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HITLER GETS SUDETEN; CZECHS YIELD

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INFLUENTIAL JEWS OPPOSED TO FRANKFURTER... FEAR SUPREME COURT APPOINTMENT WOULD FAN ANTI-SEMITISM... JURIST REPORTED SEEING RACE "BUILDING OWN GHETTO"...

ANY OTHER CHOICE FOR BENCH HELD LIKELY TO BE BAD

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—One of the truly tragic events of the last month is the development of strong opposition to the nomination of Felix Frankfurter to the supreme court of the United States.

Ordinary opposition was to be expected, and the chorus of indorsement, from the best men of all shades of opinion, must have been deeply gratifying to Frankfurter. What makes this new opposition so sad is that it comes from men of Frankfurter's own race. The truth is, a number of the wealthy and well-known Jews of New York have pressed the president to pass Felix Frankfurter over.

As their representations are authoritatively reported, they have told the president that there are too many Jews in his administration already. They have argued that, when men of their race come too prominently before the public, racial prejudice is provoked. And, for the sake of peace, they have pleaded ironically against the naming of Frankfurter to the vacant place of another Jew, the saintly and high-minded Benjamin Nathan Cardozo.

Before they made their plea to the president, these men might have recalled a remark attributed to Frankfurter himself. The theory that Jews must shirk the limelight, that they must avoid public office, and pretend not to exist, has always been common among wealthy Jews of the world over. From the moment Germany's example was before his eyes, American Jewry has grown increasingly troubled at the threat of anti-semitism.

Because of these new fears, when

GRANTS PASS, Sept. 21.—(AP)—With 14 avowed candidates for county court positions, Josephine county will see its longest general election ballot for those offices in its history.

SALEM, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Dr. J. F. Hoeh of Bend filed today as an independent candidate for state representative from the 28th district (Deschutes county).

SIDE GLANCES by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Wait Antle refusing to sign a contract with the Cincinnati Reds because he couldn't decide whether to be a pitcher or an outfielder.

State police referring news enquiries to Deputy Sheriff Bill Greenbender.

Gene Thorndike, Paul Meyers and Verne Wolfe warming up for the football season by getting up a betting pool on the number of flies a sheet of fly paper would catch in a given time.

Fern Cherryholmes complaining on account of never getting her name in this pillar of playfulness.

Grocery Manager Burt Moore and Barber Bert Moore each coming in with a large buck the first day of hunting season.

Bob Conroy breathing a sigh of relief and strutting about town in a superior manner because today he became a grown-up and celebrated his 21st natal day.

Ray Craft whipping back into town with the most metropolitan swagger, he having just got in from Frisco.

Bertha Pullin Bell deciding to tell the press about her secret marriage of eight months ago, just as if everyone in town didn't know it already.

BRITAIN, FRANCE STAND ASSAILED AS WAR BREEDER

Peace, With Confusion in Europe, Say Eden and Soviet Leader — Nazi Bluster Wins.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Winston Churchill, one of Britain's elder statesmen, declared tonight "the partition of Czechoslovakia under Anglo-French pressure amounts to complete surrender by the western democracies to the Nazi threat of force."

In a statement issued after his return from an airplane trip to Paris, the wartime first lord of the admiralty, often a rebel within the ranks of the conservative party, said: "Acceptance of Herr Hitler's terms involves a prostration of Europe before the Nazi power, of which the fullest advantage certainly will be taken."

"The idea that safety can be purchased by throwing a small state to the wolves is a fatal delusion. Parliament should be called without further delay."

PRAGUE, Sept. 21.—(AP)—The Czechoslovak government announced officially at 7:25 p. m. (10:25 a. m. PST) today its acceptance of the British-French plan for meeting the peace terms of Reichsfuehrer Hitler.

The decision came at the end of three days of fateful discussion of the proposals agreed upon by British and French leaders in London as the price for maintaining peace in Europe.

The news of the capitulation came to Czechoslovaks by radio broadcasts carried through loudspeakers in the crowded streets of Prague.

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Another of Europe's sore spots came to the front again with the announcement by the Spanish government premier in Geneva his cabinet had decided to withdraw all foreign volunteers fighting with the Barcelona army.

Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Russian foreign commissar, bitterly assailed France and Great Britain for the part they were playing in the central European crisis.

Addressing the League of Nations assembly at Geneva, Litvinoff accused Britain and France of avoiding "a premeditated war today in return for a certain and large-scale war tomorrow."

"Our war department is ready immediately to participate in conferences with representatives of the French and Czechoslovak war departments in order to discuss measures appropriate to the moment."

While he spoke new troop movements were reported in Germany and the phrase "German cannot wait longer and will not wait longer," appeared repeatedly in German morning newspapers.

A continuous stream of trucks rushed through eastern Germany taking troops to undisclosed destinations. Germany apparently was getting ready for the final act in the Czechoslovak drama.

Near Ultimatum Britain and France last night rejected Czechoslovakia's plea for further negotiations on Hitler's demands and delivered a new note, regarded as virtually an ultimatum, to President Eduard Benes in the early morning hours.

The note was reported to have told Benes unless Prague gave in to Hitler's demands, Britain and France would have to stand by and see Czechoslovakia invaded.

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CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Pope Pius XI, who chose the name for his pontificate hoping it would be an era of peace, today asked all Catholic churches of Rome to devote an hour next Sunday to prayers for peace.

O'Connor Beaten by Fay, First Purge Victory

Passenger Trains Collide Head-On; 11 Die



Streamlined coaches were crushed in the terrific collision of two crack Southern Pacific passenger trains on a siding near Niland, Calif., and 11 persons were killed and 100 injured, some critically. The streamlined coach (above), shows how the impact crumpled it. A brakeman's mistake was blamed for the tragedy.

'AMERICANS KEEP BRAINS IN PANTS,' SAYS BILL WHITE

Labor and Capital Both Criticized by Bill White in Appeal for Unity.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Criticisms of both capital and labor came last night from William Allen White, Emporia, Kan., editor, in an appeal for them to unite in preserving democratic rights and privileges.

White told the Seventh International Management conference labor had turned to political advancement of its bosses instead of seeking better wage and hour standards and working conditions.

"Let me say this to class-conscious labor," he said. "It should know the same patriotic indignation which turned upon a federal class-conscious plutocrat and wrecked its power will turn upon a class-conscious proletariat and deny its aims."

Industry, he continued, was forced to contend with labor racketeers and the sit-down strike after it disregarded pleas for labor justice. Employers' foresight rather than "reactionary reaction" years ago, he said, would have solved problems arising from the eight-hour day, unemployment insurance and collective bargaining.

"This hour has no time for the man who refuses to compromise even to his own hurt," White said. "Half of the civilized world today beyond our borders has surrendered the rights, privileges and blessings which democracy accords to free men."

"Turning to the wage-hour law, which he said arose from inability to obtain industrial peace with justice to child-labor and minimum wages for women, White said: "The law was generally considered by its opponents a kick—will you also me to say—in the pants for American industry."

"But apparently that is where Americans all—laborers, bosses and consumers—keep their brains and we got the kick where it would do the most good."

Hawley Gives Library SALEM, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Announcement was made today that Willis C. Hawley, who for 25 years served the first Oregon district as representative in congress, has presented his library of several thousand volumes to Willamette university. Mr. Hawley was president of Willamette prior to going to congress.

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DEFEAT LAID TO VOTE 'DISHONESTY' RECOUNT HINTED

House Rules Head Wins G. D. P. Nomination, Runs in November—Curley, La Follette Win.

(By The Associated Press) The defeat of Rep. John O'Connor for Democratic re-nomination in New York gave President Roosevelt today his first and only victory in his personal campaign against four Democratic legislators.

Mr. Roosevelt's sole triumph was not complete, however, because O'Connor will be on the November ballot, having won the Republican nomination by 1,000 votes over Allen W. Dulles.

The president tried and failed previously to prevent the return of three Democratic senators whom he classed as conservatives—George of Georgia, Smith of Carolina and Tydings of Maryland.

O'Connor lost the Democratic nomination for the seat he has held since 1923 to James H. Fay, New Dealer who narrowly missed defeating him two years ago. The complete vote gave Fay 8,822 and O'Connor 7,709.

O'Connor, chairman of the powerful house rules committee, attributed his defeat to election "dishonesty" and hinted he would seek a recount.

Regardless of the outcome of such a move, however, he would have to meet Fay in November because the latter won the American Labor party's nomination without opposition.

The Fay-O'Connor contest was the only one in four state-wide primaries yesterday which had a national aspect.

Curley Comeback The Massachusetts Democratic primary witnessed a triumphant comeback by former Gov. James M. Curley, who won the Democratic gubernatorial nomination from Gov. Charles F. Hurley. Curley had accused the governor of having failed to cooperate with the New Deal.

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DRENCHING RAINS HIT NEW ENGLAND; DAMAGE MOUNTS

New York and New Jersey Also Suffer, With No Relief in Sight — Shipping Periled.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 21.—(AP)—A hurricane which at times reached 76 miles an hour proportions today struck Providence, tore roofs from houses, uprooted trees, and caused thousands of persons in the city, blotted out electric power and caused theaters to be evacuated.

WEAVER, N. H., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Four women were swept to their death today when a bridge across the Pisquog river gave way and hurled them into flood-swollen waters. The victims were: Miss Maude Kennedy, 55; Miss Vera Morse, 65; Mrs. Isadora Lull Gould; and the latter's mother, Mrs. Hettie Lull.

(By Associated Press) Rain spread through rich industrial and farming sections of Massachusetts and Connecticut today as drenching rains which have fallen for a week along the Atlantic seaboard concentrated in force on the New England states, causing hundreds of thousands of dollars damage.

Eleven lives had been lost in the flood waters of rivers and streams which have burst dams, washed out sections of highways and railroads, undermined houses and farm buildings and reached levels in places above the stages of the devastating 1928 floods.

Massachusetts State college at Amherst reported an all-time record rainfall of 12.49 inches for September. The old record was 12.34 inches in 1932. A total of ten inches fell since Saturday.

At East Hampton, Conn., workmen labored desperately to save a 30-foot dam holding back the waters of a pond. If the dam went, town officials said, the center of the town would be swept away.

Several families in North Haven were evacuated from their homes by rescue workers.

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SWITZERLAND is a confederation of 22 cantons which are joined under a federal constitution, with large power of local control retained by each canton.

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Can You Beat It?

This is good for "Strange As It Seems" any day in the week. It was told by Dick Tryman of Central Point.

On June 18 Dick's sister Miriam got married. On the same day his sister Evelyn Howard of Gilroy, Cal., had a baby.

Three months to the day later, September 18, his sister Alice got married. The same day his sister Erline Flores of Watsonville, Cal., had a baby.

Miss Alice Tryman was married last Sunday in Reno, Nev., to Harry Flournoy of Alturas, Cal. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Tryman of Central Point. She was graduated last year from the Alturas high school. The couple will make their home in Alturas where Mr. Flournoy is a cattle rancher.

BASEBALL

DETROIT, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Hank Greenberg belted his 54th home run of the season in the opening inning of the first game of today's double-header between Detroit and Philadelphia to increase his chances of equaling or bettering Babe Ruth's 11-year-old season record of 60. The blow came with two Tigers on base and put Detroit in front 4 to 3.

First game—Score: R. H. E. Philadelphia 6 6 5 Detroit 8 9 0 Gumpert, Nelson and Wagner; Coffman, Lawson and York.

Washington at Cleveland, cancelled, rain.

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—(AP)—The New York Yankees suffered their sixth straight defeat today as Lefty Thornton led them to seven hits in pitching the White Sox to a 5 to 2 victory. Lou Gehrig hit his 28th homer of the year for the Yankees.

Score: R. H. E. St. Louis 4 9 2 Chicago 5 5 1 Gomez and Glenn; Lee and Sewell.

National BOSTON, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Paul Dean, making the second start of his comeback campaign, blanked the Bees with seven hits today as he pitched the St. Louis Cardinals to a 4 to 0 victory in the first game of a scheduled double-header.

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Pensioners of \$7.50 weekly for all persons 65 and over 90 years of age is provided in the New Zealand government's social security bill introduced into parliament.

FEDERAL INQUIRY OF TRAIN HORROR TO BE LAUNCHED

Aged Brakeman Who Threw Switch, Appeared in Trance, Observer States.

NILAND, Calif., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Federal and county officials moved today to conduct inquiries into the collision of two Southern Pacific passenger trains at a little water stop near here early yesterday, which killed 11 persons and injured 100.

The wreck was caused, Southern Pacific officials declared after their own investigation, when a 64-year-old brakeman, Erick Leonard Jacobson, threw a switch which sent the New Orleans-to-Los Angeles Argonaut plunging at 60 miles an hour into the Los Angeles-to-Chicago Californian, standing on a siding.

J. H. Dyer, a vice president of the railroad whose private car was attached to the Argonaut, said he saw Jacobson walking about the chaotic scene as if in a trance. He quoted the brakeman as saying: "I'm responsible for this wreck. I threw the switch. I am not crazy, but I do not know why I did it."

Deputy Coroner Herbert Hughes set an inquest for Friday at Brawley. Hughes said he was informed by an investigator for the interstate commerce commission a federal inquiry also would be opened Friday into one of the state's worst railroad wrecks.

Eight hundred feet of track had been replaced late last night and east-west service was resumed after an interruption of nearly 20 hours. The Southern Pacific said loss of equipment would total \$132,000.

Putty Knife Spark Causes Auto Blaze A young mechanic this afternoon was cleaning the engine of a sedan on the wash rack at the Pierce-Alton Motor company, 112 South Riverside. He was using gasoline to clean it and a putty knife to scrape the grease off.

Suddenly there was a puff. Sparks from the putty knife hitting the metal ignited the gasoline. Ignition caught fire. A fire alarm was sounded. Other mechanics grabbed extinguishers and had the fire about out when the fire department arrived. Damage was slight. The car was owned by the company. The young mechanic was given a fatality lecture by Chief Roy Elliott.

LIST 25 MILLION FOR RELIEF COST

PORTLAND, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Twenty-five million for relief was in prospect for Oregon for the 1939-40 biennium, it was indicated yesterday at a meeting of the state relief committee.

This would be an increase of about \$5,000,000 over the 1937-38 figure. Elmer Goudy, state relief administrator, and his aides will submit the committee's budget estimate for the biennium to Wallace Wharton, state budget director, probably by Friday, after studying the counties' requests, which were not disclosed.

Pear Markets

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Pears: Five cars California, two Oregon, arrived nine on track. California Bartlets 5,762 boxes 1.75-2.45, average 2.05.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Pears: Fourteen cars arrived, 14 California, one Washington, 12 Oregon unloaded; 10 on track, market weaker on California stock. Oregon Bartlets 855 boxes extra fancy 1.75-1.95, average 1.85; 1,415 boxes fancy 1.60-1.80, average 1.70. Washington Rose 470 boxes extra fancy 1.50-1.65, few 2.00, average 1.83; 200 boxes fancy 1.30-1.70, average 1.50.

California Bartlets 14,375 boxes 1.45-2.35, average 2.00.

Wine Anyway CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Police officer Thomas Leahy, who campaigned to defeat himself for delegate to the Democratic state convention, was the nominee today.

BULLETIN

SEATTLE, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Fred Wood, Vancouver, B. C., pro, shot a sparkling par 72 on the morning 18-hole round of the Pacific northwest open golf tournament today to take the lead among the first players to reach the 34-hole mark in the two-day tournament. His total was 213, including a 140 in yesterday's 36-hole play.

Two strokes behind were Ken Storey, Spokane, low amateur in yesterday's play and Harold West, Chesham, pro. West had a 70 and Storey a 74 in the morning round. Play is on the Eastington course.