

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, December 22.—Rivalled in intensity only by the brilliance of its own social season, the Nation's Capitol is now nightly bathed in a lavish display of floodlighting that gives newcomers a vague suspicion that somehow the Christmas Holiday, like so many old-fashioned institutions has gone slightly Hollywood.

Visitors admire the shiny new Government buildings by night and then, by day, if not suffering from klieg eyes, stroll along Pennsylvania Avenue to mingle with the throngs of happy shoppers.

Night-Lights Again

The grave bombing of the United States gunboat, Panay, and the sinking of three Standard Oil Tankers, with consequent loss of nearly a score of lives, by the Japanese during the Nanking battle last week, is still keeping the night-lights burning in Foreign Department offices. The incident brings back vivid memories of 1915-16 to veteran reporters. Sentiment on the situation is divided. Some say the United States should withdraw from China and not risk further "incidents." Foremost among advocates of withdrawal are Senators McCarran of Nevada, Shipstead of Minnesota. Senator Borah opposes hasty action.

Meanwhile, a variety of gossip is making the rounds in the wake of the recent changes in the London and Berlin embassies. After the announcement that Joseph P. Kennedy would succeed Robert W. Bingham at the Court of St. James, and that Hugh R. Wilson would replace William E. Dodd at Berlin, speculation has been rife as to the real story behind the news.

In the case of the Wilson appointment, explanation is simple. Dodd was disliked by the Nazis. However, the appointment of Kennedy to the London post, most important ambassadorial position, has no such simple background.

Kennedy, Business Go-Between
Kennedy's popularity with business is matched by his rapidly increasing influence with the President. As intimate as Harry Hopkins or Thomas ("the Cork") Corcoran, some say Kennedy, acting in the role of mediator between Roosevelt and the rank and file of business men, was largely responsible for the present peace-overtures to industry and finance. Thus, if he remained here, Kennedy would be counted on to go far in New Deal circles.

That the President acted wisely in appointing Kennedy to the foreign post is not to be questioned. But the evident speed with which his name was suggested and approved by the inner circle casts suspicion on the deeper motives of the President's advisors.

Business Good Copy
Apropos of the recent "truce" between business and the New Deal is the growing sentiment in Washington for rapid action on the problem of relieving business. Repercussions are still being felt from the convention of the National Association of Manufacturers at New York's swanky Waldorf-Astoria.

Ordinarily the NAM meet would get only routine handling in the news columns but this year, with stocks off 30 to 40 percent and the New York Times' Index down almost 40 points, editors guessed rightly that the "man on the street" would be interested in what business, with a capital B, thought about the situation.

Lammont du Pont pleaded for stabilization of the laws that control industry and received a mild two-column head, inside, in most sheets. Walter J. Kohler, whose "ideal village" of Kohler, Wisconsin, has won him fame as a

Opera Scores New Triumph



NEW YORK CITY—Kirsten Flagstad (right) who sang role of Isolde in Wagner's "Tristan und Isolde" at the opening of the 1937-38 Metropolitan Opera Season, receives the congratulations of Edward Johnson, General Manager of the Metropolitan, and Mrs. Vincent Astor, in her dressing room after the first performance of the 53rd season. Advance ticket sales are reported best since 1910.

forward-looking employer but who experienced a bad siege of labor trouble in 1936, rapped the Government's labor policy and managed to crash Page Two of New York's liberal Daily News.

Weir Hits Page One

But when Ernest T. Weir, Chairman of the Board of National Steel, who with Tom Girdler of Republic led the fight of Little Steel against the C.I.O., let loose a volley against the Perkins Labor Policy, he flashed across Page One of every metropolitan daily.

Weir blamed labor strikes for a wage, profit and product loss of \$5,000,000,000 this year. He condemned strikes as a wasteful and unsatisfactory method of settling labor disputes. He demanded that Washington establish a clear-cut and fair labor policy.

Critics were quick to report that Weir had formerly decry government "interference" in matters affecting employer-employee relationships. They charged inconsistency.

One of the worst aftermaths of the NAM convention was the announced investigation by the LaFollette group to see whether or not members who voiced pious sentiments in favor of improved working conditions were treating their workers according to law. This, plus the now memorable "Fascist" speech of Secretary Ickes, has done much to make business men wonder if they were ever really out of the New Deal doghouse at all.

Will It Be Aiken?

When Vermont's Governor, George D. Aiken, found himself being boomed as a possible 1940 GOP Presidential candidate he modestly commented "he didn't know what he'd done to deserve it." The Aiken incident came almost simultaneously with the announcement by ex-Governor Alf M. Landon that he would not consider running again if he should "happen" to be re-nominated.

Governor Aiken, who slightly resembles Landon, is a tall, wrinkled, grey-haired New Englander whose manner and bearing is reminiscent of Calvin Coolidge, though less restrained. He is comparatively young, and has a flair for being both progressive and practical. His call for a party "purge" of reactionary elements

and for a constructive program in step with the nation's problems should go far to attract younger voters back to the fold.

BUNN SCHOOL NEWS

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Senior News

"Romance In A Boarding House", a four act play was presented by the Seniors in the Bunn High School auditorium on the night of December 2. Even though the weather was furiously cold, there was a large crowd. Everyone seemed to enjoy the play very much.

The cast of characters were as follows:

Mrs. Smith, Owner of boarding house, Janice Lewis; Mr. Smith, Her good-for-nothing husband, Quintine Hinton; "Bill" Small town Romeo, Tom Weathers; Mr. Throttebutton, An aristocrat from New York, Clyde Perry; Mrs. Throttebutton, His wife, Sallie Lou Turnage; Mortimer, Their son, Wilson Harris; Duke of Sussex, Another aristocrat, Robert Mpoody; Miss McGilleuddy, "A maiden lady," Mary Nowell; Hettie, The hired girl, Henry Lee Wood; Mrs. Benson, The deaf lady; Betty Thelma Johnson.

On the night of December 7, the play was presented again at the Pearce school. After a very nice supper given to cast and coach by the Philaphia Class of Pearce Church, the players gave everyone attending a delightful entertainment.

With the cooperation of each member of the class, each member of the cast and our splendid coach, Miss McGert, the play was made a success.

Mary Nowell, Reporter.

The shrinking and swelling of wood due to water absorption can be reduced by heating it in various gaseous atmospheres at certain temperatures.

A new chemical makes water "wetter"; that is, materials soaked in water containing the chemical become wet faster and more thoroughly.

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MODERN WOMEN

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I am told that the oldest and largest statewide organization of writers in this country is the Kansas Authors Club, whose president, Miss Ceora Lanham, is a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Miss Mollie Ashmore is perhaps the youngest ordinary in Georgia. She was elected recently in Liberty county to serve the unexpired term of her father who had died.

The fourth woman to serve the United States in a consular and diplomatic capacity is Miss Margaret M. Hanna who has been appointed by the State Department as American Consul at Geneva, Switzerland. Miss Hanna, formerly of Ann Arbor, Michigan, has been with the State Department in Washington for forty-two years, starting in as a clerk. Among her duties have been service with the Venezuelan Claims commission and with the Pan-American Conference at Buenos Aires in 1910, at Santiago in 1923 and at Havana in 1928.

There is something particularly gratifying in receiving an honorary degree from one's own college, which was the recent experience of Miss Clare M. Tousley, assistant director of the Charity Organization Society of New York, when an LL.D. degree was conferred upon her by Oberlin College. The occasion was the celebration of the one-hundredth anniversary of the founding of this coeducational college. Miss Tousley has won her own high place by her work in caring for the destitute of all ages in New York City. In the citation read to the college president when Miss Tousley was presented the leather-bound degree, she was described as "neighborliness personified, efficient and radiant, royal daughter of Oberlin." The citation further said, "The development of organized charity throughout this whole country has owed more than it can ever repay to her uncommon and unusual contribution."

Antlers are bone growths—exposed parts of the animal skeleton, whereas horns are outgrowths of skin similar to nails and hair.

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Raps Labor Policy



When Ernest T. Weir (above), Board-Chairman of National Steel and a leader in Little Steel's fight on the C.I.O., estimated that strikes had cost the nation \$5,000,000,000 this year, he won cheers from brother industrialists, angry retorts from labor and political spokesmen. Weir blamed the Government for "labor unrest, asked for a clear-cut and fair policy. Critics of Weir recalled his previous stand against "government interference" in employer-employee relationships, charged him with inconsistency.

Experience shows that greater progress in improved farming is found in those counties where there is both a home agent and a farm agent at work.

The common housefly not only transmits typhoid fever, but also other disease germs, such as those of tuberculosis.

Thirteen poultrymen of Cabarrus County who kept flock records on their poultry this year made a net profit of \$3,779.33. Records were kept on 2,258 hens that made an average profit of \$1.68 each above feed costs.

The career of a safety razor blade is prolonged if the shaving cream has chromate salts in it, to retard rusting.

Bladen cotton growers report increased yields amounting to an average of about one-half bale of lint cotton per acre as a result of treating the planting seed last spring.

The most up-to-date poultry house in Jones County is one recently constructed by G. B. Eubanks of Comfort for the 200 layers in his flock.

Raving cheetahs (hunting leopards) can outdistance grayhounds in short races, but have not the dogs' staying power.

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THE ADVENTURES OF OZZIE



THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS

By MAO ARTHUR

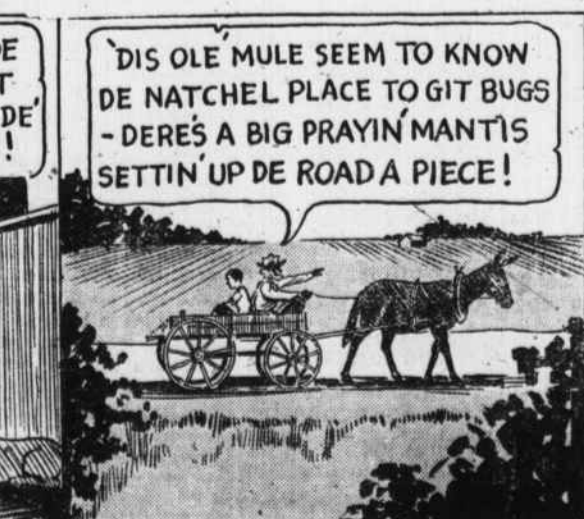


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