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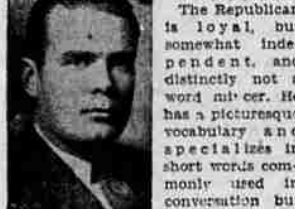
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ITALIAN TROOPS TAKE HUGE AREA



By Paul Mallon
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—President Roosevelt called a republican senator down to the White House not long ago and asked him what was wrong with the new deal.



The Republican is loyal, but somewhat independent, and distinctly not a word nigger. He has a picturesque vocabulary and a special work in short works commonly used in conversation but not in print.

He used them all, one by one, and then collectively, to describe what he called "the blankety-blank saps" who are operating some important phases of the new deal.

Another easier-going Republican senator was called in later and asked what he thought was wrong. He also spoke frankly, but with less enthusiasm.

The peculiarities of this session of congress continue to expand as each day passes. There has never been another session quite like it.

What is happening is this: The ad-

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Marshfield Mill Damaged By Fire
MARSHFIELD, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Damage estimated by the owners at \$15,000 was caused today when fire swept through the Prosper sawmill and retail lumber yard on Marshfield's water front.

Side Glances by Tribune Reporters
Russ Achison, Junior high coach, Frankie Peck, Bill Frohman and a reporter standing on a corner in anti-protest as a small boy approached and said "How many of you guys are wrestlers," and the small boy not believing when all pointed to Achison, saying, "he's the only one."

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12-MILE ADVANCE IS ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT A SHOT

Entire Fertile Plane of Buie Enveloped by Il Duce's Force—No Sign of Ethiopians Beaten Last Week

By EDWARD J. NEIL
Associated Press Foreign Staff
WITH THE NORTHERN ITALIAN ARMY IN ETHIOPIA, AT THE FRONT, Feb. 20.—(Delayed)—(AP)—An Italian army of 20,000 white troops took another slice of Ethiopia today, starting a new advance southward but without firing or hearing a shot.

The Ethiopian army of Ras Mulugheta, minister of war, continued fleeing to the south.

In three hours three Fascist divisions in columns advanced 12 miles, enveloping the entire fertile plain of Buie, establishing a new line to the foothills of the mountain range.

There was absolutely no sign of Mulugheta's force of 50,000 badly beaten last week in the six days' conquest of Amba Aradam.

Twenty new towns fell into the Italian hands as a result of today's advance in addition to 35 taken between February 10 and 15.

The total territory conquered since February 10 is now exactly 1,920 square kilometers, 840 of them being captured today.

The new line now runs from huge Mount Dabra Albat, on the right flank; through Abat in the center, to Mount Garadiscian on the left flank, including the major towns of Buie and Adcerat and commanding Mal Mehal.

This correspondent watched the advance today from an observatory here with the Italian high command.

There is no questioning that the Italian victories were tremendous. Natives in towns captured today said they defended their possessions by shooting on Mulugheta's fleeing troops from houses and trees.

Pictures taken by Italian aviators show columns of Ethiopians in flight and piles dead beside roads where airplanes had slaughtered hundreds of them.

ALL POSTMASTERS ON CIVIL SERVICE ROOSEVELT'S HOPE
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—President Roosevelt said today he hoped there would be legislation placing all postmasters under the civil service.

While not specifying action at this session, the president told his press conference he expects to continue conferences on the subject.

He remarked that he advocated such a proposition as far back as 1919.

CAPONE GANGSTER SHOT DOWN



"Machine Gun" Jack McGurn (right), notorious gangster and reputed Al Capone lieutenant, was shot down and killed by three Valentine's Day associates of seven mobsters of which he was accused. At left is his widow, nicknamed the "blonde alibi" because she swore McGurn, whom she married afterwards, was with her at the time of the massacre. (Associated Press Photos)

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RAIN ERASES ICE IN PORTLAND AREA
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Rain and above freezing temperatures returned to Portland today and washed away the ice and snow which fringed the streets for two weeks.

Edward L. Wells, government meteorologist, predicted that occasional rains would continue in western Oregon tonight and tomorrow, while more snow would visit portions of eastern Oregon.

DRAFT TAX BILL FOR FARM PLAN IN COMING WEEK

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JANUARY BUSINESS BEST SINCE 1931
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(AP)—January business activity on the Pacific coast was the best opening month for any year since 1931, the Wells Fargo bank and Union Trust company index showed today.

Business was 69.3 percent of the 1923-25 average. This was a slight reaction from December when Christmas trade swelled the figure to 91.2 but by far the best January since the initial month of 1931 showed 90.2.

Previous Januarys were: 1935—71.3, 1934—70.2, 1933—58.3, 1932—69.5.

GOVERNOR AGAINST FURTHER REPRIEVE IN CASE OF BRUNO

Fresh Evidence Report Collapses—Spiritual Adviser Says Hauptmann Has Been Greatly Wronged

By John Ferris
(Associated Press Staff Writer)
TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Reported fresh evidence fixing Bruno Richard Hauptmann anew as the writer of the Lindbergh ransom notes collapsed today at the same time that Governor Harold G. Hoffman reiterated he has no intention of granting a second reprieve to the condemned man.

The handwriting "evidence" was supposedly discovered in the office of Col. Mark O. Kimberling, warden of the state prison, by a subordinate who said he detected a similarity between the letter "p" in the ransom notes and the same character in letters written by Hauptmann since he had been in the death house.

No Reprieve Plan
Governor Hoffman, in a formal statement, said he was "more convinced than ever" by Hauptmann's silence that the crime is still unsolved, and said he had made no plan for another reprieve.

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WILL HOLD DIXON RITES TOMORROW

Funeral services for H. O. Volney Dixon will be held in the First Baptist church at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The Rev. W. F. Shields will officiate.

Burial will be in the family plot in the I. O. O. F. cemetery where Medford lodge 88, I. O. O. F., will conduct a graveside service.

The Rotary club, of which Mr. Dixon was a charter member, will meet at the Hotel Medford at 1:45, so that all Rotarians may attend the funeral in a group.

Mr. Dixon died suddenly Wednesday night at his home, 325 West Tenth street. He had been in business here for 31 years and his death is mourned by a large circle of friends and associates.

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JUDGE WIMBERLY HERE TO HEAR ARGUMENTS

Circuit Judge Carl E. Wimberly of Douglas county occupied the circuit court bench this morning, hearing arguments on a demurrer in the case of the state banking department against Silver and others. The litigation involves the Pompadour Springs property near Ashland that has been pending in the court for some time. Arguments were submitted. The court deferred ruling.

Judge Wimberly was accompanied by Guy Condon of Roseburg. Circuit Judge H. D. Norton was disqualified to sit in the case.

Business Activity Is Represented In Mail Tribune Ads

Evidence of the fact that The Mail Tribune's daily and weekly issues of today are representative of the business activity of Medford and the Rogue River valley is shown by advertising messages from 101 business concerns in this area.

Including the firms affiliated with the Independent Grocers' Alliance, and the Food Buyers' Association, a total of 101 advertisers used The Mail Tribune and the Tribune's Buyer's Guide to advertise exceptional values for thrifty shoppers this week-end and next week.

The Washington Birthday Sale, sponsored by the Retail Merchants' Bureau of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, promises to be a genuine buying festival in Medford tomorrow and Monday. Indications are that this community sale will set a new record for co-operative events of this nature in Medford, as practically all local firms have featured values that will bring many hundreds of shoppers from various sections of southern Oregon and northern California Saturday and Monday.

THORNDIKE AGAIN ELECTED HEAD OF COMMUNITY CHEST

At a meeting of the executive board of the Community Chest held Thursday afternoon at the First National bank, officers for the ensuing year were elected. Eugene Thorndike was re-elected as president of the Community Chest, which position he has held for three years.

Mrs. Dolph Phipps was chairman of the nominating committee, Larry Schade and Mrs. J. C. S. Wells acting with her.

Reports for the past three months were heard from the seven participating organizations, showing much activity in relief and welfare work in Jackson county. Those representing the organizations were: Red Cross, Miss Lillian Roberts and Geo. Brown, Salvation Army, Capt. G. W. Durham; Boy Scouts, Larry Schade; Jackson County Public Health association, Mrs. J. C. S. Wells; Girl Scouts, Mrs. R. E. Green; Girls Community club, Mrs. Dolph Phipps; Allied Welfare association, John C. Mann, and Welfare Exchange, Miss Helen Carlton.

The board of the Community Chest went on record as extending a vote of thanks to the officers for their work this past year and especially to those men who comprised the executive committee during last fall's campaign: M. N. Hogan, chairman; Leonard Carpenter, Raymond R. Reter, M. D. Field, W. S. Bolger, C. D. Bean and A. J. Hask. This committee worked untiringly to make the campaign a success, having raised a total of \$15,585.73.

MARTIN NAMES 2 FOR BUILDING CONGRESS
SALEM, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Governor Martin today appointed C. W. Peacor and W. T. Williams, both of Portland, as members of the Oregon building congress, for terms of two years.

Peacor is an attorney while Williams is an engineer.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—(AP)—The governor's office issued papers today for the return of Ernest A. Keyser from San Diego to Lane county, Oregon, where he is charged with "burning with intent to injure."

GLANCE OUT OF WINDOW SAVES WOMAN IN STORM
CHAPLIN, Sisk., Feb. 21.—(AP)—A story reached here today of how a farmer's chance glance out of a window across the blizzard-swept prairie south of Chaplin Monday saved the life of Mrs. Joseph Fryer, 70-year-old pioneer of the Eastern district.

When Mrs. Fryer's husband fell dead suddenly, the aged woman, left alone in the house, set out to seek aid in 45-below-zero weather. She made her way a quarter of a mile from the house to a post that has been used as a community bulletin board.

There she posted news of her husband's death in the hope it would bring her aid.

LIGGETT'S WIDOW SAYS POLICE GUN KILLED HUSBAND

Underworld Character Gives Tip That Machine Gun Furnished Assassins by Minneapolis Policemen

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Mrs. Walter Liggett today said she was informed by an "underworld character" that the machine gun which killed her publisher-husband "was furnished" by the Minneapolis police department.

Chief of Police Frank Parvart terminated her statement "a dream."

The chief offered to fire a test bullet from every machine gun in the police department, and send them to the department of justice at Washington to determine whether they are similar to the ones that killed Liggett.

Mrs. Liggett said she gave her information to the authorities several days ago, asserting it came from a St. Paul "underworld" character who has police connections. She said her informant formerly gave information to her husband.

Liggett, who published the Midwest American, a weekly, was killed last December 9.

TOWNSEND DENIES THIRD PARTY PLAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(AP)—One threat of a third party movement faded today with the announcement of Dr. F. E. Townsend that his old age pension organization will not back such a proposal.

Townsend declared that neither will his group join movements in any state that would draw a conflict in presidential primaries of either party.

The co-founder of the \$200-a-month pension plan, referred to a proposal to enter a delegation in the California primary nominally pledged to Representative McGroarty (D., Calif.) for president. Townsend declared "such a program could only bring defeat and discredit to the Townsend movement," though he said the movement's leaders had no desire to "antagonize" any such "favorite son" candidacy as McGroarty's.

TULSA, Okla., Feb. 20.—(AP)—W. D. Phillips, state area manager of the Townsend old age pension movement, said today he had been advised that Gomer Smith, Oklahoma City attorney, would be a candidate for president of the United States on the Townsend ticket.

"The decision for Mr. Smith to run was made at a conference in Los Angeles today with Dr. F. E. Townsend," Phillips said. He was told by telephone, "Mr. Smith will enter his name for the presidency in preferential primaries in 10 states." Smith is national vice-president of the Townsend plan.

SPANISH RADICALS RENEW DISORDERS

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MADRID, Feb. 21.—(AP)—Martial law spread through Spain today against revived radical rioting in which at least eight persons were killed, churches and rightist centers raided and the red flag of communism raised at isolated points.

The new left-republican government of Premier Manuel Azana, which came into power after the leftist victory in Sunday's parliamentary elections, took immediate measures to attempt to halt the celebration disorders and demonstrations.

A hundred guards, armed with machine guns, were dispatched to the town of Enliza, in the far southwestern province of Huelva, where communists proclaimed a soviet state and raised their red flag.

HOOD RIVER PHEASANTS SUPPLIED WITH FOOD
HOOD RIVER, Ore., Feb. 21.—(AP)—Kind-hearted Hood River residents are regularly feeding many game and field birds whose food supply has been cut off by the continued cold weather and snow.

Pheasants have been doing fairly well, but quail and smaller birds were finding it difficult to locate natural food. A number of robins were found dead from cold and hunger.

Income Shares
Maryland Fund, bid \$19.28; asked \$20.85.
Quarterly income shares, bid \$1.55; asked \$1.70.