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High 39; Low 29
PRECIPITATION
24 hours to 8 a. m. 0.00
Season to date 2.14
Normal precipitation 1.74
Last year to date 1.10



BRITISH BLAST ITALIAN NAVY

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
BIG news today (Wednesday) British naval air forces in the Mediterranean attack the Italian main fleet in its home base at Taranto...

(THE British have been trying for months to coax the Italian fleet to come out of its protected bases and fight. Failing in that, they decided to GO IN AFTER IT.)

IT is an immensely important stroke. Britain simply HAS to maintain control of the Mediterranean in order to prevent Italian and German forces from crossing to Africa and attacking Egypt...

HITLER, at least, has put it in his pipe and is SMOKING IT NOW. The puffing is going on in the great reception room of his chancellery in Berlin, where he is dickering with Molotov, Stalin's foreign minister.

THE dispatches are exceeding-ly replete about what is taking place in the great room in Berlin. It is 50 feet wide, 50 feet high and 150 feet long, and is said to have been designed by Hitler himself.

IN Molotov's mind (if he is half as smart as he is painted) this thought must be going around and around: "This guy wants something. He WANTS IT BADLY. For the first time in his amazing career, he is in something of a hole. Now is the time for me to drive a shrewd bargain for my boss."

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25 YEARS AGO TODAY
By The Associated Press
Nov. 13, 1915—Russians drive Germans back from the Dvina. French alliance German batteries in Artois.

SEAMEN BACK FROM BATTLE WITH RAIDER

Armed Merchant Ship Defends Convoy Against Pocket Battleship

By The Associated Press
AN EASTERN CANADIAN PORT, Nov. 13—Sixty-five seamen, most of them wounded, were Canada's heroes today—scarred, exhausted survivors of the armed merchant cruiser Jervis Bay which saved at least 29 ships of a convoy of 38 before sinking, guns still roaring, in a mid-Atlantic battle with a powerful German raider.

Identity Secret
The identity of the freighter and the number of missing crew members of the 18-year-old, 14,164-ton Australian liner converted into a lightly-armed convoy guardship were kept a military secret. Also, the identity of the raider was unknown, but some of the survivors thought possibly she was a 10,000-ton pocket battleship, the Admiral Scheer or the Luetzow.

Survivors of the fight — of which the world had its first inkling last week when distress calls crackled out over the Atlantic—told how the Jervis Bay headed without hesitation into the "hopeless" fight, laid a smoke screen under which the convoy scattered, and plowed through a storm of shells straight for the raider until she was sunk by the latter's power.

Captain Goes Down
Captain E. S. F. Fegen remained in command "with one arm almost shot away," even though the fore part of the bridge was blown under him. He went down with the blimp ship. A British admiralty communique credited the saving of three-fourths of the convoy, which the Germans reported completely destroyed, largely to the "very gallant action" of the Jervis Bay.

Twenty-four ships in the convoy were reported to have reached ports, five others were reported safe and, the admiralty added, "it is possible that some of the ships still missing may be safe."

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F. B. I. Probe Launched As Seven Die in U. S. Plant Blast



At least eight persons were killed and 26 injured when an explosion raged the United Railways and Signal company's plant at Woodbridge, N. J., above. Shortly before, blasts in two Pennsylvania powder plants killed at least six other persons. Federal bureau of investigation launched an investigation of the three explosions.

MEXICAN PRESIDENT RECOGNIZED BY U. S.

Washington Pressing Defense Collaboration for Hemisphere

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13 (AP)—Formal recognition of Mexico's new president-elect and reports of intensified efforts for hemisphere defense collaboration gave evidence today of continuing administration preoccupation with matters pertaining to Pan-American solidarity.

Welcomes News
Mexico's presidential election has been in dispute, and the announcement of Camacho's recognition was the first government expression here on the controversy. In Mexico, the action of the United States was received as welcome news, with special gratification manifested at the appointment of Wallace.

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Council Eyes New Property For Playlot

Two blocks in Mills addition will be turned over for recreational purposes within a short time following action taken Tuesday night by the city council upon suggestion and recommendation of the city recreational committee.

The property includes all of block 118, Mills, and block 85, Buena Vista. The Mills addition property was identified as the block bounded by Applegate and Reclamation avenue, and Division and Mitchell streets. The Buena Vista property fronts Conger school. The city now owns part of the property and the balance is being foreclosed at this time.

Senator Holman Visits Klamath

Senator Rufus Holman, Oregon's junior member of the United States senate, was spending the day in Klamath Falls Wednesday before leaving for Reno to attend funeral services for Senator Key Pittman of Nevada.

Bremen Sunk Off Danish Coast, Telegram Says

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 13 (AP)—A report that the German merchant ship Bremen was sunk off the Danish coast several weeks ago was received here by the Danish-Norwegian newspaper Bilen.

PEACE HOPES

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 13 (AP)—Labor's peace prospects appear "better today than ever," a high official of the American Federation of Labor said but warned there could be no final settlement until John L. Lewis quits as head of congress of industrial organizations.

HITLER, MOLOTOFF CONTINUE PARLEYS

Second Conference Said Devoted to "Negotiations" in Berlin

BERLIN, Nov. 13 (AP)—Soviet Premier-Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov held a four-hour conference today with Adolf Hitler—their second—and informed sources said that much of this time was devoted to "negotiations."

Sprague Sets Thanksgiving Day

SALEM, Nov. 13 (AP)—Governor Charles A. Sprague, proclaiming November 21 as Thanksgiving day, urged the people of Oregon not to forsake old standards of justice and righteousness and brotherhood.

British Blast Italian Navy

LONDON, Nov. 13 (AP)—British warships sank one Italian supply ship, set two others on fire and damaged a fourth supply ship and an Italian destroyer in an attack on a convoy off the port of Valona in Albania Monday night, the admiralty announced today.

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Daring Attack on Naval Base Wrecks Three Dreadnaughts

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