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FRANCE ASKS WAR AID PROMISE



News Behind The News
By PAUL MALLON
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—No detective work is needed to find out the controlling force behind this session of congress. It is politics, and more politics. You can see it behind nearly every advance plan, act and speech. The Capitol atmosphere has rarely been so highly surcharged with it at the opening of a session.
The election is yet 10 months off for most people, but not for the congressmen. For them it is tomorrow and tomorrow, providing their last chance to polish up their records and save their skins. Democrats, Republicans, Farmer-Laborites and what-nots were busy at it long before the bell was to call them to their appointed places. They will be at it until the bell sends them home about five months hence. You may wonder why there is all this rush to get the bonus passed in such a hurry at the opening of the session.
The answer to that is a lot of congressional leaders from the good old solid south are a little worried about their spring primaries. They stood with their backs to the wall against the inflationary bonus. It was their duty as leaders to do so, but it was not very popular with the organized veterans in their districts. Some actually feel they may be moved down in the primaries unless they get to cast a vote for the bonus first. The others would like to, so as not to run any more chances than necessary. It is understood on the inside that the White House fully appreciates this situation.
Some of the same symptoms are noticeable behind the whooping up of the neutrality issue. That is something everyone can see. More than one senator says his incoming mail is heavier on that subject than on the Townsend plan. Also it is a good subject on which to split with the president, because the split is only over methods and not on purpose. The impending roasting of J. C. Morgan, et al. on the senatorial

FEAR OF ITALIAN INVASION BARED IN PLEA TO L-N

Great Britain Asked if Willing to Send Troops to Replace French Soldiers
PARIS, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Reliable sources reported tonight that France is asking members of the league of nations to promise her military aid similar to the military assistance which she has assured Great Britain in the case of an Italian attack.
One official said that countries ranging from Turkey to Sweden have been asked what aid they are ready to send to the aid of France in case Premier Mussolini's troops should attempt to invade this country.
Paris newspapers also reported that France has asked Great Britain if she is willing to send troops to the German frontier, to replace French soldiers, in case of war with Italy.
The newspapers Paris-Sort Inter-Allied indicated the question was raised in discussions between the British and French general staffs, in which the two would aid each other in the event Italy attacked British ships in the Mediterranean.
By the Associated Press
Rasied Italy, seemingly engaged in an effort to keep the nation united, denied emphatically a report of a military mutiny published in Paris. Ethiopia, harassed by revolts.

Political Warfare Starts With Congress Opening

Lindberghs in Liverpool



This Associated Press radiophoto shows America's air hero, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, carrying his three-year-old son, Jon, down the gangplank of the American liner, arriving in Liverpool, England, in search of safety and seclusion. Mrs. Lindbergh was with them.—(Associated Press Photo.)

TOWNSEND'S PLAN WILL NOT WORK IS BORAH'S ASSERTION

Idaho Senator Says Proposal Basically Sound in Some Respects—Thinks Monthly Grant Too High
NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Representative Celler (D., N. Y.) announced today he had challenged Dr. F. E. Townsend, author of the old age revolving pension plan, to a debate to be broadcast over a national chain (NBC).
Celler said the debate undoubtedly would "bring to the surface the inherent evils of this plan."
By D. HAROLD OLIVER
Associated Press Staff Writer
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Friends of Senator Borah (R., Idaho) said today he views the Townsend old age pension plan as basically sound in some respects but "unworkable."
The senator, whose supporters are booming him for the Republican presidential nomination, promised a detailed statement of attitude toward the Townsend plan at some early date.
Several recent published reports have had Borah "advocating" or "flirting with" the proposal of Dr. Francis E. Townsend to raise \$24,000,000 a year through a graduated tax to pay all persons over 60 a monthly pension of \$200, provided they spent it in 30 days.
Monthly Grant Too High.
But some of those close to the Idahoan disclosed today he believed that this monthly grant is too high. He also believes, they said, that the plan would not work because 80 per cent of the taxes would fall upon persons with incomes of \$3000 or less.
Borah is known to have suggested a group of Townsendites several months ago, for purposes of discussion, that the proposed pension be reduced from \$200 to \$50 and that beneficiaries be permitted to do as they pleased with the money. The group immediately divided on the question, according to authoritative sources.
Borah was interviewed yesterday by a score of reporters on an article he has written for the Redbook magazine depicting the constitution as "the first line of defense against a dictatorial government."
The 12-month constitution.
Criticizing anyone who believes the constitution is antiquated, he pictured it as a bulwark against

MEDFORD BUILDING SHOWS LARGE GAIN DURING PAST YEAR

New Buildings and Repair Permits Total \$116,713—Remodeling of Downtown Buildings Big Factor
Building in Medford took a decided leap in 1935, as compared to 1934. A total of 181 permits, representing an expenditure for new buildings and repairs in the amount of \$116,713, was a jump of \$17,661 over the \$99,052 represented by the 156 permits issued the year before.
A check of the records in the city building department shows that much of the money spent was for the renovation of office and store buildings in the business district, with an almost equal amount spent on industrial improvements and expansions.
The largest single project was the remodeling of the building on Front street, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, into a modern cold storage unit, with the Permaco Packing company, with a permit of \$25,000. Other building permits included an addition to the Southern Oregon Brewery at a cost of \$2,500, and an addition to Beck's Bakery at a cost of \$2,400.
The largest single business expansion

Auto Occupants Shake Hands With Death On Tracks

DETROIT, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Francis Courtess, a companion and two girls drove onto an elevated railroad track by mistake, Down the rails a locomotive whistled. Stiffened with fright, they saw a headlight pierce the darkness. Forty feet below was the road level. Courtess fell frantically and vainly to move the car.
The train thumped down. Inside the auto frightened turned to despair. The freight train roared on—and passed the stalled car on another track.

REPUBLICAN CHIEF BITTERLY REBUKES RADIO TALK PLAN

Senate and House Agree to Adjournment Until Evening for President's Message On State of Nation
Broadcast 6 P. M.
President Roosevelt's message to congress is scheduled for broadcast over both CBS and NBC networks this evening at 6 o'clock, Pacific standard time.
By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL
Associated Press Staff Writer
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The political warfare of a presidential election year began raging today coincident with introduction of disputed neutrality and bonus payment bills.
Although both senate and house agreed unanimously to recess until evening for President Roosevelt's annual report on "the state of the union," Representative Snell, the Republican leader, rebuked the plan. "Will not this message stand the light of the usual midday sun?" he demanded while a threepart Jolly house listened seriously.
Sees Political Advantage.
He contended the choice of a night delivery, which will make possible a wider radio audience, was a "cheap attempt" to use the message politically. He did not need to mention the warming presidential campaign, for his auditors to know what he meant.
In contrast, the 20-minute senate session was all decorum. The deaths of Senator Long of Louisiana and Senator Schall of Minnesota were regretted, Senator Benson of Minnesota was sworn, and Senator Glass of Virginia was eulogized in connection with his 78th birthday tomorrow. Then the senators recessed.
Snell said he knew he had a right to object to the Democratic leaders' request for unanimous agreement to recess, and knew that the president also knew that the president

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C. OF C. LAUNCHES VIGOROUS ATTACK ON BONUS PAYING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The congressional conflict over cashing the soldiers' bonus was augmented today by a vigorous attack against immediate payment from the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.
Simultaneously with introduction in the house of the payment plan agreed on by the big-three veterans organizations, the chamber said in a statement payment would cost \$1,277,000 more than congress originally intended and added:
"The present provisions of the adjusted compensation act should be adhered to and all demands for additional payments in any form should be denied in the interest both of the veterans and of the nation."
Representatives (D., Ky.) and McCormack (D., Mass.) gave out the bill backed by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans. Vinson told the house he hoped the bill would come to a vote within 30 days.
The measure would provide for immediate payment in full of the adjusted service certificates, for the return of interest on loans paid by veterans and for the cancellation of unpaid interest on veterans loans.
It moves up the maturity date from 1945 to April 6, 1937.

LINDBERGH'S QUIT LIVERPOOL HOTEL FOR SECRET SPOT

LIVERPOOL, Eng., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The Charles A. Lindberghs checked out of the Adelphi hotel and departed for an unannounced destination today.
The party left quietly by automobile after three days of strict seclusion in their hotel suite.
They came to England Tuesday aboard the United States steamer American Importer, seeking a respite from the general fund made by the regular 1935 legislative session.
An authorization to expend \$2,955,745 from liquor profits and taxes, the residue of the \$5,500,000 appropriation made in the second special session of 1933 and the regular session of 1935.
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It was shown in addition there was a possibility an additional \$1,000,000 would be placed in the relief fund from the transfer of the 1935 old age pension appropriation.

FOUR MILLION FOR RELIEF IN OREGON OFFICIALS REVEAL

SALEM, Jan. 3.—(AP)—A check by state officials yesterday revealed that Oregon had reserves of nearly \$4,000,000 in addition to 1935 county appropriations, which may be used for the relief of unemployed and needy persons if needed.
The sources of these funds were listed as follows:
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HOOD RIVER PEARS HARD HIT BY COLD

HOOD RIVER, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Orchardists said today that a number of mature Bartlett pear trees scoured by October's heavy snow will be completely lost.
Many other trees will have to have much care to pull through, and some must be re-topped to replace dead upper branches.
Most of the damage was in several highly productive orchards. The injury consisted of separation of the cambium layer from the heart wood. In a number of trees this separation was almost completely around the tree.

Turkey Prices At Nominal Levels

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—There was little country selling of turkeys today, but prices remained nominally 23 to 27 cents dressed.
Portland. The market had a quiet tone with prices a trifle easier as a rule.

POST STORM WARNING ALONG OREGON COAST

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Southeast Oregon warnings were ordered for the Washington and Oregon coasts today.
The weather bureau said the disturbance centered 500 miles off the coast, was moving eastward but would bring more rain as far south as central California.
Snow fell in the Sierra Nevada and the Siskiyou and was forecast for high mountain regions of Oregon and Washington.

Unidentified Man Drowns In Ewauna

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The body of an unidentified man was found floating in Lake Ewauna here this morning. The discovery was made by H. K. Boyle of the telephone company.
The man's age was estimated at about 45. There were no marks of violence. Dr. George Adler, coroner, said the body apparently had been in the water about two weeks.

SIDE GLANCES

Principal C. G. Smith of the high school finding his task of hanging up various coats and hats at the basketball game last night, and finding no better place for the purpose than the wrestling mat.
And Cap Menter, Keith Estes, Ron Baker and Guy Davis bustling themselves to put up bleachers to accommodate the capacity crowd, getting through with the task even before the game was over.
Wait Young standing shivering in the rain, wishing the vacation would get over so he could return to California to resume his studies, down where the weather is warm.
Jim Owen, manager of the Medford Corporation: "Yes, we're going quite a lot of repair work to the mill, logging equipment, planning mill, drilling kiln, and fuel storage plant. We'll have spent \$75,000 before we get through."
Thermonator Rowers: Stan Kistman and Bob Smith returning quickly in the village after spending a week getting in and from the Rose Bowl football game.

Government Ends Year With New Debt Record

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The government closed 1935—half of the current fiscal year—with expenditures exceeding income by \$1,789,951,192. This deficit compared with \$3,281,382,500 deficit which President Roosevelt's 1935 deficit for the full fiscal year ending next June 30.
The treasury year-end figures were made available as Mr. Roosevelt published his budget for the 1937 financial year beginning next July 1. They go to congress Monday.
The public debt at the end of 1935 was \$30,557,324,062.
This figure was an all-time high, it compared with \$28,478,663,924 at the end of 1934.
The treasury's statement showed the government spent \$3,781,660,702 in the July 1-December 31 period while its receipts were only \$1,991,709,509.
For the full year receipts of \$4,470,349,140 and expenditures of \$4,752,332,000 had been forecast.
Of the half-year outlays \$1,974,807,326 was attributed to "recovery" and relief, the remainder to general governmental operating costs.
The deficit was more than half the amount estimated for the full year. But the annual figures included \$531,000,000 for the sinking fund. On December 31, \$335,224,800—more than half—had been paid.
Current receipts are running slightly ahead of the \$1,945,000,000 reported during the same period last year, despite a lagging of an estimated \$200,000,000 in farm processing taxes.

POLICE CLEARED OF THIRD DEGREE

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—The Multnomah county grand jury reported today that there was no evidence to support Ira T. Miller's charges that Portland police detectives used third degree methods in attempting to wring a murder confession from him.
He charged that he was beaten, tortured with "water," held on his wrists, and his head bumped on a bench at police headquarters. Police questioned him about the 1924 slaying of Martha Grapke, 15.
The grand jury reported "no evidence has been forthcoming to reveal that so-called 'third-degree' or 'inhuman' methods have been practiced or are in vogue in the Portland police department."
Injuries Miller claimed were caused by police actually were received prior to his arrest, the grand jury found.

DART GAME MEN HELD FOR TRIAL

PORTLAND, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Two of the five men arrested here in police raids on dart games will go to trial next week on charges of violation of the city ordinance banning the games. Al Winners, charged with gambling and operating the games without a license, will go to trial on Thursday.
There were indications the other three men will request jury trials while the manufacturing continues to determine the legality of the recently enacted ordinance prohibiting resale of licenses for the games.

DITCHES CAR TO SPARE CYCLIST

Ike Fridegar, prominent Ashland produce dealer, narrowly escaped possible serious injury last evening just after dark when he ran his coupe into the ditch just south of Central Point to avoid hitting Clarence Long, Central Point second hand dealer, who was riding a bicycle along the Pacific highway.
Mrs. Fridegar reported today that her husband had overhauled Long, who was reported as riding without lights, before he noticed the car, and then had to swing his car hard and into the ditch to avoid a collision. Both men escaped injury, but the machine was badly damaged.

ROSEBURG WILL ASK PWA ASSISTANCE FOR NEW SEWAGE PLANT

ROSEBURG, Ore., Jan. 3.—(AP)—Application to the PWA for a loan in the sum of \$80,000, together with a grant of \$50,000 to finance a trunk-line sewer and sewage disposal plant here, was authorized by the Roseburg city council at a special meeting last night. The project has been under negotiation for the past three years.
The city was formerly awarded a loan and grant of \$72,000, but when bids were recently opened by the council, the lowest proposal was \$82,000. It is estimated \$110,000 will be required to pay construction costs and engineering fees.
The city is also considering the possibility of making the improvement independent of the federal agencies, if a market can be found for the self-liquidating bonds authorized at a special election to finance the project.

FREIGHT LOADING PROSPERITY SIGN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The association of American railroads reported today that 31,818,372 cars were loaded with revenue freight in 1935, indicating the greatest freight traffic since 1931.
The 12-month figure was an increase of 672,412 cars or 2.2 per cent over 1934 and an increase of 3,298,320, or 7.9 per cent over 1933. The 1935 figures, however, still were 5,832,877 cars, or 15.2 per cent, under 1931.

Income Shares

Maryland Fund, bid \$18.12; asked \$19.
Quarterly income shares, bid \$1.92; asked \$1.97.

Fords Can Be Had At \$25 Per Month

DETROIT, Jan. 3.—(AP)—The Ford Motor company announced today a \$25-a-month deferred payment plan. The plan reduces the interest rate on unpaid balances and provides broader insurance coverage for purchasers, officials said.
Other companies in recent weeks also have announced lower finance charges on time payment automobile sales.

TAKEN TO PORTLAND ON DYER ACT CHARGE

Leah E. Ellison, 23, who was held in county jail here since his arrest December 7, was in Portland today, where he faces trial on a charge of transporting an automobile stolen in Roseburg over the California state line.

A & P GROCERY CHAIN TALKING DISSOLUTION

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—John A. Hartford, president of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., disclosed today that the nation-wide grocery chain was considering divorcing itself from its stores in states with heavy chain store taxes.

Brittle Citizen Breaks Arm Again

DAVENPORT, Iowa, Jan. 3.—(AP)—When Amel Vollan broke his left arm in a fall he wasn't surprised. Already he had broken his right arm three times, his right leg three times and his left leg once. "Just about once more," he remarked to friends, "and they'll have to take me out and shoot me."

After-Christmas Buying Better Than Last Year

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Consumer buying for the week ended from the buying of the holiday period set held above last year's comparative. Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., said today.
"The usual Christmas aftermath lowered retail sales in all districts from the total of the week preceding, and in some sections the recession was accentuated by heavy snows which disrupted traffic," the survey said.
"Due to the full in buying during the corresponding period a year ago, however, a favorable showing was made by the comparison, the estimated gain averaging from 2 to 8 per cent."

Legal Authority Dies

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—(AP)—Edward W. Hutson, 67, considered one of the foremost American legal authorities, died last night at his home near the University of Chicago, where he had been professor of law for 23 years.