

News Review of Current Events the World Over

Crop Damage From Drouth Mounts—Assassin Tries to Kill Edward VIII—Townsend and Coughlin Form Alliance.

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THE nation's drouth worries continued unabated after scattered showers in widely separated areas of the Midwest and the Northwest failed to eliminate the heat. Regions bordering the Great Lakes enjoyed cool breezes brought by a high pressure area from Hudson Bay.

But the meager rainfall in the drouth-stricken belt did little toward bringing relief and crop deterioration continued on a vast scale throughout the parched states.

Loss of life throughout the United States from the unprecedented heat wave exceeded 3,850, an all-time high.

Agronomists in Minnesota, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Ohio expressed apprehension over the outlook for the corn crop unless general rains should develop rapidly. In principal cities the price of milk was advanced one cent a quart as the result of drouth conditions. Prices of meat, however, dropped with the influx to market of drouth cattle. The possibility of an upward trend later on was seen, however.

Completing a tour of the drouth areas, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace declared the nation need have no fears of a food shortage, and assailed those "who have tried for their own purposes to scare the consumers about food scarcity." He added: "There is no excuse for substantial increases in food prices now."

Arriving at Bismarck, North Dakota, to help co-ordinate drouth relief enterprises, Rexford G. Tugwell, resettlement administrator, was informed that approximately 60,000 farm families in the state were among the needy. A conference of state and federal officials in Bismarck developed a three-fold plan for the relief of dwellers in the desolated areas of the Dakotas, western Minnesota, eastern Montana and Wyoming. These included:

Immediate advancement of money to needy families, repayable out of WPA earnings; granting of funds to farmers desiring to keep small livestock herds for the purchase of feed and subsistence to be repaid by work on WPA projects; loans and grants to owners of large scale cattle enterprises to cover the cost of shipping animals to other states for feeding.

THE attempted assassination of King Edward VIII of England in London brought great alarm to the English speaking world. The attempt was made near Hyde Park and the monarch's life was saved by a woman bystander who grappled with the would-be assassin and wrested a pistol from him.

The king was returning to Buckingham palace from Hyde Park, where on horseback he had presented new colors to six battalions of the Grenadier, Coldstream and Scots guards.

There was unrest in other European capitals. In Madrid, Jose Calvo Sotelo, one of Spain's most powerful monarchist leaders, was kidnapped and murdered. Precautions were taken to guard other political figures, lest the assassination open a new period of disorder between the leftists and rightists. The crisis was heightened by the threat of the Socialists to establish a dictatorship.

In Paris, the celebration of France's national holiday, Bastille day, saw the Champs Elysees a scene of rioting with rightists and leftists in combat with each other and the police. The disorders began when leftists were returning from their own parade in the eastern section of the city. Seeing red flags borne in the procession, the rightists greeted their opponents with cries of "Soviets everywhere."

Hopeful signs for European peace were seen in the withdrawal by Italy from Lybia of the first units of 40,000 troops from the Egyptian frontier. The withdrawal of the troops from the North African colony was Italy's answer to Britain's action in recalling its home fleet from the Mediterranean.

12 unions grouped as the Committee for Industrial Unionization. The council's action was looked upon as a peace move in the crisis that threatens open warfare in the labor movement. It was precipitated by the drive to organize 500,000 workers in the steel industry into one big industrial union by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers and his followers.

The charges against the Lewis group include "competition as a rival organization with the A. F. of L.," fomenting an insurrection within the Federation; violation of contracts they have entered into with the Federation when granted their charters.

AN ALLIANCE between Dr. Francis E. Townsend, Father Charles E. Coughlin and the Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith in the interests of a third party was announced at the Townsendite convention in Cleveland, attended by 12,000 followers of the California doctor who advocates pensions of \$200 per month for every person over sixty.

In an address before the convention, Father Coughlin bitterly denounced the present administration and President Roosevelt and called upon the delegates to follow Dr. Townsend in endorsing the candidacy of William Lemke for the presidency on the Union ticket.

Earlier the New Deal had been the target of both Dr. Townsend and the Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith, now leader of the late Huey Long's share-the-wealth movement. Townsendite candidates who must run on the Democratic ticket planned a pro-Roosevelt demonstration. Pro-Roosevelt delegations representing 11 states signed a resolution urging that no "merger or fusion" with a third party be made. A tactical victory was won by the New Deal forces in the election of Willis Mahoney, Townsendite-Democratic candidate for senator from Oregon, as chairman of the resolutions committee.

THE arrest of former Lieut. Commander John S. Farnsworth of the United States navy on a charge that he had sold confidential naval data to a Japanese officer marked what observers believed was the beginning of a roundup of persons suspected of supplying navy secrets to foreign powers.

Declaring that he had obtained nothing of importance from the navy and gave nothing to the Japanese that "could not have been obtained in the public library in Washington," Farnsworth at first pleaded not guilty to the charges.

Farnsworth is charged with taking from the Navy department and later selling it to the Japanese government, a book entitled "The Service of Information and General Security." The book is on naval tactics and according to officials, is rated as "confidential."

PREDICTING 1936 will be the best business year since 1930 and "possibly since 1929," Colonel Leonard P. Ayers, economist of Cleveland, declared that statistics on all important business had shown substantial and "healthy increases" since the first of this year. Strikes, drouth and other difficulties have not affected increases in employment, markets and security, exchanges, the economist said.

"More steel has been produced in the first half of 1936 than in all 1932," he pointed out. "A major factor in the increased steadiness of business has been well sustained employment among the factory workers making durable goods. Workers in the durable goods factories suffer most from lay-offs and shut-downs, but such has not been the case in the first half of this year and of last year."

HENRY FORD, approaching his seventy-third birthday envisioned the eventual decline of farm animals as a source of the world's food and predicted that grains and other crops will largely be substituted for them.

"We can, I believe, get a more plentiful supply of food cheaper and better," he said, "by processing the products of the soil instead of asking cows and chickens to do it for us. In the future farm animals of all kinds will decline in numbers. We won't need them. The farm animal will go, but the farm will become larger."

AFTER dedicating New York's new \$64,000,000 Triborough bridge, attending the wedding of Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, minister to Denmark, to Captain Boerge Rohde of the Danish court and spending two days at his Hyde Park home, President Roosevelt embarked on a nautical vacation in Maine and Canadian waters.

On the bridge dedication program with the President were Secretary of the Interior Ickes, Gov. Lehman of New York, Senator Wagner and Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York City. The bridge is the largest completed public works administration project in the East. It comprises four spans in its three and one-half miles of elevated ways and connects Manhattan, the Bronx and Queens, Long Island. Its cost is second only to that of the Golden Gate bridge at San Francisco.

On the cruise of the Sewanna, a 50-foot schooner yacht, President Roosevelt will act as skipper and helmsman. Three of his four sons, James, Franklin Jr., and John are members of the crew. The cruise will carry the President along the Maine coast to Campobello Island, New Brunswick, where his mother has a summer home and off Nova Scotia where he expects to do some deep sea fishing. A destroyer, the presidential yacht Potomac and the schooner Liberty carrying newspaper men are trailing the Sewanna.

Before he returns to the White House, the President will pay a visit to Lord Tweedsmuir, governor-general of Canada.

A NEW era in European diplomacy was heralded with the signing of a treaty between Germany and Austria re-establishing peace and normal relations between the two nations.

Since Italy has been acting in the role of big brother to Austria in the past two years it was regarded as a virtual certainty that Premier Mussolini had sanctioned the new pact. Observers pointed out that with Germany, Austria and Italy in accord and with Poland friendly to Hitler's aims, Europe now has a prospective alliance more powerful than the triple alliance of Germany, Italy and Austria-Hungary preceding the World war.

COMPLETE endorsement of the presidential candidacy of Gov. Alf M. Landon of Kansas was given by former Gov. Frank O. Lowden of Illinois following a conference in Topeka. Following the conference former Governor Lowden announced that he and Governor Landon were in "full accord" on the question of farm relief.

The Illinois farm leader revealed that he had discussed soil erosion, reciprocal treaties, conservation of farm population, government aid in marketing surplus crops, centralizing of federal power and reduction of federal expenditures with Gov. Landon. Mr. Lowden declared: "We are in accord on the important agricultural issues. I shall support him and campaign for his election."

Payment of cash federal bounties to soil-conserving farmers through a plan contemplating state administration was one of the farm principles advocated by Mr. Lowden which received the verbal support of Gov. Landon following the conference.

With the Republican presidential nominee at work on his acceptance speech, conferences with other leaders were scheduled. Important among these was the visit of George N. Peek, former AAA administrator who resigned his post following a break with Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and is now a New Deal critic. Also on the program was the visit of Col. Frank Knox, Governor Landon's running mate.

At Governor Landon's office a letter was made public from William Cabell Bruce, former Democratic senator from Maryland, saying that he was "bitterly disappointed" in President Roosevelt and "deeply gratified" at Governor Landon's nomination.

In the meantime members of the Kansas legislature had departed for their homes after submitting two constitutional amendments to the state's electorate. One of these would authorize state aid for the needy and the other would approve state participation in the federal social security plan.

FIFTEEN Japanese army officers who were leaders in last February's bloody rebellion in which four high-ranking government officials met assassination, were executed by a firing squad in Tokyo.



President Roosevelt



Dr. Townsend



Frank O. Lowden



Dr. Tugwell

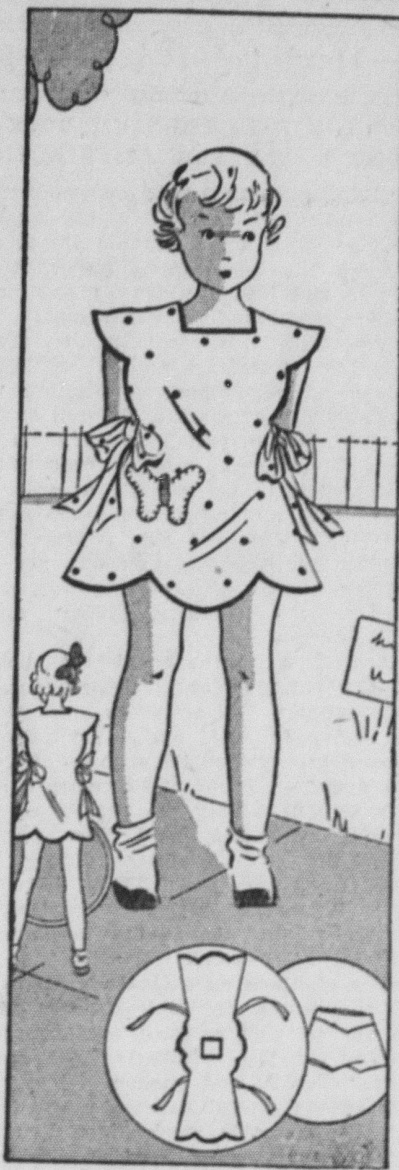


King Edward



Henry Ford

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Foreign Words and Phrases

- Affaire du coeur. (F.) Affair of the heart.
- A mensa et thoro. (L.) From bed and board.
- Ben trovato. (It.) Well invented.
- Chacun a son gout. (F.) Every man to his taste.
- Contretemps. (F.) An awkward incident; mishap.
- Delenda est Carthago. (L.) Carthage must be destroyed.
- Ecco homo! (L.) Behold the man.
- Garde du corps. (F.) Body-guard.
- Je ne sais quoi. (F.) I know not what.

SUMMER RECIPES CALLING FOR USE OF FRESH FRUITS

Now that summer days are at hand, the alert woman is interested in successful recipes calling for the use of fresh fruits. Here are three that have been thoroughly tested:

Fresh Fruit Pies
For rhubarb, plum, grape, strawberry, raspberry, blackberry, blueberry or huckleberry pie: Combine 3 1/2 cups prepared fruit, 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca and 1 to 1 1/4 cups sugar. Let stand 35 minutes, or while pastry is being made. Use as filling for 9-inch pie.

Fresh Peach and Banana Mold
1 package lime flavored gelatin
1 pint warm water
1/2 cup fresh peaches, sliced
1 banana, sliced
Dissolve lime flavored gelatin in warm water. Arrange sliced peaches on bottom of mold. Pour on warm gelatin, being careful not to disarrange peaches. Add banana. Chill until firm. Unmold. Garnish with whipped cream, if desired. Serves six.

Ripe Pear Jam
4 cups (2 lbs.) prepared fruit
7 1/2 cups (3 1/4 lbs.) sugar
1 bottle pectin
Peel, core, and crush completely, or grind, about 3 pounds fully ripe pears. If desired, about 3 teaspoons spice may be added.

Measure sugar and prepared fruit into large kettle, mix well, and bring to a full rolling boil over hottest fire. Stir constantly before and while boiling. Boil hard one minute. Remove from fire and stir in pectin. Then stir and skim by turns for just five minutes to cool slightly, to prevent floating fruit. Pour quickly. Paraffin and cover as above. Makes about 11 glasses (6 fluid oz. each).

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