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## MUSSOLINI HAS PLANS FOR A GREATER ITALY

Tells of Aspirations for "Imperial Italy" Without Conquest

### U. P. GETS INTERVIEW

Longest Interview Ever Given a Foreign Newspaperman, Secured Today

By THOMAS B. MORGAN, (Copyrighted by United Press) ROME, Dec. 21.—(U. P.)—Premier Benito Mussolini, in an exclusive interview with United Press representatives today, told of his many aspirations for an "Italian Empire."

But at the same time, the dictator of Italy's destiny was very careful to explain that when one speaks of an imperial Italy, no definite territorial conquest is alluded to, but rather an attitude of mind, the rule of virtue conduct, combative, if needs be, which Italy must observe in the great international problems.

The interview, which the writer secured, is the most comprehensive which Premier Mussolini has ever granted a foreign newspaperman. The interview occurred in the Chigi Palace, and covered a wide range of topics, from a forceful denial of any intent to interfere in the affairs of foreign nations, when he talked of "recreational centers" for Italians abroad, up to the sins of fascism and the rights of Italy to "a wide expansion."

### MORE DAYLIGHT TO COME FROM NOW ON

Well folks, from now on more sunshine and more daylight and shorter night are in store for us. For today is the shortest day in the year. Since last June, the days have been growing shorter and shorter, until now most of us have the idea, the sun barely peeks in at us before it is down behind the hills and darkness descends. From now until June 22, the days will gradually grow longer. June 22 is the longest day in the year.

Of course, the difference will not be very noticeable for a couple of months. Tomorrow, the sun will stay out just a few seconds longer than he does today, but nevertheless, he has started in the right direction.

New Athena-Kamela branch, Walla Walla-Baker toll telephone line, will cost \$8,500.

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## Smoot Opposes Extra Holiday For Clerks

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Senate, which has voted itself a holiday from December 22 to January 4, heard a protest today from Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, against giving Government clerks their freedom December 26 in lieu of the usual half holiday, December 24 and December 31.

"It seems to me we are going holiday mad," said Senator Smoot. The arrangement will give the clerks three days in a row.

## FORMER LOCAL MAN GUILTY OF BLUE SKY LAW

### E. J. Barrett Convicted in Portland, Faces Covert Trial

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—E. J. Barrett was found guilty by a jury in Circuit Judge Biggs' court Friday on a charge of selling mining stock in violation of the state "blue sky" law. The jury recommended leniency. Barrett was indicted for selling two shares of stock in the Skyline Mining company, a Southern Oregon concern, without a permit. Mrs. Margaret Covert, jointly indicted with Barrett, was granted a separate trial.

Barrett was well known in Ashland, having lived here for several months. He left Ashland early last summer, just prior to his indictment on the "blue sky" law charges, and for several months was sought by both local and state officers to answer to the charges. Mrs. Covert was also well known here, her husband having been in charge of the mining operations at the Skyline Mine. According to the information given out by Barrett and the Covert, Mrs. Covert was one of the heavy stockholders in the Skyline Mine.

### DAWES MADE GENERAL IN RESERVE CORPS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(U. P.)—Vice President Charles G. Dawes was nominated by President Coolidge today to be a brigadier general in the officers reserve corps. David Hamm was nominated to be United States Marshal in the eastern division of Washington.

## They Carry Telegrams for the Capital



Telegraph companies in Washington have found girls make more efficient messengers than boys. Hence these four have been given pretty caps and told to go to it. They are, left to right: The Misses Betty Brown, Ethel Farrell, Grace Stevens and Virginia Voelekner.

## HEAVY RUSH OF MAIL IS ON AT POST OFFICE

Best of Service Possible Being Given Patrons by Local Office

Saturday was a record day for outgoing Christmas parcels at the Ashland postoffice, there being almost a continuous line of mailers at the receiving windows from opening time in the morning until the office closed at 5 p. m. Incoming mail has been heavy beginning with Saturday, too, but the peak is expected to be reached tomorrow. Extra delivery service has been provided for the Christmas season and Postmaster Wagner assures patrons of the office that the orders of the Postoffice Department to exert every energy to clean up all deliveries before midnight Thursday, are being



carried out to the letter and that every employee has entered into the spirit of the plans in hand for he knows that upon its success depends whether or no the Department will adopt as a permanent policy the full holiday on Christmas Day.

The Postmaster says that Ashland postoffice patrons expect and are entitled to the very best service at all times and they are going to get it through the holiday rush as to other times.

### Edward C. Stoker Died at Family Home Today

Edward C. Stoker, 56, a resident of Ashland for but a short time, died at the family home on Auburn street this morning.

Mr. Stoker was born in Michigan on January 2, 1871.

The deceased removed to Ashland little more than one month ago. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Florie Stoker and a little daughter.

The funeral services will be in charge of the Stock Undertaking Parlor. Although the date of the funeral services has not been set as yet, it is known that the services will be in charge of the Masonic Lodge. Interment will be in the Mausoleum in Mt. View cemetery.

## Successful Railway Chief Receives Reward

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Samuel Rea, who rose from a railroad road man to become president of the Pennsylvania railroad and who recently retired after 54 years of service, was presented tonight with a gold medal by the Pennsylvania Society of New York at its annual dinner.

Charles M. Schwab, president of the society, in presenting the medal to Rea, said "unprecedented prosperity" is evident in the industrial world and the outlook for the future is "such as to give grounds for unlimited confidence and encouragement."

## DIRECTORS OF CHAMBER WILL MEET TUESDAY

### No Forum to be Held Tomorrow Because of Holiday Season

There will be no regular forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce held at noon tomorrow, it was learned at the chamber offices this morning. The busy holiday season, at which time the business men, members of the chamber, find it very difficult to spare the time from their businesses, made it necessary to call off the forum.

However, J. H. Fuller, secretary of the chamber explained, the directors of the chamber will meet to discuss various matters which are to come up during the coming year.

Any members who wish to attend the meeting, or who have anything to bring before the members of the board are invited to attend the session, which will be held at the Lithia Springs hotel, Fuller stated.

### NORTHWEST WASHED BY HEAVY RAINS

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(U. P.)—Pacific Northwest is being washed today by the heaviest rainfall of the season. Following thirty hours of heavy rain, streams in many places were rising rapidly toward the danger mark.

## FISH SCREEN IS ORDERED AT SAVAGE DAM

### Much Disputed Pumps Ordered Screened by Game Commission

Although it may take some time the condition at Savage Rapids dam, where hundreds of fish are said to be killed daily by the irrigation pumps there, will be remedied, according to word received from State Game Warden Averill. Saturday, who states he has been authorized by the state game commission to order the intake at the dam to be screened. He also stated the commission had voted favorably in contributing \$100 to the Jim Berran Memorial fund, to be used for the erection of a monument at Butte Falls, where he served many years in the interests of the people at the hatchery there. In addition Deputy State Game Warden Roy Parr was granted a \$10 raise from his \$145 per month salary, which was suggested in a letter with the Memorial fund contribution to the commission, and also in person to Warden Averill at the recent meeting of the Jackson County Game Protective Assn. The information was received Saturday by Bert Anderson, chairman of the executive committee of the association.

## TOBACCO FIRM BACKS UP ALL ADVERTISING

Leggett and Meyers Firm Pays All Bills of Bankrupt Agency

PRAISE NEWSPAPERS

Advertising Agency Bankrupt, But Company Meets All Bills Which Are Turned In

The vicissitudes of business firms are many and oftentimes rather vexing when they result in losses. The most exasperating of these losses comes with bankruptcies, which usually result in the necessity of filling in ponderous applications and blanks and filing of claims—only to be told in most cases several months later that the assets were only sufficient to pay the expenses of liquidating the bankruptcy.

Last July The Daily Tidings printed a series of advertisements of Chesterfield cigarettes, a product of The Leggett and Meyers Tobacco company of San Francisco, a total of about \$80 of advertising during that one month. The order for this advertising came from a San Francisco advertising agency.

No check was forthcoming the first of August or the first of September, and then a letter was written the agency. A reply was duly received from a San Francisco law firm, in which it was stated their firm had been appointed to settle the affairs of the advertising agency, which had fallen a victim to bankruptcy.

The Tidings management wrote to Leggett and Meyers direct, explaining that, while we knew there was no obligation as far as the tobacco company was concerned from a legal standpoint, we felt that the company had received the benefit of the advertising and that The Tidings, as well as other newspapers, should not have to stand the loss.

The Leggett and Meyers company answered, stating they had paid the advertising agency in full for the advertising which the newspapers had accepted from the agency, but that they were investigating.

This week The Tidings received another letter from the tobacco company, enclosing a check in full settlement of the advertising account. In this letter they stated they had paid the agency in full and that according to the advertising agency's rules, which are accepted by newspapers, the agency is solely responsible to the newspaper for payment of the account. Recounting the fact that The Leggett and Meyers company has consistently used newspaper advertising during the 14 years of their organization, and stating that there is no legal obligation forcing the company to pay the bankrupt agency's account with this newspaper, the letter continues:

"At the same time, there is a feeling of disappointment and deep-seated regret that any publication should suffer a loss by reason of advertising any of our brands. We have always felt proud of the fact that in the conduct of our business we have built up the friendly cooperation of all the newspapers with whom we have dealt and that none have in any way suffered even remotely because of the handling of our business. In maintenance of the cherished position, we hand you our check—for the advertising of our brands in your paper."

The Daily Tidings is appreciative of this spirit and is glad to acknowledge the truly big policy which prompted The Leggett and Meyers Tobacco company to liquidate this account, even though they were not legally responsible. This same spirit of fairness and policy of desiring to never be the cause of any loss to any newspaper carrying their advertising is that which has undoubtedly assisted in the upbuilding of the large tobacco company. If more companies would assume the same attitude, losses in business transactions would be less on innocent parties.

**3 MORE SHOPPING DAYS**

BEFORE CHRISTMAS

## 700 Autos

Charles Kurtees, 45, is held at Wichita, Kas., charged with being the head of a ring that stole more than 700 automobiles, mostly Fords, in Kansas, Oklahoma and Colorado. Officials expect to arrest 25 more men as accomplices.

## SAMUEL COLTER FORMER LOCAL MAN, IS DEAD

Had Resided in Grants Pass For Past Three Years. Well Known Here

Samuel G. Colter, for many years a resident of Ashland, died this morning at a local hospital, following a relapse after he had apparently rallied from a serious operation which had been performed last Monday morning.

The deceased was 56 years of age. He was born in Silverton, Oregon, on May 20, 1869. He resided in Ashland for many years, removing to Grants Pass three years ago, since that time he had made his home since that time.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Samuel Colter, three sons, Byron Colter of Grants Pass, William Colter of Glendale, Oregon and Clarence Colter of Arcadia, Calif., one adopted daughter, Clara Hurd of Grants Pass, one sister, Mrs. Viola Orr, of Santa Rosa, Calif., and one brother, Fletcher Colter, of Seattle.

The funeral services will be held at Grants Pass at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The services will be in charge of the Odd Fellows lodge of that city. Interment will be at Grants Pass.

Pendleton — Farmers sell 500,000 bushels wheat in one week at prices to \$1.50 a bushel.

Harrisburg — Willamette bridge on Pacific Highway opened to traffic.

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