

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

Fine New Jail
Newspaper Prestige
Easy to Buy
Who Is the Man?

Not much Ethiopian news. You could hardly expect it with our own white-black prize-ring war competing. Whatever happens, Ethiopian tribesmen will benefit. The emperor, Haile Selassie, is working on reforms, doing away withibusines that Mussolini pointed out and promised to cure.

He opened a substantial concrete jail outside of Addis Ababa to replace the old jail. There, according to Dr. von Wiegand's cablegram to Universal Service, "live prisoners sometimes remained chained to those who had died for days."

Newspapers in Pennsylvania, 265 of them, have celebrated "press prestige" this week. Governor Earle tells the editors, presumably shivering with delight and surprise, about "the important part that newspapers play in the lives of our people." It is as important as the part played by the people's eyes and ears, and might be taken for granted by now.

Napoleon knew about it when he said that, if he allowed freedom of the press, his power would not last six weeks. Stalin, Hitler and Mussolini could make speeches about it.

The newspaper is a mirror in which the public sees itself, the newspaper's owner and the civilization of the moment. Interesting reflections of that civilization may appear soon in dispatches from Ethiopia and from London in case Mussolini should send his first 500 airplanes in the direction of Buckingham palace, the house of commons, Downing street and the Bank of England, with the message: "What do you think of explosive and mustard gas sanctions?"

The pathetic thing in journalism, as in politics, is the lack of names that the people know. Millions of Americans read newspapers with no faintest conception as to the character of the man whose newspaper they read. It might be called "anonymous nonentity." There are exceptions.

The most important and influential newspaper by far, in proportion to circulation, is the so-called "country newspaper," smaller dailies and weeklies.

Their readers know who runs them, and those readers, not living in city apartments, with a can opener, buy everything from the paint on the roof to the cement in the cellar floor, from the piano and radio in the sitting room to the car in the garage.

Berlin says the Nazi party plans, forcibly, to buy out all Jewish firms and businesses, suggesting that "ambitious Aryan business men will get great bargains." One idea is to allow "Aryan" employees to take over Jewish businesses with government backing. They might take it over, but what about running it? Anybody may buy a business; making it pay is another job.

The Republican committee will have "an important meeting" now, a really big, first-class, "hang-up" meeting in December, to put "pep" into the 1936 campaign.

The question is, "Who is your man?"

Americans want to yell for somebody.

They have not been trained to yell for an idea.

Who is your man? What is his name?

An amusing situation in Europe! England sends her gigantic fleet to the Mediterranean, heaviest dreadnaughts, submarines, airships; parks them around the rock of Gibraltar and at the entrance of the Suez canal; sends additional soldiers to the Island of Malta.

Mussolini puts his convenient island, off the coast of Greece, in a state of siege, with submarines, airplanes, cutting the Mediterranean in two, isolating the big English fleet in the western end.

Then England, having shown an ardent desire to fight Italy, sends official word that she really hadn't any war with Italy in mind, her feelings were hurt by the Italian newspapers. That is why she sent her fleet.

DeWolf Hopper is dead at seventy-seven, too soon. He worked to the last, talked over the radio in the afternoon, and was dead at 9:30 next morning. He should find a good seat reserved for him in the entertainment that lasts forever, in a better world. He spent his life working to make people smile and forget their sorrows.

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Thousands Pay Homage to Senator Long



Thousands of friends filed past the bier of the late United States Senator Huey P. Long, who was killed by an assassin's bullet, as his corpse lay in state in the rotunda of the state capitol in Baton Rouge.

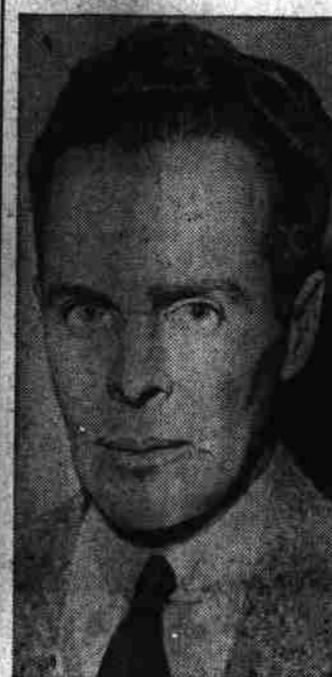
Jackie Coogan and Toby Wing to Wed



"The Kid," as Jackie Coogan has been known to millions ever since the famed Charlie Chaplin picture of the same name, has grown up. He and blonde Toby Wing of the movies have announced their engagement, and don't they look happy? Wedding plans depend upon parental action.

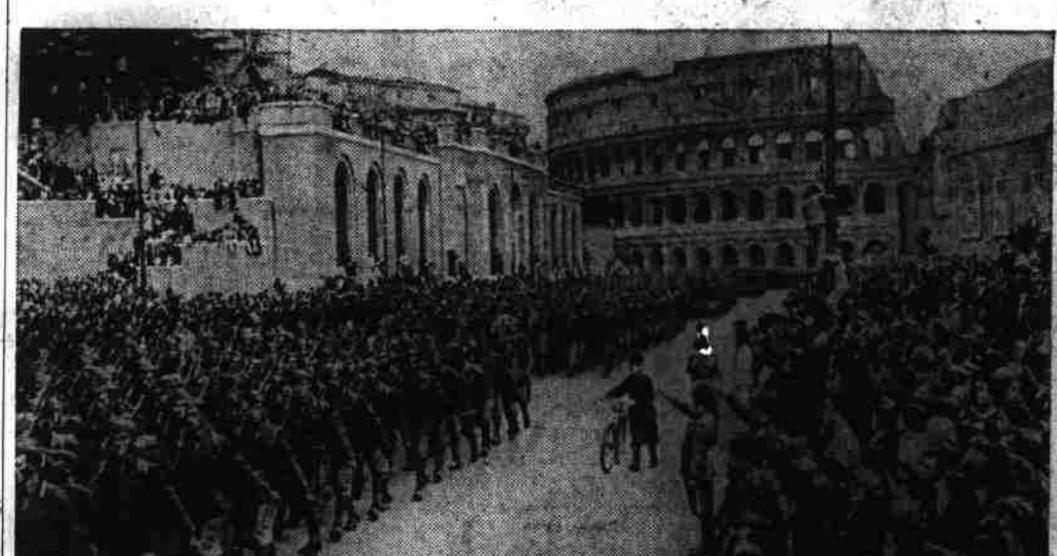
Teachers Re-Elect Lowry Union Chief

While some of the delegates walked out in fighting over a change



that a chapter charter was communistic, the American Federation of Teachers re-elected Raymond Lowry president.

Italian Volunteers Start for East Africa



A regiment of recently recruited volunteers marching through ancient Rome, with the Colosseum in the background, during a public demonstration and just prior to their departure for the Italian Somaliland to join Mussolini's forces in the "scheduled" African campaign.

Laura Ingalls Sets Women's Air Record

Laura Ingalls is pictured here at the end of her flight of 13 hours, 34



Social Security Board Meets



The Social Security board, to administer President Roosevelt's program of unemployment insurance and old-age pensions, held its first meeting in Washington with John G. Winant, former Republican governor of New Hampshire, as chairman. Left to right: Arthur J. Altmeyer, John G. Winant and Vincent Morgan Miles. The social security program has proved one of the most popular steps taken by the New Deal, and follows the trend which has been established in most other countries, with varied success.

SEEN and HEARD around the NATIONAL CAPITAL

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FAMOUS WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT



the national conventions meet in June.

Bonus politics is one of the queer exceptions to general rules. It has come to be generally accepted that it does not hurt a President to oppose bonus payments. But just as generally it is believed that voting against anything the soldiers want is little short of suicide for a senator or member of the house.

This theory may or may not be accurate. It has never been adequately tested.

But whether opposing the bonus contributed or not, the senators and members of the house who attempted to stand by Presidents in opposing the bonus were killed off by their electorates one after another.

Curious Complication

There is another curious complication to the present situation. Several senators are known to have told the bonus lobbyists that they would vote to override President Roosevelt's veto, if that one additional electoral vote would put it over. This is not just patter by the lobbyists.

Two senators, whose names the writer is not permitted to mention, have confirmed such reports. They told bonus workers later that if it could be demonstrated next time that one more vote would do the trick, they would produce.

Tammany never held this against Roosevelt. Its leaders are always practical. They knew there was nothing else Roosevelt could do, unless he abandoned all hope of becoming President. They knew that to pick a fight with Tammany has always been good national politics. And besides, while many of them were sorry personally about Jimmy Walker, they put their own man in as mayor, and the Hall continued to flourish.

But

it must be remembered that for the two years preceding this, Tammany had been deprived of any share of state patronage. Tammany rather expected this of a Presidential candidate, but when Roosevelt's protege, Herbert H. Lehman, continued to starve the tiger, despite the fact that Al Smith had supported Lehman, the grievance began to grow.

This

would

have

made no difference if it had not been for the La Guardia election, which left Tammany without federal, state or city jobs to dispense, in fact, at the lowest ebb of its power since the Civil war.

But it must be remembered that for the two years preceding this, Tammany had been deprived of any grounds for the Legion leaders making any drive against them. In fact, both fully expect to vote for the bonus next time, and for the bonus to pass over the Roosevelt veto, thus eliminating any possibility of repercussions for them at the polls. But last time they did not feel strong enough to risk the President's ire when he bore down on them to sustain the veto. They were interested in bits of that \$4,000,000,000 work relief, for instance. Not to mention several other possibilities of Presidential favor or disfavor.

Next time, the understanding on Capitol Hill is, there will be no threats from the White House, not even implied ones.

Morgenthau's Trip

Rumors persist that the trip of Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau to Europe is not just a pleasure excursion, despite his emphatic insistence. Silver senators especially attach far more significance to it. They insist he is seeking an international agreement for the remonetization of the white metal. They point out that more than usual pains were taken to hide the recent conference between Mr. Morgenthau and Montagu Norman, famous and mysterious head of the Bank of England.

This visit is alleged to have occurred at Bar Harbor, Maine. Montagu Norman slipped into that Down East resort with not even a society column mention of his movements. At the same time Morgenthau, always a dutiful son, realized that he had not seen his father for several weeks. Henry Morgenthau, Sr., by a curious coincidence, was also at Bar Harbor.

So the secretary of the treasury slipped up to Bar Harbor and paid his parent the long deferred visit he owed.

So much the silver senators know. They add that they also know that the British financier and the head of Uncle Sam's treasury had a protracted talk—so protracted that it was the subject of much clatter in the servants' quarters all over Bar Harbor next day.

Montagu Norman is famous for saying absolutely nothing to his interviewers. Morgenthau is not quite so taciturn—but almost.

Shortly thereafter Morgenthau announces a pleasure trip to Spain. What the silver senators think is that some very important financiers, and some of the leading finance ministers of Europe, will also suddenly decide that a brief rest in Spain—away from all the excitement about Italy and Ethiopia—is just what the doctor ordered for them.

What they earnestly hope is that Morgenthau will be able to persuade them how much it would be to the advantage of all concerned for there to be an international agreement on silver.

Behind this desire on the part of the silver senators—and behind the possibility that Mr. Morgenthau may be going to attempt just that—in the encouraging fact that the administration silver program has either ground down,

Housewife's Idea Box



A Patching Hint

It is a fine idea to make handkerchiefs out of the leftover pieces from the children's cotton dresses. They can use the handkerchiefs to match the dress and later if a patch is needed the handkerchief can be used for patching. It will be washed as often as the dress and will match as a patch.

THE HOUSEWIFE

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