

Current Events in Review

By Edward W. Pickard

© Western Newspaper Union

Situation in Europe Is

Still Threatening

SIXTY thousand German troops in the Rhineland that was supposed to be demilitarized. Practically the entire French army in and behind the



military, be imposed by the League of Nations. Great Britain trying hard to keep the peace, reprimanding Germany, supporting the French demands in great measure, but urging that Hitler's proposal of new non-aggression pacts be given consideration. Reichsfuehrer Hitler reviewing his forces in the re-occupied territory and receiving the loud plaudits of the inhabitants for restoring their military sovereignty.

That in a nutshell was the pernicious situation in Europe as the representatives of the Locarno nations and the council of the league assembled in London to consider what to do next. Foreign Minister Pierre-Etienne Flandin of France was there with the full support of Premier Sarrat for his demands that immediate action be taken to bring Hitler to time.

The Franco-Russian treaty came up in the French senate and was ratified by a huge majority. It is this pact that Hitler gave as his excuse for re-militarizing the Rhineland, asserting that it was a violation of the Locarno treaty, being aimed at Germany. It is the final link in the "iron ring" around the reich.

Great Britain, France, Belgium and Italy, signers of the Locarno treaty, agreed that Germany had violated that pact and the Versailles treaty and referred the matter to the council of the league. But Britain, still striving to find the peaceful way out of the row, was averse to the immediate imposition of sanctions, and naturally Italy, herself suffering from that form of punishment, felt the same way. Foreign Secretary Eden of England continued his efforts to persuade Hitler to withdraw the troops from the Rhineland pending discussions, and urged upon Flandin the advisability of considering the German chancellor's proposal for a 25-year peace pact.

Co-operating with the British for peace, the league council invited Hitler to send a representative to its meeting. His reply was considered "unsatisfactory" by the British and enraged the French. He said, in effect, that he would send a representative to the council's deliberations only on condition that the other powers meet it there on a basis of full equality and promptly consider new treaty negotiations to replace the Locarno pact.

French Premier Sarrat and his cabinet, according to officials in Paris, at once instructed Flandin to fight to the bitter end for the punishment of Germany, deciding that it would be better to take such a stand, even if it "wrecks the league," rather than bargain away "the nation's just right" by accepting Hitler's proposals for a new Locarno. Sarrat was reported to be ready even to quit the league, taking France's allies with him, if the council did not accede to his demands.

Germany's "army day" celebration was much quieter in the Rhineland than had been planned, owing to the tense situation. Troops at Frankfort were inspected by War Minister Werner von Blomberg and there was a speech by Hitler; but the military parades and other features were canceled. Elsewhere in the reich the day was duly observed, but the feeling of anxiety was general and unconcealed.

The Frankfurter Zeitung, which like all German newspapers is under close government supervision, published a warning that Germany may repudiate her foreign debts if she is penalized for the rearmament of the Rhineland.

New York's Building Service Strike Ends

COMPROMISE brought to an end the two weeks' strike of building service workers in New York and thousands of elevator operators and other employees returned to their jobs in some 2,400 apartment houses and business structures. The settlement provided for immediate re-employment of all strikers and arbitration of wages and hours, and it was hailed as a "great victory" by James J. Bambrick, head of the local union and leader in the strike.

Arbitration of minimum wages and maximum hours under supervision of Ferdinand A. Silcox, chief of the United States forestry service. Wages and hours are to be fixed at the end of each of the next three years on the basis of prevailing economic conditions.

In signing a three year contract with the realty advisory board, representing the employers, union leaders abandoned their demand for a closed or preferential shop. Building

operators, in their turn, agreed to reinstate all strikers instead of insisting on the retention of 15 per cent of the replacement workers hired during the strike.

Prince Serge Mdivani

Killed by Polo Pony

PRINCE SERGE MDIVANI, one of the more or less famous brothers from the Russian province of Georgia who have married so many American heiresses and movie actresses, was killed by the kick of a polo pony at Delray Beach, Fla., during a game with Cecil Smith's Texan team. Only five weeks before the prince became the husband of Louise Astor Van Alen, and she and her mother witnessed the fatal accident. Serge was divorced by Pola Negri and Mary McCormick, and then married Miss Van Alen, who had divorced her brother Alex. The latter was killed some months ago in a motor accident in Spain shortly after his marriage to Barbara Hutton had ended in divorce. The third of the brothers is Prince David, former husband of Mae Murray.

Leftist Riots in Spain

Arouse the Army

SINCE the recent elections in Spain the riots staged by the leftists have been growing more vicious daily, and after disorders at Logrono in which a number of persons were killed the Spanish army was aroused to vigorous protest. Premier Manuel Azana was told by the officers that unless his new left government adopted measures to stop the widespread violence the army would take the maintenance of order into its own hands. Gen. Carlos Masquelet, minister of war, was said to be in sympathy with the army's demand.

Azana held a heated conference with Francisco Largo Caballero, president of the Socialist party and is said to have told him that he believed revolutionary Socialists were responsible for most of the disorders, demanding that the violence cease immediately. Largo insisted that the Socialists be permitted to demonstrate, but finally gave in to the premier and issued orders to all Socialists to behave themselves.

Despite strict censorship imposed by the governor of Logrono it was learned that incendiaries there set fire to six convents and churches, four rightest centers and a rightest newspaper, and then attacked the army barracks, attempting to seize artillery.

Destruction by Floods in Eastern States

SPRING thaws and heavy rains created a serious condition throughout the northeastern states and far southward as Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and in the Maritime provinces of Canada. The number of reported deaths was not great but many cities and towns were threatened by great ice packs that were swept down the swollen rivers, and vast areas of the countryside were under water. Textile mills and other industrial plants were forced to close down and railway traffic was handicapped.

Britain Names Inskip to Co-Ordinate Defense

PROCEEDING with its great re-armament program, the British government has named Sir Thomas Inskip, attorney general since 1932, to be the co-ordinator of the entire scheme, giving him a newly created cabinet post. This selection by Prime Minister Baldwin was a surprise. It had been thought the place might go to Winston Churchill, Neville Chamberlain, Alfred Duff Cooper or Sir Samuel Hoare.

Sir Thomas is known as an "anti-Jingoist," is sixty years old and always is calm and unruffled in the house of commons or at the bar. It will be his duty as defense co-ordinating minister to synchronize activities of the army, navy, and air services.

Cummings Is Winner in Dispute With Ickes

IN UPHELDING the conviction of Leonard Walter McIntosh, chief clerk of the department of public works of the Virgin Islands, on a minor theft charge the federal circuit court of appeals at Philadelphia ruled that the federal department of justice had complete control over the district court and the government attorney of the Islands. This was a victory for Attorney General Cummings over Secretary of the Interior Ickes for the latter's department, using the suit as a test case to determine control of the civil affairs of the Virgin Islands, had asked that the conviction of McIntosh be set aside as unjustified.

Newton Jenkins, Chicago, Out for Presidency

NEWTON JENKINS of Chicago, who as an independent candidate for the mayoralty of that city last April, received 11 per cent of the votes cast, has announced that he is a candidate for President of the United States.

"The Third party" to which he referred is an organization which he had incorporated last year. It has candidates for two municipal offices.

Legal Measures to Stop Seizures of Telegrams

CHIEF JUSTICE ALFRED A. WHEAT of the District of Columbia Supreme court checked the telegram-seizing activities of the Black Senate committee on lobbying. He granted the Chicago law firm of Silas H. Straus an injunction restraining the Western Union Telegraph company from giving the committee copies of the firm's telegrams.

The judge said the subpoena served on the telegraph company by the committee, calling for copies of telegrams "goes way beyond" the committee's powers.

Next day William Randolph Hearst, newspaper publisher, began a fight in court to keep an original confidential telegram out of the hands of the Black committee; and the American Newspaper Publishers' Association denounced the reported seizure of that telegram, which was to one of Mr. Hearst's editors. The association advised any other editor should be learn of similar action, to consult counsel and "take vigorous steps to protect his constitutional rights."

Franco Makes Paraguay Totalitarian State

COL. RAFAEL FRANCO, who became provisional president of Paraguay after the recent revolution there, has set up a totalitarian government modeled after German Nazism and Italian Fascism. He issued a decree which declared the state and the "liberating revolution" of February 17 as indivisible and banned for one year political, labor, or other unions which "do not emanate explicitly from the state."

Paraguay, the government asserted, will be purged of "endemic, demagogic, industrial, and sectarian evils." The official statement placed in the "liberating army" the principal source of authority.

The aims of the new government, the decree said, will be the construction of a new, strong Paraguay and constitutional reorganization for a future republic.

Franco's government was formally recognized at Asuncion by diplomatic representatives of the United States, Chile, Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Uruguay, Great Britain, France, Germany and Spain.

Death of Earl Beatty, British Navy Figure

EARL BEATTY, commander of the British war fleet in 1916-18 and afterward first lord of the admiralty, died in London after a long illness at the age of sixty-five. Rising from a sick-bed to attend the funeral of Earl Jellicoe last November, he predicted that he would soon follow his colleague. Lord Beatty had a meteoric career as a naval commander and displayed his ability in the battles of Heligoland Bight and Dogger Bank, and especially in the battle of Jutland where he commanded the first battle cruiser squadron. His wife, who died in 1932, was Ethel Field, daughter of the Chicago merchant prince, Marshall Field.

Davis Sent to Europe to Study Conditions

CHESTER C. DAVIS, head of the invalidated AAA, is not going to administer the soil conservation program devised as a substitute. President Roosevelt announced that Mr. Davis would leave soon on a trip to Europe to make a special study for the government of economic conditions bearing on the agricultural plans for this country. Critics of the administration immediately assumed that Mr. Davis and Secretary of Agriculture Wallace had disagreed and that the former was being gently edged out of the picture. This Mr. Wallace warmly denied, asserting there had been no friction.

England's Bachelor King Hints He May Marry

GREAT BRITAIN is interested and pleased to learn that King Edward VIII may abandon his state of bachelorhood and take unto himself a wife. This was revealed when the king authorized these lines in the message submitting the civil list to the house of commons: "His majesty desires that the contingency of his marriage should be taken into account so that, in that event, there should be a provision for his majesty."

Five princesses of Europe are considered most eligible to become Edward's spouse. These are Irene and Catherine of Greece (whose ancestry is Danish), Julian of the Netherlands, Eugenia of Greece, and Kyre of Russia, daughter of Grand Duke Cyril of Russia who is pretender to the Russian throne.

A Charming Needlecraft Picture to Embroider

PATTERN 5297



OF INTEREST TO THE HOUSEWIFE

Discolored linoleums may be cleaned with alcohol. After cleaning allow them to dry thoroughly, then apply lacquer.

A dash of salt improves the flavor of chocolate fudge.

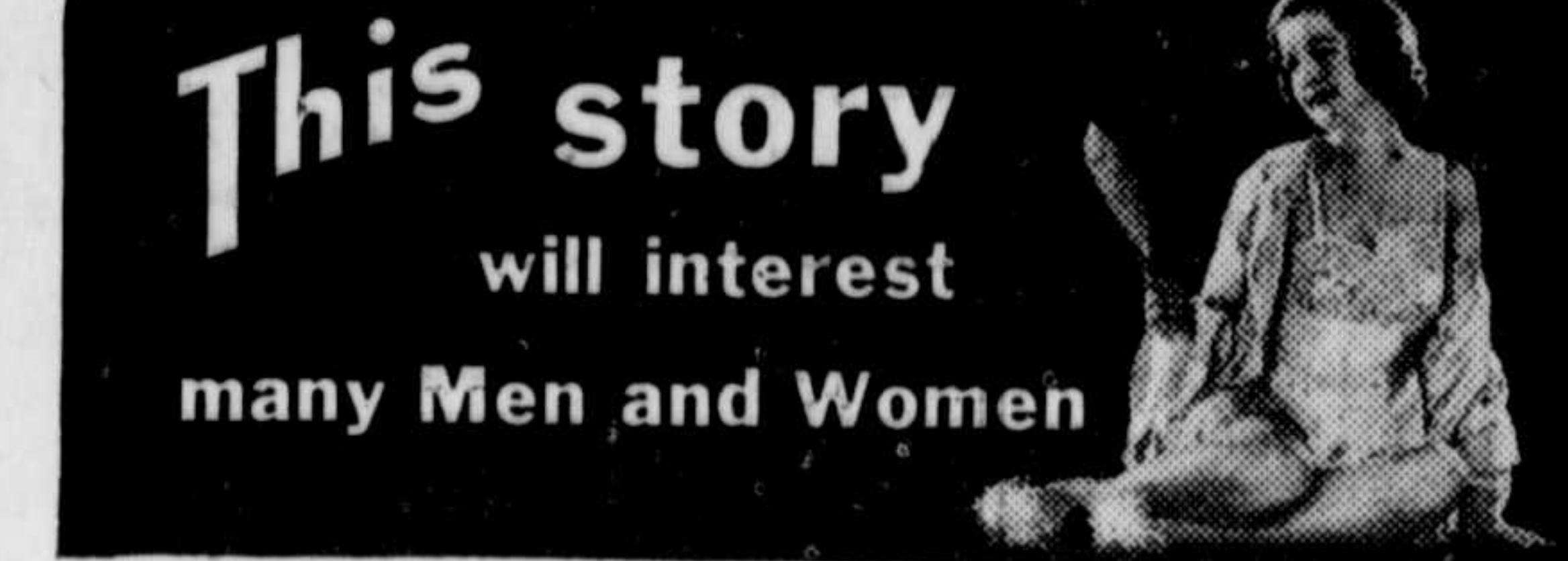
To prevent diced fruits dropping to the bottom of a gelatin mold, chill fruits and add when gelatin mixture has partly congealed.

Always keep salads on ice until it is time to serve them. They lose their flavor when exposed to heat.

© Associated Newspapers.—WNU Service.

TOKEN OF THE TIMES

An Okmulgee (Okla.) hardware store customer was unfamiliar with Oklahoma's new one mill sales tax tokens until this happened: "Have you a mill?" asked the clerk after dime purchase. "Oh, I've an old one, but how much are they?" The clerk sold him a \$4.85 sausage mill.



NOT long ago I was like some friends I have...low in spirits. I run-down...out of sorts...tired easily and looked terrible. I knew I had no serious organic trouble so I reasoned sensibly...as my experience has since proven...that work, worry, colds and whatnot had just worn me down.

The confidence mother has always had in S.S.S. Tonic...which is still her stand-by when she feels run-down...convinced me I ought to try this Treatment. I started a course. The color began to come back to my skin...I felt better...I did not tire easily and soon I felt that those red-blood-cells were back to so-called fighting strength...it is great to feel strong again and like my old self.

Insist on S.S.S. Tonic in the blood-red Cellophane-wrapped package...the big 20-oz. size is sufficient for two weeks' treatment...it's more economical, too.

SSS TONIC Makes you feel like yourself again



Though I have tried all good remedies Capudine suits me best. It is quick and gentle. Only because it is light...its ingredients quickly dissolve. For headache, neuralgia, or muscle aches.

To keep your pleasant take Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. They regulate liver, bowels and stomach.—Adv.

A self-made man is one who had to do the job, whether or not.

He Did It

Write for FREE SAMPLE GARFIELD TEA CO. Dept. 249 Brooklyn, N. Y. (At your drug store)

GARFIELD TEA



OF COURSE, you know that children should never drink coffee. But do you realize that the caffeine in coffee disagrees with many grown-ups, too?

If you are bothered by headaches or indigestion, or find it difficult to sleep soundly... caffeine may be blame.

Isn't it worth while to try Postum for 30 days? Postum contains no caffeine. It is simply whole wheat and bran, roasted and slightly sweetened. It is easy to make, and costs less than one-half cent a cup. It's a delicious drink, too... and may prove a real help.

A product of General Foods. © 1936, G. F. Corp.

FREE—let us send you your first week's supply of Postum free! Simply mail the coupon.

GENERAL FOODS, Battle Creek, Mich. W. N. U.—3-28-36
Send me, without obligation, a week's supply of Postum.

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____

Fill in completely, print name and address.
If you live in Canada, address: General Foods, Ltd., Cobourg, Ont. (Offer expires Dec. 31, 1936.)