

ETHIOPIANS REPORT ITALIANS SLAIN AS PROTESTS ARE SENT

Major Engagement West of Makale on Northern Front Is Claimed at Addis Ababa

MUSSOLINI FIGHTS ASSISTANCE PACT

Registers Bitter Objection at Geneva to British Mediterranean Accord, and Calls It Anti-Italian Alliance; Objects Also to British Battleships

ETHIOPIANS

Addis Ababa, Jan. 23 (AP)—An official Ethiopian communique today claimed "several thousand Italians have been killed" in a major battle on the northern front.

The battle has been raging since Monday, the communique stated. Its site was not given in the official announcement, but officials said they understood the engagement took place west of Makale.

MUSSOLINI REGISTERS HIS PROTEST ABOUT NEW PACT

Premier Mussolini carried his diplomatic war controversy deeper into the League of Nations Council today by striking out against the five-power mutual aid agreement and British naval maneuvers in the Mediterranean.

One of his spokesmen asserted the Italian leader would protest the assistance pact of Great Britain, France, Turkey, Greece and Yugoslavia as an "anti-Italian alliance."

He was further reported ready to criticize concentration of British warships near the scene of fighting in the Italo-Ethiopian war.

While these diplomatic campaigns took definite form, a new committee was called to consider the proposed oil-and steel-iron embargo against the aggressor nation in the east African conflict.

At Paris, President Albert Lebrun labored to discover a successor to former Premier Pierre Laval, whose cabinet stepped down after political criticism of vacillating foreign policies.

Reports from the actual war frontiers carried conflicting news of Italian victories, vigorously denied by Ethiopian sources.

Negro Scheduled First Gas Victim Friday Forenoon

Raleigh, Jan. 23 (AP)—Everything was ready this afternoon for the scheduled asphyxiation at State's Prison tomorrow of Allen Foster, young Alabama Negro, sentenced to die for criminal assault on a Hoke county white woman.

The execution will be the first by lethal gas east of the Mississippi river, North Carolina having installed the new system last year but not previously having used it on a human being.

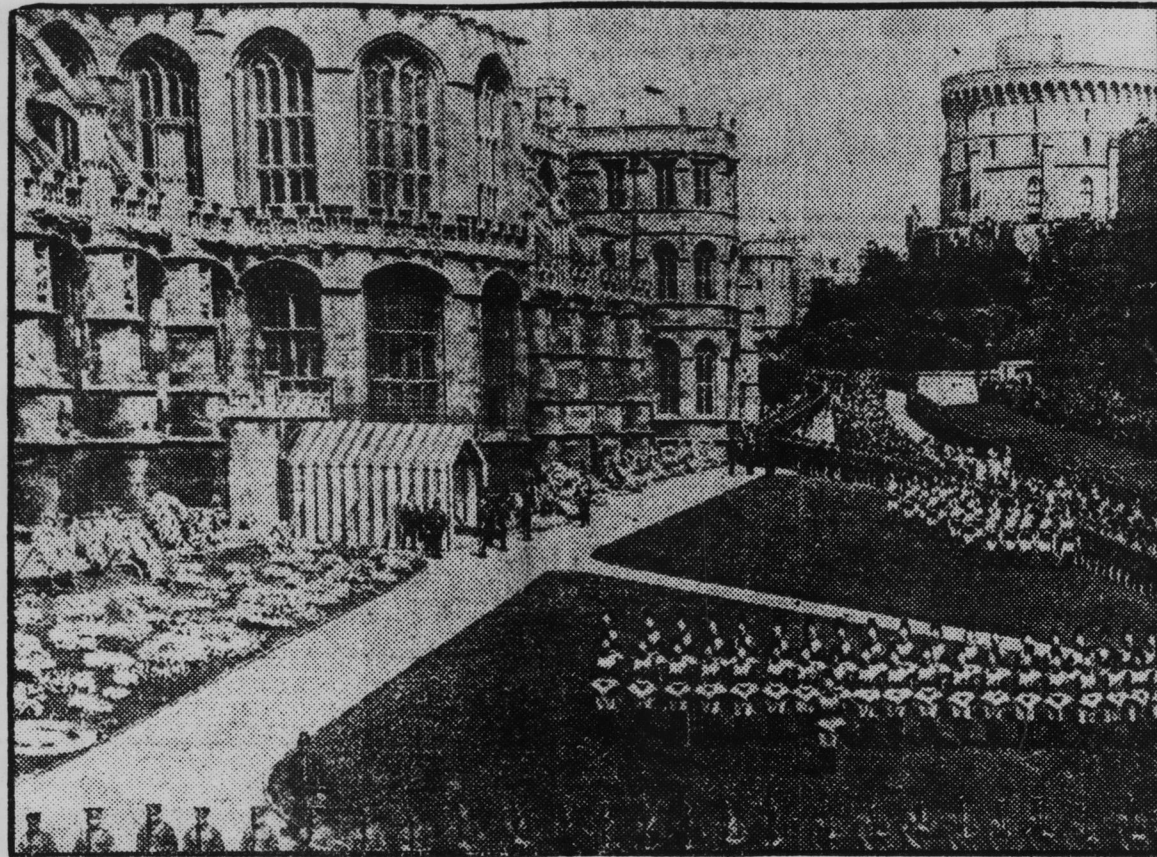
Japan Fears Competition Of The U. S.

Osaka, Japan, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Vice Admiral Sankichi Takahashi, commander-in-chief of the combined Japanese fleets, pictured tonight a prospect of rivalry between American and Japanese commerce, backed by navies in the island territories of the south-eastern Pacific.

Admiral Takahashi, the navy's ranking sea-going commander, addressed a dinner of 300 business leaders of western Japan. Many of them were munitions magnates.

"Japan's fleets," declared the admiral, "are organized with a view to"

Where George V Joins Ancestors at Rest



The shadowy confines of Albert Memorial Chapel at Windsor, England, will hold the earthly remains of Britain's mourned ruler, George V. He will lie next to his father, King Edward VII, whose funeral cortege is shown winding through the castle grounds to the chapel built by Henry III seven hundred years ago. (Central Press)

Cold Wave Hits Record Low With 51 Dead In 12 States

Chicago, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Sub-zero temperatures and whistling winds from the Canadian Northwest doubled their toll of human lives today as they swept from the Dakotas to the Atlantic.

At least 51 dead were counted in a dozen of 20 states covered by the Arctic blast. The rawest cold still centered over the Midwest with 56 degrees below zero at International Falls, in northern Minnesota, the worst on the continent, but zero chill extended from the Rockies to the edge of New England and south to Tennessee and North Carolina.

Thermometers between 25 and 35 in Minnesota and Wisconsin and from 10 to 20 below in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, eastern Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas.

From Ohio eastward the mercury sagged below zero as far as New York City, where the column showed two below.

Gales off the Virginia Capes blew the Danish steamer Maryland aground in Baltimore harbor and unroofed three homes in the city. A 60-mile wind smashed windows in Washington, D. C.

Thirty passengers were reported marooned in a Pennsylvania railroad train stalled by snow near Starkey, N. Y. An emergency crew was sent to free them.

Thousands of minute silvery threads shriveled today as thermometer bulbs and froze today as all-time record low temperatures were shattered in many sections.

The worst frigid wave of many seasons swept down suddenly from the northwest on the wings of a gale and snuffed out the lives of at least 25

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SAYS NEWS STORY STILL BASIC ITEM

Foundation Stone of American Newspaper, A. P. Man Tells Meeting

Chapel Hill, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Byron Price, chief of the Washington bureau of The Associated Press, told the North Carolina Press Institute here today that the news reporter's product still remains the foundation stone of the American newspaper.

"There are abundant evidences that in spite of the intrusion of the radio commentator, in spite of the increased number of publicists who write from an editorial viewpoint of their own, the product of the news reporter remains the foundation stone of the American newspaper," he said.

"Nothing can take the place of facts intelligently and accurately presented. Indeed, there is reason to believe that the public puts even greater reliance in plainly stated facts from which it can draw its own conclusions than ever before." Price continued.

The speaker quoted Elihu Root, dean of American statesmen, on the subject, expressed in an opinion some time ago:

"With the extraordinary growth of news service in recent years the public has been acquiring the habit of being informed from day to day about what is going on in the world, and this habit has greatly changed the basis of political action. The American voters were formerly moved very largely by stump speeches and strongly partisan editorials and by what they were told concerning public events in the course of a whirlwind campaign immediately before the election.

"Today, as a rule, few elections are decided before the political campaign begins, and they are decided on the basis of news which the voters have been reading from day to day ever since the last election."

Labor Relations Act of 1935 Held As Constitutional

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 23 (AP)—The constitutionality of the national labor relations act of 1935 was upheld today by Federal District Judge John D. Martin in a formal opinion in which he denied the application of the Benis Brothers Bag Company, of Benia, Tenn., for an injunction to prevent a scheduled inquiry by a representative of the National Labor Relations Board at Jackson, Tenn.

Will Not Ask For Funds To Enforce Potato Crop Law

Washington, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Expressing belief the potato control act would be held invalid by the Supreme Court if a test case were brought, Representative Lindsay C. Warren, of Washington, N. C., says he will not ask for funds for its enforcement.

Instead, Warren is asking \$1,000,000 for a survey of potato marketing and production problems, so the industry may benefit in any new agricultural program approved by Congress.

Warren's move apparently meant abandonment of plans to enforce the measure, which Secretary Wallace once said would be a near impossibility.

League Has Fight Over Communism

Geneva, Jan. 23.—(AP)—A sharp battle over communist and Fascist foreign policies and the right of an American republic to break diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia broke out in the Council of the League of Nations today.

Maxim Litvinoff, foreign commissioner of Russia, declared to the Council that Japan, Italy and "another European state" are fostering aggressive policies of "the utmost danger to world peace."

He demanded that Uruguay explain to the League exactly why it broke off diplomatic relations with the Soviet government on the grounds that the Moscow government was fostering communist activities.

Alberto N. Guani, the League representative of Uruguay, answered headily that the time had come for

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RUMORED CHANGES IN CABINET DENIED

Report Is Morgenthau To Advise FDR and Be Succeeded by Jones

Washington, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Belief among some Democrats in Congress that Jesse H. Jones might replace Secretary Morgenthau at the Treasury was declared ill-founded today at the White House.

Rumors of impending cabinet changes have circulated repeatedly since the presidential campaign takes shape. Postmaster General Farley is expected to step out before very long to confine attention to his Democratic chairmanships.

There was speculation at the capital whether a Jones-Morgenthau shift might be one of several moves contemplated. Democrats spoke of it, asking they not be quoted, and said their information came from "appar-

FRENCH GOVERNMENT CRISIS HEIGHTENED

Paris, Jan. 23.—(AP)—France's governmental crisis heightened today as the first leaders to be offered the premiership refused to step into the uncomfortable shoes of Pierre Laval. The financial situation also began to reflect the uncertainty.

Nye's Accusations Hardly More Damaging Than Letters Uncovered

By LESLIE EICHEL, Central Press Staff Writer  
New York, Jan. 23.—Nothing that Senator Gerald P. Nye, chairman of the Senate munitions investigating committee, could say personally would be as damaging as the actual evidence introduced so far.

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FRICITION DEVELOPS OVER FARM BILL IN SENATE COMMITTEE

Aiken, S. C., Bank Robbed of \$18,000

Aiken, S. C., Jan. 23 (AP)—The Bank of Aiken was held up by three bandits today and robbed of a sum estimated by W. Oliver Jones, the cashier, at around \$18,000.

The trio escaped with one or two confederates, who walked in an automobile. The car, a black Ford V-8 coach, sped out of Aiken on the road toward Greenville.

BODY OF KING NOW LIES IN STATE AT WESTMINSTER HALL

Body of George V Returned to London, Accompanied by Royal Family in Mourning

THREE-MILE MARCH IN LONDON STREETS

Grenadier Guardsmen Lift Coffin from Train Onto Royal Horse Artillery Caisson for Trip to Westminster; New King and Brothers Walk Behind It

London, Jan. 23.—(AP)—The body of King George V was returned to London this afternoon to lie in state four days.

The ten-car royal funeral train pulled into the King's Cross station at 2:45 p. m., while thousands of Britons packed the adjacent streets. An honor guard from the three fighting services—the army, navy and air force—stood rigidly at attention on the purple carpeted platform as grenadier guardsmen carried the oaken coffin from the black and purple funeral coach.

The guardsmen placed it on a royal horse artillery caisson for the procession through the streets of central London to Westminster hall. There the great folk of the land were assembling for the lying in state ceremonies.

The new King Edward assisted his mother, the widowed Queen Mary, to alight from the train.

Then he fell in by the side of his three brothers, the Dukes of York, Gloucester and Kent for the sacred walk of the day behind the coffin.

Together they set off afoot for Westminster hall, three miles away.

The Queen Mother and the other women members of the royal family followed in automobiles.

Not only the streets but rooftops and windows were packed with the mournfully silent watchers.

BURY KIPLING WITH ENGLISH IMMORTALS

London, Jan. 23 (AP)—Rudyard Kipling was buried today in the company of other immortals of English literature.

While the body of his sovereign, the late King George V, was being borne to Westminster hall, the ashes of Kipling were placed reverently in the dim and quiet poet's corner of Westminster Abbey.

Pressure Was Strong On Wilson To Enter The War

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Staff Writer  
Washington, Jan. 23.—It probably was undiplomatic of Chairman Gerald P. Nye of the Senate's munitions investigation committee to charge that President Wilson and Secretary of State Lansing "falsified" relative to their knowledge of the Allies' plans to make over the map of Europe after defeating Germany.

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Republicans Refuse To Serve on Sub-Committee To Study New Agriculture Measure

CHAIRMANSHIP IS UNLOADED ON HIM

Asked Where Money Will Come From, South Carolina Senator Answers, "Just Reach Up and Grab It Out of the Air"; Norris Calls It Unconstitutional

Washington, Jan. 23 (AP)—Serious friction over the new administration farm program developed in the Senate Agriculture Committee today when Republicans refused to serve on a sub-committee to study the soil conservation plan, and Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, reluctantly accepted the chairmanship.

Smith, who is chairman of the full agriculture committee, but who deferred to Senator Bankhead, Democrat, Alabama, to introduce the soil improving subsidy amendment in the Senate, told reporters after a closed committee meeting:

"I'll support this bill when it conforms to the Constitution."

Smith said Senators McNary of Oregon, the Republican leader, and Norris, Republican, Nebraska, declined to serve on the sub-committee of five which was named to study the plan and report back to the full committee by Saturday.

Senator Smith plainly indicated how he stood on the bill.

"Unfortunately, they made me chairman of the sub-committee," he said. "When the sub-committee completes its work, 'I'll give you my opinion. Everything is going to depend on what the sub-committee does."

"What are you going to do for money?" a reporter asked. "Just reach up and grab it out of the air," Smith replied, throwing an arm up.

It was learned the Senate committee discussed the constitutionality of the measure at length. Some argued it could be framed to conform to the Supreme Court's AAA decision; others, including Norris, contended otherwise.

ROANOKE RIVER AT 24-YEAR TOP MARK

Considerable Minor Damage Being Done by High Waters in Roanoke Rapids Section

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—(AP)—Running higher than at any time since 1912, the Roanoke river at Weldon today was doing considerable minor damage as it approached a flood crest forecast at 48 feet.

The stream was 46.3 feet deep this morning, 15 feet above its banks, and the rise was expected to continue 12 to 24 hours longer. The waters had already closed State highway 47 at Roanoke Rapids. The heavy flood will reach the lower sections of the river, around Williamston, next week.

Other eastern Carolina streams which have been in flood since Monday were dropping in their middle reaches. The Neuse at Smithfield was down a foot, the Cape Fear at Fayetteville was down seven feet since yesterday, and the Tar was falling at Rocky Mount and rising at Tarboro and Greenville.

Labor Board Tells Lewis To Be 'Good'

Bolting Mine Union Head Told by A. F. of L. Council To Halt Movement

Miami, Fla., Jan. 23 (AP)—The American Federation of Labor executive council today commanded the John L. Lewis committee for industrial organization to "immediately dissolve" and "cease to function."

The committee moved after finding "there is growing conviction that the Lewis committee's activities constitute a challenge to the supremacy of the American Federation of Labor."

Recalling the expression against industrial unionism of delegates to the A. F. of L.'s 1935 convention, the executive council said it must "insist the convention policies should be respected, observed and carried out."

His Favorite Heir



"Uncle David" is now King Edward VIII and Princess Elizabeth, his favorite niece, may herself some day occupy Britain's throne. She is the eldest child of the Duke of York and second in line. (Central Press)