

News Review of Current Events the World Over

**Suspension of Ten Unions Voted by Federation Council—
Many Oil Men Indicted for Conspiracy—
Metaxas Dictator of Greece.**

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UNLESS John L. Lewis and his associates in the Committee for Industrial Organization repent and cease their "rebellious" activities before September 5, the ten unions they head will be under suspension from the American Federation of Labor. Such was the verdict of the federation's executive council which passed on the charges of John P. Frey, president of the metal trades division, that the CIO was "fomenting insurrection and rebellion." David Dubinsky, head of the garment workers, cast the only vote against the suspension order.

Lewis having definitely set himself against any peace overtures, it appeared that the suspension certainly would be put into effect. The next move will be up to the Tampa convention in the fall, which will be asked to vote the expulsion of the refractory unions.

The ten unions accused by Mr. Frey and found guilty are: Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Sidney Hillman, president.

Oil Field, Gas Well, and Refinery Workers, Harvey Fremming, president.

Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, Thomas H. Brown, president.

Ladies' Garment Workers, David Dubinsky, president.

Textile Workers, Thomas F. McMahon, president.

Flat Glass Workers, Gler McCabe, president.

Iron, Steel, and Tin Workers, M. F. Tighe, president.

Automobile Workers, Homer Martin, president.

Rubber Workers, S. H. Dalrymple, president.

Action on the International Typographical union, whose president, C. P. Howard, is secretary of the CIO; and the United Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers, part of whom are not associated with the CIO, was deferred. The suspended unions have a membership of about one million, or nearly one-third of the total in the federation.

Lewis characterized the council's action as one of "incredible and crass stupidity" and said that it was "dictated by personal selfishness and frantic fear."

SIX passengers and two pilots were instantly killed when a big Lockheed Electra plane of the Chicago and Southern Airlines crashed a few minutes after taking off from the airport of St. Louis, Mo. At this writing there is no explanation for the disaster. The plane was almost new and the weather not bad though skies were overcast.

The plane was bound from New Orleans for Chicago, and five of the victims were residents of the latter city. One of the dead was Vernon Omie, a veteran pilot and husband of Phoebe Omie, a noted flyer.

CHARGED by the government with conspiracy to violate the anti-trust law by combining to dominate the purchasing of oil in the Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma fields and to fix prices of gasoline in the Middle West, 58 persons, 23 petroleum concerns and three publishing companies were indicted by a federal grand jury in Madison, Wis. Among the prominent defendants are Edward G. Seubert of Chicago, president of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana; Henry M. Dawes of Evanston, Ill., president of the Pure Oil company, and many officials of Standard Oil, Pure Oil, Deep Rock, Socony-Vacuum and various other oil concerns and their subsidiaries. Also in the list are Warren C. Platt of Cleveland, publisher of the National Petroleum News and Platt's Oilgram; his two publications and the Chicago Journal of Commerce.

The indictment charged that the defendant oil companies formed pools in the east Texas and mid-continent fields for the purpose of purchasing gasoline at artificially high prices from independent producers, and in furtherance of such a scheme were members of associations which included the indepen-

dents. Further it was charged that independent refiners, to aid the plan, had curtailed their production of gasoline.

This, said Mr. Platt, is exactly what the oil companies did with the approval of Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes, administrator of the NRA petroleum code, when efforts were being made to limit the production of gasoline, prevent the flow of excess quota oil into market channels, and raise prices in that turbulent industry.

EXPERT crop statisticians estimate that, as a result of the record breaking drought, this year's corn crop will be reduced to 1,572,000,000 bushels, which would be the smallest yield since 1881 except for the disastrous drought year of 1934. In that year total production was 1,478,000,000, but the acreage was smaller than it is this season.

Argentine farmers are expected to profit to the extent of \$50,000,000 or more as a result of the keen competition for corn between the United States and Europe, which has recently lifted prices about 17 cents per bushel in the Buenos Aires market.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT was visibly aroused by Republican charges that the New Dealers were seeking to reap political profit from the drought conditions. At his press conference he broke with the usual rule by permitting himself to be directly quoted as saying:

"It is a great disservice to the proper administration of any government to link up human misery with partisan politics."

THERE is another dictatorship in Europe, this time in Greece. Gen. John Metaxas, premier, announced that a general strike fostered by communists was likely to lead to serious disturbances, so, with the approval of King George II, he declared martial law, dissolved parliament, postponed elections indefinitely and mobilized all workers in essential services such as railways, in order that, called to the colors, they would be directly under government control.

Strong guards were mounted at power stations, gas works and other vital points and all soldiers and police not on guard duty were held in barracks ready for action.

Metaxas promised the enforcement of an eight hour day, a minimum wage and a social insurance system. He remodeled the cabinet, taking for himself the army, navy, air and foreign affairs portfolios.

DESPERATE fighting for possession of the passes in the Guadarrama mountains north of Madrid was going on between the government forces and the rebel troops. Loyalist soldiers were hurried to that region, and Madrid claimed some victories. However, the Fascists on the northern side of the range were said to be within sight of the capital and in position for a vigorous advance.

The rebels scored in the south by landing 2,000 Moroccan troops from Ceuta after a lively sea and air fight in which two loyalist warships were driven off. The loyalists were also reported to have met defeat near Avila, losing 600 men and some tanks and trucks.

On the twentieth day of the rebellion the government announced it had captured the provinces of Catalonia, Valencia, Murcia, Malaga, Ciudad Real, Guadalajara, Badajoz and the northern resort city of San Sebastian.

Fascist Italy has been accused of aiding the Spanish rebels, and it is asserted a number of Italian bombing planes were sent to them in Morocco. The leftist French government naturally is in sympathy with the Madrid government and Frenchmen unarmed, have been given permission to cross the border to aid in putting down the rebellion. German and Russian sympathies, also, are ranged on opposite sides, and all this caused fears that a general war might result. France called on all other nations to preserve neutrality, and Spain warned Italy and Germany to keep hands off.

Our Gifts

THE secret of giving affectionately is great and rare; it requires address to do it well; otherwise we lose instead of deriving benefit from it. This man gives lavishly in a way that obliges no one; the manner of giving is worth more than the gift. Another man loses intentionally at a game, thus disguising his present; another forgets a jewel, which would have been refused as a gift. A generous booby seems to be giving alms to his mistress when he is making a present.—Cornelle.

Uncle Phil Says:

Watch Your Manners

Is politeness decaying? Don't permit that. It will develop into sheer brutality.

If you care a great deal for a man as he is, you may be able to reform him, but be careful.

People have to become thoroughly exasperated before they thoroughly punish crime.

Keeping still seldom results in worry later on.

What Price Relief

Hurling a bad egg has never settled an argument; but hasn't it been a great relief.

Some can enter a room impressively; and not so many can leave it that way.

You must expect to see displays of ignorance all the time. Don't let them perturb you.

In these days, indeed, the king can do no wrong. He's lucky if he is allowed to lay a corner stone.

Much of one's youth is clouded by a perpetual nagging to break trifling bad habits.

Religion of most people is a very good one if they would pay more attention to it.

Those who anticipate the worst, usually prepare for it, that's one good thing.

Eye the Present

Don't be so "forward looking" that you fail to see what's going on right now.

When a father has a good son, he knows what he should have been when a boy.

A witty wife is lucky if her husband has a sense of wit.

Heart in Puppet Show

A puppet show in a marionette theater in New York City often so affects the audience, chiefly adults, that it stops the show with its cheers and hisses. At times it even shouts encouragement to the hero and hurls eggs at the villain.

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