

News Review of Current Events

STEEL GOES BACK TO WORK

Two-Thirds of Idle Have Returned . . . Riots Kill Two In Aluminum Strike . . . Siege of Madrid Gets Setback

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SUMMARIZES THE WORLD'S WEEK
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C.I.O. Steel Grip Loosens

THE grip of the C. I. O. continued to loosen in the steel strike as three big independent steel corporations—Republic, Bethlehem and Youngstown Sheet & Tube—reported more than two-thirds of their idle mill hands had returned to work. This covered plants in Ohio and Pennsylvania. Inland, the fourth of the steel independents, announced that it was operating with its normal force of 13,000 in Indiana since it and the Steel Workers' Organizing Committee signed a compact with the state labor commission. Steel production in the Youngstown, Ohio, area, one of the principal scenes of strike violence, climbed to 76 per cent of capacity, 3 per centage points above the operating figure before the start of the strike.



Amelia: Lost in the Pacific.

from other fronts, delaying temporarily the drive on Santander, next rebel objective on the Biscayan coast.

Meanwhile, the fall of Bilbao was expected to add 150,000 refugees to the constant stream pouring into loyalist Valencia. Although some of the refugees remained in France, where they were first taken, the vast majority preferred to go to Catalonia, where the government takes care of them at its own expense. Nearly 1,500,000 have arrived in Valencia since the start of the war and 300,000 have remained there.

Bingham's 4th of July

ROBERT WORTH BINGHAM, United States ambassador to London, became the third prominent American to bring down the fury of Nazi Germany's officialdom and press when, in an Independence day speech before the American society in that city, he declared Uncle Sam had been forced by the dictator countries to join Britain in an armament race. Mayor LaGuardia of New York and Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago had been other recent Nazi targets.

The ambassador was quoted as saying: "There must be some of the dictatorships who realize that they have imposed upon the British commonwealth and the United States an armaments race."

"We did everything in our power to avert it, but it is a race, and the British and ourselves must inevitably win. I admit the strongest arguments that can be made for dictatorships—they offer a better method of preparing for war. But I am sure that democracies provide a better way to finish a war."

The Nazis charged that the ambassador had insulted Germany and Italy with his "arrogance and ignorance." Voelkischer Beobachter, the official newspaper, added: "If there is any talk of defense, then we should speak of defense against the arrogant and teacher-like attitude of the defenders of western ideals."

Navy Hunts for Amelia

FOUR ships of the United States navy, with attendant airplanes; two ships of the Japanese navy, and a British freighter scoured the vast wastes of the South Pacific in an effort to find and rescue Amelia Earhart Putnam, America's No. 1 woman flyer, and her navigator, Fred Noonan. The pair had been forced down before completing the 2,570-mile hop from New Guinea to Howland island, a "leg" of their "round-the-world flight."

Signals received from the hapless flyers were so weak that it was impossible to tell whether they were afloat at sea or marooned on some tiny island, and as the days passed it became doubtful that many of the radio messages which served as clues for the searchers were from the two at all. Storms over the area of the sea in which they were believed lost hampered searchers and minimized possibilities of a rescue.

So alarmed was the world at the loss of Amelia and her companion, the United States even sent out the giant aircraft carrier Lexington with 98 planes aboard, which, it was said, could explore an area of 36,000 square miles in five or six hours.

Mae West Tells All

IT SEEMS Mae West, buxom blonde cinema menace DID marry Frank Wallace in Milwaukee on April 11, 1911, after all. After stoutly denying the marriage which aroused the whole nation when it was revealed in 1935, she did an about-face and confessed it, although denying she had ever lived with the vaudeville player as his wife. Her admission was necessitated when she answered Wallace's suit for declaratory relief in a Los Angeles court.

Nation Finds More Jobs

NEARLY 35,000,000 persons are now employed in non-agricultural pursuits, the federal reserve board has announced. This is only 1,000,000 or 1,500,000 shy of the average in 1929 and 8,500,000 to 9,000,000 more than in March, 1933.

Uncle Sam Checks Up

UNCLE SAM wound up the 1937 fiscal year with a net deficit of \$2,707,347,110, or about \$150,000,000 more than President Roosevelt estimated last April, according to the report of the United States Treasury.

The gross national public debt climbed to a total of \$36,424,613,732 as of June 30, it was shown.

Receipts for the period just closed were the largest in 16 years, amounting to \$5,293,840,236, compared with \$4,115,956,615 for the 1936-37 year and about \$70,000,000 in excess of estimates. Expenditures were \$8,105,158,547, including \$103,933,250 for debt retirement originally planned for that period but carried over into the current year.

Completion of the debt retirement program as previously contemplated would have called for the expenditure of \$404,525,000, which would have placed the gross deficit above the \$3,000,000,000 mark.

In the 1936-37 period, recovery and relief costs were more than \$400,000,000 below the total for the year before, amounting to \$2,846,462,932 against \$3,290,927,869.

Reliable authorities around the capitol said that as soon as all appropriation bills for the 1938 fiscal year were cleared, the President would direct the heads of all government departments to impound 10 per cent of their appropriations, exclusive of fixed charges, in an attempt to balance the budget. Experts said that a maximum of \$400,000,000 could be saved in that way. The prospective net deficit for 1938 was estimated at \$400,000,000.

Ford Tests Labor Board

THE national labor relations board is receiving its most exacting test in the hearings at Detroit on the United Automobile Workers' union complaint that the Ford Motor company is guilty of unfair labor practices. The U. A. W. U. is a C. I. O. affiliate; Ford is opposed to the unions.

It was expected that the hearings might take a long time and may eventually reach the United States Supreme court. After the hearings in Detroit a board examiner will draw up "intermediate findings" and send them to the NLRB in Washington, accompanied by a transcript of the evidence and briefs of both sides. The board will then either order the Ford Motor company to "cease and desist" its unfair practices or dismiss the union's charges. Appeal may be taken to the United States circuit court of appeals, which has the power of enforcement which NLRB lacks.

The case may reach the Supreme court if the Constitution is involved. One of the allegedly unfair practices to which the U. A. W. A. objects is distribution of anti-union literature by the Ford company to its employees. The company charges that a denial of this would violate constitutional guarantees of free speech and a free press.

Mediators Blame Steel

THE federal mediation board named by Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, which reached a deadlock and gave up in its efforts to help the C. I. O.-affiliated Steel Workers Organizing Committee and the independent steel corporations solve their difficulties, laid the blame for its failure at the door of the steel concerns.

"We cannot but believe that the bitterness and suspicion which separate the two sides would be allayed by a man-to-man discussion around the conference table between the heads of the four companies and the union representatives, and that the only present possible hope of settlement lies in such a meeting," the board's report said.

On the board were Charles P. Taft, chairman; Lloyd K. Garrison and Edward F. McGrady.

Isolates Paralysis Germ

WHAT the medical profession considers a major step in the conquest of infantile paralysis was taken when Dr. Edward Carl Rosenow announced to 100 physicians, surgeons and medical research workers in Glendale, Calif., that he had isolated the germ which causes it. Dr. Rosenow is professor of experimental bacteriology at the Mayo foundation in Rochester, Minn.

Work with spinal fluid taken from nurses who had contracted the disease at the Los Angeles general hospital in 1934 enabled him to isolate the micro-organism.

Dr. Rosenow said that now the germ has been isolated steps must be taken to develop a serum similar to the serums used in fighting other ravaging contagious diseases.

Triple Split for Palestine

PALESTINE would be split into three parts and British mandate over the whole country ended, according to suggestions made by the royal commission on Palestine and delivered to the British government. The commission was formed a year ago to find some way of putting an end to Arab-Jewish riots.

Under the new plan, about two-thirds of Palestine would be converted into an Arab state and about one-third into a Jewish state. A small territory, including the holy cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth, and a corridor to the sea, would be given to Great Britain as a permanent mandate. It is claimed that the plan would remove the Arabs from Jewish domination, give the Jews a home and protect Christian shrines.

AROUND the HOUSE Items of Interest to the Housewife

Keeping Brassware Bright—Brass ornaments will remain bright longer if, after polishing, they are given a thin coat of white shellac.

Measuring Sugar—One pound of granulated sugar equals two cups. One pound of powdered or confectioner's sugar equals two and one-half cups.

Banana Toast—Place sliced banana between two slices bread, spread with shortening. Place in baking pan in hot oven until lightly browned.

Kidneys and Macaroni—Cut four kidneys in halves, sprinkle with chopped parsley, salt and pepper to taste, and fry. Take one-fourth pound macaroni, break into small pieces, and cook in water, adding a little salt. When quite tender, strain off the water, place macaroni round a dish, and put the kidneys in the center, adding a little gravy. Garnish with two hard-boiled eggs cut into quarters, and four small tomatoes cut into small slices and fried. Serve very hot.

Don't Scratch the Table—If tiny squares of blanket or astrakhan cloth are stuck under the corners of your hand sewing machine it can be used on any table without

leaving scratches. Similar patches can also be used on clocks, or anything that stands on a polished surface.

To Prevent Scorching—Leave one small section of a gem pan empty when putting gem batter in pan. Fill this section with water and gems will never scorch.

Why Pans Warp—Aluminum cooking pans are frequently warped out of shape by repeatedly putting cold water in them while they are still hot.

Cooking Sour Fruit—Sour fruit will require much less sugar, and be more digestible, if a dessert-spoonful of syrup and a pinch of bicarbonate of soda are added after cooking.

To Freshen Coconut—Shredded coconut, which has become dry, can be freshened by soaking it in sweet milk a few minutes before using.

Justice, Obedience

Justice is the insurance which we have on our lives and property; to which may be added, and obedience is the premium which we pay for it.—William Penn.

Foreign Words and Phrases

Presto maturo, presto marcio. (It.) Soon ripe, soon rotten.

Il n'est sauce que d'appetit. (F.) Hunger is the best sauce.

Lis litem generat. (L.) Strife begets strife.

Fide, sed cui vide. (L.) Trust, but see whom.

Resurgam. (L.) I shall rise again.

Contra fortuna no vale arte nungua. (Sp.) There is no fence against fortune.

E flamma cibum petre. (L.) To get food out of the fire; to get a living by desperate means.

Hominis est errare. (L.) It is common for man to err.

Bacio di bocca spesso cuor non tocca. (It.) A kiss of the mouth often does not touch the heart.

Detur digniori. (L.) Let it be given to the more worthy.

Idea for Tunnels

Ancient Egyptians, observing streams enter one side of a hill and come out the other, got the idea for tunnels. They built them into tombs. Builders after them bored tunnels to carry or drain water. One people, the Babylonians, more daring than the rest, tunneled beneath the Euphrates river. Thus began the story, according to a correspondent in the Washington Post, of the most fascinating and dangerous of all tunneling operations, subaqueous—underwater.

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