**WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS** 

By Edward C. Wayne

his district to answer the nation's selective service call.

bowl.

Earlier, dignitaries of the federal government drew numbers, and later Boy Scouts, veterans, newsmen, radio announcers and volunteers from the audience were given the honor. The pulling of numbers, begun at noon, went on all night and continued hours after the sun had struck the Capitol's dome. Nine thousand in all were listed serially.

In that order, providing the young men pass physical tests and have no dependents, they will be sent to

army camps for a year's training.
The first, a mere trickle, will leave
home November 15. Before spring
800,000 in all will be in khaki. Army

of many "158s" as they learned that their numbers were the first drawn in the selective service lottery. He is Eugene Kolb Jr., of San Francisco.

whose serial numbers were among the first 1,500 selected will be examined for service this year, and half of them will not be accepted.

The republic just south of the Rio has decided to lift an embargo on

e restrictions on oil and scrap,

which are government monopolies.

Otherwise exporters may engage in

free trade, including much needed

One diplomatic source said

change may be made in the order after President-elect Manuel Cama-

cho takes office in December. This spokesman said Mexico was anxious

to co-operate with the United States and would recall the embargo if Washington indicated the interna-

The four days' trial, however, cost Mexican exporters hundreds of thou-sands of dollars, since the war has shut off all other shipments.

What is forecast as likely to be one of the most turbulent con-ventions in American labor history is due when the Congress of Indus-

trial Organizations meets at Atlantic City. John L. Lewis' endorsement

closed presidential campaign was coupled with the announcement that he would resign if Roosevelt were

elected.

Lewis already faced growing opposition in the C. I. O. Sidney Hillman, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, split with Lewis on national defense. Hillman was named to the defense commission. Backing Hillman was the powerful Textile union. Lewis' endorsement of Willkie split away from him heavy factions of the automobile, steel, rubber and electrical workers. If Lewis fails of re-election, many

If Lewis fails of re-election, many look upon Philip Murray, quiet-voiced steel chieftain, as the possi-ble successor, rather than Hillman.

Wendell L. Willkie in the just

REVOLT IN C. I. O.:

Lewis Is Target

Mexico Weakens

Axis Powers Continue Balkan Drive, Attempting to Cut Britain's 'Lifeline'; Turbulent Labor Convention Forecast; Selective Service Lottery Completed

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)

### BATTLE FOR EMPIRE: Balkan Adventure

Reinforced by an "understanding" with Gen. Francisco Franco, dicta-tor of Spain, and Vice Premier Pitor of Spain, and Vice Premier Pierre Laval, acknowledged leader of France, the Axis powers rode off on a new highway of conquest. Benito Mussolini served a six-hour ultimatum on Greece to surrender its strategic airports and harbors "to guarantee peace." Then without waiting for an answer, Fascist legions drove across the border toward Athens from their bases in already-conquered Albania.

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Meanwhile Adolf Hitler, established in Rumania, made ready to attack Turkey, swinging through the lone remaining independent countries of Bulgaria and Jugoslavia. Hitler predicted that by December 1 he would hold Istanbul and the Dardanelles.

Meanwhile there were indications that German troops would find free passage through Spain to attack Gibraitar. France's role was to turn over air and naval bases in Africa and the Near East for the battle on Britain's life line in the Mediterra-

What seemed to be happening was the result of Hitler's failure to make England capitulate on schedule. London was still taking a severe beating from the air but still holding out and apparently giving Germany as good as it received.

So, unable to conquer Britain, Hit-ler swung his force on conquest of the British empire with a pincer movement on both ends of the Mediterranean.

In this movement, Greece and Turkey were the last outposts linked to England in the fight against to-talitarian domination. Outside of the Western hemisphere no independent nations lived, with the exception of parts of the British empire, virtually cut off from their mother country if the Nazi conquest succeeded.

There seemed little in the way of that success. Greece with an army of but 200,000 regulars, 400,000 re-



Here is General Alexander Papagos who has been appointed by King George of Greece to lead the land forces of his country in their battle to fight off the invasion by Italian

serves, and 175 warplanes was hardly more than a wooden barrier across the road in the path of a juggernaut. Turkey boasted of 2,000,000 warriors, outflanked on all

immediately, but Britain could ill afford to assemble its scattered naval power for a definite issue in the Near East. Its Mediterranean fleet went into immediate action, occu-pying the fortified Greek island of Crete, which bars the way to Suez, and landing in Crete, which gives them a base near Italy.

### AS TO WAR: Call for Service

President Roosevelt stood at a President Roosevelt stood at a microphone. Near him was War Secretary Henry Stimson, blindfolded. The cabinet member reached into a glass bowl with his left hand, pulled out a capsule and extracted a slip of paper. He handed it to the President. "The first number." the President. "The first number," the President said, "is 158." A woman screamed. It was the number as-signed by a draft board to her son. It meant he was first on the list in THE GLEANERS: Championship



Irving Bauman—1940 Champion, National Cornhusking Contest.

In a field of 21 expert nubbin tossers, Irving Baumen, Eureka, Illinois, tossed 46.71 bushels of cornagainst the bangboard to win the National Cornhusking Championship at Davenport, Iowa. He barely nudged out Marion Link, of Ames, Iowa, who husked 46.38 bushels in the 80 minute contest. Bauman, a renter, married and with a three-year-old son, gets the gold cup and \$100 prize.

### NO REST: Carol Pursued

The turbulent road to exile traveled by former King Carol of Rumania struck a new detour. One month on his way from Bucharest to Portugal and still not at his goal, the king learned that the Spanish government had ordered his consort, Mme. Lupescu, and his palace minister, Ernest Urdareanu, returned to Rumania. There they likely will stand trial before an Iron Guard court for crimes against the state. Carol was informed of the order

Carol was informed of the order by Spanish police. "Pray, who gave those orders?" he asked. "My su-periors," said the officers. "Who are your superiors?" asked the king. There was no answer.

### LOST COLONY:

### New Clues

In 1591, when George White, governor of the colony of Virginia, returned from a two-year trip to England, he could find not a trace of the settlement he had left on Roanoke island, N. C. The only clue was the word "Croatan" carved on a tree. It was the name of a local Indian tribe

Indian tribe.

Until recently historians were mystified at the disappearance of the pioneer men and women. Three years ago a 21-pound quartz stone was found on the bank of the Chowan river, near Edenton, N. C. In Elizabethan English it told of the death of the colonists from "misery and war." Included in the dead was Virginia Dare, first white child born in America.

New 46 other stones have been President Roosevelt ruled that no man may be taken unless he has been given five days' notice by his draft board, in order to settle per-

unearthed along a trail which showed the colonists plodded through supplies of war to Japan. The embargo had been decreed five days earlier by President Cardenas. It was indicated there still may be North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. Twenty of the nation's foremost experts on pre-Colonial folklore, led by Dr. Samuel E. Morison, have declared the stones authentic Most recently discovered stone told of the marriage in 1599 of Virginia Dare's mother to an Indian chief.

### U.S. Interests

In Asia, the current situation had important complications. Japan, now linked to Italy and Germany by the new triple alliance, said it would fulfill its obligations. These may be zure of Hongkong and Singapore.
The British base at Singapore always has been considered to prop up
one end of the American lifeline.

The United States took action in Petain of France was notified in a personal note from President Ro veit that if France surrendered bases to the Axis powers, the United States would feel duty bound to occupy French colonies in the Carib-

# TREND ...

how the wind is blowing

Auto Sales-Retail sale of auto-

Auto Sales—Retail sale of automobile trucks this season is running 20 per cent higher than in 1939. For the full year the manufacturers expect to pass the record of 1937, which was 947,000 units.

Entertainer — The duchess of Windsor soon may enter the radio field as a featured program. Radio circles announced they were hunting for a sponsor. The duchess will broadcast from Nassau and give her earnings to the British war relief fund.

Washington Digest

# **Excitement in Washington Calms** As Election Ends Party Hostility

Successful Candidate Will Be 'Everyone's President'; Future Farmers Hold Annual Convention; Neutrality Is Hard to Grasp.

### By BAUKHAGE

It's sort of quiet along Main street

again.

I mean along the street that runs from the marble steps of the Capitol, up past the front porch of the White House and on out by the stores where you trade and the house where you live or maybe where your lane turns off. It's all the same street with different names in dif-

ferent places.

It's quieter because the howdy-do over election is through with, the people have cast their votes and chosen their President and have taken up their daily tasks again.

Before election day finally arrived, cool-headed writers and public men were warning that quadrennial campaign animosities should be forgotten as soon as the vote was counted. That the lame ducks counted. That the lame ducks should muffle their squawks and limp off the scene as quickly as possible, and that sore heads should be nursed with patience and with-

out post mortems.

As Alf Landon said in October,
"Whoever is elected will be my
President for the next four years,"
and I believe what he said ought to
go for all of us.

# Federal Employee

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The other day I was sitting in the office of a man who has served the government for 30 years. He has had at least three offers from private business with a lot more salary than he's getting. But he wouldn't take any of them. He has an important job and he likes it.

He has no politics. He was appointed in Woodrow Wilson's day. He has never voted because he's a citizen of the District of Columbia and like the rest of us residents here is classed with idiots and children, and has no vote. He heard a lot about the New Freedom before we got into the war in 1917; he watched with a slight smile as the country went "back to normalcy"; he traveled peacefully, if a little skeptically, along Calvin Coolidge's "permanent plateau of prosperity"; saw one or both chickens escape their pots in '29, and lived through the New Deal without being plowed under or made over. And after election day, 1940, he went back to his office exactly as he had done every other time, to do the work for which he gets his wage. gets his wage.

gets his wage.

He is as trustworthy a hired man as ever wore a pair of Uncle Sam's overalls. Every President is his President, too. But he put it a little differently to me:

"The only kind of a political argument that makes me sore is one where some partisan gets up and hollers about 'those loafers' (Republicans or Democrats, according to kicker's politics) 'down in Washington.' They forget that the vast ma-jority of us carry on through one administration after another, doing the work we have to do. The loafers come and go, it's true. I don't mind kicking about them myself. What I object to is this loose idea that the government is just one po-litical party or the other. Most of us here belong to no party. For the rest of the people, one day in four years is enough to give vent to their partisan passions. The rest of the time, we ought to be just plain Americans and nothing else."

### 'Future Farmers' Are **Bulwark of Democracy**

While Uncle Sam is preparing to welcome the first draft of the citizen army which is to bulwark our democracy, another gathering of youngsters who are fighting every day for the democratic idea. day for the democratic idea with-out perhaps realizing how important their work is, are having a big cele-

I mean the Future Farmers of America who are holding their an-nual convention in St. Louis. I have known about these boys for a long time. I have been on radio programs with them and have met a lot of them who come down here to Washington to talk with their executive secretary, W. A. Ross. But I never realized until this week what a powerful influence for the preservation of the American system these

I have two reasons for saying they

with the desire to own and develop the land. No room for fascism or communism in that outlook.

I met the young president, Ivan Kindschi, from an 80-acre farm in Prairie du Sac, Neb., up in the dairy country. He was in Washington on his way to the convention.

I asked Ivan:

"What are you preparing to do?"

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"I'm going to own a farm," he

And that, I figured out, after a and that, I figured out, after a lot more questions is why most of the boys join the Future Farmers. It's simple enough—they are future farmers.

"How did you get interested in the organization?" I asked him:

"Because they do interesting things."

things."

That's simple and sensible enough too, and those interesting things include learning to be better farmers and following a great principle of democracy that gets kind of rusty in the city and in the country toohelping to make the community better.

These boys build investments in farm land, live stock and farm ma-chinery through money they earn on

chinery through money they earn on their projects.

Nothing anchors a man to democracy like property he's sweated for.

And they learn not only how to judge cattle, soil conservation, but all the other practical things a farm boy has to learn such as how to handle a hog from farm to market so when the packer weighs he won't have to cut a chunk out of a ham where somebody encouraged the poor porker aboard a truck with a boot.

a boot.

Trained in their chosen profession, trained in leadership in their community, co-operative effort, thrift; and with this first phrase of their creed in their minds, "I believe in the future of farming," these young Americans are a defense of America "terrible as an army with banners."

### Hughes May Retire Before Next Election

The new President is probably going to have an important task to perform which hasn't been officially announced: The appointment of a new chief justice of the United

new chief justice of the United States.

Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes will undoubtedly resign before another four years are over. He's in good health and spirits, and if you were to meet that familiar figure on one of his daily walks, you'd hardly believe that he will soon pass his eighty-third year. And even if you had never seen him or this picture, you'd be very likely to say:

say:
"That man looks like what a chief

Mr. Hughes ought to be, and is.
No head of our highest tribunal ever fitted the solemn setting of the

Here is the law in all its dignity

come to life—the classic forehead, the keen and friendly eyes, the white beard of the patriarch. He not only looks the part but acts it.

No one will begrudge Chief Justice Hughes a rest when he chooses to step down from the bench and up again to a high place in his-

It will not be easy to find a worthy

### Strict Neutrality Hard to Grasp

Neutrality is a hard state of mind to grasp. I mean neutrality of mind on everyday subjects as well as toward nations in a war.

Old Dr. "A. B. C." Fletcher, well known to an earlier generation as the great advocate of chewing your food, learned about neutrality while serving as a member of Hoover's commission that fed Belgium in World war I. In that job you had to be neutral or destroy your own

Once he told me that you had to Once he told me that you had to learn to be neutral—that it is an art. You just have to roll up your emotions and put them in a corner and look at everything objectively. Finally you get so that if a chicken runs across the road, it's still just a chicken whether you own it or whether you're the man who mixes it up with his fenders.

I've learned a little about recommends

are a bulwark of democracy.

First, their ideal is just the opposite of "let George do it," the way of people in a dictatorship. The Future Farmers learn "do it yourself."

That's one reason. The other is that they all seem to be imbued I've learned a little about neutrality myself in trying to be non-partisan on the radio in election years. It really isn't so hard to practice when you get used to it, but the difficulty lies in persuading other people that you are really nonpartisan. I've learned a little about neu

# SPEAKING OF

By ROBERT McSHANE

WHEN Ogden D. Miller, new V chairman of the athletic council at Yale, put commercialized big-time football on the pan he merely added fuel to an argument which has been waging for the past 15

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Fresh from witnessing Old Eli's recent 50 to 7 defeat by Penn, Miller told the New York Football Writers association that "college athletics and even school athletics in my opinion are at a critical stage... Intercollegiate football is now reaching a peak of emphasis in many colleges which it reached elsewhere many years ago."

The opinion expressed by Miller is receiving much serious thought from a majority of those individuals in the gridiron business. Most of them admit that there is entirely too much proselyting, recruiting and paying for good players. Miller's ideas aren't new. Robert Hutchins, president of the University of Chicagono of the nation's outstanding eductional mills gause voice to the dent of the University of Chicago-one of the nation's outstanding edu-cational mills—gave voice to the same thoughts last year when he announced that his institution was withdrawing from football competi-tion in the Big Ten conference.

### Two-Sided Question

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To be sure, the paying of football players is not condemned unanimously. Many ask, "Why shouldn't a poor boy who can play football have his way paid through college—especially when gate receipts may total more than \$200,000 per game?"

Perhaps the big-time football player should be paid, especially if the college feels that way about it. But those colleges should play among themselves. The play-for-pay athlete is one of the top-notchers in his line. Otherwise he wouldn't be drawing a salary. But obviously it is unfair to match a semi-proteam against a team selected from a simon-pure student body. That kind of competition is beneficial to neither party.

The kind and amount of help given players varies tremendously. The player may be granted an alumni "loan" or he may be given a bleek of tickets to sell for each game. A wealthy and influential grad may get him a summer job at a salary sufficient to care for expenses during the academic year.

Tangled Deals

### Tangled Deals

It is no exaggeration to state that at least two-thirds of the better players belong to the proselyted group, one way or another. The coach or the college itself may have had nothing to do with the financial dealings. Indeed, in many cases they might be in complete ignorance of the transactions. The deal may have been made with the boy or with his father, neither of whom would be likely to talk about it.

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College football is big time. In two months it draws far more spec-tators than big league baseball does in a season three times as long. Baseball teams can lose dozens of games and still draw customers. College teams must win consistently to keep the turnstiles clicking.
With so many enormous stadia dotting the nation's landscape, it is obvious that there are bills to be paid.
Winning football teams can pay
those bills. Hired football players
halo incurse winning teams. help insure winning teams.

No college wants to pay its players. And because of that the solution may come automatically. Part of the answer is in conference schedules. The Ivy league stays close to its own boundaries. The Big Ten gets around considerably more, but manages to play colleges with the manages to play colleges with the same scholastic ranking and a simi-lar code of ethics.

## Retaliation

Some colleges have seen fit to re-taliate against the Southeastern con-ference for its realistic attitude on the problems of recruiting and sub-sidization. Notre Dame, for instance,

sidization. Notre Dame, for instance, sidization. Notre Dame, for instance, is dropping its game with Georgia Tech next year. Dartmouth canceled a game with Georgia on the ground that it could provide no suitable place to play in late season. There would be liftle solled linen washed publicly if teams with about the same scholastic ranking and ethics played among themselves. Then, if one conference believed in the open subsidization of players, there would be no one to shriek "unfair." By the same token, those schools completely free from professionalism would be matched more evenly. There is little doubt but that conference supervisors will exert more authority in the future. It will be up to them to see that schools within their circuit obey both the spirit and letter of regulations. When that situation arrives, collegiate football no longer will be subject to the numerous attacks now directed against it.



DEPRESSION FIGURES



that this depression is still with us.

Mr. Roosevelt said that times are better than in 1920. And he further stated, "The output of our factories and mines is now about 13 per cent greater than the peak of 1929; 1929, mind you, not 1932. It is at the highest level ever recorded."

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Col. Leonard Ayres, a fational authority on production, writing in the Cleveland Trust company bulletin, says: "There has recently been published a perplexing revision of the Federal Reserve index of the volume of industrial production. According to the new index, our industrial production has been much greater in recent years than the old index led us to believe."

"This seems hard to reconcile with the fact that on a per capita basis our national income last year was only 82 per cent as large as it was in 1926. Freight loadings per capita were 58 per cent as large. Automobiles made were 67 per cent as many. Bank checks drawn were 50 per cent as many. Bank checks drawn were 50 per cent as large. Department store sales were 75 per cent as great. There are many more similar discrepancies which appear irreconcilable with the claim of the new index that we produced last year as large volumes of industrial goods per person in our population as we did in the boom years of 1926 and 1928. This bank will regretfully refrain from reliance on the new index and will substitute for it an index computed in its own offices and computed in its own

Now that the numbers have be drawn for America's first peacetin conscription, an incident which arose during the draft lottery of 1917 can finally be told. At that time a young lady with oversized shoes al-most upset the entire draft mechan-

Great ceremony and close inspec-tion accompanied the drawing of the first few numbers by various high officials. But the numbers were picked out of the bowl for hours after the "novelty" had worn off, and lesser lights performed the tedious work for 16 more hours.

One of the employees was a girl with shoes too large for her. The historic work she performed was also very tiring, so she was glad when she could return to her room. that night.
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She kicked off her shoes with a sigh of relief, and—horrors—a draft capsule rolled out.

Almost frantic, she rushed to a telephone and explained the whole story to an unnamed general who promptly told her to rush back to headquarters.

The authorities held a short, secret conference and selected the only course that seemed open to them: They palmed the capsule and dexterously slipped it back into the bowl. And no one was the wiser.

German overlords apparently are trying to use America's sympathy for the French as a lever to break the British blockade. At least this is the opinion held by some government officials who are watching the

country.

They note that any advantage secured for the Vichy governmen could be utilized by the dominating Germans. The prestige and experience of the French consular and the c