

JAPAN PREPARES TO DENOUNCE NINE-POWER TREATY

U. S. Upholds Pact;
King Praises F. D. R.
For Pleas in Crisis

IN THE FAR EAST

TOKYO—Important statement promised for Nov. 10.
WASHINGTON—U. S. publishes Brussels demands.
SHANGHAI—Japan prepares to extend war zone.

IN EUROPE

LONDON—King prorogues Parliament, sees new era.
HENDAYE—Rebels gain Ebro banks in fierce battle.
ROME—U. S. S. V. diplomatic resumption talked.
BUCHAREST—King Carol entertains Yugoslav Regent.
JERUSALEM—Arabs threaten boycott of America.
BERLIN—Germany says Czech frontiers are final.

TOKYO, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Foreign Minister Hachiro Arita intends to make a statement of world importance Nov. 10 on the nine-power treaty which is supposed to guarantee China's political and territorial sovereignty, a Foreign Office spokesman disclosed today.

Three-Power Substitute Talked

Further, he admitted that Japan was considering a three-power substitute—including Japan, Manchukuo and China—because, as he put it, a guarantee of China's integrity (by the nine powers) was inconsistent with the Chinese independence.

Hull Says U. S.
Stands by Treaties

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Secretary of State Hull said today the United States' attitude toward the Chinese-Japanese situation is governed by treaties and generally accepted principles of international law.

Japan Warns Foreign
Shipping in China

SHANGHAI, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Japanese authorities today said that they be notified of the position of all foreign ships throughout China because, they said, Japanese airplanes would operate in all sections of the country.

Arab Rebel Writes
To 'Franklin Roosevelt'

LONDON, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—The News Chronicle, in a Jerusalem dispatch, reported today that Abdul Razik, Arab rebel leader, threatened to boycott American goods, demolish American buildings and seize American portable property if the United States Government intervened in favor of continued Jewish immigration to Palestine.

IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here Is the Traffic Record	
County Deaths	Speeding
(To Date)	
1938	94 Reckless
1937	111 Driving
City Deaths	
(To Date)	Running Preferential Street
1938	57
1937	79
Nov. 2	
Accidents	24 Drunken
Injured	4 Driving
Dead	0
Arrests	18 Others

MEETINGS TOMORROW
State Conference on Social Work, Claymont and Lincoln Hotels, all day.
Alliance Française, luncheon, Hotel Washington, noon.
Gideon's Association, meeting, Hotel Washington, 7:30 p. m.

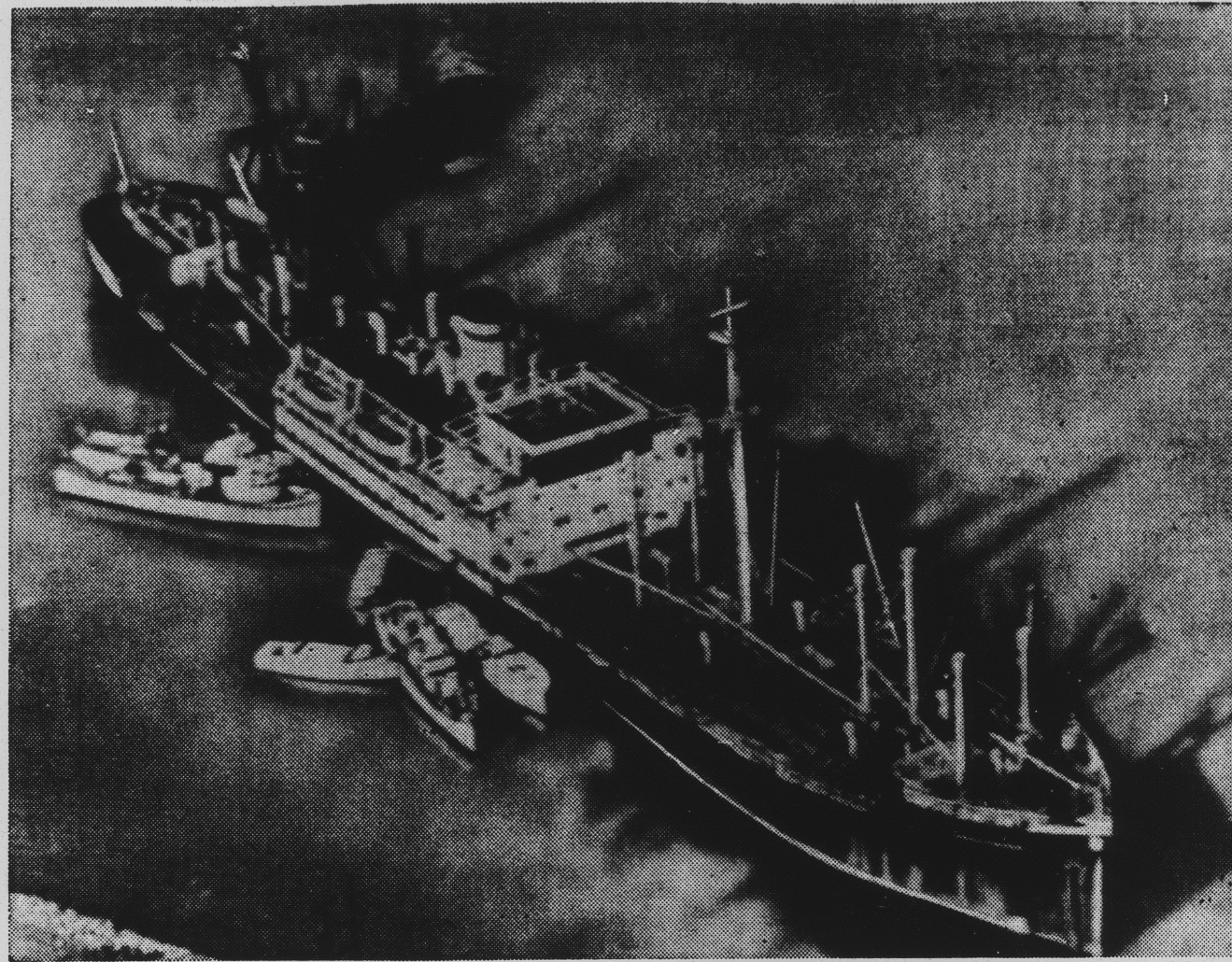
MARRIAGE LICENSES

(These lists are from official records in the County Court House. The Times, therefore, is not responsible for errors in names or addresses.)
John E. Woods, 62, Cartersburg; Jennie White, 48, of 314 E. 10th St.
Joseph Pence, 23, of 3747 W. Morris St.; Edith Warner, 21, of 5136 W. Washington St.
John E. Clemens, 34, of 1928 Park Ave.; Julia E. Wright, 22, of 2012 N. Delaware St.
Charles L. Houston, 22, Terre Haute; Ruth Steiner, 27, Indianapolis.
Hiram Swanson, 59, Indianapolis; Rebecca McFarland, 56, of 809 Agass St.

BIRTHS	
Boys	
Jay, Dorothy Small, at Methodist.	
Edward, Leola Merritt, at Methodist.	
Don, Nellie Harrison, at Methodist.	
Emmett, Josephine Stephens, at St. Vincent's.	
Herman, Helen Wild, at St. Vincent's.	
Frank, Margaret McKinney, at St. Vincent's.	
James, Margaret Roser, at Coleman.	
Herbert, Mary Blinn, at Coleman.	
Leonard, Gwendolyn Huss, at Coleman.	
Paul, Edna Richards, at Coleman.	
Kenneth, M. Chitt, at 963 W. 26th.	
Vernon, Laura Reiter, at 1230 W. 26th.	
Chatter, Willie Cook, at 303 Walcott.	
Austin, Bertha Ella, at 212 Beatty.	
Otis, Grace Byers, at 31 W. Arizona.	
Charles, Helen Anderson, at 302 Columbia.	
Albert, Dorothy Caze, at 2233 Winter.	
Girls	
Orlo, Dorothy Miller, at Coleman.	
William, Edna Hubert, at Coleman.	
Orville, Florence Partow, at 633 S. Missouri.	
John, Sophia Andrews, at 1135 Richmond.	
Ralph, Evangeline Hoegson, at 439 N. Walcott.	
Rogers, Dolores Grady, at 907 1/2 Elm.	
Romer, Mary McAvoy, at 1702 Montclair.	
Rev. Edie Edwards, at 5065 Riverside Drive.	
Kenneth, Victorie Copeland, at 1423 N. Haugh.	
Harry, Della Hulen, at 959 1/2 W. Washington.	
Estle, Mary Foley, at 330 N. Capitol.	

DEATHS
Grace Rush, 55, at City, pulmonary embolism.
Harry E. Daugherty, 67, at Methodist, influenza.
Bonnie Katherine Sparks, 1, at City, diphtheria.
Elinor King, 39, at Methodist, myocarditis.
Bertha M. Miller, 63, at 2718 Roosevelt, cerebral hemorrhage.
Laura E. Smith, 19th and Martin, broncho-pneumonia.
Charles Arnel, 63, at 1219 Laurel, diabetes.
Des Kasey, 52, at Veterans Hospital, uremia.
George Shirley, 73, at City, carcinoma.

Probe Mystery Blast That Crippled Nazi Steamer



U. S. Coast Guard boats surround the steamer Vancouver after it explodes in the Oakland, Cal., estuary. (Story, Page One.)

French experts, both Germany and Italy are over-bidding in an attempt to capitalize on their triumph at Munich and tighten their economic hold in Central Europe.

BUCHAREST, Rumania, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—King Carol welcomed Prince Paul, regent of Yugoslavia, to the capital today for a hunting party and a series of conferences on developments in Central Europe.

Both nations have minority problems that might be brought to the front in event Hungary, flushed by recovering of territory from Czechoslovakia, sought further expansion toward her prewar status.

Mussolini Warns
Against Optimism

ROME, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Unconfirmed reports in usually reliable quarters said today that His Eminence George Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago would discuss the possibility of resumption of diplomatic relations between the United States and the Vatican with His Holiness Pope Pius XI and His Eminence Cardinal Pacelli, Papal Secretary of State.

Cardinal Mundelein is due here tomorrow. The official motive for his visit is to report to the Pope, as legate to the recent Eucharistic Congress at New Orleans, and also to celebrate mass incident to the beatification of Mother Cabrini, Italian nun who founded the Order of Sisters of the Sacred Heart in the United States.

United Press informants said they regarded it as not without significance that President Roosevelt seemed to have shown great personal interest in the Cardinal's visit.

The Cardinal was a guest of the President at the White House two weeks ago, before he sailed for Vatican City.

Meanwhile Premier Mussolini, addressing 100,000 war veterans assembled for the observance of Italy's Armistice Day, said today that it was necessary for Italians to "sleep with our heads on our knapsacks as we did in the trenches."

Sig. Mussolini explained that the European political horizon was clearing, but warned against "exaggerated or premature" optimism.

Germany Says Czech
Frontiers Are Definite

BERLIN, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Germany, considering the Czechoslovak frontiers definitely established and not subject to further revision, a semi-official announcement said today.

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau
INDIANAPOLIS FORECAST—Rain tonight and Saturday; cooler Sunday.
Sunrise 6:18 | Sunset 4:39

TEMPERATURE
—Nov. 4, 1937—
7 a. m. 28 1 p. m. 47
7 a. m. 35
—Nov. 4, 1938—
7 a. m. 29.96

PRECIPITATION 24 hrs. ending 7 a. m. 0
Total precipitation since Jan. 1 38.26
Excess since Jan. 1 4.80

MIDWEST WEATHER
Indiana — Rain tonight and tomorrow; cooler tomorrow and in southwest portion tonight.
Illinois — Rain tonight and tomorrow; cooler tomorrow.

Lower Michigan—Rain tonight and tomorrow in west portion and beginning tonight in east portion; slightly warmer in southeast portion, cooler in west northwest portion tonight, cooler tomorrow.
Ohio — Rain tonight and tomorrow; warmer tonight, cooler tomorrow and tomorrow night.
Kentucky—Cloudy with rain tonight and in east and central portions tomorrow morning; cooler tomorrow and in west portion tonight.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.
Station. Weather. Bar. Temp.
Amarillo, Tex. Clear. 29.80 34
Bismarck, N. D. Clear. 29.50 36
Boston Partly Cloudy. 30.38 48
Chicago Partly Cloudy. 29.78 58
Cincinnati Cloudy. 30.04 54
Cleveland Clear. 30.12 52
Denver Partly Cloudy. 29.62 48
Dodge City, Kas. Clear. 29.72 30
Helena, Mont. Clear. 29.82 32
Jacksonville, Fla. Cloudy. 30.06 70
Kansas City, Mo. Cloudy. 29.62 42
Little Rock, Ark. Rain. 29.60 64
Los Angeles Clear. 30.04 58
Miami Partly Cloudy. 29.82 72
Mpls.-St. Paul Rain. 29.62 38
Mobile, Ala. Partly Cloudy. 29.84 72
New Orleans Cloudy. 29.82 62
New York Smoky. 30.46 52
Ola, Okla. Clear. 29.64 38
Omaha, Neb. Partly Cloudy. 29.74 48
Pittsburgh Partly Cloudy. 29.98 46
Portland, Ore. Rain. 30.28 50
San Antonio, Tex. Clear. 30.18 54
San Francisco Clear. 29.62 66
St. Louis Clear. 30.02 62
Washington, D. C. Cloudy. 30.20 54

U. S. Charges Antitrust Law Violation
By Giant Columbia Gas & Electric Corp.

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 4 (U. P.).—The Department of Justice filed an antitrust suit against the Columbia Gas & Electric Corp. today for allegedly "conspiring to monopolize" the natural gas industry in four states.

The government's complaint, filed in the U. S. District Court, also charged the corporation with violation of the Clayton Act by acquiring 75 per cent of the stock of a former corporation.

In addition to the corporation, charges of violation of the Sherman and Clayton Antitrust Acts were lodged against its officers and directors, and one of its subsidiaries, Warfield Natural Gas Co.

The complaint charged the defendants with engaging in a combination and continuing conspiracy to restrain trade and commerce in natural gas in Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia and Michigan. These violations, the complaint said, extend back to February, 1930.

The blaze as the worst in the State's history.
Conditions were most serious in southern Illinois and in southeastern Kentucky where flames have destroyed more than \$100,000 worth of timber and threatened coal mine tips in Harlan, Bell, Leslie, Whitely, Jackson, Letcher and Pike Counties.

In Indiana, 1500 men were fighting more than 50 fires in practically every county in the southern half of the state. Damage was estimated at \$160,000 and 20,000 acres were reported destroyed.

H. B. Leonard, state forestry ranger, said about 700 men were fighting the fires in southeastern Kentucky and nearly 2000 men were on the fire lines in West Virginia and Virginia.

Farm Homes Damaged

He said 30 fires are raging in the Harlan County region. Rangers and volunteers have put out 98 fires since Oct. 17. The first fire in the current series started a few days ago in Wise County, Virginia, and spread across the state line into Harlan County.

Mr. Leonard said no communities were in danger in his area but that several farm homes may have been damaged, if not destroyed.

Nearly 1000 WPA workers and farmers were fighting a series of forest and prairie fires in Wayne and Hamilton Counties in Illinois. State Fire Warden John Henson said a fire near Belle Prairie in Hamilton County already had destroyed four square miles of timber and was spreading rapidly through brush toward 30,000 acres of timber nearby. The flames have destroyed many acres of crops, he said.

Two blazes reached threatening proportions in Virginia. In Lee County, near the Kentucky line, a force of 250 men, including a several groups of CCC workers, were needed to bring under control a blaze which leveled 5000 acres of valuable timber and at one time came within a quarter of a mile of the town of St. Charles.

Sad Sally

Found Guilty of Biting,
She'll Test Rights
Of Privacy.

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 4 (U. P.).—Between swish of the fan and house of the bubble, Miss Sally Rand today mapped a campaign to test her legal rights, if any, to privacy—and to keep out of jail on conviction of biting a couple of customers.
The prosecutor said she bit 'em because they snapped a picture of her in a suit of heavy talcum powder while she danced. A jury in criminal court found her guilty, as charged by Ray Stanford and Hazel Drain, the candid camera photographers.
Judge C. A. Ballreich will decide Monday on her sentence. Maximum punishment would be a year in jail and \$2000 fine.
Miss Rand was free on \$1000 bond and intends to appeal the verdict, and appeal it again, if need be.
"I want to find out for all time how much privacy I have right to expect," she said. "There are many conflicting opinions on this right, insofar as it affects public figures, and it's about time the issue is settled."



The Suits \$19.75 to \$25.00

The Topcoats and Overcoats \$19.75

The Silk-lined Hats \$2.95

The good (and good-looking) oxfords \$3.95

L. Strauss & Co., Inc., the Man's Store

Forest Fires Raging
On Fifty Fronts in
Downstate Indiana

20,000 Acres Reported
Burned; 1500 Men
Fight Blazes.

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winds have made it practically impossible to control many of the fires, he said.

Fire crews yesterday were called to near Little York, in Washington County, where a blaze covering several thousand acres is raging unchecked today on a three-mile front.

The Conservation Department reported other large fires today as follows:
Northeast of Dolan, on Road 37, north of Bloomington, 700 to 800 acres.

South of Spring Mill State Park, near Mitchell, 1200 acres.

Northeast of Columbus, in Bartholomew County, 1500 acres.

Near Noblesville, in Morgan County, 800 acres.

Roads Still Open
State Police were checking posts in southern Indiana for reports of closed highways. No roads had been reported closed up to noon in the Bedford, Bloomington and Columbus areas.

Mr. Simmons and Mr. Woods "urgently" requested the co-operation of all citizens in using care with fire, and asked motorists to refrain from throwing cigarettes, cigars and matches from cars while driving through forest areas.

"Fire fighters have been hampered by the lack of citizens' co-operation and their indifference to the fire situation," Mr. Woods declared.

"Landowners don't realize the seriousness of the situation and the appalling damage that is being done," he said.

Mr. Woods emphasized that "reports are coming in so rapidly that the situation is changing hourly."

He and Eugene Wilson, assistant state forester, have been directing fire-fighting operations from forestry headquarters at Morgan-Monroe State Park near Martinsville.

Mr. Woods was scheduled to return to report on the situation to J. J. Scherer, chief inspector for the State Fire Marshal's office, has not been asked to assist in fighting the fires, principally because it doesn't have the proper type of equipment.

It is standing ready, however, to advise fire departments in towns in the affected areas to assist where possible, he said.

Forest Fire Near
Columbus Checked

COLUMBUS, Ind., Nov. 4 (U. P.).—More than 250 exhausted farmers

and weary CCC workers early today gained control of a forest fire which they had fought from Wednesday night.

No estimates of damage were made but it was said upwards of 2500 acres of land in Harrison and Union Townships was devastated.

There were no reports of death or injuries, but one house and several small buildings were reported burned.

Farmers first joined hands to battle the fire Wednesday and the CCC was called out Thursday to assist in the fight. Most of the volunteers forgot sleep and subsisted on black coffee throughout the struggle.

To gain control of the fire, workers plowed over long strips of ground and then manned the lines to prevent the fire from jumping across. Back fires were also started to check the blaze.

Unseasonable dry weather, it was said, allowed the fire to sweep through under-dry underbrush.

MYSTERY DEATH OF
HOOSIER GIRL PROBED

Body Discovered on Lonely
Road Near Griffith.

GRIFFITH, Ind., Nov. 4 (U. P.).—State toxicologists and pathologists sought to determine today the cause of the mysterious death of Frieda Borman, 22, who was found dead last night in the bushes beside a lonely road east of here.

She had been missing from her home at West Gary, since Saturday. She apparently had been dead for several days.

There were no marks of violence on her body and Coroner J. Robert Doty said he had been unable to determine whether she had been slain or had died from natural causes.

Police believed she had died elsewhere and that her body had been carried to the spot where it was found.

Martin Erickson, a farmer, found the body last night as he was walking down the road, which is a continuation of Griffith's main street. The body was in full view, about 10 feet from the highway. The clothing had been carefully straightened, supporting the police theory someone had carried the body to the spot.

Store Hours Saturday 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.