrise." Mrs. Effie Herbert Yeoman then delighted the members of the club with two vocal numbers. The songs presented by both these artists were enthusiastically received by the Rotarians.

Lee Bishop's popular thumblin' sketches this week featured the famous child prodigy, Ruth Slenczynski, and the dynamic Benito Mussolini.

One of the features of the luncheon, held in the basement banquet hall of the Hotel Medford, was delicious deep sea Chinook salmon, brought to Medford from Cannon by Jack Wakefield, and cooked "to a turn" by the staff of the Medford hotel. This fish treat was furnished the Rotary club through the courtesy of F. E. Drane, who operates a general dockage and warehousing business at Bandon.

Jack Wakefield, who has just completed a short vacation at Bandon, voiced the appreciation of the Rotary club for Mr. Drane's fine fish feed.

Harlan P. Bosworth of Klamath Falls was a visiting Rotarian at today's meeting, and H. N. Sankey of Eugene was also a guest.

## RUTH CHATTERTON SEEKING DIVORCE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 18.—(UP)—Ruth Chatterton, celebrated screen actress, filed suit for divorce today against George Brent, Irish film player, on charges of extreme mental cruelty.

Miss Chatterton's complaint alleged that Brent displayed a "sulky, moody, unreasonable and disagreeable" temperament. He objected to her friends, she said, and behaved toward them in an unbecoming manner, to her great embarrassment.

## DEBT CERTIFICATE PLAN FOR RELIEF UPHELD AS LEGAL

**Decision Clarifies Air in Plan to Draw Ahead On Rum Profit—Eddy Loses in Fight for Ballot Spot**

SALEM, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Issuance of certificates of indebtedness of \$1,250,000 against the state liquor fund for unemployment relief was held constitutional while the demand that the secretary of state place the name of B. L. Eddy of Roseburg on the non-partisan ballot for circuit judge of the Second district was rejected in two major opinions handed down today by the state supreme court.

Both were mandamus proceedings, the former a friendly one, but neither received the unanimous decision of the court which heard the cases en banc. Chief Justice Rand dissented in the test constitutionality suit, while Justices P. R. Kelly and H. J. Bean dissented in the Eddy opinion. Justice Harry Bell wrote the majority opinion in the former while Justice J. U. Campbell wrote the majority opinion in the latter.

The case to compel the three members of the state board of control to issue certificates of indebtedness to match federal relief funds, was a last suit brought by the state relief committee. The matter was contested on the grounds it conflicted with the constitutional provision which limits the credit of the state to \$50,000, except by vote of the people. The certificates were to be issued however under a legislative act specifically empowering the officials to issue certificates in excess of this sum.

In the Eddy suit, the Roseburg jurist brought action in the Marion county circuit court to compel his name be placed on the ballot for the November election for one of three positions for circuit judge in the Second district. Eddy was low in the primary election, the three high candidates being G. F. Skipworth of Eugene, J. T. Brand of Maristfield and Carl Wimberly of Roseburg. The circuit court denied the mandamus writ and the supreme court today affirmed the action.

Cars driven by D. T. McDonough, 70, of West Fourteenth, and Faye Brenner, 24, of 30 Cottage street, hooked bumpers in a minor accident yesterday on Sixth street. It was reported at city police today, when McDonough pulled from the curb.

In another minor accident yesterday at the intersection of Main and Crater Lake streets, Kate McMurtrey, 51, route 4, and C. G. Clemens of 205 Vancouver avenue, were the drivers of autos which collided.

## RUSSIA ELECTED TO LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP

GENEVA, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The assembly of the League of Nations today elected Soviet Russia into membership.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 18.—(AP)—Declaring "there is no chance of negotiation," Hugo Nissen, labor leader, said today he had been assured at least 150 of the 450 employes of Swift & Company's huge packing plant here would strike tomorrow.

## Herd of Reindeer Plunge Into Deep Norway Crevasse

NARVIK, Norway, Sept. 18.—(AP)—About 800 reindeer have perished near Vardo after plunging into a deep crevasse in a glacier. It was reported to authorities today.

Some of the animals at the bottom of the abyss remain alive, but it was said they will starve unless their suffering is ended by Lapplander sharpshooters.

## WOMAN INJURED WHEN AUTOS HIT NEAR SAWMILL

Mrs. Ora W. Peck, 31, of Grants Pass, suffered slight bruises in an auto accident this noon on the North Pacific highway near the entrance to the Owen-Oregon Lumber Co. and Harman William Newland, 26, of Fort Jones, Cal., was slightly injured in a motorcycle accident Sunday on the South Pacific highway, as the only casualties out of a total of five accidents reported by state and city police today.

Mrs. Peck was traveling south in a Buick sedan driven by her husband, O. W. Peck of Grants Pass, when it collided with a car driven by George Cook, Owen-Oregon employe, who was making a turn off the highway, police report.

Newland's motorcycle collided with a car driven by Margaret Tuller of Elk Grove, Cal., who was passing a third vehicle when his accident occurred, reports at the city police station show.

W. F. Nickell of the Red Mountain Spike camp, driving a government truck, collided Sunday on the Beaver road, near Rich, Ore., a report at the city police station reveals, with a motorcycle driven by Archie Johnson of Provoit, Ore. The motorcycle was slightly damaged in the accident.

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## DEPUTY SHERIFF CHOICE STUDIED

Selection of a deputy to fill the vacancy in the sheriff's office, caused by the sudden death of Miss Olga E. Anderson last Friday night, is under consideration by Sheriff Walter J. Oimscheld. A decision will not be reached for a week or 10 days. Miss Anderson served under three sheriffs, and possessed a wide knowledge of the intricacies of legal papers.

Until an appointment is made, the work will be handled by employes of the tax department. Howard Gault, secretary of the justice court, a law student, was drafted for short service this morning.

SALEM, Sept. 18.—(AP)—Governor McEwen today appointed Miles Standish of Portland, as a member of the port of Portland commission, replacing the late W. W. Payne.

## Pear Markets

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—(AP)—(U.S.D.A.)—Pear auction market: Prices slightly weaker; 26 cars arrived; 4 Oregon cars, 20 California, 6 Washington unloaded; 6 cars on track.

Oregon Bartlett's: 1455 boxes extra fancy, \$2.35 @ 2.05, average 2.57; 1529 boxes fancy, \$2.20 @ 2.22, average \$2.61; Oregon Bosc's: 726 boxes, extra fancy, \$2.15 @ 2.55, average \$2.33; 596 boxes fancy, \$1.90 @ 2.55, average \$2.24; Washington Bartlett's: 1210 boxes fancy, \$2.00 @ 2.43, average \$2.25; Washington d'Anjou's: 241 boxes unclassified, \$2.00; California Bartlett's: 3290 boxes, \$2.35 @ 3.30, average \$2.93; California Bosc's: 3116 boxes, \$1.35 @ 2.55, average \$2.92.

## ALL CLOTH MAKERS OF NATION MAY BE CALLED IN STRIKE

**National Leaders of Textile Workers Consider Vast Walkout—Preparations Made for Fight to Finish**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—(AP)—The executive council of the United Textile Workers today voted authority to call out all allied groups of the textile industry at its discretion.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—(AP)—A mild tense atmosphere, national leaders of the vast textile strike gathered today to consider quick extension of the walkout call to every cloth-maker of the nation.

As militiamen's bayonets gleamed in north and south and "flying pickets" seized in a dramatic sortie by Garfield troops, languished behind barbed wire in an internment camp, the strike leaders prepared for a fight to a finish.

Over 420,000 textile workers were idle from the general strike in the industry today, an independent survey showed, as unions and employers made determined moves to strengthen their position.

In Washington, national strike leaders gathered to consider a quick extension of the walkout by calling out every cloth-maker in the nation. An additional 100,000 would be affected.

Employers opened many mills and made plans for opening more throughout the textile areas. National guardsmen stood by to protect property and to guard "the right to work." Additional units were called out in Georgia, where martial law is in effect.

In Connecticut however, quiet was the order of the day and Governor Wilbur Cross ordered the national guard demobilized.

In the Carolinas the number of idle was decreased by several thousands as mills opened under the protection of national guard bayonets.

In Maine, the closing of several Peppermint mills at Biddeford and the York mills at Saco increased the roll of idle by 4,500.

There was virtually no disorder but likewise little lessening of tension.

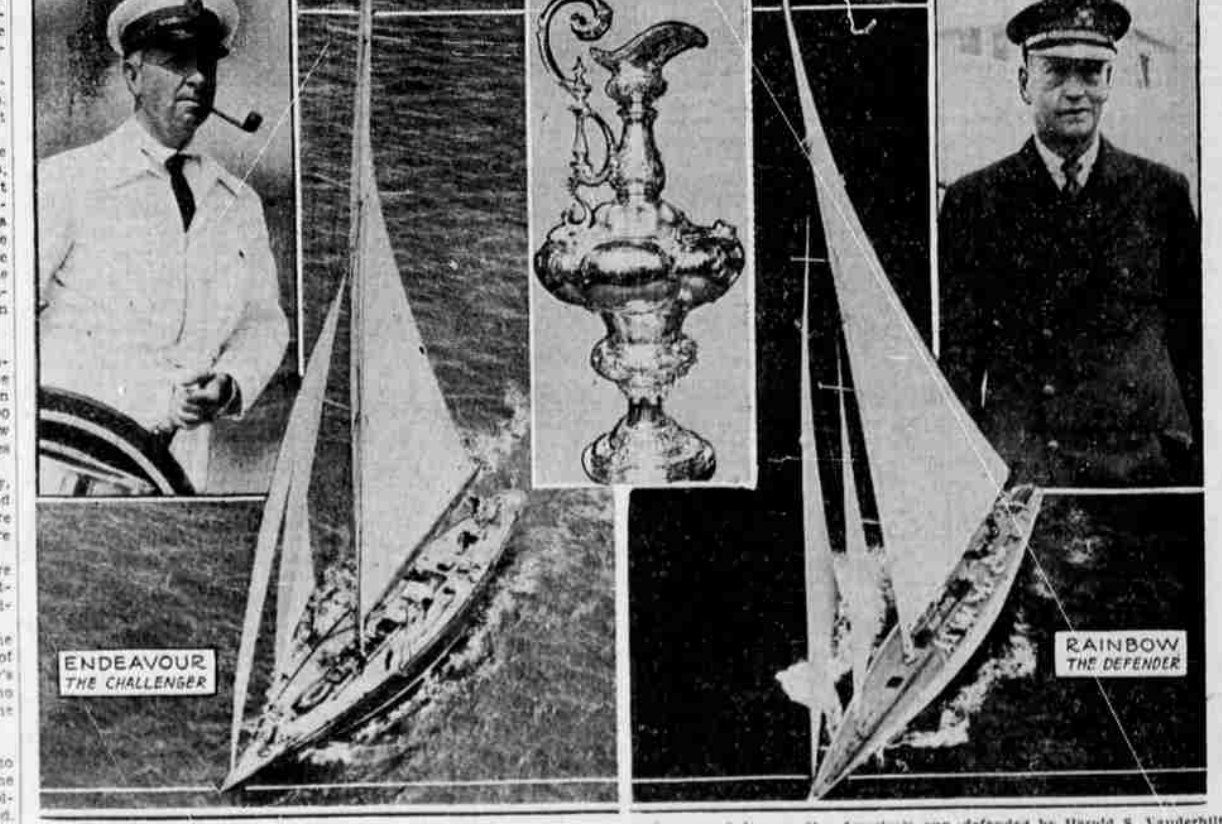
## BETTER HOMES COMMITTEE TO MEET TOMORROW

B. E. Harder, chairman of the Jackson county committee in the national program for better homes, now underway through the Federal Housing Administration, today announced that O. O. Alenderfer and T. H. Fletcher have been recently appointed to make plans for the local campaign.

A meeting of the now complete committee, composed of H. A. Thieroff, chairman; Frank Runtz, Fred Pick, E. G. Trowbridge, Alenderfer and Fletcher, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The housing act and its effect on local business and the building trades was explained by Chairman Harder at a meeting last Friday at the Chamber of Commerce, when first steps were taken in starting the drive for Medford's part in the program.

## Skipper Sopwith Gains Second Leg on 'Mug'



T. O. M. Sopwith, (inset, left) with his trim Endeavour today gained the second leg on the America's cup, defended by Harold S. Vanderbilt (inset, right) and his yacht Rainbow, when the British boat finished 59 seconds in front in the series of races being run off Newport, R. I. It is necessary to win four out of seven to gain possession of the famous old mug which for 82 years has represented the supremacy of American over British yachting.

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Will Rogers says:  
 LONDON, Sept. 17.—Will you please tell me what happened at the so-called yacht race Saturday?  
 I never saw as many conflicting statements as in the local papers today. Some say the race was in doubt to the last minute; some say that cruisers or Roosevelt or somebody got in the way of the English boat. They say our crew is professional and that theirs just work for the love of the sea air; and that ours is not built right below decks.  
 Send all particulars to the League of Nations and let's get this thing straightened out.  
 Phil Rogers.  
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