

SANDY'S family still insists that she must return to Murillo. The story is on Page 8.

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MOSTLY fair tonight and Thursday; lowest temperature tonight, 20 to 25; warmer Thursday.

LEAGUE IS DEFIED BY MUSSOLINI

Says No International Body Can Interfere With Italy's Internal Affairs.

STRESEMAN IS ANSWERED

Seen as Challenge to German Intention.

By Thomas B. Morgan
United Press Staff Correspondent
ROME, Feb. 10.—Premier Mussolini today told the Senate, in a reply to German Foreign Minister Stresemann's speech Tuesday, that Italy never would consent to any international body interfering with her internal affairs.

The statement was taken as a direct challenge to the suggested German intention of taking to the League of Nations the question of Mussolini's "Beyond Brenner" speech and the subject of the German minority in South Tyrol.

BAVARIAN PLOT BARED

London Hears of Scheme to Overthrow Fascist Control in Tyrol.
By United Press
LONDON, Feb. 10.—A Bavarian nationalist plot to overthrow the local Italian Fascist domination in Southern Tyrol, especially in the Fiesch (Adige) region, was reported in Bosen dispatches today to have been discovered by Fascist authorities.

The discovery was said to have been made in connection with the Fascist military arrests of fifty Germans possessing arms and munitions at the town of Lavarone.

Other arrests are reported impending.

Meantime Rome dispatches to the United Press reported patriotic demonstrations in many Italian cities, inspired by the "Beyond Brenner" speech of Premier Mussolini last Saturday which German Foreign Minister Stresemann answered yesterday.

Meantime Paris dispatches picture France as largely approving Mussolini's declarations, especially as France sees in the present agitation an attempt by Germany to fight Austria's battles as a preliminary to the much discussed Austro-German union. Such a strengthening of Germany is not welcomed in Paris.

APPLICATION RECEIVED

GENEVA, Feb. 10.—Germany's application for membership in the League of Nations has been received by the league secretariat. The application is without reservations or conditions.

26 AMERICANS HELD IN CHINA

Claimed as Hostages by Tuominchun Troops.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—American Minister MacMurray reported to the State Department today that Tuominchun troops at Peking have promised to investigate the holding as hostages of twenty-six Americans at Sinyang by Tuominchun troops. Tuominchun troops on Feb. 4 occupied Sinyang and claimed all foreign residents as hostages. Sinyang is about six hours' journey on the railroad back of Hankow, on the main railway line to Peking.

BOULDER FALLS ON INTERURBAN

Huge Stone Loosened by Snow—Five Men Injured.

By United Press
EAST LIVERPOOL, Ohio, Feb. 10.—Loosened by the heavy snow fall, a huge boulder crashed down a hillside into an interurban car here today, injuring five men seriously and terrorizing fifteen others.

The victims were employees of the Steubenville, East Liverpool and Beaver Valley Traction Company.

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AUTO INJURIES FATAL

Teacher Hurt Two Months Ago Dies at Goshen.

By United Press
GOSHEN, Ind., Feb. 10.—Ruth Long, 21, is dead here today from injuries sustained Dec. 5. The girl, who was a teacher in the Jamestown school near here, was struck by an automobile as she was leaving the school grounds.

TAKES HAND IN AIR MUSS

House Committee to Quiz Secretary Davis' Quiz.

By United Press
WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The House military committee today voted an investigation into the inquiry ordered by Secretary of War Davis into alleged "disloyalty" of air service officers.

CLASHES FEARED AS CONSEQUENCE OF TEAM RIVALRY

McCordsville Pupils, Forced to Attend at Fortville by Burning Down of Own School, to Be Kept Apart—Town Sees Calamity in Situation.

By Clyde G. Byers
Times Staff Correspondent

FORTVILLE, Ind., Feb. 10.—To preclude the possibility of clashes between Fortville students and seventy-three McCordsville senior and junior high school pupils who must start class attendance in Fortville's school building Thursday, plans of school officials provide there shall be no mingling of the enemy groups.

Observers declare sparks of basketball rivalry might be fanned to flames of fighting at the least provocation.

Rooms Allocated
As a result, four rooms of the Fortville building have been allotted to McCordsville students, and it has been arranged that the net teams of the two schools shall not use the gymnasium at any time together.

Fortville is twenty miles north-east of Indianapolis. In Vernon Township, Hancock County.

McCordsville's school burned early Sunday morning, necessitating attendance of the students here the rest of this term. Students will be brought the five-mile distance on buses.

Rivalry between the schools, which caused a suspension of athletic relations this year, dates back many years, according to L. N. Blue, McCordsville principal, and revolved about the alleged taking of a basketball from McCordsville gymnasium, by the Fortville team.

"The basketball was taken up there, all right, but we got it back," Blue said. "We were called up on the green carpet before the State High School Athletic Association."

He said, "The result of a game we played with them down here."

"The schools are going to be separate and I don't expect trouble if we keep them apart."

Teams Separate
Coach E. H. Wright of McCordsville said the Fortville team would use the gymnasium after school and his boys would practice after school.

Principal L. N. Blue of Fortville, said he believed that the plans would preclude the possibility of clashes. He admitted high-strung competition existed between the schools, but denied it was a result of acrimony.

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SAYS FORT HAS BAD QUARTERS

Legion Starts Drive for Better Conditions.

Following a report of a committee of the John H. Holliday post of the American Legion that soldiers at Ft. Benjamin Harrison are housed in dilapidated, leaky wooden shacks, improperly heated, a drive was under way today to urge Congress to appropriate money for repairs.

Aaron P. Head, post commander, said the Legion would pursue the campaign through "proper channels" to insure adequate housing for enlisted men and officers.

The report declared insufficient housing arrangements had resulted in assignment of commissioned officers to quarters of noncommissioned officers, who were forced to live in farm houses.

The committee was headed by Richard H. Habbe.

SHOT VICTIM IMPROVES

Condition of Florist, Accidentally Injured, Reported Better at Hospital.

Slight improvement was noted in the condition of George Pandell, 906 S. Noble St., florist, in St. Vincent Hospital suffering from a bullet wound in his chest received Monday at his summer cottage in Ravenswood.

Police were told revolver Pandell was carrying was accidentally discharged.

BEECH GROVE ASPIRES

Petitions Circulated to Make Town City of Fifth Class.

Petitions are circulating about Beech Grove today in an effort to reincorporate the town into a city of the fifth class, following a mass meeting Tuesday night.

A strong faction proposes to abolish the present town board and substitute a mayor, city council and various commissioners. There are 3,500 citizens in Beech Grove, 1,500 of them said to be voters.

JUDGE MILLER ILL

Judge Sidney S. Miller of Superior Court Three is ill at his home, 1308 N. Alabama St., it was announced today. Maurice Tennant has been named special judge until Judge Miller is able to resume his duties.

Local Women in De Pauw Beauty Contest



Above—Miss Lois Booth (left), Miss Eugenia Anderson (right). Below—Miss Mary Ann Tall.

—Photos by Hillary G. Bailey.

THREE Indianapolis women are among thirty De Pauw University contestants entered in the beauty contest conducted by The Mirage, college yearbook.

Pictures of winners will be published in the annual.

Miss Lois Booth, 2727 Ashland Ave.; Eugenia Anderson, 2303 Broadway, and Mary Ann Tall, 3173 N. Capitol Ave., are the Indianapolis girls.

Hillary G. Bailey, of the Shadowland studio, Greencastle, will display the photos of the thirty entrants in the window of H. Lieber Company, 24 W. Washington St.

Indianapolis Advertising Club members will select the six most beautiful coeds from photographs.

LOCAL HOUSEWIVES DEFY 'BREAD TRUST'

Thousands Could 'Bake Their Own' if Prices Mount Too High.

Thousands of Indianapolis women could bake their own bread if the two billion dollar Ward Food Products Corporation, which Government officials fear will be a "bread trust" attempts to boost prices, local domestic science teachers declare.

The Government has filed suit in Baltimore Md., to block incorporation of the concern. The Taggart Baking Company here is controlled by the Continental Baking Company, one of the firms in the merger.

Mrs. Ida C. Langewich, general director of domestic science in public schools, estimated 1,000 eighth grade girls are taught to make bread each year. Only about thirty percent of the girls and their mothers could "bake their own."

Mrs. W. J. Marks, 2311 N. New Jersey St., Home Economics Club director of domestic science, said at least 500 women she had taught, could "bake their own."

First call to the defense was issued by Mrs. Julian Heath, National Housewives' League president, who urged members to communicate with Senators and Congressmen to "see the business of housekeeping is protected."

During the World War the Indianapolis branch of the league did valuable work in breaking up a local sugar trust and keeping the price of bread from soaring too high. Chief aid in the latter was Mrs. M. G. Erbe, 1565 Park Ave., whose loaf of delicious homemade, reasonably priced bread won a fair price committee decision. What the league did then it is prepared to do now, should the merger have ill effects, and Mrs. Erbe has her bread-recipe ready.

Other cities fared worse. The storm took a toll of nine lives in the East. A truck driver was killed in New York, as was another in Greenwich, Conn., two died from exposure at Philadelphia, two at Washington and a trolley accident caused by a blinding snow in New Haven, Conn., brought death to a truck driver. One sailor was believed to have lost his life when a fishing schooner was driven ashore off Gloucester, Mass. The body of an unidentified man was found in a Boston snow bank.

And in Indianapolis, even the robins were out enjoying the snow. George Shaler, 1301 Kentucky Ave., reported seeing a "red bread" in his front yard.

FRANCO REACHES GOAL

Spanish Birdman Greeted Wildly by Buenos Aires.

By United Press
BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 10.—Commander Ramon Franco, Spanish birdman, today successfully completed his 6,300-mile flight from Havana, Spain, reaching here at 12:20 p. m. He was wildly greeted by the entire city.

Franco is the first to make a Spain-Argentina flight. His journey took him to the Canaries, Cape Verde Islands, Fernando Noronha, Pernambuco and Rio de Janeiro.

CHANGE LUNCHEON DATE

Traffic Club to Hear Lectures on Psychology.

Luncheon meetings of the Traffic Club will be held at the Severn on Fridays instead of Mondays, beginning this week, Herbert L. Smith, secretary, announced today.

Prof. Edgar L. Yeager of Indiana University will deliver a series of lectures on elementary psychology.

Rah! Rah! Punch 'Im in the Nose

Yes! Rah! George. Knock 'im on the floor. We've got 'em. Knock 'im out the door.

COLLEGIATE rooting at a boxing match is the inspiration of George Mulholland, Butler, 25, recently turned professional paster in the squared circle, or "ring."

George took up the gentle art of assault and battery on a "pro" scale to make money to go East to a big school next fall after he graduates from Butler.

To make himself worth more to promoters, George decided to "pack 'em in" at Tomlinson Hall tonight when he fights Jim Savage in the "headline" bout.

"There ought to be about 150 of the gang there," George said. "Why I've sold fifty tickets myself and they've got 'em." The fraternity meeting will tomorrow night so all the fellows at the house can go down."

Tommy Smith, also 25, a fraternity brother, and Butler's cheer leader, will command the collegiate moral support in his usual white and blue sweater.

"This'll be a sweet system of getting George in the B. M. (big money) class," Tommy observed.

Officials of the National Athletic Club, promoting the athletic encounter between the college hero and the Chicago heavy, announced every seat in Section A had been reserved for Butler students.

George played right guard on the Butler Bulldog football squad and is majoring in English and economics studies.

"I'm going right on to school, maybe some big school down East, if I make the money," he said.

Asked if he intended to fight for a living when school days end, he said:

WAR SHRINE WORK TO BE BEGUN SOON

Contract Awarded for Foundation of Main Memorial Plaza Building at Cost of \$289,000.

After more than five years, trustees of the Indiana World War Memorial awarded the contract today for the erection of the foundation of the main building of the Plaza project in the block bounded by Vermont, Michigan, Meridian and Pennsylvania Sts.

E. C. Strathmann Company was awarded the contract on its low bid of \$289,000. Under the contract the firm will start excavation for the building's foundation and basement archives within ten days.

Its bid was the lowest of ten received.

The firm was low in previous bidding competition, but the contract was not awarded when the State board of accounts objected to specifications, charging they restricted reinforcement steel to that manufactured by a firm in which Walker & Weeks, architects for the building, were interested. The specifications were changed following an investigation.

Secretary Elected
Frank W. Henley, State American Legion adjutant, was elected secretary of the memorial commission, at \$2,500 a year to succeed Paul Comstock of Richmond.

The main building foundation and archives must be completed Aug. 31, 1926. The work extends twenty feet under ground. The building will be 184 feet square. The foundation, however, will extend under a 75 by 75-foot south approach and a 65 by 112-foot north approach.

Excavation work likely will start by the middle of next week, E. C. Strathmann, president of the construction firm, said.

"Down to Business"
Marcus S. Sonntag, Evansville, president of the Memorial Commission, provided for by a legislative act five years ago, last November and appointed by Governor James P. Goodrich, said: "We are at last getting down to business."

Sonntag explained the commission would advertise for bids on the super-structure, probably immediately after completion of the foundation and basement. Strathmann's contract provides a penalty of \$150 a day, for every day the building is not completed after Aug. 31.

Near Churches
Plans for the building do not prevent the First Baptist and Second Presbyterian Churches remaining in their present locations. It was said. The south approach, however, will be almost flush against them if the county does not buy and remove them.

The Bobbs-Merrill Bldg. and others on the site will be wrecked by the middle of July, Sonntag said.

Commissioners attending the meeting were Sonntag, Vice President Howard O'Neill, Crawfordsville; Thomas B. Coulter, Vincennes; Samuel D. Royce, Terre Haute; James P. Goodrich, Winchester; William F. Gleason, Gary; Robert R. Batton, Marion; Lule H. Moore, Ft. Wayne; Miss Perrella Boyd, Deputy; Dr. O. R. Bird, Greensburg, and William L. Elder, Indianapolis.

FOUR CHILDREN PERISH IN FIRE

Mother Saves Two in Jump From Roof.

By United Press
COATESVILLE, Pa., Feb. 10.—Four children were burned to death when fire caused by an exploding oil lamp destroyed the home of Benjamin Ertter, a farmer, at Coates town, three miles south of here, today.

Two children, William 11, and Edwood 4, were saved by Mrs. Ertter when she climbed onto a porch roof and jumped to the ground with them in her arms.

The others, Francis 8, Benjamin Jr. 5, George 3 and Theodore 2, were burned to death in their beds, the flames preventing all efforts of their father and neighbors to rescue them.

Continued School Quiz
Chamber Investigates Heating and Ventilating Systems.

Inquiry by an education subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce concerning heating and ventilating systems in the Indianapolis public schools will be continued, it was announced today. The committee did not make any recommendation to the school board on the systems, Tuesday night.

Clarence C. Shipp, manufacturer of the D-I device to be placed in School 78, was quizzed.

GAME WARDEN WOUNDS MAN

Officer Also Shot in Encounter With Hunters.

Roy Vehr, Rushville, is in a Greencastle hospital with a revolver wound in his leg as a result of a gun battle with three State game wardens at noon somewhere in Putnam County, according to a telephone report to southern division Game Warden Chief Fred M. Ehlers, at the Statehouse this afternoon.

Berkley Watson, Greencastle, and A. R. Hill and John T. Pyle, game wardens, came upon two men hunting. Ehler said he was informed. One shot at Pyle. His clothes were torn. Hill then shot Vehr, wounding him in the leg. He was taken to a Greencastle hospital.

FISH BOAT WRECKED

One Man Reported Drowned—Nine Reach Safety.

By United Press
GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 10.—At least one man is believed to have drowned and several others escaped a similar fate today when a seventy-mile gale drove the fishing schooner Ralph Brown ashore on Long Beach. Of the twenty-one members of the crew, nineteen reached safety.

BEER FOES USE MACHINE GUNS

Two Wounded as Chicago Saloon Is Fired On.

By United Press
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