WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

By LEMUEL F. PARTON

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy has been an effective social and political ally of both her father, former mayor of Boston, and her husband, ambassador to the Court of St. James. But the news that, in accordance with her husband's decision, she presented only seven American women at court is one of her rare appearances in the headlines.

Mrs. Kennedy Aids Father and Husband

The 11 engaging Kennedys have been viewed more or less en bloc in the news and Mrs. Kennedy has never been in a very sharp lens focus.

She was one of the prettiest of Boston debutantes, 30 years ago, a rollicking girl with black hair and eyes of Irish blue. Back home from her convent training, she taught her father "Sweet Adeline."

He was John F. (Honey Fitz) Fitzgerald, and in his campaigns he sang his way to memorable political fame—riding like a surfboard the long, lingering "swipes" of the song taught him by his daughter—"the flower of his heart."

Joseph P. Kennedy, her childhood playmate, was twenty-five years old when they were married in 1914. He borrowed $2,000 for a down payment on a $6,500 house. Their fortunes grew as their family, with Mr. Kennedy president of a bank, in a year or two after their marriage.

Fortune and Family Grew Up Together

Mrs. Kennedy once told a Boston drygoods clerk that she bought 200 suits and dresses a year. It takes a heap of shopping to make a home, like the Kennedys', and she became known among her friends as a paragon of household efficiency comparable to the one in Solomon's offhand apostrophe to such skills and virtues.

Now she is mistress of the "castle" which was once J. Pierpont Morgan's home; also of a beautiful mansion in Bronxville, N. Y., a huge summer estate at Hyannisport, Cape Cod, and a villa at Palm Beach, built by one of the Wanamakers.

She is slender and girlish, comely and vivacious, weighs 115 pounds and takes size 14 in dresses. Vionnet makes her gowns and she is envied by other women for her magnificent jewels—notable among them being a ruby and diamond bracelet which, it is said, is matched only by the one the Aga Khan gave his princess.

Has Diamond a Potentate Might Envy

But she never lets the children run to unseemly display, holding them to restraint in regime and dress. Even without all these adventitious fixings, say her friends, she would be an admirable ambassador's wife, with her own quite adequate equipment of tact, charm and intelligence.

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MAN and boy, this journeyman has helped process a lot of explorers' and adventurers' copy through the news mill. If it was ghost-written, it had only slick and synthetic excitement, like Ersatz pastry, and if it wasn't it was usually dull. Happily in contrast are the doubtlessly authentic and personally written yarns of W. H. Tilman, leader of the British Mount Everest expedition, now getting under way.

These stories from the Tibetan base camp have a professional ease and fluency, along with a ring of integrity which gives assurance that Mr. Tilman is really writing them. There is no ghost on the job here.

Yarns From Mt. Everest Ring True

Mr. Tilman is thirty-nine years old, a keen-faced, hard-muscled Britisher of medium stature, who has been exploring ever since he left college.

He has climbed mountains in the Alps and in Africa, including Mounts Kenya, Kilimanjaro and Ruvenzori. This is his fifth expedition to the Himalayas. The entrants in this high hurdle event are not youngsters. N. E. Odell is forty-seven, F. S. Smythre is thirty-seven and the others are all over thirty.

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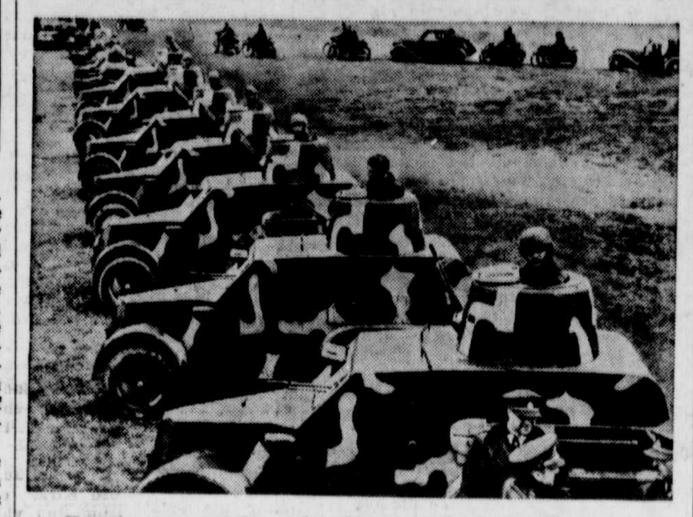
Bull Terrier, White Dog

When bull baiting was abolished by law in England, sporting men developed the bull terrier for dog fighting and badger baiting. About 1875, dalmatian and pointer blood were introduced in the strain, making them look less like bulldogs. The bull terrier is always white, has a long tapering head, wide, deep chest, stiff, glossy hair and tapering tail. He is gentle and good natured, but fears nothing and is a good watch dog.

News Review of Current Events

EUROPEAN WAR AVERTED

Britain, France and Russia Would Not Stand for German Aggression Against the Czechs



Here is an armored car detachment of Czechoslovakia's up-to-date army which was sent to the frontier to meet the threats of aggression by Fuehrer Hitler's troops that were massed on their side of the border.

Edward W. Pickard
SUMMARIZES THE WORLD'S WEEK

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On the Verge of Hostilities

GERMAN and Czech troops by the thousands were massed on the frontier between the two countries. President Benes of Czechoslovakia and his cabinet decided to call 70,000 reserves to the colors. Poland assembled armed forces close to the Slovakia border. Hungary was reported to be taking "certain military measures." France was ready to defend her ally, Czechoslovakia, against Nazi aggression, and there was assurance that Great Britain and Russia would come to the aid of France if she were attacked without provocation.

President Benes

No wonder the governments of Europe were desperately worried by such a critical condition.

Hitler must have realized that the time was not ripe for aggressive action against the Czechs, for German authorities in Berlin solemnly assured Dr. Vojtech Mastny, Czech minister to Berlin, and the Czech military attache that Germany planned no military expedition against Czechoslovakia. This eased the situation somewhat, but the British cabinet continued to urge Benes and his government to make all possible concessions to Hitler concerning the demands of the Sudeten German minority. It was believed the Fuehrer would ultimately get about everything he wants from the Czechs without a fight. Both France and Britain were bringing strong pressure to bear on Berlin, and the British especially were determined to avert general war if it could be done.

Prime Minister Chamberlain, it was said, was working out a plan under which his government would play the part of mediator. The scheme was based on autonomy for the 3,250,000 Germans in Czechoslovakia with freedom in municipal and educational affairs.

Henlein's German party in the Sudeten districts of Czechoslovakia was winning victories in municipal elections, and this made the Nazis quite cocky in their attitude. They refused to negotiate with the government until their safety had been guaranteed.

Southerners Are Sore

KNOWING they were fighting a losing battle, Southern representatives bitterly contested the progress of the wage-hour bill through the house. The test vote on discharge of the rules committee was 322 to 73.

In the debate that followed Northern Democrats and most of the Republicans indicated their approval of the measure. The South opposed it mainly because it contains no differentials in favor of that section.

Martin Loses in Oregon

GOV. CHARLES H. MARTIN of Oregon, the veteran soldier who has been fighting against the C. I. O. and other radicals, was beaten for renomination in the Democratic primary by Henry Hess who had the backing of labor unions and of Secretary of the Interior Ickes. Charles A. Sprague was nominated for governor by the Republicans and they believe they have a good chance to win in the fall elections, for the Democrats, there as in Pennsylvania, were badly split.

Two Taxation Decisions

IN TWO far-reaching decisions the United States Supreme court further narrowed the field of reciprocal intergovernmental tax immunity. The rulings continued the trend in the direction of President Roosevelt's theory that the federal and state governments can tax the salaries of each other's employees and the income of each other's securities without a constitutional amendment.

In a decision delivered by Justice Stone, the court upheld levying of federal income taxes on employees of the Port of New York authority. In a decision delivered by Justice Roberts, the court upheld federal admission taxes on tickets to football games conducted by the university system of Georgia.

Italy Warns France

ITALY intimated it would keep out of the Nazi-Czech quarrel, but Mussolini broke off the friendship talks with France and warned that continued French acquiescence in the shipment of arms to government Spain would not be tolerated. He said the past conversations could not be resumed until Franco and his rebels had won a clear-cut victory.

The Duce declared that unless France ceases aiding transmission of Soviet and Czech arms to Barcelona, Italy and Germany may be forced to increase their assistance to the insurgents. This naturally would endanger the new Anglo-Italian agreement.

Must Re-Hire Sit Strikers

THE National Labor Relations board ordered the Kuehne Manufacturing company, Flora, Ill., to reinstate with back pay 164 American Federation of Labor sit-down strikers.

It was the NLRB's third major sit-down decision, but the first involving an A. F. of L. union.

The labor board refused to answer 74 questions put to it by the Ford Motor company in United States circuit court at Covington, Ky. The board particularly resented being asked whether Thomas Corcoran, Benjamin V. Cohen, John L. Lewis or Homer Martin were consulted in arriving at an order charging the Ford company with violating the Wagner labor act.

"Doom-Sealers," Says Farley

POSTMASTER GENERAL FARLEY attacked the critics of the administration's spending - lending program in an address to the Commonwealth club of Chicago.

James A. Farley

"The doom-sealers," he said, "are again sending forth their mournful prophesies of evil because of government acts performed or suggested.

"Stocks are down a bit. There is a recurrence of vast unemployment. Certain taxes bear heavily on people or corporations with plethoric purses. So the same element that has held every national emergency as a precursor of doom is out again in full cry."

Asserting that he would not underestimate "either the value of criticism of government acts or the service of those who think they are warning us of impending dangers," he told his audience "there should be some intelligence, some reasonableness and some moderation in these controversies."

"The republic," he said, "is in no danger. It never has been in danger since the present administration checked the downward spiral of the big depression and started us again on the upward path."

Too Late for Wheat Quotas

SECRETARY WALLACE said that under the new crop control law it is too late to invoke marketing quotas on this year's indicated bumper wheat crop. He explained that the law authorized quotas this year only in the event congress appropriated funds by May 15 for "parity payments" provided in the new legislation.

Asks 23 Millions for Navy

CONGRESS received from the President a request that it appropriate $23,875,000 immediately to begin strengthening the nation's sea and air defenses in accordance with the billion dollar naval expansion act.

The President outlined the intended uses of the fund as follows in a letter to Speaker Bankhead:

For three new warships, ten auxiliaries and a fleet of small vessels of great speed and maneuverability, $16,500,000.

For nine patrol planes of the latest type, $3,375,000.

For a dirigible—the first since the Macon and Akron crashed several years ago—$500,000.

For improvements at navy yards, $3,500,000.

Predestination Is Out

GENERAL assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States, in session at Meriden, Miss., voted 151 to 130 to omit from the confession of faith these two important sections:

"By the decree of God, for the manifestation of his glory, some men and angels are predestined unto everlasting life and others foreordained to everlasting death.

"And their number is so certain and definite that it cannot be either increased or diminished."

Crop Loan Losses

LOSSES incurred by the federal government in crop loan operations by the Commodity Crop corporation since its creation in 1933 have totaled $83,987,495.

This was made known in a communication President Roosevelt sent to the capitol, asking that $94,285,404 be appropriated to restore the $100,000,000 capital of the corporation.

A budget bureau statement accompanying the President's communication showed that the bulk of the losses grew out of the shrinkage in the market value of cotton, corn, tobacco, turpentine and other commodities put up as collateral for price bolstering loans.

The principal loss of $51,459,150 was incurred in loans on the 1934 cotton crop.

Phil La Follette Snubbed

THE Wisconsin Farmer-Labor-Progressive federation snubbed Gov. Philip LaFollette, president of the new National Progressive party, and unanimously indorsed Daniel W. Hoan, Milwaukee's Socialist mayor, as progressive candidate for United States senator.

The convention applauded when the secretary ruled out Governor LaFollette's name as the indorsee for re-election.

Earle Beats C.I.O. Man

THE desperate primary battle among the Pennsylvania Democrats resulted in complete victory for Gov. George H. Earle and his state machine and equally complete defeat for the Duffey - Lewis - C. I. O. faction, whose candidates all the way down from senator and governor to minor county offices, were routed. Earle won the senatorship nomination over Mayor Wilson of Philadelphia, Charles Alvin Jones, Pittsburgh lawyer, captured the gubernatorial nomination, beating Thomas Kennedy, secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, who was on the Duffey-Lewis ticket.

Gov. Earle

Jim Farley, national committee chairman, had projected himself into the hot fight by advising the compromise choice of Earle and Kennedy, but the governor indignantly told him it was none of his business, and the voters gave him a swat on the head by rejecting his advice.

Republicans were elated because the returns showed a ground swell back toward G. O. P. conservatism. The Republican total vote exceeded the Democratic vote, and this fact, together with the graft and bribery charges that enlivened the campaign of the Democrats, led the Republican leaders to hope the Keystone state would return to the Republican fold in November.

Judge Arthur James won a smashing victory over Gifford Pinchot, twice governor, for the Republican gubernatorial nomination, and this was another swat at John L. Lewis, for he was reported ready to back Pinchot if Kennedy lost. Sen. James J. Davis was renominated by a heavy majority.

Both Senator Guffey and Lewis appear to have lost their claims to political leadership. Lewis had boasted that he controlled 800,000 C. I. O. votes in Pennsylvania, but the best he could do was 520,000. Earle, though he came out on top, was considered to have lost prestige greatly by the accusations of mis-rule made against his administration. His presidential aspirations were believed wrecked.

The C. I. O. has lost other political fights, but none so important as this. President William Green of the American Federation of Labor called the vote a complete "repudiation of the C. I. O. leadership." He added:

"It now has become abundantly clear that no candidate who bears the C. I. O. brand can be elected to high office in this country. The primaries proved the C. I. O. is a political liability, not a political power."

AROUND THE HOUSE

After Peeling Onions. — Dry mustard rubbed on wet hands after peeling onions removes all odors.

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Too Salty Soup.—A slice of raw potato added to soup to which too much salt has been added, and boiled in the soup for a few minutes will absorb much of the salt.

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Ironing Soft Collars. — When ironing men's soft collars iron on a Turkish towel doubled four times and they will iron much easier.

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To Clean Picture Frames and Glasses.—Wash with warm water and ammonia (a teaspoonful to a quart of water). For gilt frames, use the water in which onions have been boiled, as it will restore their brightness.

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Preserving Books. — To keep books on shelves or in cases in good condition, sprinkle occasionally with powdered camphor.

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Improving Canned Fruits.—Always open canned fruits an hour before serving. Fruits become richer in flavor after they have absorbed oxygen.

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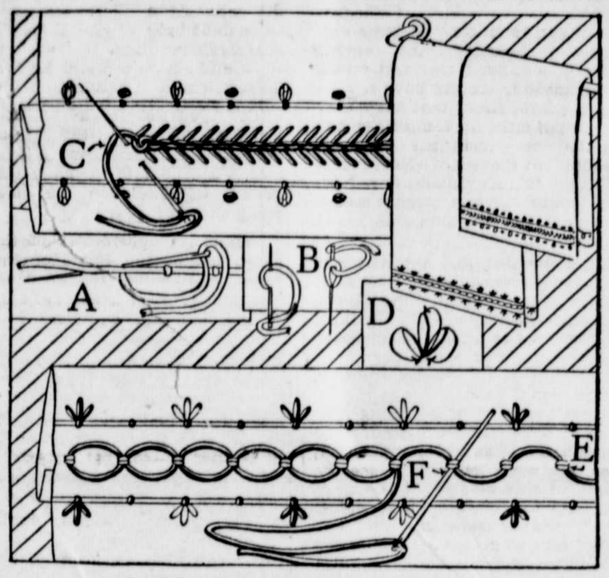

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The top border is royal blue and turkey red. To make the straight lines at the sides, couch blue thread in place with red as at A. The loop stitches along the edge are made as at B. The vertical loops are red and the smaller horizontal loops blue. The fish-bone stitch in the center is made in red as at C.

The lower border is light yellow and orange. The edge lines are yellow, couched in place with orange. The alternating groups of yellow and orange ray stitches along the edge are made as at D. For the center chain make evenly spaced yellow stitches in double thread as at E, then weave orange thread through them as at F.

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ASK ME ANOTHER ?

A Quiz With Answers Offering Information on Various Subjects

1. What was the Charter Oak?
2. What is the world's most ancient democracy?
3. How and when did the United States acquire Florida?
4. What is the total world's production of radium?
5. What ancient philosopher prophesied the income tax?
6. Was there a political party in America named Locofocos?
7. What does Tia Juana mean?

The Answers

1. A tree in Hartford, Conn., in which the Colonial charter was hid.
2. Switzerland is the world's most ancient democracy.
3. By purchase from Spain in 1819.
4. Approximately 750 grams, which would be 1.65 pounds.
5. Plato said, "When there is an income tax, the just man will pay more and the unjust less on the same amount of income."
6. The Locofocos party was in existence in the United States from 1824 to 1835.
7. Tia Juana means "Aunt Jane" in Spanish.

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