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News Behind The News
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WASHINGTON, March 30.—Secretary Ickes got quite a shock when he saw the press dispatches from Florida a few days ago. These dispatches, written by newsmen accompanying President Roosevelt, announced that Harry Hopkins was to be the jumbo-colossus of the new relief program.
Now, Mr. Ickes knew, which the average news reader may not, that presidential newsmen do not make such things up out of their heads. Only two persons could have inspired that story, Mr. Roosevelt or Mr. Hopkins.
You can imagine how that made Mr. Ickes feel. Here he has been the jumbo-colossus of the PWA, for many months, and has aspirations. To add insult to injury, the dispatches mentioned that "perhaps, Mr. Ickes, among others" would be permitted to help Mr. Hopkins.
Mr. Ickes put on his hat and coat and went to the White House. There, standing guard, during the president's absence, was Stephen Early, who is a diplomat as well as a secretary. Mr. Early is supposed to have worked on Mr. Ickes' brow, unruffling it. At least he gave out an official announcement that Mr. Roosevelt himself would run the new relief program. There would be no jumbo-colossus.
This would have saved the inside situation. Mr. Ickes has one relief plan. Mr. Hopkins has an extremely different one. While Mr. Ickes has not been seen much around the White House lately, Mr. Hopkins was significantly invited to accompany the president on the train as far as Jacksonville.
That is the way it goes. The uncertainty of business, if any, is insignificant compared with uncertainty among White House favorites. On the presidential knee, next day, you may be on the floor, wondering how you got there.
Consequently the Florida dispatches conveyed a hint that the Hopkins plan had the edge over the Ickes plan. Furthermore, certain congressmen started grumbling that if this plan was all fixed they should find out what it was before they passed the relief bill authorizing Mr. Roosevelt to carry it out.
The result was that a second placing announcement was made from the White House. It said no plan would be decided on until Mr. Roosevelt returns.
This may sound like a very muddled situation, but it is not. The only part muddled was the Jacksonville end of the publicity. Someone did too much talking, too soon.
Unless Mr. Ickes succeeds in forcing a revision of the plan, it is a certainty that it will work out something like this:
Mr. Roosevelt will run it. Mr. Hopkins will have the biggest job in it, the job of creating immediate work relief. Admiral Peoples will run the federal building program. Prof. Fugwell will run the rural rehabilitation end. This will leave Mr. Ickes the tail end, the remnants of the PWA (salvage clearance and perhaps a few other odds and ends).
This does not imply any lack of confidence in Mr. Ickes on the part of the White House or anyone else. It is a simple truth that he has been handling more than any one man could. Furthermore, certain senators say they have received a promise from the White House that Mr. Ickes would not control the new set-up. Congress always gets its man.
A confidential survey has been made of the relief rolls by the FERA crowd. It shows very simply what the problem is. It answers the two big questions: where the relief rollers are and who they are.
More than half of them are in 142 cities of the country.
For instance, California has 206,781 on relief, and 201,515 are in the five cities of Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, San Diego and San Francisco.
New York state has 472,780 on the rolls and 402,938 of them in the six cities of Albany, Buffalo, New York, Rochester, Syracuse, Utica.
Ohio has 279,987, and 219,152 in eight big cities.
The major portion of the relief problem, therefore, is in the cities.
The survey further shows that nearly one-half (exactly 44 per cent) are factory workers. They were formerly employed in the manufacturing and mechanical industries. The next largest group was in domestic and personal service trades, then followed the groups of transportation and

COUGHLIN TRYING TO BE A 'HITLER,' JOHNSON CLAIMS

Priest Takes 'Pennies From Poor' Under 'Social Justice' Guise—Huey Called 'Purveyor of Bunk' in Bitter Attack.

CHICAGO, Mar. 30.—(AP)—Gen. Hugh Johnson, barbed-tongued former chief of NRA, lashed out again tonight at Father Charles Coughlin and Senator Huey P. Long, accusing the Detroit priest of trying to be an American Hitler and ridiculing the senator from Louisiana as purveyor of "bunk."
"You have not chosen the Swastika," Johnson said of Father Coughlin in pursuing his Hitler comparison. "You have a more sacred device... no swastika for your Nazis—but a cross."
Of the two men he has dubbed "pied pipers," Johnson said he "preferred" Senator Long.
The general implied that with tonight's attack, launched over a national-wide hookup, he was "through" with his end of the flaming three-cornered controversy.
Centering his fire on the priest, Johnson denounced his policies and ridiculed him personally. He indicated he believed Senator Long had been taken care of in a previous speech.
As if addressing Father Coughlin personally, Johnson said:
"Are you a jack-in-the-pulpit who jumps up one moment in the collar of Rome, ducks and reappears the next moment in a necktie?" Johnson inquired after asserting:
"Photographed in the caisson of a Catholic priest, while you said it, and announcing from the shrine of the Little Flower that you were going to enter me the Sunday before you did it you said over the radio—I address you neither as the spokesman of the Catholic church nor as the representative of the Catholic following."
"Someone sent me a parody of what both you and Adolf (Hitler) have proposed and preached and they are as alike as peas in a pod. As a foreign-born you could not be a president but you could be a Reichsfuehrer—just as the Austrian Adolf became a dictator of Germany."
From beginning to end he sought to pick to pieces the priest's union of social justice—"For this he takes, from the pennies of the poor, much money never accurately reported nor accounted for."
He condemned the money system embodied in the Nye-Sweeney bill advocated by the priest.
"If a nonsensical monotony ever flowed from the pen of man, this is it," Johnson said. "This plan for which Father Coughlin has been taking tens of the thousands of dollars from the poor is no plan at all."
Johnson warmly defended Bernard Baruch, financier and friend whom Father Coughlin has referred to as "Bernard Manasseh Baruch." He denied the Bible contains any account of "Manasseh sowing Isaiah in two"—as he said the priest retold the account.
"There is an obscure apocryphal story to that effect," he said, "but concentrated priests do not preach from that apocryphal. In the second place there is no such person in America as Bernard Manasseh Baruch and well Father Coughlin knows it."
Then he added:
"Bernard Baruch is not my Lord and Master. He is a friend of nearly 20 years... he has done more for humanity and for this country than a thousand demagogues."
"Father Coughlin's running back to Roosevelt has left Long, who is attacking the president daily, out on a limb," said Johnson.
"If no more has been done than to try those pied pipers apart, it is enough."
Branding the Catholic priest as cowardly in his previous attacks, Johnson said:
"This guileless follower of the gentle Master says that his confidants have heaped his desk with gossip about my private life but he declines to use it. Of course by that remark alone, he did use it in the most cowardly way he could have used it. That was to be expected."

PRESIDENT OFF ON FISHING TRIP



President Roosevelt conversing with his secretary, Marvin H. McIntyre, just before leaving for a vacation to the Caribbean where he will do some deep sea fishing. (Associated Press Photo)

NEW DRIVE FORMS SENATORS DEMAND FOR VINSON PLAN QUICK TRIAL OF OF BONUS PAYING N. R. A. TEST CASES

Legion Chiefs Believe Bill Has Best Chance for Senate and Presidential Approval—Seek Early Action

WASHINGTON, March 30.—(AP)—The national executive committee of the American Legion has called to meet next Tuesday in Indianapolis, ostensibly to give a fresh push to the Vinson soldiers' bonus bill providing for cash payment but leaving to the treasury how the money is to be raised.
Broken in the house, which approved the Patman measure calling for payment in \$2,000,000 of new currency, Legion officials said today they believed the Vinson plan had a better chance of senate approval. They also thought this bill would be more acceptable to the White House.
Senate leaders, however, continued to claim neither of these bills would be approved by the president and clung to their prediction a veto could be sustained in their branch. Whether or not the 1936 elections have anything to do with it, they are hopeful a compromise might be worked out to avoid a veto.
Negotiations to this end this far have failed to make much headway.
No plans have been made for consideration of the house bill by the senate finance committee, the question having been delayed until President Roosevelt returns from his southern cruise.
There is a possibility that the NRA extension bill, if it requires much more of the committee's time, might be sidetracked temporarily until disposal of the bonus. Chairman Harrison has announced only brief bonus hearings would be held on the latter.

LEGION LAUNCHES NATIONAL DRIVE TO AID CHILDREN

PHOENIX, Ariz., Mar. 30.—(AP)—The American Legion and affiliated organizations launched a nationwide program of unified effort in behalf of children as it brought its area child welfare conference to a close here today.
National officials of the Legion gathered from Hawaii and Alaska to outline the program for carrying its child welfare program into every section of the nation.
Delegates were instructed to begin organization of schools in all parts of their territories to train members of the affiliated bodies in child welfare work. Officials pointed out that in this manner the Legion would weld its child welfare division into a nation-wide organization of unlimited power.
Judge Wilbur After, of Denver, said "it will help children into a state of wholesome, self-maintaining adulthood, assure their security and enable them to assume their rightful responsibilities of citizenship."
Name Grazing Supervisor.
SALT LAKE CITY, March 30.—(AP)—Harry Ott, an engineer for the state relief administration, today was appointed field supervisor of emergency conservation work under the Taylor grazing act in Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Nevada and Oregon. He was advised from Washington that was that.

CABELL NAMED TO STATE ROAD POST; SUCCEEDS SCOTT

Retiring Chairman Lauded by Gov. Martin for Efficient Public Service—New Appointee War Time Aid Executive, and Portlandier

SALEM, March 30.—(AP)—Governor Charles H. Martin today announced the appointment of Henry Fanning Cabell of Portland as a member of the state highway commission to succeed Leslie M. Scott, chairman, whose term will expire tomorrow.
At the same time the governor wrote a letter to Scott lauding the work of the commission chairman during the past three years, declaring "your record abundantly demonstrates the highest order of efficient, unselfish, high minded public service."
Scott was named chairman of the commission in February, 1932 by Governor Meier.
Martin's announcement stated Cabell is the son of Colonel Henry C. Cabell, a distinguished soldier, and a grandson of Oregon's noted pioneer, Henry Fanning.
Cabell is 40 years of age, born in Portland November 26, 1895. He received his education in the Portland public schools, the University of Virginia and at Harvard law school.
During the latter part of the World War Cabell was an aide-de-camp to Major General Martin. Cabell is a Republican.
The governor's letter to Scott was as follows:
"On the expiration of your term on the state highway commission, I feel it is due you that the governor should formally make of record an acknowledgment of your conspicuous and distinguished service to the state.
"As chairman of the commission during the past three years to you is due the principal credit for our far-seeing and magnificent highway system. You have been responsible for the expenditure of millions of dollars without a breath of scandal. In the execution of your office you have brought a high order of intelligence, meticulous care and tireless energy. Your record abundantly demonstrates the highest order of efficient, unselfish, high minded public service."

MILLIONAIRES NO LONGER ELIGIBLE OLD AGE PENSION

Revised Townsend Bill Eliminates Them, Also Broadens Tax Base—No Age or Compulsory Spending Change.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30.—(AP)—The Townsend old age pension plan was revised today by its principal congressional supporter, Representative McGroarty (Dem., Calif.) to eliminate the millionaires from its benefits.
On Monday, one of his associates announced, he will introduce a "new bill" embodying all the old and some new features.
Originally, the Townsend plan stipulated that everyone sixty years or more of age should receive \$200 a month from the government, agreeing to spend it all within the month.
The cost of the scheme, estimated at \$2,000,000,000 annually, would be borne by a two per cent tax on every transaction involving an exchange of money.
"The taxing base has been broadened," the announcement said, "including now not only the transactions tax of two per cent provided in the original bill but also a two per cent tax on inheritances and gifts and a one-tenth raise in all present income tax rates."
"Other features are that millionaires are no longer eligible, only those who have net incomes of less than \$2,400 being eligible; the revenue will be paid out pro rata but not to exceed \$200 a month per person; age limit remains at 60 years; compulsory spending the same; to be administered by veterans bureau and revenue will be used for pensions and administration."

Co-Ed Shoots Chinese



George Hing Siew (lower), Chinese student, was in a critical condition in bullet wounds allegedly inflicted by Lois Thompson, 19 (top), sophomore at Tahlequah.

TAHLEQUAH, Okla., March 30.—(AP)—Lois Thompson, 19-year-old Northeastern State Teachers' college co-ed, was freed under \$500 bond yesterday after she pleaded not guilty when arraigned on a charge of assault with intent to kill Daniel Shaw, Chinese student at the college.
The girl was arraigned shortly after the charges were filed by County Attorney Sanford Martin.
She displayed no emotion as she answered "not guilty" to the charge, filed before Justice of the Peace J. M. Belling.
The bond was signed by four prominent Tahlequah citizens.

RAIL RATE BOOST DENIED; NEW WAGE SLASH REQUESTED

Restoration of Railroad Pay to 1929 Level Due Monday — I. C. C. Grants Right of Emergency Charges to Meet Increase

CHICAGO, March 30.—(AP)—The railroads will serve notice soon after May 1 that they will seek a reduction from the 1929 wage levels which become effective again next Monday.
Under the agreement negotiated a year ago in Washington by which the rail employees of the country will receive an increase in pay estimated at from \$80,000,000 to \$120,000,000 annually, no notice can be given by either side of any intended change before May 1.
But railroad executives here indicated that current traffic and earnings trends would not permit them to wait more than the 30-day limitation period before asking modification of the restored pay scales which will augment all rail workers' checks starting April 1.
"The restoration of the basic rate of pay to the levels of the high wage period of 1929 will increase the operating expenses of the roads so that either higher rates or greatly augmented volume will be needed to enable them to meet the general charges of the Burlington road and chairman of the conference committee of rail negotiators, which conducted the last negotiations with the rail labor representatives.
"The prospects for an increase in business are not bright, particularly for the western roads, in whose territory the unprecedented drought of last year has been followed by adverse conditions in wide areas again this season. The poor agricultural outlook will, undoubtedly, result in material reductions of business. The roads must invariably serve notice, after the month limitation expires, of intention to seek a modification of the then effective wage rates."
Thiehoff estimated that on the basis of the average payrolls for 1933-1934 the increased pay would cost the roads of the country \$130,000,000 a year. Other estimates have ranged down to \$80,000,000.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—(AP)—Terminating general freight rate advances "an inadequate and dangerous method" of meeting modern railroad problems, the Interstate Commerce Commission today turned again to the makeshift method of emergency charges to help tide American rail carriers over the next 15 months.
It flatly denied permission to make permanent general increases designed to raise \$170,000,000 a year of needed revenue. What it did authorize was a resumption of the emergency charge method of rate increases in effect from January 4, 1932, until September 30, 1933.
Some variations were made in the new charges as compared with the earlier list. They will be in effect until June 30, 1936. Major farm products were exempted from any increases.
The rejection of the urgent plea of the carriers comes on the eve of a 5 per cent increase in railroad wages effective Monday. This wage increase is estimated to affect about 950,000 workers and to amount to \$80,000,000 a year. Against this the emergency charges were estimated by Commissioner Miller of the Interstate Commerce Commission as liable to yield about \$85,000,000 a year.

NEW YORK, March 30.—(AP)—The price of foreign bar silver for domestic industrial use was advanced 1/2 cent today to 64 1/2 cents an ounce.
PORTLAND, Ore., March 30.—(AP)—Successful unloading of 70,000 barrels of gasoline from the Standard Oil tanker, District of Columbia, has changed Portland's gasoline supply pool by four or five days. A strike of the seamen's union has blocked tanker channels.

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SNOW, RAIN, FROST AND DUST MINGLE IN PLAINS STATES

KANSAS CITY, Mar. 30.—(AP)—As midwestern farmers and government agencies laid heroic plans today to combat the menace of dust, the weather changed its tactics and also dished up snow, rain and freezing temperatures to a wide area.
Four states were hit by the renewed dust storms.
In Kansas, where the state and government plan to begin jointly a giant furrowing scheme to control drifting soil, there was snow, forecast of rain and frost and dust.
Snow fell over the northwest plains states and rain fell to the south of Kansas City, but Kansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico and Texas suffered again today under the lash of another dust storm as plans went forward for the vast dust control program.
In St. Louis, State Meteorologist Roscoe Munn announced that spring had come to Missouri three weeks earlier than usual and that fruit and wheat had advanced to the mid-April stage. In Kansas City Federal Meteorologist Hamrick predicted rain, snow and a killing frost for tonight.
Western Kansas received some snow mingled with dust stirred up by what was described as another "worst storm of the season." The northern Texas panhandle was under a dust pall which so discouraged grain men that they reduced their estimate of the panhandle wheat crop to less than 12,000,000 bushels. Normal production for the area is about 30,000,000 bushels.

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