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# KIDNAPER HANGS SELF IN PRISON



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**Roots**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Nations may step on each other's toes and settle the matter with diplomatic bows, but when one nation steps on another's pocketbook they wheel out the guns.

Even the political eruption in Austria had hidden international fuses rooted in commerce and trade.

On the surface the fighting appeared to be entirely political. Fascists, nazis and socialists and Catholics died for what their orators believe to be great causes.

The blood of those patriots can also be measured in the marts of trade in good old coin of the realm of adjoining nations.

**Seaports**  
Control of the central European markets and outlets to the sea were two of the main underlying fuses. Hitler wants them. So does Mussolini.

Both Austria and Czechoslovakia are using the Italian port of Trieste. That is the old Austrian port taken by Italy after the world war.

If Hitler gets his hands on Austria, that nation and Czechoslovakia will use the German ports of Bremen and Hamburg.

Likewise there is a matter of Italian trade throughout central Europe. Mussolini has been trying to expand it. He can dominate the situation only as long as he can keep the nazis out of Austria.

It is no wonder that he sent two Italian divisions recently to the Austrian border.

## MAYO IS SUICIDE SOON AFTER PAL TAKEN BY POLICE

**Man Held for Attempt to Take Publisher in Chicago Hotel, Uses Verne Sankey's System to Beat Law**

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Twelve hours after he confessed an abortive plot to kidnap Emanuel Philip Adler of Davenport, Ia., Fred Mayo of Birmingham, Ala., alias Charles Phillips, hanged himself in a Marquette police station cell.

He died soon after police found him suspended by his neckle from the cell bars. They called to take him before Jack Lacey, alias Wymoa, his alleged confederate, arrested today.

He was rushed to the county hospital in hopes of resuscitating him, but it was futile. He had taken on himself the capital punishment he had feared the state of Illinois would inflict for kidnaping. He emulated the method used by Verne Sankey, notorious kidnapier, in St. Louis recently.

The man he had named last night as his accomplice in the plot to kidnap the Davenport newspaper publisher and carry him out of the Morrison hotel in huge trunk had been captured only a few moments before Mayo was found lifeless.

## Sleds on Wheels May Be Required For Dog Racers

ASHTON, Idaho, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The unusual prospect of racing their sled teams over snowless stretches faced 20 or so of the nation's best known mushers as they waited the start here today of the 18th annual American dog derby.

Little snow has fallen this winter, one of the mildest in the memory of old timers, and unless snow falls generally today the sleds will be mounted on wheels for the race.

## BELGIANS BURY LATE KING WITH DAY-LONG RITES

**Albert I Laid to Rest in Church Crypt Near Laeken Castle — Religious, Military Services Impress**

By ALBERT W. WILSON  
Associated Press Foreign Staff  
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BRUSSELS, Feb. 22.—(AP)—King Albert I was buried today in the crypt of a little gray church near the royal castle at Laeken.

He was laid to rest beside the bodies of his predecessors, Leopold I and II, after one of the most impressive funerals given a national leader in modern times.

Eight hours of military processions and religious rites in two churches were ended at 3 p. m., with the burial after a brief, private benediction before the royal family.

Tens of thousands of persons took part in the processions and hundreds of thousands witnessed the pageantry, under overcast skies.

Rain fell slightly for about half an hour while services were held in the Thirteenth Century cathedral of St. Gudule. The rain stopped again when the mourners resumed their march toward Laeken.

One of the most spectacular scenes of the day was a demonstration by detachments of the allies and the Belgian army in front of Laeken church.

Visiting royalty, princes and diplomats witnessed the maneuvers from a dais. American Legion posts from Brussels and Paris joined in the demonstration with the other paraders.

The Grand Duchess of Luxembourg, a cousin of King Albert, was the only woman of royalty to witness this review.

Queen Elisabeth and her daughter-in-law, the Princess Astrid, who tomorrow will be queen of the Belgians, attended the services in St. Gudule cathedral.

All were so heavily veiled in black that it was impossible to distinguish their features at a distance of 20 feet.

## Succeeds King



Crown Prince Leopold (above) of Belgium will be crowned King Leopold III when he succeeds to the throne left vacant by his father's accidental death. (Associated Press Photo)

## 10 MEAT PACKERS COMBINED TO RULE PRICES IS CHARGE

**Secy. Wallace Files Complaint Against Big Corporations — Unfair Acts Claimed On Many Counts**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace filed a complaint against 10 meat packing companies today, charging they acted in combination to control retail meat prices.

The companies named were: Armour and company, Swift and company, Wilson and company, Moritz and company, the St. Louis Independent Packing company, Abraham Brothers Packing company, Cudahy Packing company, Jacob Dold Packing company, John Morrell and company and the Memphis Packing corporation.

The charge was filed by the secretary under authority of the packers and stockyards act prohibiting unfair trade practices, which also gives the secretary power to institute proceedings and compel packers to submit evidence.

The hearing was called to begin April 9, at the federal building in Jackson, Miss.

The companies have been allowed until March 24 to file answers.

The complaint charged that each of the ten packers furnished to the other advance information on prices of meat and meat products. It also charged they apportioned sales, and sought to keep out competition.

This practice, the complaint stated, was to enable these companies to give unreasonable preference to certain purchasers, to give preferences to certain localities, to discriminate unjustly between certain persons, and to manipulate prices.

Beth Thomas, solicitor for the department of agriculture, said the action concerned the activities of the packers named in southern states, chiefly in the region south of Memphis, Tenn. He added that complaints of similar practices had been received from points as far north as Pennsylvania, but that evidence from the north did not warrant action against the packers' activities there.

## Blanket of Allah Awes Dwellers In Southern Bengazi

BENGAZI, Cirenaica, Africa, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Hordes of awe-struck natives formed caravans from the lowlands today to see "the blanket of Allah," which covered the hinterland of the plateau of South Bengazi for the first time in the recollection of the oldest inhabitants.

It was a snowfall, one-and-one-half feet deep on the level and deeply backed on broken land.

Many of the natives prostrated themselves in the fleecy drifts in subjection to Allah's will.

## DEBATE ON SALES TAX IS HEARD BY CROWD IN ARMORY

**Honors Evenly Divided As Brockway and Gill Give Enlightening Discussions of Proposed Legislation**

By HEVA FEWELL.

Jackson county was well represented at the debate in the Medford armory last evening between State Grange Master Ray Gill of Portland and State Representative A. E. Brockway of Medford. Master Gill received much applause during his presentation, while Representative Brockway was applauded on almost every point presented in his rebuttal.

The debate question, that the sales tax should be sustained, was presented affirmatively by Representative Brockway, who was introduced as "a dirt farmer, and master of the Jacksonville Grange." In his opening remarks, Brockway said that the accusation had been made by the press and otherwise, that the legislature had failed in its trust, and was a disgrace to the state. He attempted to show why the legislature passed the measure.

Exceptions Cited.

The sales tax, as passed by the legislature at its special session, is a 1 1/2 per cent gross tax on retail receipts of tangible and utility service. An example of exceptions, Mr. Brockway said that should a farmer sell a horse, or his household furniture, he would not be assessed under the sales tax.

Five exemptions made under the sales tax were named by him as follows: In matters that would be in conflict with the constitutions of the United States or the state of Oregon; on materials used in government works on contracts signed prior to the date of the tax; motor vehicle

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## WINNER

The Half-Pint Chancellor Dollfus lost his fight with the socialists, even though his guns came off triumphant. One more victory like that and he is through.

The nazis were strengthened politically. While their two hated adversaries, struggled in the streets, they sat and polished their guns. Whatever Dollfus and the socialists did to each other left that much less for the Nazis to do when they take on the winner.

Our shrewd official observers believe the trouble was only started. Confidentially they think the nazis are going to get control of Austria, sooner or later, and nothing can stop them.

Geese

The nazis believe that also. That is why they are playing such a cagey game.

Hitler knows he would bring down on himself the condemnation of England, France and Italy if he should unleash the 15,000 Austrian nazis just across the border in Germany and permit them to go into Vienna after Dollfus. He will not attack. He believes all he has to do is wait, and Austria will come to him.

As one of the Hitler exponentists puts it:

"If we bide our time, the Austrian goose will come flying into our mouths, well cooked and seasoned."

So you may see Dollfus soon offer the first wing of the goose to Hitler by permitting the nazis to have representation in his government.

Hitler gets his teeth on one wing, it will not be long before he gets to the drumstick.

Cotton

Mr. Roosevelt heard those rumors about certain southern congressmen weakening toward the Bankhead cotton compulsion bill.

That is why he suddenly made up his mind to demand action on the legislation. His statement changed the whole outlook concerning the bill. Until then, congressmen had half a notion to let it die on the vine.

They saw the administration blowing hot and cold on the measure. Now they will have to put it through.

Mr. Roosevelt left no doubt that he personally is hot for it.

There have been some rumblings of complaint since he spoke, but his insistence means the bill will probably be passed.

Stocks

There are many indications that the stock market regulation bill will be softened measurably and enacted by congress before adjournment.

Chairman Fletcher of the senate committee is beginning to say the bill is not considered sacred; that many protests have been received and that there is no reason why the bill should not be altered.

In the end, you probably will get a fairly good bill which will eliminate the worst speculative forces and result in a market protected for the public along the lines of the London exchange.

Hours

The administration has been quietly looking into the possibilities of starting a strike for a 32-hour week under the NRA codes.

Those who are investigating the matter believe the government should ask for 32 hours, with a view to compromising at 26. That would be one way to accelerate the private absorption of workers being dropped from the CWA.

The matter yet to be decided.

Notes

Hitler sent a copy of his latest telegraph speech to every newspaper in Washington, direct from the government printing office in Berlin.

## MANNING CHARGED AS MURDERER OF FORMER PARTNER

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Horace M. Manning, a counsel for the defense for 30 years, today was the defendant in a first degree murder indictment. The Klamath county grand jury returned a true bill against the veteran trial attorney late yesterday afternoon.

Manning is charged with the murder of his former law partner, Ralph Horan, a young member of the house of representatives. Horan was shot to death in Manning's private offices on Main street just ten days ago.

Fourteen witnesses were called into the grand jury chambers. Many of these were believed to be investigating officers and others were persons who claimed to have heard four shots coming from the lawyer's office.

The jury deliberated nine hours before it reached a decision.

Judge William M. Duncan, following a conference with state attorneys, set the arraignment for next Monday morning.

Defense attorneys, reluctant to make any statements, have only said they will advance a self defense theory. The state hopes to establish that Manning fired the two shots from his own gun as well as the two from the revolver found in Horan's left hand.

If either the defense or prosecution has discovered a motive for the slaying, it has been kept quiet.

## TWO ARMY PILOTS PLUNGE TO DEATH CARRYING MAILS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Representative Fish (R. N. Y.), told the house today that requiring the army to fly the airmail without special training was "legalized murder." Fish went on to say that private airmail contracts had been cancelled "in a high-handed, arbitrary, dictatorial manner."

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 22.—(AP)—For snow and a low ceiling played havoc with the army airmail schedule in the mid-west early today, bringing death to one flier and sending two others into emergency landings.

Lieut. D. O. Lovett, out of Chicago for Cleveland, neared into a woods near Deshler, O., 80 miles south of Toledo, and was killed.

An unidentified mail pilot was reported forced down in the vicinity of Goshen, Ind., without serious mishap, and the mail was forwarded by train.

Lieut. C. P. Hollstein, out of Cleveland for Washington, was forced down to death in Manning's private offices on Main street just ten days ago.

His plane was damaged. He suffered minor injuries. The mail was saved.

DENISON, Tex., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Lieutenant I. F. Patrick, 30, Barstow field pilot of Spangerville, La., was killed when his pursuit plane crashed into a plowed field one mile from Denison today.

Patrick's motor "cut out" while he flew at an altitude of about 200 feet. The plane dipped and neared into a field on the outskirts of the city.

Several men and boys working in a field rushed to the plane and excitedly returned the pilot's body from the wreckage. He died shortly after being removed from the plane.

The flier circled Denison, his home town, three times in an apparent attempt to land safely. The plane did not burn.

## NEW MILK POLICY DRAWN BY GROUP IN LOWER HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Disatisfied with the milk policy of the farm administration, a group of house members set out today to draft its own ideas of how stability should be brought about in the dairy industry.

The group, numbering about 100, after hearing charges last night that the farm administration was controlled by "communists," "theorists," and "dreamers," adopted a resolution condemning the milk program. They voted:

(1) To oppose the milk policy of fixing producer prices without regard to local conditions and without respect to the cost of production or the parity price.

(2) To seek a change in policy to insure each producer a parity price for fluid milk; the new policy to discourage over-production through a low price for surplus milk, thus preventing such surplus milk from depressing the price of butter, cheese and other dairy products.

(3) To produce a reasonable minimum price for the retail sale of milk in all areas where the producer-distributor handles a large part of milk production.

(4) To set up a committee to present this program to officials of the farm administration, and if necessary, to the president; and to set up a second committee to draft amendments to the agricultural adjustment act.

In an open forum preceding adoption of the resolution Representative Eagle (D. Tex.) charged that "communists" held the upper hand in the farm administration.

## EX-POSTAL HEAD ASSERTS HOOVER APPROVED DEEDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Walter F. Brown, former postmaster general, told senate investigators he had always acted within the law "and with the approval of the president," in his airmail contract dealings.

Brown made the statement during questioning by Senator Austin (R. Va.), who seized the reins of the senate committee inquiry to compare the 1930 Washington airmail operators' conference with one purportedly called during the present administration by William M. Howes, first assistant postmaster general.

Austin read from Howes' testimony before a house appropriations subcommittee that the postoffice department had called a meeting of mail contract holders to tell them it would be necessary to work out a plan for trimming payments under an appropriations cut.

Brown previously had testified that Andrew W. Mellon, while secretary of the treasury, as well as W. I. and R. K. Mellon, had written him in 1930 in the interest of a contract for Pittsburgh Aviation Industries, Inc., in which the Pittsburgh family was interested.

The committee also delved into the details of Brown's stock and grain market dealings while he was postal chief, using check stubs of the late Joseph Bagley, Brown's stock market partner, to show profits made by Brown before the market crash.

## SPEED UP ACTION ON PWA PROJECTS STATE AIDES TOLD

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Declaring emphatically that "we want action," Colonel Henry M. Walte, deputy administrator for PWA, stated here today that "unless public works projects already approved by the PWA are started immediately, a great many of them are going to be rescinded."

Colonel Walte arrived today from Washington, D. C., on a trip taking him to all regions of the country. State PWA representatives from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana were here for conferences with him.

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## TOUGH DEFENSE RESTS IN TRIAL ON KIDNAPING

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—(AP)—The defense in the trial of Roger Touhy and two others for the kidnaping of John Factor rested its case this afternoon after hearing five witnesses, including Baal ("The Owl") Banghart, charged himself with the kidnaping.

Under cross examination, Banghart admitted that he was one of the men who attempted to collect a second \$50,000 in ransom money from Factor.

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W. Lair Thompson, preside t of the "Oregon Dads," will extend greetings and Dr. Boyer will speak.

Dr. Victor P. Morris, professor of economics at the university, will discuss "A University in a Changing World."

Mrs. Arthur M. Dibble, state president of the Oregon Mothers, will preside.

## BRISBANE ADVOCATES AN ARMED ISOLATION

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 22.—(AP)—Arthur Brisbane, columnist, today advocated preparedness for war and an isolation policy for the United States, speaking at a session of the Georgia Press Institute.

## WILL ROGERS SAYS:

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—After flying all night, got in here at 3 a. m. right in the wildest of what even California would call unusual weather. Plane stuck in the snow after it landed. An army flier came breezing in, in an open cockpit, who had made the same run from Cleveland, these being the only two planes to land in Newark all day.

So give a big hand to Lieutenant Waekwitz of the U. S. army. Not forgetting (just because he is used to doing such things after years of service) Mr. Maurice Mars, pilot of the United passenger plane I was on.

It was so cold yesterday that for an hour in the morning they didn't roll the dice on the New York exchange. When those crap shooters' hands can't roll 'em it's cold.

Phil Rogers  
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## 101 ON ICE FLOE FACE NEW PERIL

MOSCOW, Feb. 22.—(AP)—Crumbling ice and a raging gale carried today a group of 101 shipwreck victims marooned on a drifting ice floe in Bering strait.

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## JOSEPH ADMIRERS FORM NEW PARTY

PORTLAND, Feb. 22.—(AP)—From the ranks of the scattered forces of the George W. Joseph following, a new political unit is being formed.

"True Progressives," they call themselves, and recruited from all corners of the state, they were called together here today in confidential conference with the expectation that they could agree on a "really progressive" candidate for the governorship of Oregon.

It was expected as many as 100 delegates to the conference would meet today. Once each week for several months, meetings have been held here by delegations selected at community gatherings in the vicinity.

There appeared to be more than a suspicion, it was said by those in knowledgeable circles today, that the attention of the "true progressives" may be centered on Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer.

Oregon Weather

Partly cloudy west and occasional snow or rain in east portion tonight and Friday; moderate temperature, gentle to moderate southeast wind offshore.

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