

NEWS OF THE WEEK

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for its longest step toward self-government.

“BLOW AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT”

Malone, N. Y.—Last December the United States indicted Arthur Flegenheimer, alias Dutch Shultz, for evading \$90,000 taxes and penalties on an alleged \$2,000,000 income for 1929, '30 and '31. While waiting his second trial he gained the Malone community's good will by setting up drinks. In Syracuse prosecutors had failed to convict him on his own beer payment records. This time, concentrating on Schultz's horrendous career, they failed again. Said Federal Judge Frederick H. Bryant to the acquitting jury, "You will go home with the satisfaction—if it is a satisfaction—that you have rendered a blow against law enforcement and given aid and encouragement to the people who flout the law." "There is no place for him here," said Mayor LaGuardia of New York. "Well, I'm going there," retorted Schultz.

PROFANE TO SACRED

New York City.—David Belasco, famous Jewish theatrical producer, always wore a priest's reversed collar. In his studio atop the Belasco Theater, he had a telephone booth modeled after a confessional in a Spanish church. C. Robert Morris, a real estate man, bought it at an auction after the producer's death in 1931. The Rev. Geo. W. Knight bought it from Morris for \$30, installed it in his All Saints Episcopal Church. It now echoes non-telephonic confessions.

PRESIDENTIAL BAIL

Panama City, Canal Zone.—In his paper, the Panama American, Nelson Rounsewell, American publisher, specializes in editorial thunder that sometimes reverberates in Washington. For years he rumbled about Japanese spies who maintain seemingly profitless shops in Panama City. Last month he ran a series of articles on the four soldiers at Fort Clayton who had committed suicide within six weeks. He charged that Col. James V. Heidt drove the men so hard that they took to marijuana and killed themselves as victims of the narcotic. When he stepped into the Canal Zone he was arrested on charges of criminal libel. But Hormodia Arias President of Panama, sent 250 pounds of Panamanian silver dollars to bail his friend Rounsewell out.

LIKE MAN, LIKE DOG

London, England.—At the second International Neurological Congress in London, scientific savants flocked around a wiry, bearded little Russian. Ivan Petrovitch Pavlov, discoverer of the conditioned reflex which is the keystone of modern psychology, told the 600 delegates of his 60 year experimentation with dogs. Like humans, he concluded that canines fall into four temperamental classes: choleric, phlegmatic, sanguine, and melancholy. Other neurologists read 296 papers. One, on epilepsy, scotched the almost universal belief that this is an inherited disease, held that each case originated in some personal accident.

WEALTHY JAILBIRDS TO BUY THEIR FOOD

Detroit, Mich.—Balfe McDonald, imprisoned for killing his mother, inherited \$250,000 after her death.

John O'Hara, Michigan's Auditor General, wondered why wealthy prisoners should loiter around at State expense. The state legislature agreed with him and he filed a claim against McDonald's estate for \$464—a rate of 72 cents a day. From now on an estimated 25 per cent of Michigan's prison population will pay for their food with cash while they pay for crimes with time.

PERSONAL VISIT

London, England.—On his way north for Scotland's grouse shooting, J. P. Morgan stopped in at 10 Downing Street to see Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin. Rumors flew wildly that he pleaded for currency stabilization, that he discussed a proposed war loan to Ethiopia that he and the prime minister were hiding war time letters in connection with Morgan's loans to Britain. In Commons, John Mc Govern, Glasgow M. P., demanded an explanation of the call. "The member is under a misapprehension in thinking Mr. Morgan paid an official visit, . . ." replied Mr. Baldwin. "He is an old personal friend. . . . He always comes to see me when he is in this country, and I hope he will continue to do so."

DEPRESSION'S BIGGEST UPSWING

New York City.—In its August bulletin the National City Bank of New York City cheerfully states: "Private enterprise is on the rise

in greater degree than in previous upswings in this depression." Statisticians had compared profits of 260 industrial corporations for the first half of this year with earnings for 1934's first half. Results: Combined net profits, less deficits, increased 17.9 per cent from \$265,000,000 to \$313,000,000.

SOVIET'S WORST NAVAL DISASTER

Moscow, U. S. S. R.—To Red fleet Baltic maneuvers the B-3, obsolete Czarist submarine, carried 53 officers and men. Rising to the surface, it struck a Soviet warship. The B-3 sank, there were no survivors. Soviet newspapers played down this worst disaster in its naval history. To the families of the crew will go in addition to regular pensions, 10,000 rubles each.

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