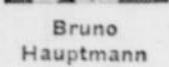


News Review of Current Events the World Over

Hauptmann Reprieved by Governor Hoffman—Plan Devised to Avoid New AAA Legislation— Bonus Bill Favored in Senate.

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LESS than thirty hours from the time when he was to die in the electric chair, Bruno Richard Hauptmann, convicted kidnaper and slayer of the Lindbergh baby, was given a thirty-day reprieve by Governor Hoffman of New Jersey. This means he will have at least sixty more days to live, because he will have to be re-sentenced.



Bruno Hauptmann

The governor did not give the specific reasons for his action. He did say: "A reprieve is an act of executive clemency rather than judicial clemency. I am not required to give a reason, but I might say that there are grave doubts in this case, not only in my mind, but in the minds also of our citizens."

There will be only one reprieve, "unless the evidence should warrant" another, the governor said. If Hauptmann is to be finally saved it must be through the presentation of sufficient new evidence to warrant Justice Trenchard granting a request for a new trial, or for a new plea for clemency to the state pardons court.

The stay came after the United States Supreme court at Washington refused to admit attorneys to file a petition for a writ of habeas corpus for Hauptmann. That closed the door to all further legal action designed to delay the execution.

Various stories about the crime, some new and others old, are going the rounds and are being investigated by authorities and by the forces of the defense. They are too complicated for summary here.

LITERARY DIGEST'S Presidential straw vote has been concluded, and the final returns indicate a growing opposition to the New Deal. A total of 1,907,681 ballots was received, and of these 62.65 per cent were cast against the President's policies and acts, and 37.34 per cent were for the administration.

Thirty-six states gave majorities against to eleven still in favor of the President and his policies. Among the pro-Roosevelt states was Utah. The others were classified in the release as "southern and border" states.

Of the different sections of the country, New England cast the heaviest "No" vote, going 77.98 per cent against the administration. The Middle Atlantic states from New York to the west showed 68.89 per cent of the voters against Mr. Roosevelt and his recovery schemes, while the Middle Western states in the farm belt and the Rocky Mountain states indicated a ratio approximately the same as the nation at large—3 to 2 against. The three Pacific coast states totaled 58.94 against the New Deal.

THERE will be no new legislation to continue the aims of the AAA, if the plans of the administration are adopted, for it has been found by officials that the soil conservation act of 1935 will permit the undertaking of about everything in the bill that the house and senate agricultural committees were drawing up.

In a White House conference the new program was agreed upon by President Roosevelt, Senator J. T. Robinson, majority leader; Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, Attorney General Cummings, Chairman Ellison D. Smith of the senate agriculture committee, Chairman Marvin Jones of the house agriculture committee, Speaker Joseph W. Byrns, Senator John H. Bankhead (Dem., Ala.), AAA Administrator Davis, and M. G. White of the AAA.

The administration will work out a system of granting farm subsidies to farmers restricting acreage under authority of the soil conservation act of 1935. In connection with the program the administration will make provision for obligations incurred under the AAA.

In a radio address Herbert Hoover offered the country his own plan for bringing recovery to the farmer. Asserting that a new road must be built by which agriculture can "get back onto the solid ground from the quicksand of the New Deal," Mr. Hoover outlined three general or group proposals for farm recovery.

They are:

1. The restoration of the home market to American farmers.
2. The retirement of "thin" and submarginal acres, with a slowing up of reclamation of projects.
3. Encouragement of co-operative

marketing and the further improvement of farm credit machinery.

SEVENTEEN persons met a tragic fate in the worst airplane accident that the United States has had. A big transport plane of the American Airlines, en route from New York to Los Angeles, crashed in a swamp near the village of Goodwin, Ark., and its 14 passengers, two pilots and stewardess were killed. With great difficulty the bodies of the victims were brought out of the marsh where their bodies were found scattered among the fragments of the shattered plane. Officials of the government and of the airline company immediately started an investigation, but the cause of the disaster could not easily be determined. There was definite evidence that the two motors of the plane had not failed.

The giant French seaplane Lieutenant Valseau Paris, which crossed the Atlantic to South America, and thence flew up to Pensacola, Fla., came to grief at that point when it was struck by a gale and upset in the bay, its six motors buried in the mud. No one was aboard at the time.

SENATOR PAT HARRISON'S compromise bonus measure, providing for payment in baby bonds redeemable on demand, was given the right of way in the senate and its passage was assured after a brief and lively debate. The veterans' organizations whose bill had been passed by the house accepted the compromise, so it evidently was on its way to the White House for action by the President.



Sen. Pat Harrison

What Mr. Roosevelt would do was not known, reports that he would veto the bill being offset by rumors that he would approve it despite the disapproval of treasury officials.

On the eve of action by the senate every member of that body received from the Economy League a letter written by its president, Henry H. Curran, warning that the bonus legislation would "destroy any chance for confidence in the finances of our government that is necessary if we are ever to regain national prosperity."

The letter said that the national budget is unbalanced, national credit slipping, taxes increasing, purchasing power of the dollar declining and inflation drawing near. "But that is not all," Curran declared; "the veterans' organizations, as soon as the prepayment of the bonus is authorized by you—if it is— are going after you for service pensions, that is to say, for money pensions to veterans just because they are veterans, even though they were never touched by the war."

"And this means more billions handed out to a special class at the unjust expense of all the rest of our people who are trying. In the face of heavy taxes and financial uncertainty, to struggle up out of five years of hard times."

HAPPY days are nearing for the indigent, for the Social Security board is beginning to operate. It has announced the appointment of five persons who will administer the social security act.

Murray W. Latimer of Mississippi was appointed director of the bureau of federal old age benefits. It. Gordon Wagenet of Berkeley, Calif., was appointed director of the bureau of unemployment compensation. Miss Jane M. Hoey of New York was made director of the public assistance bureau of the social security board. Louis Resnick of New York was named director of the informational service bureau, created to answer all inquiries concerning the act.

The board also announced the appointment of Robert E. Huse of Cambridge, Mass., as assistant. For the past eight years he has been with the New England council.

HAVING spent about \$22,000,000 in connection with the steamship Leviathan, the government will now spend approximately \$9,000,000 more on the building of a new vessel to take the place of the great ship that was taken from Germany in wartime. Secretary of Commerce Roper announced the acceptance of a contract submitted by the United States Lines for construction of a sister ship to the Washington and Manhattan.

The contract was executed by the shipping line with the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock corporation for \$11,900,000 for the new ship. Under the new agreement the government may lend up to 75 per cent of \$9,000,000 of the cost of the vessel.

what Irvin S. Cobb thinks about:

Seeds of Lawlessness.

WESTWOOD, CALIF. — For our lawlessness we're forever blaming hot-headedness, the innate high temper of the races behind us. But did you ever notice this? Members of those identical breeds somehow manage to control their homicidal impulses better in countries where cold-blooded murder means the rope within four weeks, as in Canada; manage to be more honest in countries where deliberate felony means a full term at hard labor, as in Great Britain; or where the run of crimes means stern confinement in real prisons, as in various Scandinavian and Teutonic countries. And did it ever occur to you that the proverbial mush-headed sentimentality of American juries—and overly sympathetic judges and delayed trials, and prolonged appeals and reversals on trivial technicalities and postponement of punishment through legal devices; and publicity-seeking governors, and crooked lawyers in cahoots with known criminals; and perjury-mills, and wardens who think penitentiaries should be playhouses for coddling naughty boys and girls; and most of all, the prospect of quick release for chronic offenders, regardless of what outraged prosecutors or thwarted police authorities may think about it—might have some bearing also? Before we diagnose the fruitage, let's analyze the seeds.



Irvin S. Cobb

Paroles and the Death Penalty.

SOMETHING I said here the other day brings an impassioned telegram from a gentleman who demands to know how I stand on the summary releasing of prison inmates, and my position on the infliction of the death penalty.

Well, nobody except the party in question may be deeply interested in my opinions, still this seems as good a place as any to answer him. Since any convicted criminal has the right to appeal from the verdict against him, I'd like to see a law in every state giving the citizens in the community—where he was tried the right to appeal from the act of any parole board in turning the said criminal loose again.

And I'm sure more of us would be against capital punishment if only we had reasonable assurance of some punishment for murderers, kidnapers and degenerate beasts who attack women and children.

The New Champion Bride.

BEFORE she seemed to despair of ever getting a start on husbands again and sort of slowed up, I used to think Peggy Hopkins Et Cetera Joyce had the best claim to the title, "The Bride of Her Country." But a new champion has arisen.

So rally around us, you earnest Hollywood contenders for the All-American Matrimonial sweepstakes, and salute your queen, She's Mrs. Virginia Overstiner Patterson Stark Seeger Gilbert Kahn Cogswell Gould - Porter, who has just been coaxed to the altar for the eighth time in that many years. And she still is but a mere child of a girl.

I wonder how it happened she never met any of the Midway boys?

The Santa Anita Races.

I'M HOPING those American archeologists who are digging into ancient Troy find Ulysses' famous wooden horse. It would help me to confirm a theory that as wooden horse must have been the original model for some of the entries I've been betting on at Santa Anita track.

I recall one reluctant nag whose name escapes me, but it certainly should have been Bide-A-Wee, out of Virginia Creeper by Stationary Engine.

Everybody here goes out there. Some of the actors own race horses or some of the race horses own actors, I'm not sure which. And you see all the studio playwrights pranking about. I'm pranking about. Well, it's a great place to write plays—a race track is. I quit going after the first few days. It made me so late for dinner at night—waiting for my horse to come in.

Midgets in the House.

YOU remember what happened the time before this when J. P. Morgan appeared at Washington to tell a senatorial investigating committee how patriotism might be combined with profits in such a way as not seriously to damage either? A sidshow dwarf came and nestled in his lap.

If, on the present visit, Mr. Morgan craves a repetition of that gladsome incident, I can think of fifty members of the house, not to mention many office-holders, any one of whom could play that Lilliputian role and nobody would notice the difference.

IRVIN S. COBB.

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Winter-Born People Found Lower in IQ Than Others

Are people born in the winter as intelligent as those born in the summer? No. At least, Prof. Rudolph Fintner and Dr. George Forlano, psychologists of Teachers college, Columbia, report in the Journal of Educational Psychology a study they made of the intelligence quotients—now known as the IQ's—of 17,502 children and young people, and they found those born in the winter had a slightly but consistently lower score on intelligence tests than those born during the other months.

They suggest this is probably because more winter-born babies have serious diseases that impair their constitutions.

Smiles As Flowers

What sunshine is to flowers; smiles are to humanity.

OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

When an apple pie is two-thirds baked, sprinkle grated cheese over the top. It adds much to the flavor of the pie.

To cut marshmallows easily dip a dry scissors used for cutting into powdered sugar.

If apples are pricked with a fork before putting into the oven to bake, skins will not crack open in baking.

Sprinkle the buds and leaves of tulips, hyacinths, etc., grown in the house. It prevents their shriveling.

Place a turkey or chicken with breast down in pan for the first half hour of roasting. Juices will then flow into the breast and meat will be much more tender.

Clinkers that form on the stove lining will soon disappear if four or five oyster shells are burned on red hot coals that are left after fire has been shaken down.

A soft cloth moistened with kerosene instead of water will clean windows quickly and well in freezing weather.

Give house plants a little fresh air every day. They require air as well as water and sunshine.

To prevent fruit settling on bottom of gelatin desserts, whip until gelatin is of the consistency of whipped cream.

The color and flavor of roast beef gravy is improved when a tablespoonful of brown or white sugar is added to it.

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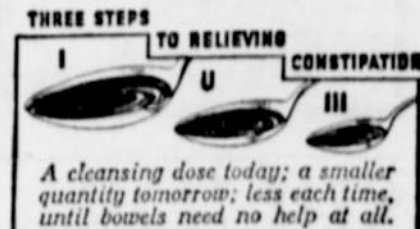
15 Billions Is Economic Value of Thomas Edison

The economic value of Thomas Edison, or the value of the equipment and devices which have been made from his patents, is estimated at \$15,000,000,000.

This means that from the time of his first patent in 1864 up to the present he has been responsible for the production of nearly \$900,000 worth of property every 24 hours.—Collier's.

DOCTORS KNOW

Mothers read this:



A cleansing dose today; a smaller quantity tomorrow; less each time, until bowels need no help at all.

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JOHN, WE'VE SUNK EVERY PENNY WE HAD IN THIS STORE! AND NOW YOU'RE SO IRRITABLE YOU'RE DRIVING CUSTOMERS AWAY!

OH, YEAH? THAT'S JUST LIKE YOU, DICK... BLAMING ME BECAUSE BUSINESS IS TERRIBLE!

WHAT'S HE CRABBING ABOUT? ALL HE'S LOSING YOUR MIND!

THE BANK WON'T LEND US ANOTHER DIME! WE CAN'T HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER. IT'S GOT ME WORRIED!

I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT YOU, DEAR! DR. RIPLEY IS COMING TO SEE THE BABY... LET'S ASK HIM ABOUT YOU.

WHAT DOES SHE THINK THAT DOCTOR CAN DO... LEND YOU SOME MONEY, OR BUY OUT THE STORE?

—SO YOUR HEAD ACHES AND YOU CAN'T SLEEP—SOUNDS LIKE COFFEE-NERVES! WHY NOT QUIT COFFEE AND SWITCH TO POSTUM?

OH, ALL RIGHT! I CAN'T FEEL ANY WORSE THAN I DO NOW!

CURSES! POSTUM ALWAYS WRECKS MY PLANS!

LATER

—NEW CAR FOR YOUR BIRTHDAY, DARLING! WE CAN AFFORD IT, TOO... BUSINESS IS GETTING BETTER EVERY DAY!

—AND YOU'RE GETTING SWEETER EVERY DAY, JOHN... SINCE YOU SWITCHED TO POSTUM!

TAKE A TIP FROM ME... IF YOU'VE GOT COFFEE-NERVES... SWITCH TO POSTUM!

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