

The Weather  
Cloudy tonight and Thursday with occasional light rain. Little change in temperature.  
Temperature  
Highest yesterday 59  
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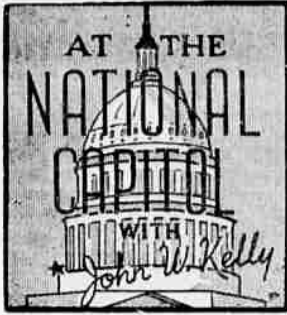
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## U-BOATS SINK TWO BRITISH VESSELS



Washington, D. C., Oct. 18.—States of Oregon and Washington have a stake in the administration's plan to develop trade with the Latin American republics. However, the administration's desire to spread the "good neighbor" policy is viewed with alarm in the Pacific Northwest where fear is expressed that the products of that region may be sacrificed to help the heavy industries of the mid-west and the east.

Congress will be requested to increase the loan limit of the Export-Import bank a few hundred million dollars, the money to be used in aiding import and export associations operating between the United States and the Latin Americas. The lending-spend bill proposed by the president last summer before congress adjourned called for a half-billion dollars to be used to build up trade with the republics south of the Rio Grande. This bill was rejected.

SINCE the first of the year, the United States has shipped out many millions of dollars to various Latin American republics. "Strong men" of the republics came to Washington, were dined and sent home well financed. The fact that most of the Latin countries have defaulted bonds bought by the American investors just as France, Britain and Italy defaulted payment of their war debts to the United States, has not prevented the administration from furnishing taxpayer money to the defaulters.

Everyone recognizes that the European war has disconnected the trade relations between the belligerents and the Latin Americas and this gives the United States its opportunity to get the business heretofore going to Germany and Britain. To attract this business, administration agencies know the Latins must have money to buy United States goods, so they are lending funds and, in addition, making it more easy for those republics to sell their products to the United States.

HERE is where Oregon and Washington states sit up and take notice. It so happens that many of the products of South America are the same kind of

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### POLICE WILL PROBE NUDIST CAMP DEATH

SEBRING, Fla., Oct. 18.—(AP)—Mysterious death of Lillian Eichler, 32, an unmarried woman from St. Joseph, Michigan, today prompted law officers to investigate three nudist camps.

Dick Windish, 26, and John Windish, 24, brothers, who brought the woman's body here, were being held pending verdict of a coroner's jury. They said another brother, Jim Windish, 17, heard Miss Eichler fall early Thursday morning at a nudist camp near here. She was not given medical attention because members of the cult in the camp oppose such treatment.

### SIDE GLANCES

by  
TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Keith Kittle amusing a group of friends by relating a number of very jovial escapades he figured in when but a lad.

And wife Bennie outdoing hubby Keith by adding a couple of even funnier tales to the antics accumulation.

Gerardine Wilkinson, Sr., being in such haste to greet her offspring after a couple of weeks' absence as to walk off and leave her suitcase on the S. P. station platform.

Jack Matlack being so tired after a nice vacation at Treasure Island he couldn't work

### AMERICAN LINER SAVES 300 FROM TORPEDOED SHIPS

Survivors Being Returned to France Aboard Independence Hall; Storm Hinders

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—(AP)—President Roosevelt barred American ports and territorial waters today to beligerent submarines. The president proclaimed section 8 of the existing neutrality act and thus made it unlawful for submarines of nations at war—both commercial undersea vessels and those which are ships of war, to enter United States ports or territorial waters unless forced to do so by "force majeure."

"Force majeure" was defined as meaning "an act of god" such as a storm. Mr. Roosevelt said he proclaimed the section because he found this would "serve to maintain peace between the United States and foreign states, to protect the commercial interests of the United States and its citizens, and to promote the security of the United States."

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The storm-battered American liner President Harding radioed the United States Line offices here today that 45 passengers and 28 members of the crew had been injured and that Paul Johnson, a cabin waiter, had presumably been lost overboard at the height of a heavy gale.

Captain James E. Roberts, master of the President Harding, said the injuries of 13 of the passengers and 10 of the crew were serious. The President Harding said it was proceeding directly to New York, with 597 passengers from Europe, including 330 American citizens, after having hove to early this morning 800 miles off Boston.

New York, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The U. S. maritime commission said today 300 survivors had been rescued by the American liner Independence Hall from two British ships, the 10,138-ton passenger liner Yorkshire and the 3,509-ton freighter City of Mandalay, sunk about 500 miles off the coast of France.

In London, operators of the City of Mandalay said they had information the ship had been attacked and sunk.

The Yorkshire, which traveled between India and Liverpool, should have left Rangoon on Sept. 7, according to its latest available schedule.

Returning to France  
The master of the rescue vessel, Captain C. J. McKenzie, radioed he was taking the survivors back to Bordeaux, France arriving there tomorrow morning.

Meanwhile, two U. S. coast guard cutters sped to the aid of two other ships in distress on the storm-tossed North Atlantic—the 13,869-ton American liner President Harding and the 3,509-ton British steamer Blairbeg.

A message from the Harding said Henry Heimroth, engine room storekeeper, had been operated on for appendicitis at 1:45 p. m. yesterday at the height of a heavy gale.

### Auto Kills Father At Daughter's Door

Indianapolis, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Mrs. Jane Hillman was waiting up last night for her father, Richard Koetteritz, 59, a butcher. A man knocked at the door and said his automobile had just killed a man and he wanted to call an ambulance.

Mrs. Hillman showed him the telephone and went outside and looked at the dead man. It was her father

### San Quentin Beatings Told



San Quentin guard T. L. Bell (right), was reported to have admitted participation in the alleged whippings, with lead-tipped straps, of 41 young San Quentin prisoners. Walter E. Neil (left), was quoted as having been a witness to the beatings. Governor Culbert Olson of California said he would retire the prison board members from office if he found the charges true.

### CONVICT FLOGGINGS AT SAN QUENTIN TO BE AIRD PUBLICLY

San Quentin, Calif., Oct. 18.—(AP)—John Gee Clark, state director of penology, said today statements taken from six San Quentin convicts last night in connection with asserted floggings at the prison would be the basis for a public hearing.

Clark, with the aid of Attorneys Edward P. Murphy and George G. Holshausen, questioned the convicts for five hours last night and planned to return today to quiz at least 40 others.

The questioning was on the basis of statements made a week ago by nine prison guards that four of the guards, working in relays, thrashed 41 young prisoners with a section of hose and a lead-tipped strap because they had refused to stand for hours on a "spot" as punishment for their alleged participation in hunger strikes last February and March.

The board of prison directors will meet at the prison tomorrow to conduct its own inquiry. Governor Culbert L. Olson declined to attend the board's hearing, but appointed Clark and his two aides to obtain the testimony at a public hearing.

### Morse Reaccepts Arbitrator Post

Eugene, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Wayne L. Morse, dean of the University of Oregon law school, today accepted reappointment as coast maritime labor arbitrator, following a telegram from Secretary of Labor Perkins, in which he declared that Morse's terms of acceptance had been compiled with by employers and longshoremen.

Morse, who resigned recently following a union refusal to abide by an award, had refused to accept reappointment unless both parties would agree to abide by all decisions in the future.

### Wounded 'Prowler' Is Shooter's Dad

Portland, Oct. 18.—(AP)—William S. Fremersdorf, 20, slipped into the backyard and wounded a prowler four times. A moment later he discovered he had shot his father who left his bedroom at 2 a. m. to quiet the dogs.

The father was hit in the neck, side, forearm and hand.

### Tuna Taking Ends

Marshville, Ore., Oct. 18.—(AP)—Heavy seas and a sharp drop in Pacific ocean temperatures have virtually ended the tuna fishing season off Coos Bay. One boat returned today from a five-day trip with only 1500 pounds. Rough weather has curtailed operations off the mouth of the Columbia river near Astoria.

Campbell Pledged  
McMinnville, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The 162 freshmen pledged by Linfield college living organizations included: Fraternities—Winston Campbell, Medford, and Harold Cox, Klamath Falls; Iota Omega Mu.

### TEXTILE STRIKE PLACED AT DOOR OF COMMUNISTS

Former Red Leader Reveals Tactics of Party in Dies Committee Testimony

Washington, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Fred Erwin Beal, former Communist organizer brought from a North Carolina prison to testify before the Dies committee, said today the textile strike at New Bedford, Mass., in 1928 was organized by the Communist party.

The Communist International in Moscow, he testified, laid down a new "line" for the American party at that time calling for the organization of Communist trade unions separate from old established labor groups.

### Aid Sent Leader

At New Bedford, he related, the Communist headquarters in New York directed the conduct of the strike and "sent down a flock of leaders to assist me."

Beal, a red-haired, blue-eyed, young looking man of 43, was sentenced to serve 17 to 20 years in connection with the slaying of Police Chief O. F. Aderholt of Gastonia, N. C., during a textile strike there in 1929.

He himself said he wanted to testify after hearing a radio speech by Chairman Dies (D-Tex).

### Russia Disappoints

The speech, he said, "was so good, I felt rather ashamed of lying in my bunk doing nothing—I thought at last there is an organization good enough to get out and make some kind of fight against Communism."

Beal said he fled to Russia following his conviction in 1929, spending six years there, but "learned that the Communist party was not carrying on the kind of government I thought it was."

"I saw so much misery," he said, "that I felt compelled to come back to America and tell the workers over here. I knew it would be sort of hazardous for me but I thought it was my duty."

### PLAN NO INQUEST IN AUTO TRAGEDY

District Attorney Frank J. Newman said today there would be no inquest into the fatal automobile-pedestrian accident Sunday evening which took the life of Mrs. Daisy A. Miller, 60, but that evidence of the tragedy may be submitted to the grand jury next week.

"From what I learned," the district attorney explained, "the accident seemed to be strictly unavoidable. However, I think it would be best to turn the facts over to the grand jury and let it determine whether there was negligence on the part of the driver."

Mrs. Miller was struck by a machine driven by Elvin Edwin Cook, Medford auto salesman, at the intersection of West Main and Orange streets. She died late yesterday afternoon in a local hospital, of a fractured skull. Her husband, Dan Miller, was also injured but not critically.

### Agod Priest Dies

New York, Oct. 18.—(AP)—The Right Rev. Mgr. Michael J. Lavelle, 60 years a priest and 53 years the rector of St. Patrick's cathedral, is dead at 83. The venerable prelate, one of the most beloved in the American hierarchy of the Roman Catholic church, died of a heart ailment last night.

### ARTHUR A. ROGERS SUPERINTENDENT OF STATE BANKS

Field Representative of Federal Land Bank Named Successor Mark Skinner

Salem, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Arthur A. Rogers, field representative of the Federal Land bank of Spokane and former president of the First National bank of Eugene, was unanimously elected by the state banking board today to be state superintendent of banks.

Rogers will succeed Mark Skinner, Democrat, whose four-year term expired October 1. Rogers is a Republican. The governor after a 20-minute closed meeting in his private office, announced the election was unanimous. The other banking board members are Secretary of State Earl Snell and State Treasurer Walter E. Pearson, the latter being the only Democrat on the board.

Sources close to the governor said the name of Frederick Lamport, Salem attorney and former banker who was considered a leading candidate, was withdrawn yesterday "when the situation in banking circles became so controversial that the board looked for a new name. Rogers had not even made application for the job, and it was a case of a job seeking the man."

### TURKEY HURRIES WAR PREPARATION

Istanbul, Oct. 18.—(AP)—General Maxime Weygand, 72-year-old commander-in-chief of French forces in the eastern Mediterranean, accompanied by several military experts, arrived today as precautionary military measures were intensified in Turkey.

This followed upon Prime Minister Refik Saydam's assertion Russian demands made to a Turkish delegation in Moscow were contrary to Turkish policy in the Dardanelles.

Numerous large motor vehicles, particularly heavy duty trucks, were being requisitioned. Chauffeurs and mechanics who do not belong to any army reserve units were urged to join motorized units.

London, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Countess Haig, 60, widow of the late Field Marshal Earl Haig, died today at Glynbanger.

### U-Boat Commander Relates Success in Scapa Flow Raid

By Louis P. Lochner  
BERLIN, Oct. 18.—(AP)—A blond, 31-year-old submarine commander, Guenther Prien, today declared that "except for a lone auto driver, nobody saw our U-boat enter or leave Scapa Flow" in the raid which sank the British battleship Royal Oak Saturday and cost 810 lives.

Commander Prien talked with foreign newspapers after he had been decorated by Adolf Hitler and received the plaudits of cheering Berlin crowds on the way to the chancellery with his submarine crew.

Prien asserted he had entered Scapa Flow, Britain's naval base in the Orkney islands off northern Scotland, on a night when the northern lights were the strongest he had seen in 15 years at sea.

"The British ships could not be seen distinctly, but we could determine the location by dimmed lanterns at the anchoring buoys," he said. Prien reiterated the German claim that his submarine badly damaged Britain's 32,000-ton battle cruiser Repulse at the

### P. T. A. President



Mrs. C. W. Walls (above), president of the Oregon P.T.A., will conduct a school of instruction for all Parent Teacher association units of Jackson county in the Christian church Thursday at 10 a. m. Mrs. Walls is a veteran P.T.A. worker and has recently returned to Oregon from Chicago where she attended a P.T.A. national board meeting. She is a sister of the late Fred Steiwer, Oregon senator.

### GERMANS SUFFER HEAVY LOSSES IN WEST FRONT PUSH

PARIS, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Sharp fighting accompanying a German offensive along the northern part of the western front since Monday already has cost the Nazis more than 5,000 casualties, French sources estimated today.

The French said their own losses were slight as their troops fell back to previously prepared positions and met the advancing Germans with heavy blasts of artillery fire.

Raiding parties from both sides fought a series of localized engagements during the night, the general staff reported in its morning communique. These actions were described as "ambushes and trench raids."

The general staff also noted "intense movement" of troops and materials by both highway and railway behind the German lines. Military commentators said the night centered on a small wooded area southeast of Saarbrücken which the Germans tried to capture.

Moscow, Oct. 18.—(AP)—Soviet Russia today began to send troops into Estonia, implementing terms of the mutual assistance pact which gave Russia three bases in the tiny Baltic state.

### CITY GARBAGE PIT PROTESTED; NEW SITE IS PROPOSED

Bert Lowry Says Residents of Area Feel Property Value Has Been Damaged

A protest against the present site of the city garbage dump and a suggestion of another location were made before the council at its regular semi-monthly meeting last night by Bert B. Lowry of the South Pacific highway.

Saying he represented residents south of Medford, Mr. Lowry stated that 22 families live within less than half a mile of the garbage dump, situated outside the city about 3,000 feet off the Pacific highway east of the Bear Creek orchards plant. Mr. Lowry told the council that the residents feel that their property values have been severely damaged by the presence of the dump.

Mr. Lowry said he did not understand why the council would want to spend \$30,000 to beautify Bear creek into a park so long as the garbage dump is allowed to remain at its present location, referring to the forthcoming special election to vote on a bond issue to acquire and improve land for a park along the creek within the city. The dump, he added, can be seen from the Pacific highway. Smoke curls from it continuously, he asserted.

Saying he came to the meeting more to offer a suggestion than to complain, Mr. Lowry said the dump could easily be moved over the hill about half a mile east of the present site. The suggested site is on the same tract of land, it cannot be seen from the Pacific highway, there are few houses in the territory, the nearest being twice as far from the site as the Lowry residence is from the present dump, it could serve well for a county as well as a city dump and it is otherwise "ideal," Mr. Lowry declared.

Committee at Work  
Councilman Larry Schade, chairman of the public health committee, stated that the committee has been working on the problem in an effort to find a solution satisfactory to everyone and indicated that ultimately the present dump could be made satisfactory.

Councilman M. N. Hogan said the matter was of enough consequence to warrant an inspection of the site proposed by Mr. Lowry by the entire council and

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### J'VILLE MAN HELD ON GIRL'S PLAINT

Howard Kimbol, 32, of Jacksonville, charged with an alleged statutory offense against his 14-year-old step-daughter, is held in the county jail to await grand jury action. The alleged offense occurred October 4, at the family home.

The girl, in a signed statement to the district attorney and sheriff, gave sordid details of the affair.

According to the sheriff's office, Kimbol last Sunday night chased the family from their home in Jacksonville with a rifle, resulting in the city marshal calling for aid from the state police and sheriff in rounding Kimbol up.

Radio Highlights  
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Tonight: Europe—WABC-CBS, 5:55 p. m.; MBS, 6. WEAP-NBC, east, 8; Neutrality, WJZ-NBC, 4:30. Rep. J. W. Pinnigan: MBS, 7:15; Otford Finchot.  
Thursday: Europe—NBC-chains, 9 a. m.; WABC-CBS, 5 a. m.; 3:30 p. m.; WJZ-NBC, 9 a. m.