

# PROPOSE INSURANCE OF HOME FINANCING

## Rainfall Here Breaks Worst Drought on Record

### POND, SABELLI TAKE OFF FOR FLIGHT TO ROME

4,500-MILE FLIGHT EXPECTED  
TO TAKE 40 HOURS; IS FIRST  
OCEAN HOP OF THE YEAR.

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 14.—(P)—Capt. George R. Pond and Lieut. Cesare Sabelli soared away from Lloyd Bennett field at 6:24 a. m., Eastern Standard Time, today with the announced intention of reaching Rome without a stop. They said their large orange and maroon monoplane could make the 4,500-mile flight in about 40 hours.

Planned for Months  
Pond, a former navy flier, and Sabelli, one-time Italian war ace, had been planning the flight for months. They had hoped originally to make the attempt last fall but abandoned the idea because of unfavorable weather.

Their plane, "Leonardo Da Vinci," carried 680 gallons of gasoline, enough to last more than 40 hours. Weather reports indicated favorable winds, but noted a low pressure area over the north Atlantic coast which the fliers said they would fly over.

Fine Flying Weather  
Halifax, N. S., reported that fine flying weather probably will favor Pond and Sabelli as they sped out over the Atlantic. The atmosphere along the coast of Nova Scotia was hazy early today, but the ceiling appeared to be lifting rapidly. There was much ice in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, however, and they would probably have poor visibility near Newfoundland.

They set a course over Cape Race, Nfld., and the great circle route. If the weather turns bad, they said, they may abandon the attempt to make Rome and land in France or Spain.

Today's attempt is the first transatlantic flight of the year.

Perfect Takeoff  
The plane made a perfect takeoff, rising easily into the air after a run of about 1,000 feet. Pond, was at the controls.

The "Leonardo Da Vinci" is powered with a Wright 36 motor, capable of developing 300 horse power. It has a maximum speed of 150 miles per hour and a cruising speed of 120 miles.

The fliers are carrying a wireless receiver and have made arrangements for hourly weather reports.

Sabelli is 37 years old and lives in New York. His flying suit was loaned to him by Peggy Rex of Cleveland. It bears the autographs of Elmer Barrymore, Frank Hawks and Jimmy Doolittle.

### Washington

Darrow Not Senile  
Record Profit!  
To End High-Hatting  
BY RODNEY DUTCHER

WASHINGTON. — Old Clarence

Darrow is in his 78th year. If you didn't know him well, he might impress you as doddering and senile. His mind often seems to wander.

But if you think that's true about Darrow, you get fooled. John F. Sinclair got fooled that way.

Which seems to be the reason the National Recovery Review board is all out of step but Mr. Sinclair.

When the board was appointed to look out for the interests of the small business man under NRA, with Darrow as chairman and Sinclair as vice-chairman, Sinclair's friends spread the word that he would be the "brains and the dynamo" of the group.

Sinclair, a handsome, dashing former Y. M. C. A. secretary and former banker who now writes financial articles, did his best to play the part.

At early Darrow press conferences, newspapermen were surprised to find him seeming to patronize the old Chicago lawyer, intercepting questions and inserting himself at times when they were interested only in Darrow.

War promptly broke out behind the scenes when Sinclair undertook to choose an executive secretary for the board. Darrow said he intended to give orders, not take them, and a hot fight settled the Darrow-Sinclair issue.

Thereafter, according to board members, Sinclair seldom attended hearings.

Sinclair, resigning, has attacked the board's report charging monopolistic features in NRA codes, and

### Charge Grain Operator Had Fake Accounts

Chicago, May 14.—(P)—The federal government charged today in opening its case against Arthur W. Cutten, widely known grain speculator, that Cutten maintained some 34 dummy accounts in eight Chicago brokerage houses during 1930 and 1931 and that the eight brokers conspired with him to keep gigantic grain maneuvers secret.

"The government charges Cutten in some 80 per cent of his dealings with the grain side," said Attorney Leo E. Tierney, representing the department of agriculture. "Cutten was a tremendous short seller and has dealing totalling hundreds of millions of bushels.

Cutten is charged with concealing large wheat deals in violation of the rule under the grain futures act which requires traders to report when they are "in" the market deeper than 500,000 bushels.

The government attorney said: "The government does not claim that Cutten was to blame for the crash of commodity prices, but it will appear in evidence that there are strange co-incidences of Cutten's large sales and sudden price fluctuations."

Tierney's statement opened the government's attempt to force the grain operator, who had been prominent in trading circles since the 1890's, from all contract markets.

### KIDNAP WITNESS SLAIN BY GANG

NEGRO'S LIPS SEALED BY  
DEATH; HIS CONFESSION IM-  
PLICATED THREE IN KELLEY  
ABDUCTION.

St. Louis, May 14.—(P)—Machine gunners have sealed the lips of John C. Johnson, 47-year-old Negro farmer, a state's star witness in the 1931 kidnaping of Dr. Isaac D. Kelley, socially prominent St. Louis physician.

Rearrest "Finger Woman"  
The slaying of Johnson as he dozed beside the home of Deputy Sheriff Harry Newbold was followed by the rearrest and subsequent release on reduced bond of Mrs. Nellie Tipton Muench, alleged "finger woman" in the abduction, and the departure from St. Louis of Adolph Fiedler, 370-pound former Maplewood justice of the peace, whose story to a newspaper resulted in the indictment of Mrs. Muench, Johnson and four others.

Gunmen Not Identified  
County authorities had made little progress today in their effort to identify two men who fired a volley of shots from a machine gun at Johnson late Saturday and fled in a motor car. Johnson, free under \$10,000 bail, stayed at the officer's home for "safekeeping."

In a confession, authorities said, the Negro implicated three of the six persons indicated last February.

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### 8 Lives Sacrificed To Save Dog's Life

Fontainebleau, France, May 14.—(P)—Eight persons—six men and two women—are dead and five lie injured because of an automobile racing driver's efforts to save the life of a dog.

The driver, Eric Cochin, an army aviator, lost control of his car and it hurtled into a mass of spectators when he swerved during a race in Fontainebleau forest to avoid hitting the animal.

Cochin died in a hospital. The spectators had attracted Cochin's attention to the dog, waving to him and crying out when it dashed out upon the speedway.

The dog apparently escaped unhurt.

### No Mother's Day Greeting from Co-Ed

Manitowoc Wis., May 14.—(P)—A plea for a Mother's Day greeting from Eunice Pollock, 20, missing University of Wisconsin co-ed, brought no response to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Pollock.

Several days ago the girl's mother, who has been seriously ill, made an appeal for a greeting through the newspapers. Friends feared the disappointment would aggravate her illness.

No word has been received from Miss Pollock since she left Madison March 17 after being suspended by Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She has since been exonerated of accusations filed against her.

### FIRE HAZARD IS ALLEVIATED BY WEEK-END RAIN

ALL RECORDS FOR DROUGHT,  
HEAT AND HIGH WINDS  
BROKEN HERE THIS SPRING,  
WEATHER FACTS REVEAL.

Accompanied by more seasonable temperature, Wisconsin Rapids and central Wisconsin got their first spring rainfall of any appreciable proportions late Saturday afternoon and evening, breaking the most severe spring drought on record. Only the charred remains of many buildings and thousands of acres of marsh and brush lands were left Sunday to give evidence of the terrible fire hazard now considerably relieved.

37 of An Inch Rainfall  
The official government instruments of Weatherman C. O. Burt at the sixteenth street pumping station gave a total precipitation on Saturday of .37 of an inch. There were traces of moisture on the fourth and eleventh of this month, but not enough to give a reading. No rain fell on Sunday.

This spring, however, continues to break all records for dryness, heat and high winds. Compared with an average precipitation of more than two and a half inches per month over a period of seven years, this city has had but 3.39 in the first four months of 1934, according to Mr. Burt.

Becoming Steadily Drier  
That this section of the state is steadily becoming drier is shown by the weather statistics kept for the government by the local pumping station operator. In 1926 there was 37.37 inches of moisture, in 1927 30.44, but in 1928 a small gain to 32.44. Since then the decrease has been fairly consistent each year, 28.95 in 1929, 26.42 in '30, 26.05 in 1931, 27.62 in '32, way down to 22.70 in 1933. The average for the seven-year period is 29.97.

But not only for its aridity has this May been the most freakish month for weather in recent years. Twice last week the record high temperature of 94 degrees above zero was reached, and then the mercury tobogganed 62 degrees down to 32—just freezing—when cranberry mud had to flood their vines to avoid damage. High for the 24-hour period ending at 7 o'clock this morning, when the reading was 48, was 58, and the low 32.

Godsend to Farmers  
Although rather light in this section of the state, which has been hardest hit by the drought, the down-pour was a godsend to farmers whose livestock could not find anything to graze on in the seared pastures. The cooler weather and moisture have already had a very beneficial effect on the grass and hay.

After a week of most strenuous fire fighting, the local department did not have to answer a single call over the week-end.

### Governor Advocates Seed Appropriation

Madison, Wis., May 14.—(P)—Governor Schmiedeman urged the Wisconsin delegation in congress today to seek a federal appropriation which will enable farmers, whose crops have been burned out by the drought to purchase seeds for replanting.

"In view of the drought recently experienced by Wisconsin farmers and the failure of the seed to germinate because thereof, it will be necessary for many of the crops to be replanted," the governor said in telegram to each congressman.

"Many of the farmers are not able to purchase the seeds for replanting and I deem it imperative that some appropriation or relief be afforded for this purpose."

"Many of the farmers in this state suffering from the drought of last year have been reduced to total inability to finance a replanting. May I respectfully urge that you support some measure in congress to provide this necessary relief."

### Car Damaged in Collision Here

The coupe of Maxine Hagen, Adams, was slightly damaged with the right front fender crumpled and the hub cap smashed when her car was hit by the sedan driven by Ernest Gilmaster, 1340 First street north, Saturday. Gilmaster was driving north on the east side market square and Miss Hagen was driving north on Second street and turning into Baker street when the collision occurred.

### Defend Insull



These two attorneys will seek the acquittal of Samuel Insull. They are Floyd E. Thompson, left, former chief justice of the Illinois supreme court, and Edward Fleming.

### FAIL TO CONTACT GETTLE CAPTORS

INTERMEDIARY WITH \$60,000  
RANSOM IS WAYLAIED BY HI-  
JACKERS. TEMPORARILY  
HALTING NEGOTIATIONS.

Los Angeles, May 14.—(P)—Negotiations with the kidnapers of William F. Gettle, Beverly Hills millionaire, came to an abrupt and dramatic halt today after failure of intermediaries to make an attempted contact with the abductors. It was believed the interruption was but temporary.

Ernest E. Noon, attorney and intermediary for the Gettle family, went to Downey, a suburb southeast of Los Angeles at 3 a. m. in hopes of bringing the abducted millionaire home to his family.

Returns Empty-Handed  
He returned empty-handed after one of the most sensational developments in the case since the abduction of the millionaire Wednesday midnight from his Arcadia country estate.

Two notes penciled in Gettle's handwriting, and with the 1932 life membership card of the millionaire in the local Shrine temple attached, indicated that ransom payment instructions were leading to the end of his trail as a prisoner, and that he is alive.

What the district attorney described as an attempt by hijackers to hold up the special intermediary who was alone in a car with the \$60,000 ransom money, put a sudden end to the negotiations.

Shoots Way to Safety  
The special intermediary, whose identity the authorities said they wished to conceal, shot it out with the men he believed to be hijackers. This happened while Noon was en route to Downey, by another route.

### Cloudburst Wrecks Tiberias; Drowns 20

Jerusalem, May 14.—(P)—A torrential rainfall at noon today sent a wall of water sweeping down the streets of Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee, drowning at least 20 persons, and reducing much of the ancient city to ruins.

### 1200 Attend Annual Play Day Exercises at Arpin

Twelve hundred children and adults were in attendance at the eighth annual county play day held at Arpin Saturday, when winners of various district contests in all branches of school work held recently participated in contests to select the first three places in each division in the entire county.

The art recognition, music memory, and achievement contests were held in the Arpin graded school, during the forenoon. Outdoor activities were in charge of W. C. Christensen, assisted by Harry Klappa and Miss Thelma Stamm. The afternoon program included declamatory, music specialty and folk dancing contests, singing by the Wood county chorus and awarding of prizes. Judges for the contests were Miss Emmogene Hayward, Marshfield; Miss Ellen Doherty, Auburndale; and W. C. Christensen, Wisconsin Rapids.

### 7 ACCIDENTAL DEATHS IN STATE OVER WEEK-END

TRAFFIC MISHAPS CLAIM SIX  
LIVES; MILWAUKEE MAN  
BURNS TO DEATH IN STUR-  
GEON BAY COTTAGE.

(By The Associated Press)  
Six persons were killed in traffic accidents and another burned to death in Wisconsin over the week-end and today. Near Oshkosh the body of a man missing for two months was recovered from Lake Winnebago.

The dead:  
Mrs. G. W. Moore, Antigo.  
Miss Irene Sather, 24, Antigo.  
C. F. Wolta, 47, Oshkosh.  
Miss Elsie Redel, 21, West Allis.  
Leonard Krentz, 24, Milwaukee.  
Ernest Klitzke, 32, Oshkosh.  
William Petoskey, 58, Milwaukee.

Two Killed Near Antigo  
Mrs. Moore and Miss Sather were killed early today in a collision at Highways 26 and 47, south of Antigo. Dr. C. W. Moore, son of Prof. R. A. Moore of the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture and prominent in state medical circles, suffered a head injury. Jack Feit, driver of the car in which Miss Sather rode, was slightly hurt.

Petoskey, former Milwaukee building contractor and widely known in political circles of the city, was fatally burned in a fire which destroyed a cottage near Sturgeon Bay where he was spending the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pape of Milwaukee.

Flames Balk Rescue  
Authorities said they believed the fire originated from a carelessly discarded cigar which Petoskey was smoking when he retired. The Papes were aroused by his cries, but heat and flames balked rescue attempts.

Wolita died yesterday of injuries received Saturday night when he was struck on Highway 41 near the north limits of Oshkosh by an automobile driven by Robert A. Riesberger, Medina, Wis.

Cycle Skids, Girl Killed  
A skull fracture and other injuries caused the death of Miss Redel in a hospital at Green Bay last night shortly after a motorcycle on which she was riding with George Losy, Milwaukee, skidded on Highway 97, 15 miles south of Green Bay, and they were thrown to the pavement. Losy was not seriously hurt.

Krentz, manager of a Milwaukee automobile accessory store, was killed when his automobile overturned during a rain storm near Cedarburg early yesterday.

The body of Klitzke, who disappeared March 9 when he started for a fishing shanty on Lake Winnebago, was found by fishermen yesterday near Blackbird Island, north of Oshkosh.

### Select Progressive Delegates in County

There probably will be a split vote on formation of a third party at the Fond du Lac convention next Saturday among Wood county's five delegates elected Saturday, according to Assemblyman B. M. Vaughan, president of the Wood County Progressive club. Leonard Reiland is secretary-treasurer.

At meetings of Progressives held in Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids and Nekosea on Saturday the following delegates were chosen: Vernon Berg and James Wagner, Marshfield; S. L. Stevens and Paul Dunne, Nekosea; and A. P. Bean, town of Hansen.

### Wartime Governor of Michigan Dies

Bad Axe, Mich., May 14.—(P)—Albert E. Sleeper, 71, Michigan's wartime governor and long a prominent figure in Republican politics of the state, died at his home here yesterday.

Mr. Sleeper came into the Thumb district of Michigan in 1884 and became state treasurer in 1903, serving until 1912. He was elected governor in 1915 and was reelected two years later.

Car Is Stripped  
After Accident  
Sam Baggs of near Coloma suffered cuts and bruises and his small sedan was badly damaged about 2 o'clock Sunday morning when he drove into a bridge on a town road near County Highway K. Sheriff Martin Bay was called to investigate stripping of three tires and wheels, a battery, hot water heater, spotlight and tools from the car before morning.

### Singler Suit Headed for Night Sessions in Order To Complete It Tuesday

#### School Exhibit Here Wednesday

Demonstrations of what has been accomplished by students at Lincoln high school and Witter vocational school during the school year now closing will be presented for public scrutiny at the Lincoln and Witter buildings Wednesday, when the twelfth annual school exposition is held. Faculty members are anxious that parents and all other interested visit the exhibits sometime during the day or evening. The building will be open to the public from 1 to 5 and from 7:15 to 10 p. m.

Each class will have an exhibit of its work, and special demonstrations will be presented by many of the classes, including chemistry, physics, home economics, manual arts, and the seventh and eighth grade arithmetic and general science classes.

Music by the high school band, tumbling acts by boys and girls of the physical education classes, and a one-act play will comprise the evening program in the field house.

### HUNT MISSING STAR WITNESS

WOMAN ON WHOM GOVERN-  
MENT PINNED CASE AGAINST  
ACCUSED HARBORERS OF  
DILLINGER VANISHES.

(Copyright 1934, The Associated Press)

St. Paul, Minn., May 14.—(P)—An important government witness in the case of three defendants charged with harboring John Dillinger, has disappeared and today, 24 hours before the scheduled opening of the trial, the department of justice was frantically searching for her.

Object of the extended search is Mrs. Dolores Smart, attractive 22-year-old Minneapolis blonde who was released on her own recognition to appear at the trial of Evelyn Frechette, part-Indian sweetheart of the notorious killer, Dr. Clayton May of Minneapolis and his nurse, Mrs. Augusta Salt.

"Banked" On Her Testimony  
The government, it was learned from a reliable source, had "banked" on Mrs. Smart's testimony as one of the strong links in its chain of evidence against Dr. May and Mrs. Salt.

George F. Sullivan, United States district attorney, said "but I feel confident that she will be located in time to testify at the trial. Of course, we are anxious to find her."

Mrs. Smart, whose husband is reported living in California, was a patient and friend of Dr. May. According to information in possession of the department of justice, the young woman accompanied Dr. May to the apartment at 3300 Fremont avenue south, Minneapolis, on at least one occasion when the physician treated Dillinger for a bullet wound.

Store Manager Threatened  
The deposition of Jerome Wall, Oshkosh "five and ten" store manager, was read by the defense, testimony being to the effect that Wall was requested by Milo Singler, brother of Walter, to contribute to the Milk Pool fund. When Wall refused because no reason was given for the need of the money, the deposition read, he was threatened with picketing and blackballed. The store was not blackballed, cross-examination revealed.

Seek \$3,000,000  
for War on Crime  
Washington, May 14.—(P)—To the challenge of the John Dillingers of America, the government may write a \$3,000,000 answer.

Lewis Douglas, budget director, and men from the justice department, are putting their heads together, considering the advisability of spending up to that sum on a "war chest" to combat crime.

Among these things the money would provide are:  
Twenty armored cars; two hundred swift squad cars; submarine guns and bullet proof vests; tear gas equipment; ten or twelve new offices of the division of investigation; two hundred and seventy more men to help the present 419 agents; expanded facilities for prosecution.

### Case Will Be Continued Unless Judge Warns; Newspa- per Editorial Staff Members Testify.

La Crosse, Wis., May 14.—(P)—Going into its second week, the \$100,000 suit brought by Walter M. Singler, president of the Wisconsin Co-operative Milk Pool, against the Milwaukee Journal company and Joseph D. Beck, commissioner of agriculture and markets, today apparently was headed for night sessions in order that it be concluded Tuesday, after having failed to maintain its usual pace.

Charges Remarks Defamatory  
Singler is suing Beck and the Journal company for alleged defamatory remarks uttered by Beck in a radio address over the Journal's radio station, WTMJ, last May 15.

Judge Robert S. Cowie has said if the case is not concluded Tuesday night it must be continued, as he is going to Fond du Lac Wednesday to hold court for Judge Clayton Van Pelt, who is to hear certain cases here.

Testimony which in effect supplanted that already introduced was presented this morning. Witnesses included Louis C. French and Orville Schaleben, Journal editorial staff members, and Gottfried Moser, of Shiocton.

Admit Editorial Exhibits  
Editorials of the Journal during the milk crisis and up to May 13, 1933, were admitted as exhibits, while editorials after May 15 were rejected.

French, a reporter of 18 years' experience, said he heard Singler say in a speech during the February strike that he (Singler) wanted no violence, but peaceful persuasion.

"Five minutes later," French testified, "he said that he wanted to start taking the names of people who did ship to market, and that he would see that they were taken care of." Upon another occasion when farm foreclosures were an issue of the day, French said he heard Singler declare that sheriffs attempting to foreclose "would find a noose hanging down from the hayloft."

Called Department Useless  
French quoted Singler upon another occasion as saying, "It is my opinion that the department of agriculture and markets is the most useless we have in the state."

The testimony Schaleben had been expected to introduce into the case was barred by the court.

Moser, who was born in Switzerland and is a cheesemaker by trade, picketed during the strikes but did not belong to the Pool. He was under the direction of Nubby Hiller (Shiocton tavernkeeper and hall owner), he testified, and said that after he was arrested Nov. 18, 1933, for dumping milk at Shiocton, Singler talked to him after his release on bond and told him that it did not stop him from going out. At his own cheese factory which he no longer operates, Moser said, he was ordered to close or his milk would be dumped. He closed, he said.

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Fort Frances, Ont., May 14.—(P)—Settlement of the strike of 1,000 paper mill employees today had been effected and preparations for the return of the men to the mills after three weeks' cessation of work was underway.

Negotiations, concluded during the week-end, give the men a minimum of 40 cents an hour in the low pay classes and an increase of 11 1/9 per cent in the senior classes.

The return of the men to work will be gradual, depending on tonnage available at the mills.

The strike affected the Minnesota and Ontario Paper company at International Falls, Minn., and the Fort Frances Pulp and Paper company here. The pay increases also will be granted paper mill employees at Kenora, Ont.

Today's Weather Facts:  
Maximum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 58; minimum temperature for 24-hour period ending at 7 a. m., 32; temperature at 7 a. m., 48.

### ROOSEVELT ASKS U. S. BACK UP PRIVATE LOANS

PRESIDENT, IN MESSAGE TO  
CONGRESS, OUTLINES PRO-  
GRAM TO AID EMPLOYMENT,  
IMPROVE HOUSING CONDI-  
TIONS.

May 14.—(P)—Legislation requested by President Roosevelt which Democratic leaders said would provide possibly "several billion dollars" for home construction and improvements, was introduced today in congress.

Washington, May 14.—(P)—Government insurance of private financing for home construction and repair was proposed today by President Roosevelt in a message to congress.

Urges Action This Session  
The president urged action at this session on the two-fold program which he said would add to employment and provide "tangible, useful wealth in a form for which there is great social and economic need."

Loans for modernization would be made by private agencies which would be insured by governmental agencies against loss up to a certain percentage of their advances.

Mutual mortgage insurance under governmental direction to enable private agencies to make first mortgage loans on newly constructed houses up to 80 per cent of the appraised value of the property would be provided. New mortgages would be allowed on existing homes up to 60 per cent of the appraised value of the property. The loans would usually carry not more than five per cent interest.

Would Insure B. and L. Shares  
The president proposed further federal insurance for share and certificate holders in building and loan associations, similar to the insurance provided for bank depositors.

Also Mr. Roosevelt would provide incorporation of mortgage associations under strict federal supervision to increase the amount of mortgage funds available in regions where interest rates are unduly high.

"Modernization of commercial and industrial structures," said the president, "is envisioned, as well as residential, but the new features providing governmental assistance are confined largely to home improvements."

Text of Message  
The president's message follows:

"To the congress:  
"May I draw your attention to some important suggestions for legislation which should tend to improve conditions for those who live in houses, those who repair and construct houses, and those who invest in houses?"

"Many of our homes are in decadent condition and not fit for human habitation. They need repairing and modernizing to bring them up

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