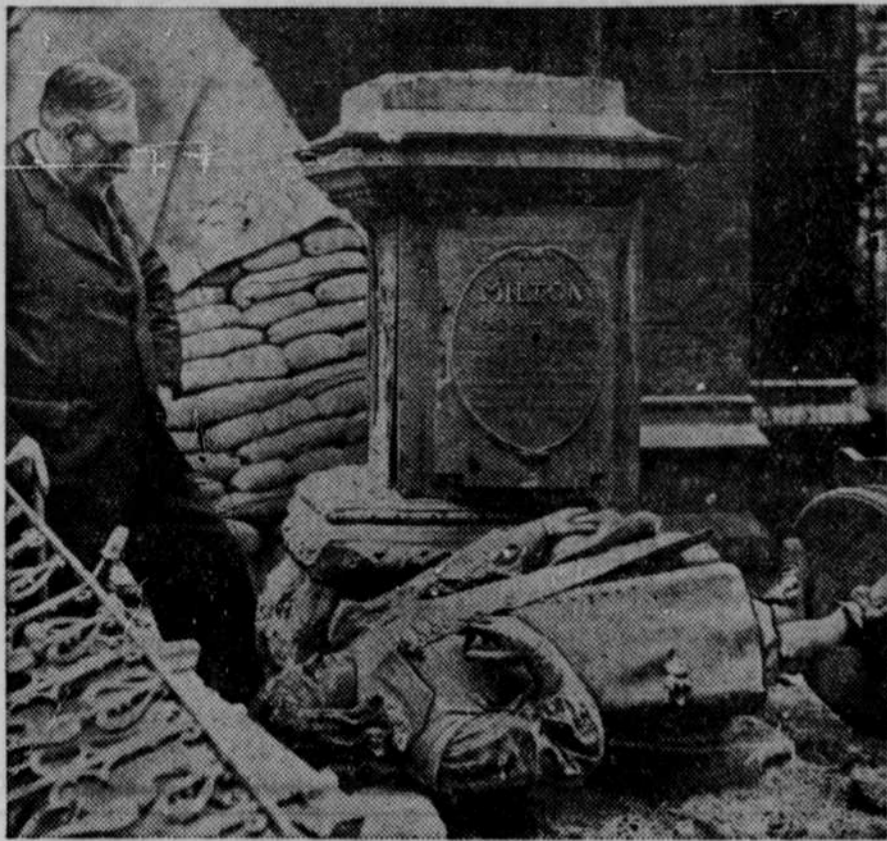


### Nazis Bomb Poet Milton's Tomb



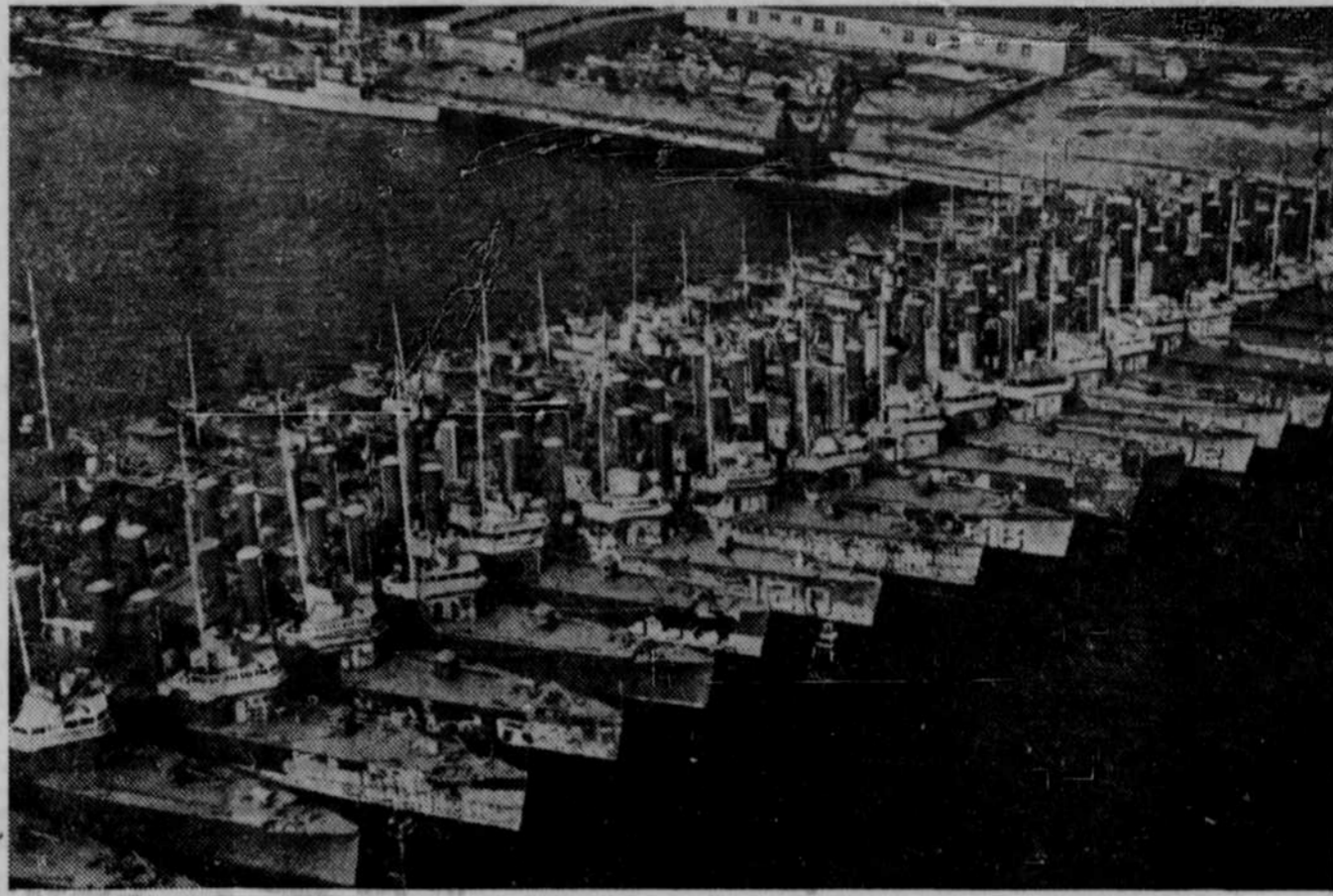
The statue of John Milton, the famous blind poet of Great Britain, is toppled from its pedestal by a Nazi bomb that fell on St. Giles, one of London's oldest churches. In the churchyard lies the tomb of the great poet. The interior of the church itself was also damaged by the blast.

### Heroine



Miss Leonora Lindsley of New York, shown on her return to Gotham, after having been an ambulance driver in France. She distinguished herself in the great retreat of Dunkerque when she carried many wounded and refugees to safety.

### Over-Age U. S. Destroyers Go to Britain



A view in the San Diego naval base recently, showing some of the World war destroyers of the United States navy which have been traded to Great Britain by President Roosevelt for air and naval bases. Under the terms of the agreement the United States receives 99-year leases for air and naval bases in Newfoundland, in the islands of Bermuda, the Bahamas, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Trinidad, Antigua, and in British Guiana. Mr. Roosevelt called the deal "the most important action in the reinforcement of our national defense that has been taken since the Louisiana Purchase in Thomas Jefferson's administration."

## NATIONAL AFFAIRS

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*President Roosevelt's disregard of political maxims causes surprise . . . He unexpectedly blames Congress, not business, for lagging defense program.*  
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WASHINGTON.—One thing about this presidential campaign is that neither of the candidates follows all the old political laws and maxims.

This might be understood about Wendell Willkie. He is a rank amateur in politics. But F. D. R. is generally admitted to be one of the shrewdest politicians of the age, so when he violates rules which experience has taught the old masters were sound it is a cause for wonderment.

Most notable recent example was the attack of the President on Sen. Hiram W. Johnson of California, followed by the attack on Willkie by Harold L. Ickes in his "reply" to the Westerner's acceptance address.

The President, it will be recalled, told a gathering of newspaper men at the White House that Senator Johnson was no longer a Progressive. Ickes warned the country over the radio that one of the disasters which would accompany Willkie's election would be that Johnson would become chairman of the senate foreign relations committee.

**INTENT OF ATTACK IMPORTANT**  
But the importance here is not whether Johnson is "no longer a Progressive," nor whether there is any chance of his becoming chairman of the senate foreign relations committee. It is the intent behind the attacks.

At the time the attacks were made, Johnson was a candidate in all three parties for the senatorial nomination—Democratic, Republican and Progressive. Information from every source available to this writer was that he was certain to win both the Democratic and Republican nominations. These predictions have proven true.

Yet with this information, which was certainly at the President's disposal, he chose to issue an attack calculated to make Hiram Johnson furious. And this despite the fact that in 1932 Johnson, although sitting as a Republican in the senate, spoke in favor of Roosevelt in California, and that in 1936 he did not turn a hand to oppose F. D. R.'s reelection.

At the time, also, nothing had been said or hinted by Johnson to show that he was particularly favorable to Willkie's candidacy.

It would seem to boil down to this, that Roosevelt is so bitter against Johnson because Johnson opposed him on the Supreme court and other issues that he didn't care a rap about the consequences, especially as he undoubtedly thinks he can carry California even with Johnson openly fighting him.

**PRESIDENT'S 'BOMBHELL'**  
It is interesting to note that President Roosevelt's much predicted "bombshell" that most politicians had been expecting, calculated to stampede the country for Roosevelt as against Wendell Willkie—was not an attack on business in connection with the national defense contracts.

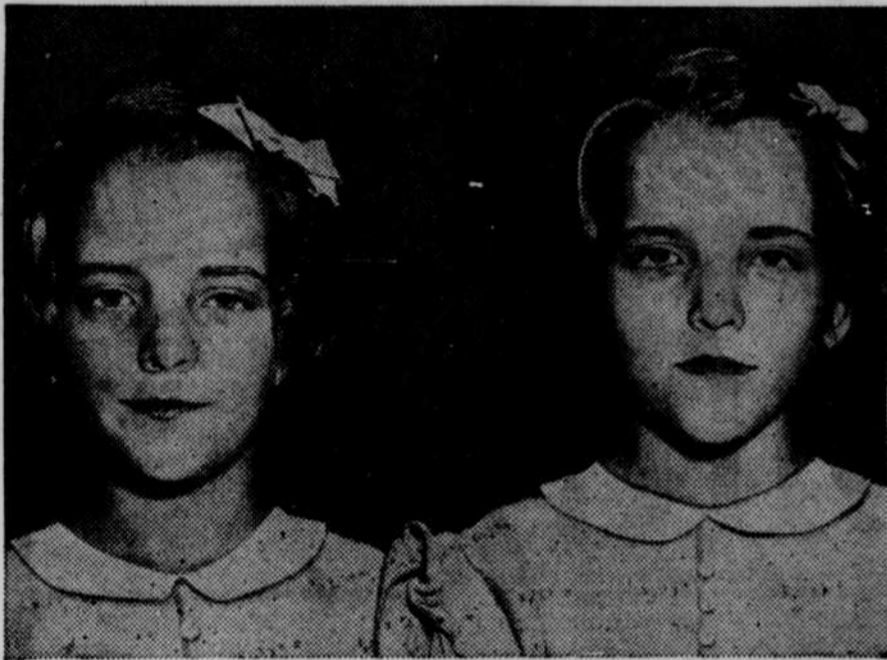
For a time it seemed, from bolts launched against "profit greedy" manufacturers by high-placed New Dealers, that this might be turned into the paramount issue. On the contrary, however, he took the position that not only was the defense program going pretty well, but that business WAS co-operating! He put most of the blame for delay on the shoulders of congress.

There are a number of interesting angles to the explanation. One is that the President is actually more sensitive to criticism from what might be called the Southern Conservatives in congress, and to that of certain other Democrats who are not Southern and not conservative—as for example Sen. David I. Walsh of Massachusetts, and Sen. Burton K. Wheeler of Montana—than he is to criticism from the "enemy," to wit, the Republicans.

**OPPOSITION NEVER FORGETS**  
Every time the President has run into real trouble with congress it has been a combination of most of the Republicans with this hostile group of Democrats. They beat him on Passamaquoddy and the Florida ship canal. They beat him on the Supreme court packing measure.

The President has not forgiven any of them. So when three senators, Walsh, Harry F. Byrd of Virginia, Democrats, and Arthur H. Vandenberg, Republican, joined in an attack on the defense program it was not out of character for the President to make a strong case to the newspapers that all three were just fundamentally wrong. The feeling against Willkie, curiously enough, is not nearly so strong as the President's feeling against the individual senators who from time to time have beaten his cherished schemes.

### Both Their Hearts on Wrong Side



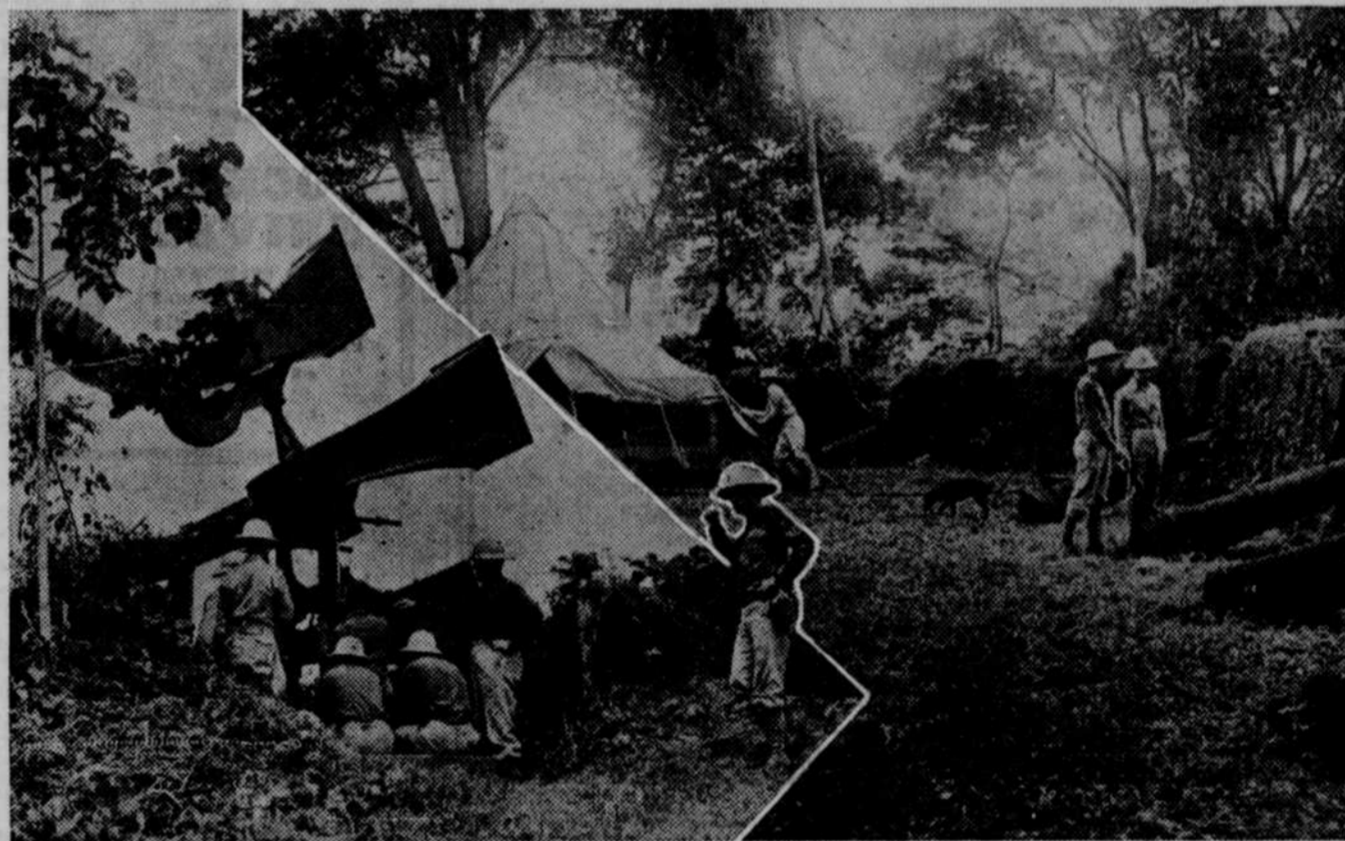
The Smith twins, Bell and Nell, of Decatur, Ga., are in reverse. Their hearts are on the right sides of their bodies, instead of the usual left side. Their spleens, too, are on the wrong side—right instead of left, and their livers, to make the turnabout complete, are on the left instead of the right side. Their eyes, strangely enough, have exactly the same measurements, and exactly the same ailments, a rarity, even in identical twins. The girls are eight years old.

### Hero



Father Francis X. Quinn of New York receives Congressional medal from President Roosevelt for inducing a gunman to surrender after police had been unable to dislodge him from a home. Congress appropriated \$250 for the gold medal.

### Listening Post in Our Canal Defenses



Left: Amid the dense jungle of the Chagres river section of the Panama Canal Zone, a listening post of our growing air defenses is shown in action under eyes of Brig. Gen. Sandford Jarman, commanding Panama coast artillery brigade. Right: Ruins of ancient Fort San Lorenzo, sixteenth century "strong point," are used for camp site by men of the Canal Zone's artillery brigade. The fort is at the Atlantic entrance of the canal.

### U. S. Postmasters to Convene



While the guardian of the U. S. mails at "the world's smallest complete post office" of De Luz, Calif., (pictured at right) may not take time off from his strenuous duties to attend the convention of the National Association of Postmasters at Columbus, Ohio, September 26-28, approximately 5,000 of his brother workers will. Michael J. O'Rourke, Beverly Hills, Calif., (upper right) is scheduled to be chosen the group's next president, and Frank C. Walker, (directly above) President Roosevelt's new postmaster general appointee, is expected to attend some of the sessions.

### Mother and Child



Lina Medina, the world's youngest mother, who will observe her sixth birthday on September 23. The juvenile mother who is shown with her 15-month-old son was expected to journey from her home in Lima, Peru, to Chicago to undergo an investigation of her strange case by scientists.

### Mary's Lamb



Mary Hewlett of Ramona, Calif., with two-months' old Karakul lamb. The war having stopped importation of pelts from Asia Minor, Ramona ranchers who have been raising Karakul sheep are experiencing a boom.

### LaGuardia Volunteers in Fingerprint Drive



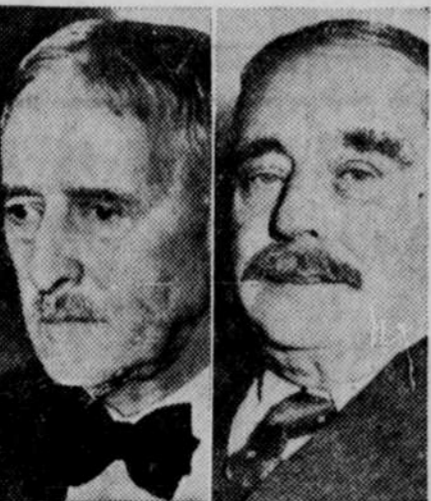
Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia (left) of New York, who recently took the initiative in declaring that every American should be fingerprinted voluntarily, for means of identification, keeps his promise. He is shown being fingerprinted at the Summer city hall in New York. Detective James Kenney and members of the staff from the New York City police department, bureau of civilian identification stand by as the mayor's prints are recorded.

### Sophie Tunes Up for Legion Convention



Sophie Tucker shows a war veteran how she will sing for the American Legion's twenty-second annual convention, at Boston, September 25, when Schenley Post, No. 1190, presents its mammoth "Cavalcade of Stars." Other headliners: Bill Robinson, Ben Bernie and Tommy Dorsey. Right: 1940 Legion convention badge.

### Happy Birthday!



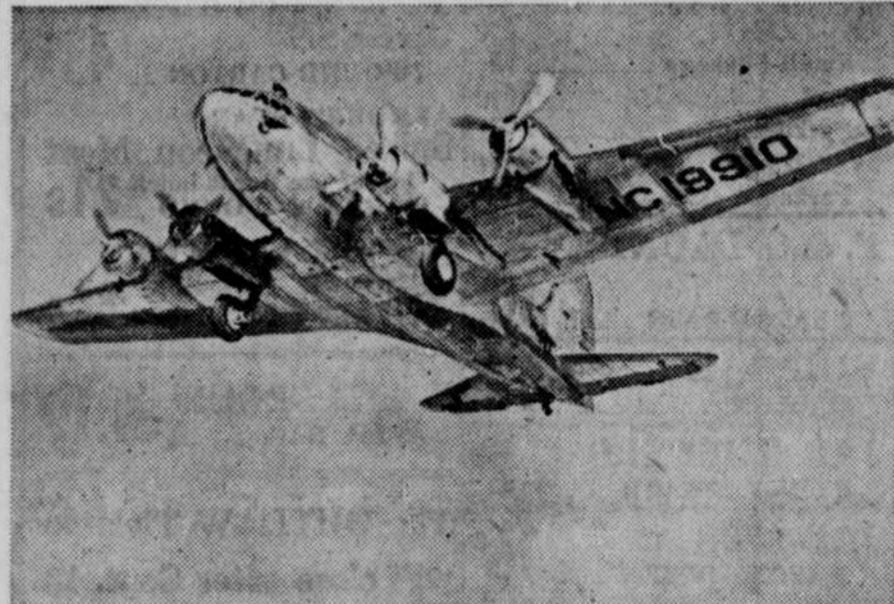
A famous English author and an American statesman who advocates every assistance to Britain short of war will celebrate their birthdays September 21. The English author is H. G. Wells, (right) who will be 74. The American statesman is Col. Henry L. Stimson, (left) new secretary of war, who will be 73.

### Reports to F. D. R.



Mrs. F. J. Harriman, U. S. minister to Norway, as she arrives at the White House. Mrs. Harriman made a report to the President on foreign affairs. She recently returned to this country on the transport, American Legion.

### Another Link Binding the Americas



A striking photo of the Pan-American Airways clipper, "Comet," as the great airliner took off from Miami airport on inaugural flight of the new sub-stratosphere service to Rio De Janeiro. The three-day service will speed passengers, mail and express to the West Indies and the east coast of South America. It will tie Latin America still closer with the United States.