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CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

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Hitler Rearms Rhineland; Other Nations Protest

EUROPE'S dogs of war were growling ominously and tugging at their chains, but those chains, being forged in England, seemed likely to stand the strain.



Adolf Hitler

Reichsfuehrer Hitler brought on the new crisis by his abrupt and dramatic action in denouncing the Locarno treaty and remilitarizing the Rhineland. He first informed the ambassadors of the countries signatory to the pact as to what he intended, and then delivered a ringing speech in the hastily summoned reichstag, eloquently defending his action.

At the same time Hitler was sending into the formerly demilitarized strip along the Rhine some 25,000 troops of all arms. This he declared was a "symbolic" army, and in his public utterances he asserted that Germany was not thus making a warlike move and did not desire war, but was determined to defend herself. He upheld his unilateral abrogation of the Locarno treaty on the ground that France had already violated it by making a mutual assistance agreement with Russia, which pact is pending in the French senate. To show his desire for peace, he offered a plan which includes: A demilitarized strip of German, French and Belgian land; a 25-year non-aggression treaty among Germany, France and Belgium, with Great Britain and Italy as guarantors; inclusion of the Netherlands in the system of pacts; and air pact with the western powers; a non-aggression pact with Germany's eastern neighbors, including Lithuania; and return of Germany to the League of Nations after her equality is established and her sovereignty restored.

Reaction in the capitals of Europe was quick and in some cases almost violent. Premier Albert Sarraut of France appealed to the League of Nations, asking that sanctions against Germany be applied. He also called a meeting of the signatories to the Locarno pact. In a radio address he warned Hitler that France would not stand for his action, and asserted that the reichsfuehrer's new plan was not at all acceptable. Meanwhile there was intense military activity along the eastern frontier, and within a few hours the Maginot line, that wonderful system of border fortifications built since the World war, was completely manned.

Italy's position in this squabble was interesting. Called on by France to support the protest against Germany, Mussolini took full advantage of the situation to get all he could for his own cause. He promised to stand by France and uphold the Locarno pact if the league would slacken the sanctions that were imposed on Italy as a result of her Ethiopian adventure. Poland gave assurance that she would carry out faithfully her obligations under the Franco-Polish accord; and the nations of the little entente not only promised support but warned France that if she did not bring Germany to time they might be forced to abandon their alliance with France.

Now it devolved on Great Britain, real arbiter of peace or war, to define her stand, for France demanded full support in return for the assurances she had given when trouble impended in the Mediterranean. The British statesmen refused to get excited over the affair and it was left to Capt. Anthony Eden, youthful foreign secretary, to set forth his government's position. After consultation with Prime Minister Baldwin and others of the cabinet, Eden appeared before the house of commons and declared that any attack on France or Belgium in violation of the Locarno treaty would force Great Britain to go to their assistance. He added, however, that he was thankful to say there was no reason to suppose "the present German action implies a threat of hostilities."

Eden said he had already protested to Ambassador Von Hoesch against the military re-occupation of the Rhineland, telling him the effect on British public opinion would be deplorable. "The abrogation of the Locarno pact and the occupation of the demilitarized zone," declared Eden, "have profoundly shaken confidence in any engagement in which Germany may in the future enter. It strikes a severe blow at the principle of the sanctity of treaties which underlies the whole structure of international relations."

Eden indicated Great Britain was willing to consider Reichsfuehrer Hitler's proposals for new peace covenants.

Senators in Washington who expressed any opinion were unanimous in saying that the United States must be kept out of any European war, regardless of developments.

Power Plans of TVA Blocked by Court

PLANS to furnish TVA power to the city of Knoxville, Tenn., under a project to be financed with PWA funds were blocked by a temporary restraining order issued by the District of Columbia Supreme court.

The order was granted on the petition of the Tennessee Public Service company which contended its \$4,000,000 investment in Knoxville would be rendered practically worthless, if the government brought cheaper power into the city.

Also in the District Supreme court, 66 producers of soft coal attacked the Guffey coal control act as unconstitutional in its entirety on the ground that it invades the rights of the states and deprives producers of their property without due process of law.

Seizure of Telegrams to Be Investigated

THE senate adopted a resolution introduced by Senator Borah requiring the federal communications commission to make a full report on its "alleged seizures" of private telegrams for Senator Black's committee on lobbying.

Senator Steiwer of Oregon attacked the doings and methods of the Black committee, contending the rights of citizens were being infringed. Mr. Black made a heated defense.

Move Toward Peace in Italo-Ethiopian War

THROUGH its committee of thirteen the League of Nations appealed to Benito Mussolini and Emperor Haile Selassie to consent to immediate negotiations for an end to hostilities and a definite re-establishment of Italo-Ethiopian peace. Though consideration of the proposal by his cabinet council was delayed a few days, Mussolini accepted the plan in principle as a basis for conference. It was made plain that Italy would not take the initiative and would retain occupied territory.

Halle Selassie accepted the proposal without reservation. In recent days his armies in the northern sector have been routed in big battles and have lost many thousands of men, and the Italians have penetrated far toward the interior of the country; and in the South the invaders were preparing for a rapid advance.

Back of the league's appeal was the standing threat of extension of sanctions to include an embargo on oil. This suddenly brought about a situation rather disconcerting for the league. Dr. Giuseppe Motta, Swiss foreign minister, gave a warning that if the oil embargo was applied his country might feel it necessary to leave the league in order to preserve its neutrality if the consequent threatened war in Europe resulted.

Koki Hirota Forms New Cabinet for Japan

KOKI HIROTA, former foreign minister, formed a new ministry for Japan and submitted the names to the emperor. He, besides being premier, takes the foreign minister's portfolio. Lieut. Gen. Count Juichi Terauchi is put in as minister of war and Admiral Osami Nagano as minister of navy. Military leaders insisted that Hirota "show a proper recognition of the gravity of the times and the necessity for renovation of Japanese foreign policy," and to this demand he yielded somewhat.

Hirota issued a statement saying that "the present empire situation requires independent and positive readjustment of our foreign relations in order to liquidate this emergency."

Hachiro Arita, new Japanese ambassador to China, told the press in Shanghai that "it is fundamental that China recognizes Manchukuo and that the other North China questions should be settled on the spot."

Free Rein for Al Smith in Party Convention

JAMES J. FARLEY, chairman of the Democratic national committee, let it be known that the party chieftains would make no effort to keep Al Smith out of the national convention in Philadelphia if he is elected a delegate and presents proper credentials. And once he is seated, there will be no attempt to keep him from speaking his mind. Administration leaders, it was represented, believe Mr. Roosevelt will dominate the convention so completely that no attack by Smith or anyone else on the New Deal can have any considerable effect.

Heroic Army Aviator Killed in Crash

LIEUT. ROBERT K. GIOVANNOLI of Lexington, Ky., hero of the spectacular bombing plane crash during army tests at Dayton, Ohio, last October, was killed in a crash of his army plane at Logan field, Baltimore. Giovannoli's single seated pursuit plane lost its right wing coming out of a glide and hurtled down in a crazy spin from an altitude of less than 500 feet.

House Committee Busy With New Tax Program

CONGRESSMAN SAM B. HILL of Washington and his subcommittee of the house ways and means committee took up the heavy task of determining how the new revenue of \$1,137,000,000 called for by President Roosevelt should be raised.

Treasury officials recommended that an average tax of 33 1/2 per cent should be levied on undivided corporation profits and a tax of 90 per cent on all refunded or unpaid AAA processing taxes. In this the fiscal experts followed the suggestions of Mr. Roosevelt. They told the subcommittee that the proposed corporation surplus tax would yield the government \$620,000,000 annually. The President has estimated that this amount will be needed to finance the new farm program and the soldier bonus.

The so-called "windfall" tax on processors who successfully challenged the AAA in the courts, it was believed, would yield another \$200,000,000. This will be used to reimburse the treasury for losses suffered as a result of the Supreme court's invalidation of AAA. There remains an additional \$317,000,000 which it is proposed to raise through excise taxes on a wide range of farm processors.

Chairman Hill said the experts and the members of the subcommittee were agreed that the tax on undivided surplus should not apply to banks and life insurance companies.

There was wide divergence of opinion concerning this tax among leaders in congress. Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois, Democrat, for instance, declared himself against it as an unnecessary additional burden on business and indicated he would support, instead, a plan to tax the income from federal securities now exempt. Senator Borah, Republican, said that in principle he endorsed the plan of taxing undistributed earnings, while Senator Hastings of Delaware, also Republican, denounced it as "confiscatory."

Chain Store Practices Hit by Two Bills

SENATOR BORAH and Senator Van Nuys of Indiana, the latter a Democrat, introduced a bill directed against certain practices of the chain stores. The measure would make it unlawful for any person engaged in commerce to grant any discount, rebate, allowance or advertising service charge to a purchaser over that available to the purchasers' competitors. It also would prohibit sales "at prices lower than those exacted by said person elsewhere in the United States for the purpose of destroying competition or eliminating a competitor."

The so-called Robinson-Patman anti-monopoly bill, also aimed at chain stores, will be passed by the senate before very long, according to a promise made by Senator Robinson to a mass meeting of 1,500 independent merchants who went to Washington to lobby for the measure.

Boom for Landon Is Progressing Well

GOVERNOR LANDON'S boom for the Republican Presidential nomination is progressing in a way that must be pleasing to his supporters. Kansas Republicans in a state convention pledged him the state's 18 delegates to the Cleveland convention, declaring him to be "the best-titled candidate." That Kansas should support its governor is natural and expected, but he also is garnering a good many delegates elsewhere, and indorsement in some states where the delegates are uncommitted.

Their Activities Resented by Moscow

THESE are some of the Japanese-Manchukuo troops that are getting so busy along the Outer Mongolian border that Soviet Russia has angrily protested. Moscow accuses Japan of plotting to get control of Mongolia, which is one of the Soviet states. For a time it was believed the long expected Russo-Japanese war would be started by this frontier quarrel, but Moscow and Tokyo finally agreed upon an investigation by a mixed commission.



BEDTIME STORY FOR CHILDREN

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

A DIFFERENT GAME OF HIDE AND SEEK

ONCE more Lightfoot the Deer was playing hide and seek in the Green Forest. But it was a different game than the one he had played just a short time before. You remember that then it had been for his life that he had played—he was the one who had done all the hiding. Now, he was "it," and some one else was doing the hiding. Instead of the dreadful fear which had filled him in that other game, he was now filled with longing, longing to make friends with the beautiful stranger of whom he had caught just a glimpse, but of whom every day he found tracks.

At times Lightfoot would lose his temper. Yes, sir, Lightfoot would lose his temper. That was a foolish thing to do, but it seemed to him that he just couldn't help it. He would stamp his feet angrily and thrash the bushes with his great spreading antlers as if they were an enemy with whom he was fighting. More than once when he did this a great pair of great, soft, gentle eyes were watching him, though he didn't know it. If he could have seen them and the look of admiration in them he would have been more eager than ever to find that beautiful stranger.

At other times Lightfoot would steal about through the Green Forest as noiselessly as a shadow. He would peer into thickets and behind tangles of fallen trees and brush piles, hoping to surprise the one he sought. He would be very, very patient. Perhaps he would come to a thicket which he knew from the signs the stranger had left only a few moments before. Then his patience would vanish in impatience and he would dash ahead eager to catch up with the shy stranger. But always it was in vain. He had thought himself very clever, but this stranger was proving herself more clever.

Of course it wasn't long before all the little people in the Green Forest knew what was going on. They knew all about that game of hide and seek just as they had known all about that other game of hide and seek with the hunters. But now, instead of trying to help Lightfoot as they did then, they gave him no help at all. The fact is they were enjoying that game. Mischievous Sammy Jay even went so far as to warn the stranger several times when Lightfoot was approaching. Of course Lightfoot knew

GIRLIGAGS



"We don't like to mention the butcher shops and such," says house-keeping Hortense, "but the stock market isn't the only place that sells short."

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DADA KNOWS—



"Pop, what is lineage?"
"Dim line."

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Termites Cause Great Loss
It has been estimated that termites cost American home owners more than \$45,000,000 a year.

MOTHER'S COOK BOOK

EVERYDAY GOOD THINGS

GIVE the children a treat in their lunch box by adding a few:

Honey Date Bars.
Take two cups of chopped dates and one-half cup of chopped nuts. Beat two eggs and add three-fourths of a cup of honey, one-half cup of flour, one teaspoonful of baking powder and one-half cup of bran. Mix well and bake in shallow pans in a moderate oven. Serve for dessert with whipped cream, or they may be rolled in powdered sugar.

Coconut Devil's Food.
Cream one cupful of sugar with one-third of a cupful of butter. Add two well-beaten egg yolks, one cupful of fresh grated coconut, and one teaspoonful of vanilla. Add one and one-half cupfuls of sifted flour, two and one-half teaspoonfuls of baking powder,

three tablespoonfuls of cocoa and one-half teaspoonful of salt. Add the dry ingredients alternately to the first mixture with three-fourths of a cupful of coconut milk. Fold in the stiffly-beaten egg whites and turn into floured layer tins that have been well greased. Bake in moderate oven and ice with:

Coconut Marshmallow Icing.
Take one cupful of sugar, one unbeaten egg white, three tablespoonfuls of coconut milk; place over boiling water and beat with a Dover egg beater for seven minutes. Have twelve marshmallows finely cut in a hot bowl and pour the icing over them, beat until thick. Stir in one-half cupful of coconut and spread over the cake; sprinkle with another half-cupful of coconut on top.

Coconut Butterscotch Pie.
Scald two cupfuls of coconut milk, add a tablespoonful of flour to one-half cupful of brown sugar and cook

ANNABELLE'S ANSWERS

By RAY THOMPSON



DEAR ANNABELLE: COULD YOU PLEASE TELL ME HOW I CAN BECOME SOPHISTICATED? SADIE

Dear Sadie: SOPHISTICATED IS THE ART OF ADMITTING THAT THE MOST UNEXPECTED IS JUST WHAT YOU ANTICIPATED!

Annabelle.

WE CHOOSE THE SHADE

By DOUGLAS MALLOCH

WE CHOOSE the brighter colors when we take our needles up again. The vivid yellows, cheerful blues, The brighter colors like to use. The room has quite enough of gray; We'll make the place a little gay With brighter colors, so we say.

Yes, so we sit us down to do The afghan, or a row or two, And think a little—but of what? Of things that should have been forgot Long, long ago—for now we seize Upon unhappy memories, Life's darker colors such as these.

For thoughts are things we sit and weave, And we may sing or we may grieve, But this I know: that thoughts are made

As stitches are—we choose the shade. I wish we chose our thoughts the way We choose our colors day by day. For life has quite enough of gray.

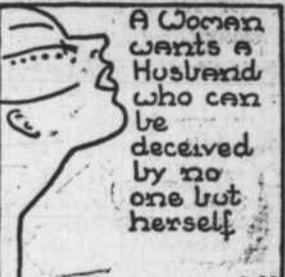
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Sports Coat



This hip-length sports coat can be quickly made inasmuch as it is knitted with a stockinette stitch on large needles. Interesting color combinations in the sports yarn used add extra smartness to the swagger lines of the coat.

Eve's Epigrams



A Woman Wants a Husband who can be deceived by no one but herself.

in the hot milk until smooth. Add three tablespoonfuls of butter, one-half cupful of coconut and two beaten egg yolks, cook one minute, then remove, add vanilla to taste and fold in the stiffly-beaten whites of the eggs. Pour into a pastry shell and bake until brown.

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Cuyahoga River Was on Fire



A LI-able Cleveland fire apparatus was called out to fight a raging fire that broke out on the oil covered surface of the Cuyahoga river and threatened to destroy the industrial flats of the city. More than a ton and a half of special chemicals were used to prevent the flames from reaching 5,000,000 gallons of highly volatile gasoline stored near the river. The flames caused \$20,000 damage to a railroad bridge.