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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Munich pact, which brought an end to the Czechoslovakian crisis and immediate threat of a major European war, was the most important news story of 1938, according to editors of the Associated Press, who announced their selections for the 10 top stories of the year last week.

The A. P. listed the most important stories as follows:

1. Pact at Munich brings peace to Europe but poses questions for future.
2. Treatment of Jews in Germany and elsewhere causes world-wide repercussions.
3. Republicans achieve sweeping gains in November elections as the administration "purge" meets failure.
4. Most populous and richest area of the country suffers from devastating hurricane.
5. Fall of Hankow and Canton in China furthers Japanese objectives.

6. Douglas Corrigan gains world attention in sensational "wrong-way" flight to Ireland in crate.
7. Howard Hughes calmly but expensively sets round-the-world record in 91 hours and 17 minutes.
8. Fifty-six die when the Milwaukee railroad's "Olympia" plunges into Montana creek.
9. John Warde thrills and terrifies thousands in death leap from Fifth avenue hotel.
10. Orson Welles radio broadcast of "invasion from Mars" occasions mass hysteria in millions.

NEW YORK.—Listing 12 "biggest news stories," Earl Johnson, vice president and general news manager of the United Press, described 1938 as the biggest news year since the World War.

"More stories of genuine concern to people in practically all countries developed this year than in any 12 months since 1918," he said. "Nineteen twenty seven produced tremendous headlines with Lindbergh's flight to Paris and the other ocean flights of this summer. But the value of those stories was mainly inspira-

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tion and entertainment. They did not vitally affect human life. The inauguration of President Roosevelt made 1933 a big year for domestic news, but in terms of world-wide appeal even the top stories of 1933 rate below those of 1938.

His selections follow:

1. Sudden crisis culminating in Munich pact.
2. Germany's union with Austria.
3. Republican gains in off-year elections.
4. Germany's anti-Semitic campaign.
5. Douglas Corrigan's "wrong-way" flight to Ireland.
6. New England hurricane.
7. Orson Welles' "Martian" broadcast.
8. John Warde's Gotham hotel leap.
9. Enactment of wages and hours law.
10. Development of United States foreign policy.

11. Franco-Italian colonies crisis.
  12. Confession of Richard Whelan.
- Stories which received honorable mention in terms of importance or popular interest: The fall of Hankow; Howard Hughes' world flight; Joe Louis' one-round knockout of Max Baer; Soviet treason trials; trial of Tammany Leader Hines; Mexico's expropriation program; United States-British trade treaty; and the Arab revolt in Palestine.

NEW YORK.—Barry Paris, editor-in-chief of the International News Service, recently announced his selection of the 10 outstanding news stories of 1938 as follows:

1. Hitler's territorial demands upon Czechoslovakia, culminating in Munich Four-Power pact.
2. Germany's annexation of Austria.
3. World Jewish problem created by Germany's anti-Semitic campaign.
4. Defeat of President Roosevelt's re-organization bill in congress.
5. November elections with Republican gains exceeding even their own expectations.
6. New England hurricane with heaviest death toll and property damage ever visited upon that section.
7. Howard Hughes' record-breaking around the world flight.
8. "Wrong-way" Corrigan's amazing trans-Atlantic flight in a tiny plane.
9. Continuance of battle against depression with passage of Recovery act.
10. Deaths, including Cardinal Hays, Senator Copeland, Gabriele D'Annunzio, Supreme Court Justice Cardozo.

FORT WORTH, Texas.—Hitler and Germany dominated the news of 1938 just as they dominated affairs in Europe. At least this is the opinion of students in the department of Journalism at Texas Christian university here.

These students, asked by Prof. J. Willard Riddings, department head, to select the "Ten Best News Stories of 1938," decided that Hitler's actions made the top three stories of the year.

Big news breaks that polled heavily in the voting but failed to find a place in the first 10 included such items as the new United States defense plans, Los Angeles flood, labor trouble in France, Pan-American conference, California forest fires, wage-hour law, C. I. A.-A. F. L. labor war, civil war in Spain, and others.

The students' "ten best" list is as follows:

1. Munich pact.
2. Hitler's annexation of Austria.
3. Hitler's persecution of the Jews.
4. Japanese war on China.
5. Corrigan's "wrong way" flight to Ireland.
6. New England storm.
7. Howard Hughes' flight around the world.
8. Roosevelt's "purge" and the elections.
9. Mexican seizure of foreign oil properties.
10. "Men From Mars" radio broadcast.

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