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Mobs Aiding Communists

Rioting and mob demonstrations in North Carolina culminating in the shooting and killing of a woman sympathizer with the strikers, reflects the feverish sentiment of the region and enhances the difficulties of securing a fair and impartial trial of the accused Gastonia strike leaders. The hostile demonstrations against the attorneys for the accused, following the mistrial caused by the insanity of a juror, add to the suspicion that the defendants are being tried because of their social and political beliefs instead of the crimes charged.

From the Communistic standpoint, these anti-Communist riots furnish the best possible propaganda for the cause. The mobs are playing into the hands of the Reds and their lawlessness goes far to convince the outside world that the defendants are being persecuted as Sacco and Vanzetti were. At the same time they are seriously embarrassing the court and complicating the situation. Efforts to punish the mob leaders will add more complications.

The first trial jury was secured with difficulty after venues had been repeatedly exhausted. The selection of another jury in the same locality will be still more difficult in a region where the popular mind is inflamed by partisanship and prejudice.

Canada's Example

According to official figures the profits of the British Columbia government's administration of the liquor business for the semi-annual period ending March 31, 1929 totalled \$2,305,054, bringing the total profit since the adoption of the present system of control in June 1921, to \$24,587,833. Of the last six months profits, \$628,919 was distributed to the municipalities, \$292,679 to hospitals and charities, \$354,845 to Mothers' Pensions, and \$975,599 retained for the government.

British Columbia seems to have solved the liquor problem much more satisfactorily than the United States, which instead of regulating, has outlawed it, and spends tens of millions a year for ineffectual control, which has increased lawlessness, stimulated crime, and crowded courts and prisons, without diminishing the flow of liquor.

British Columbia has outlawed the saloon, without attempting by compulsory law to compel total abstinence and thereby eliminated most of the abuses of the liquor evil—and it has accomplished it to the profit of the taxpayer. In the United States the bootlegger makes the money instead of the government and the taxpayers foot the bill.

It would seem that with the sane and successful example of the Canadian provinces before us to contrast with our own unsuccessful efforts, an effort should be forthcoming in the near future to adopt a similar program, instead of striving for the unattainable and making a bad mess worse. Some day perhaps, we may get rid of the blinders of fanaticism and apply commonsense to end the reign of hypocrisy.

Cheap Currency

The tendency of the federal bureaucracy to save at the spigot while wasting at the bung hole was never better exemplified than in the case of the new abbreviated currency, which is to be investigated by a congressional committee. The object of the new currency was to economize on paper, but the ease with which it is counterfeited more than offsets the saving.

Louis A. Hill, former director of the Bureau of Engraving denounces the new money as the "poorest, confessedly the cheapest and without doubts the most dangerous issue of United States currency in history." The quality of paper used is far less durable than the old style, the bills are quickly faded in washing, as any one who has accidentally dropped one in water finds out, and easily counterfeited.

The size of the new notes prevents delicate engraving, intricate scroll work and portrait tinting which marked the old currency and so promotes counterfeiting. It is also asserted that in case of the national bank notes, the overprinting by city, date, and bank of issue on an engraved skeleton form is in direct violation of the law.

POPE'S EMERGENCE UPSETS HOLIDAYS

Rome (AP)—The holidays began late this year in the Vatican owing to the additional work entailed by the coming into effect of the Lateran treaties and the Pope's outgoing from St. Peter's on July 25.

The cardinals of the Roman curia take their vacations the same as other mortals, though care is always taken not to leave the curia without an adequate representation. Each of the Italian cardinals has his favorite holiday resort, and in this matter the members of the Sacred College are very conservative. They nearly always go to the same place year after year. Before leaving Rome, the cardinals of the curia must obtain the Pope's permission.

As His Holiness has not decided if he will take a vacation himself outside of Vatican City, nor where he will go, the vacations of the curia cardinals have been delayed to some extent.

Cardinal Gasparri, secretary of state, is, however, at present taking the waters of Montecatini, and later will go to his home town of Ussita in Umbria, where he has property that he invariably visits every summer. Most of the curia cardinals take their vacations in Italy, though Cardinal Van Rossum, primate of the Congregation of the Propaganda of the Faith is already in England.

Cardinal Merry del Val will take his usual holiday in the mountains

of the Trentino, Cardinal Maffii, archbishop of Pisa, will make his customary visit to the waters of Salsomaggiore, Cardinal Vannutelli, the dean of the Sacred College, goes this year to the hermitage of Camaldoli. Cardinal Ceretti owns a village near Orvieto, and will take his customary vacation there. Cardinal Pompili goes to Velle. The other cardinals of the curia and the Italian archbishops will pass their vacations either in their own villas, or at places of cure or in monasteries.

CHINESE ASHAMED OF DEFORMED FEET

Peking (AP)—For the first time in China's long history, Chinese women with bound feet are becoming ashamed of them. "Lily feet," always regarded as an indispensable to beauty, are becoming a disgrace. A foreigner who has recently travelled in Honan province, reports that a number of Chinese women whose feet are deformed by binding are using large shoes to cover them up.

The usual tiny shoe is used, and over this a considerably larger one is placed, to give the impression that the feet are not bound.

But their walk always gives them away, the traveller states, because bound feet prevent women from walking naturally.

FOUR SHRIMPS
New Orleans, La. (AP)—More than 2000 men and women are employed catching and canning shrimps here.

AT G. O. P. MEETING IN CAPITAL



Above: Claudius H. Huston (right), new Republican national committee chairman, is shown with President Hoover and Dr. Hubert Work (left), retiring chairman, after G. O. P. committee meeting in Washington. Below are the three new women members of the committee (left to right): Mrs. Ruth Pratt, New York; Mrs. Margaret Tucker, Vermont; and Mrs. H. E. Thomas, Wisconsin.



TURNING THE CLOCK

By Mary Graham Bonner

The little black clock, with its white face and dull black hands, had stood on top of the desk in the back hall for many years, and for many years it had not run.

The hands pointed to the fact that at a certain 7 o'clock years and years before it had stopped. But it was such a pretty, quaint little clock that it was a favorite even if it couldn't keep time.

It was late one evening when Peggy, who was 5, had gone to bed and John, her brother, three years older, was about to go that he suddenly noticed the little black clock grinning. Its hands were stretched out. No longer did they point to 7 o'clock.

"Hello, hello, hello," came a whisper from the little black clock. John went and stood before it.

"Did you speak, by any chance?" he asked.

"I certainly did. I've been waiting for ages and ages for you to notice me at bedtime. Do you want to come with me? You may call Peggy if you like. But, mind you, no one else! No one else may share my secret."

"You have a secret?" John asked. "Then that's what makes you look so nice—why we all like you."

"Of course, I've a secret," said the little black clock. "Get Peggy first and I'll tell you."

John went and quietly woke Peggy. The rest of the family was downstairs.

"Years and years ago I decided I'd stop telling the ordinary time," the little black clock explained. "I was allowed to use some magic which lets me turn myself backward or forward to any time at all except the correct time. So for the rest of the world I seem to be 7 o'clock. Come! We must be off. How far shall I turn back tonight?"

"Oh, when the Indians used to own the country," said John.

"All right. The Indians it shall be then."

So the clock turned round and round and round until the whole scene changed and it was several hundred years earlier—and they were at an Indian tepee.

Tomorrow—"The Indian Tepee."

M. P.'s ON TANKER

London (AP)—Two members of the British Parliament, Ben Smith, former taxi-driver, and Jack Hayes, former policeman, are taking advantage of Parliament's summer recess for an oil tanker cruise to Egypt and back.

FIGHTER SENTENCED

Asheville, N. C. (AP)—Charles Carver gave black eyes and stepped sister black eyes and was sentenced to two years chain gang work on county roads here.

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FAST PACE OF U. S. SEEN AS "TERRIFYING"

Paris (AP)—The present generation of Americans have been weighed in the balance and sadly found wanting. They haven't learned the art of doing nothing.

The indictment is that of M. Rene Puaux, chief foreign editor of the powerful French newspaper "Le Temps" who has made a trip to the United States under the auspices of the Carnegie endowment for international peace.

Like most European visitors, M. Puaux was amazed by what he saw in America, but like so many of his philosophic countrymen he wonders whether all that Americans are striving for in the daily rush is worth the trouble.

"The tremendous pace of life in America is simply terrifying," he states. "A meal in a minute was the announcement I saw over a San Francisco restaurant. A skyscraper in a few months!"

A meal in a minute to Frenchmen is a little short of sacrilege. The recollection of the slogan evoked from the eminent French journalist a well intentioned diatribe against American culinary habits.

"Not only do Americans not know how to live—since they have not learned the art of doing nothing—they do not know how to eat or how to cook," he holds. "American cooking is ruined by being too complicated. By constantly trying new refinements, Americans will destroy the dish and incidentally satisfy them, although when properly cooked there is nothing more delicious. No, that would be too simple and so your American chef mixes several sauces together and pours that over the chop, then adds

a piece of pineapple and a dash of grapejuice. Of course, the result is a mess."

Life in the United States is lopsided, is another conclusion of this newspaperman.

"Americans have no conception of what moderation is" he contends. "Everything they do they do to excess. No repose."

PRIZES OFFERED ON FASCIST ART

Rome (AP)—The Fascist Party and the government have united in offering two prizes of 50,000 lire each for works of painting or sculpture inspired by the Fascist ideal.

One prize is offered for a work of painting or sculpture which "draws its inspiration from persons or events relative to the creation of the 'fasci'" or original sections which developed the movement.

The second prize of 50,000 lire is for a statue which "exalts the spiritual and physical vigor of the Italian race."

The Commune of Venice also offered a prize of the value of 25,000 lire, open to non-Italians, for a painting or sculpture representing maternity.

Several of the General Confederations, such as the Artists' Confederation and the Confederation of Industry have also offered prizes for modern paintings and sculptures.

The idea behind these offers is to encourage the development of art under Fascism, and the movement has the direct approval of the Duce.

Ionia, Mich. (AP)—Another profitable business along the shores of the Grand River is assuming proportions. It is clam digging. A clam is a clam to most persons, but to "clam diggers" they may be called a lady finger, a squawfoot, a pockbook, a muggel ball, a pebble-back, a three-ridge, a sheep toe or most things that over the chop, then adds

GERMAN SHOW BOAT NEWEST IN PUBLICITY

Berlin (AP)—America's all but forgotten show boats, which once frequented Mississippi river and Atlantic coast towns, have given a group of German citizens their idea for a new method of spreading publicity about Germany throughout the world. A German show boat is now being fitted out in Hamburg and next January will set sail for an 18-month voyage.

Drama will not be the only attraction aboard the vessel. There will also be exhibitions portraying the scientific, technical and industrial progress of Germany, as well as restaurants and dance-cafes of several kinds. Moreover the theater, which will have seats for 500 guests, will be used also for the production of German opera and for the presentation of movie and radio programs.

The ship is a four-masted schooner which is being thoroughly overhauled and modernized. It will be driven by motors instead of sails. Commodore Hans Ruser, formerly captain of the one-time Hamburg-American liner Imperator, has been chosen to pilot the show boat, while the name selected for the craft is "Pro-Arte."

Leaving Hamburg late in January the show boat will first visit a number of English and Belgian ports; thereafter it will cross the Atlantic and begin a northward cruise along the South and North American coasts.

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Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 195,475.95
Securities:	
State and County Bonds—Washington	\$374,683.15
State and County Bonds—Oregon	5,012.50
Miscellaneous Bonds	157,950.00
Public Utility Bonds	118,940.44
Public Utility and Other Stocks	113,759.50
United States Treasury Certificates	25,000.00
Real Estate Mortgage Receivable	10,000.00
Accounts Receivable	\$ 805,345.59
NON-LEDGER ASSETS:	191,210.23
Interest Accrued on Bonds	8,796.55
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,200,827.32

LIABILITIES	
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Reinsurance Premiums Accrued	\$ 7,048.25
Received in Advance on Collision Losses	732.23
Commissions Accrued to Agents	165.92
Accounts Payable	20,000.00
CAPITAL STOCK AND RESERVES:	\$ 27,946.40
Reserve for Taxes Accrued Not Due	\$ 7,929.42
Reserve for unearned Premiums	388,268.37
Reserve for Losses in Process of Settlement	80,022.95
Reserve for Losses Unreported and Contingencies	96,660.18
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,200,827.32

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