

WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday: Probably showers; not much change in temperature.

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# FIVE FEET, 80 FEET, IN RUHR RIOTS

## England's Policy to Be One of Vigor

Change in Premiership Means Britain Will Take New Stand With Definite Objects as End.

### Baldwin Business Man

By MARK SULLIVAN. London, May 23.—Rarely has there been a change in premier in Great Britain that has implied so little in the nature of any about-face in policy as does the present shift. There will, however, be an increase in energy in the carrying out of policy that will be measured by the difference between the sick man Bonar Law and the vigorous man Stanley Baldwin.

### Baldwin no Pusher.

As between Stanley Baldwin and Marquis Curzon, the chief thing that held the former back from being the instant and obvious choice for the premiership has been lack of self-seeking on his part. Marquis Curzon's friends certainly—possibly Curzon himself—have been of a more pushing style.

Mr. Baldwin has been utterly willing, if it was desired, to let his great adaptability to situations be subordinate to Marquis Curzon's greater length of political life, and therefore greater claim on party reward.

Mr. Baldwin is an odd figure in the very odd public life of present-day Britain. A cousin of Rudyard Kipling, the poet, and nephew of Burnes-Jones, the richly imaginative artist, Mr. Baldwin himself inherited an iron manufacturing and engineering business, and did so well with it that he accumulated a fortune and entered politics at the age of 42.

### Has Business Qualities.

The qualities that brought him forward politically have been those that made him successful in business—practical common sense, friendliness, give-and-take in his relations with men and very great self-reliance in his relations with his country.

As between a commoner and a peer, all recent discussions have emphasized a commonness as being more acceptable in the orthodox circles. It has been admitted that Marquis Curzon, who had been in the days when her dominance was more unquestioned than it is at present.

### Greek Fleet Cruising

About Entrance to Straits Constantino. May 23.—A Greek fleet is cruising about entrance to the Straits of the Dardanelles. The Turkish government has formally called the attention of the British to the incident, lodging a protest against the presence of the Greek vessels.

### Island Children Flee in Terror from First Movie

London, May 23.—The first movie show ever witnessed by peasant children on the island of St. Kilda so terrified them that they stampeded from the school room, where the film was being exhibited, and sought safety in the wild hillsides, says a correspondent of the Daily Express, who is touring the lonely islet that lies west of Scotland.

### Doctor Airplane Victim.

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## Grace Abbott Heads Body of U. S. Welfare Workers

Nebraska Woman Honored at Conference—Value of Public Opinion Is Subject of Discussion.

Washington, May 23.—Election of Miss Grace Abbott, chief of the children's bureau, as president, was announced at the closing session tonight of the national conference of social workers. Dr. Leo K. Frankel of New York was elected first vice president; Rev. E. J. Bryce of Toronto, second vice president, and James Hoge Ricks of Richmond, Va., third vice president. Miss Abbott was unopposed by all of the other officers were contested.



Speakers at tonight's meeting which was devoted, like the other sessions of the day, to consideration of public opinion in its relations to social work, included Governor Sweet of Colorado; Mrs. Henry Moskowitz of New York, former secretary of New York state reconstruction commission; and W. P. Bezell, assistant managing editor of the New York World.

## Backers of Ford Seek Control of Movies, Charge

Statement Center of Attention at Chicago Convention—Election of Officers Postponed Until Today.

Chicago, May 23.—Charges openly made in convention circles that backers of a campaign in behalf of Henry Ford for president of the United States, were endeavoring to gain control of the Motion Picture Owners' Association of America, representing 12,000 exhibitors throughout the country, were the center of attention at today's session, called to elect officers of the organization for the next year. The charges were not mentioned by a delegate during the official session, but figured largely in the action of the meeting.

The suggestion that national politics were a factor in the convention, numerous state caucuses were called unexpectedly and the convention session did not get under way until after 11, although scheduled for 11 this morning. Elections went over until Thursday.

## Teacher to Be Guest of All Pupils of 50-Year's Service

Chicago, May 23.—Miss Cella Sargent, an Evanston school teacher, who resigned today, after 50 years of continuous service, will be the guest of honor at a banquet at the Evanston Women's club to which will be invited all living former pupils.

## Russia Accepts Majority of Great Britain's Demands

London, May 23.—Soviet Russia's second reply to the British ultimatum accepts the majority of the British demands and suggests the holding of a conference to consider points in dispute. The soviet expresses readiness to conclude forthwith an agreement granting British citizens the right to fish outside the three-mile limit off the Russian coast, pending settlement by an international convention of the dispute over the extent of territorial waters.

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## Irrigation Is Viewed by Omahans

Trade Excursion Sees Benefits of Reclamation Work in Sugar Beet and Potato Section of State.

### Inspect Sugar Refineries

By PAUL LGREER. Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Bridgeport, Neb., May 22.—Irrigation is bringing wealth to western Nebraska by something like a conquest of nature. The disadvantage of scanty and unreliable rainfall has been overcome and green fields of wheat, corn, beets, alfalfa and potatoes have replaced the barren prairie of the North Platte valley. About 450,000 acres of land in the North Platte valley are watered by irrigation ditches. At Northport, 24,000 acres have been put under irrigation this year for the first time. At Gering, the federal government is at work on a tunnel more than a mile long that will put the water on 197,000 acres more.

### Four Big Refineries.

It is this development that has made Nebraska a great sugar producing region, four big refineries are located at Scottsbluff, Gering, Morrill and Bayard and there is the prospect of two more in this valley as the industry expands farther to the east. At Grand Island, there is another. The output of the four western mills amounts to 58,000 tons a year. Headquarters of the industry are in Scottsbluff.

It may easily be understood that the high price of sugar does not arouse the indignation here that exists in other parts of the country. Before the farmers work their sugar beets, they draw up a contract by which the Great Western Sugar company agrees to purchase the product of a certain number of acres from each one. The price to be paid for the beets is on a sliding scale which goes up or down with the market price of sugar. These familiar out here with the sugar situation say that there is no shortage. Their view is that world production is short of the estimated consumption, but that there is a sufficient supply to meet the demand.

## Powers to Send Commission to Meet Brigands

Pekin Takes New Steps Toward Release of Prisoners—Train Reported Abandoned Due to Fighting.

Washington, May 23.—Preliminary steps looking toward the opening of direct negotiations with the Shantung bandits for the release of the American and other foreign prisoners has been ordered by the diplomatic council in Peking, the State department announced this afternoon. Secretary of State Hughes was advised today, in the first dispatch he has received from Minister Schurman in more than 48 hours, that a commission of foreign consular officials would be sent to Tao Chwang, the town nearest the bandits' stronghold, to count an investigation of the entire situation and to report back to the diplomatic body.

## Debs Socialists' Chairman

New York, May 23.—Eugene V. Debs of Indiana today was elected national chairman of the social party, at a meeting of the executive committee. The committee spent the day formulating plans for organizing a drive for new members in the northwest.

## Sparky Challenged to Special Match

Race in Omaha During Spring Meet

Barney Google has been challenged. Truth to tell Barney has been challenged twice. Charlie Irwin and Billy Nesshauss are the challengers.

## Attorney's Wife Beaten and Robbed of \$60,000 in Gems

Chicago, May 23.—Mrs. F. G. Smith, wife of an Oak Park attorney, was gagged, beaten and robbed of her fur coat and jewelry valued at \$60,000 by three men who overpowered her chauffeur and kidnaped her in her own automobile, she told police last night after being found lying on a sidewalk in a suburban district in a hysterical condition.

## Two Boys Hurt in Auto Accidents; One Likely to Die

Jump From Car and Ice Wagon on Way From School—Youth's Skull Fractured.

Two boys were injured in South Omaha yesterday afternoon in automobile accidents. Walter Zager, 8, 5625 South Twenty-fourth street, may have a fractured skull. He is in St. Joseph hospital.

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## The Weather

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## Former U. S. Army Officer Held in Los Angeles Holdup

Los Angeles, Cal., May 23.—Weak from the loss of blood and suffering severe pain from two gaping wounds, Grady B. Blair, former regular army lieutenant, and former military instructor at Fort Sam Houston and Camp Mabury, Tex., and his pretty brown-eyed wife were taken into custody today by the police and held on a blind charge of being implicated in the robbery Monday afternoon of David Antink, Sun Drug company messenger, of \$38,300.

## Strikers Clash With Policemen

Citizens Forming Self-Protection Forces Against Riotous Elements at Dortmund—Armed With Clubs.

### Act Against High Prices

Dortmund, May 23.—Five persons were killed, including one woman and one child, and from 60 to 80 persons were wounded Tuesday night in conflicts between striking workmen and the police, according to the casualty lists issued by both the workers and the police.

### Plan to Extend Strike

Many thousands of strikers attended mass meetings today in Dortmund, Bochum and other towns in the mining district and passed resolutions to use every effort to extend the strike throughout the Ruhr and the Rhineland. It is estimated that 60,000 men have quit work in the Dortmund district. Most of these are coal miners who went on strike last week but have been joined in the last few days by workmen from two big iron and steel plants. The strikers are demanding a 50 per cent increase in wages because of high cost of living and the depreciation in the value of the mark.

### Direct Action Taken

Direct action against the rising cost in living was taken today in two towns, Steele and Kay, where so-called German commissions of control made the rounds of stores and markets and compelled dealers to reduce their prices by half or more. Sometimes they stationed members of the commissions in stores to supervise sales and handle the cash. Many women accompanied the commissions on their rounds and took immediate advantage of the new bargain prices the commissions enforced.

### Rhineland Is Menaced

by Wave of Communism

Berlin, May 23.—A communistic wave threatens to spread over the industrial sections of the Rhineland and Westphalia if the communist strikers succeed in extending and organizing their present walkout to the dimensions of a general strike.

### Curzon to Continue to Act as Foreign Secretary, Belief

London, May 23.—Lord Curzon will continue to act as secretary for foreign affairs, in the cabinet of Prime Minister Baldwin, according to unofficial predictions in government circles today.

### Ben Hooper Re-Elected Chairman of Rail Board

Chicago, May 23.—Ben W. Hooper was re-elected chairman of the United States railway labor board at its meeting here this afternoon. N. W. Hanger, who refused to be candidate to succeed Hooper, although a majority favored him, he said, was re-elected vice chairman.

### Dry Officer Arrested.

Newark, N. J., May 23.—Samuel Cone, former chief of the field forces of the New Jersey prohibition office, was arrested yesterday on six indictments charging bribery.