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## Mussolini's Ruling Blow to Catholics

Decrees Membership in Both Fascisti and Azione Incompatible.

### MOST DRASIC MOVE

Controversy Will Flare to New Heights With Edict.

By United Press  
ROME, July 9.—Premier Benito Mussolini ruled today that membership in both the Fascist party and in Azione Cattolica, the Catholic lay organization, are incompatible. The ruling was regarded as the most drastic move yet taken in the controversy between the Vatican and Italy, and would compel Catholics to desert Azione if they desire to remain Fascists.

Mussolini's decision was announced in a circular which the secretary of the Fascist party sent to all branches of the party. The circular, after revealing the order from the head of the government and the head of Fascism, said:

"Compatibility of membership in the Fascist party and organizations under jurisdiction of Azione Cattolica is hereby revoked."

#### Rule out 1930 Law

Membership in the two bodies simultaneously had been proclaimed compatible by Augusto Turati, then secretary of the Fascist party, after his official visit to the pope in February of 1930.

The newspaper *Gional d'Italia* in an obviously "inspired" article earlier in the day, asserted that the pontiff had worked with enemies of the Fascists both at home and abroad.

The charge followed earlier press attacks involving the Catholic laymen's organization, Azione Cattolica—which it was asserted also was involved in anti-Fascist activities—but for the first time aimed directly at the pope.

#### Challenge Is Issued

A challenge was issued by the newspaper to the *Osservatore Romano*, semi-official Vatican organ, defying it to disavow formally any neutrality between the pope and anti-Fascists.

The recent encyclical of Pope Pius, which was sent secretly to Pius, was declared to be a "violent act of hostility" because of its attacks on the Fascists in connection with the education of the youth of the nation.

#### CAKE FOR ROCKEFELLER

Rain Keeps John D. From Usual Golf Birthday.

By United Press  
TARRYTOWN, N. Y., July 9.—Rain kept John D. Rockefeller Sr. from playing his usual nine holes of golf Wednesday, his ninety-second birthday, but he enjoyed his regular automobile ride and a simple celebration with the family at dinner.

There was a frosted birthday cake on the table.

#### SLAMS DEBT HOLIDAY

Hoover Hasn't "Pulled Very Big Rabbit Out of Hat," Says Colby.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, July 9.—The war debt moratorium obtained by President Hoover will benefit bankers, but when the American people realize they are paying other nations' war debts "it will be seen that the President hasn't pulled a very big rabbit out of the hat," in the opinion of Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state under Wilson.

#### EX-CONGRESSMAN DEAD

Pistol Wound Fatal to R. L. Henry, Wet Candidate for Senate.

By United Press  
HOUSTON, Tex., July 9.—R. L. Henry, 67-year-old former congressman and wet candidate for the United States Senate in the last election, died today from a pistol wound.

Henry was found shot through the head in the bathroom of his home. He was found lying unconscious on the floor and never regained consciousness. A pistol lay by his side, fired once. He had been in ill health for more than a year.

#### OCEAN YACHT SIGHTED

Europe Gets Glimpse of American Ketch Battling Atlantic.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, July 9.—The American Ketch, Landfall, is the first of the yachts reported sighted after putting out Saturday from Newport on a trans-Atlantic race.

The Landfall is reported as being about 500 miles east of New York. She was sighted by the liner Europa.

#### STIMSON IS IN ROME

U. S. Secretary of State Arrives at Foreign Ministry in Tour.

By United Press  
ROME, July 9.—Colonel Henry L. Stimson, American secretary of state on a tour of Europe, arrived at the foreign ministry today in company of Ambassador John W. Garrett.

He was conducted to the office of Dino Grandi, Italian foreign minister.

## U. S.-Tokio Fliers Are Forced to Land at Nome

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday with little change in temperature.

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make a contact with their refueling plane.

By United Press  
NOME, Alaska, July 9.—

Harmered by fog and poor visibility, Reginald L. Rob

bins, "old man endurance from Texas," and Harold S. Jones, flying oil man, were hovering uncertainly over Nome today fruitlessly attempting a refueling contact

in their nonstop flight to Tokio.

After making a 1,900-mile hop from Seattle, Wash., to this last outpost of the North American continent, the Texans had circled several hours over Nome unable to effect the refueling contact with their big plane.

Zooming out of murky skies, the trim yellow and

white monoplane first made its appearance over Nome at 7 a. m. (Indianapolis time) and headed northward toward the Bering Straits. Later, however, the Ft. Worth reappeared and circled slowly over the city.

Built for endurance rather than speed, the Ft. Worth on its way here plodded steadily through the air, hitting a

pace at slightly under ninety miles an hour.

With their contemplated route lying across the Bering sea and the Pacific ocean and down the coast of Siberia covering an area of uncertain weather conditions, the fliers faced the possibility of sudden and fickle squalls that may arise at any moment to menace them.

## Post, Gatty Dip in Salute to City



Left to right: Dan McDuffee, Mrs. Wiley Post, Mrs. J. H. McDuffee, Mrs. Harold Gatty and J. H. McDuffee.

Aviation's latest heroes, Wiley

wives of the fliers, who climbed into the Prest-O-Lite Lockheed, a sister ship of the Winnie Mae, and took off to speed with their husbands into the west.

The Prest-O-Lite plane was offered to transport Mrs. Gatty and Mrs. Post after the plane in which they rode from New York was damaged when it ground looped on the field at Port Columbus, O., Wednesday.

J. H. McDuffee, vice-president and general manager of the Prest-O-Lite Company, who offered the plane, joined the wives of the fliers here for the ride to Chickasha. Dick Knox was at the controls of the plane, and Dan McDuffee, son of the Prest-O-Lite official, was a passenger. Dan McDuffee left the plane here.

Mrs. Gatty and Mrs. Post took off from Port Columbus this morning at 8:20 (Indianapolis time) and arrived here an hour later.

The field they were greeted by Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan, a few city officials and a handful of spectators and airport attaches. They posed for photographs and talked with newspapermen.

"I was a little scared when we had the accident yesterday," Mrs. Gatty confessed. "She is a novice in the air, having made her first trip into the sky to rush eastward to greet her famous husband when the Winnie May completed its dash around the world last week.

The flight the ground loop gave her, though, hasn't dampened her enthusiasm for flying, she said.

Heavily fueled, the Winnie Mae was to make the flight from Port Columbus to Chickasha without a stop.

The around-the-world ship appeared over Municipal airport at 9:35 a. m.

## Prosecutor Is 'Beaten Up' by Ex-Convict and Pals

By United Press

CLEVELAND, July 9.—Three men, one of them an ex-convict sent to Mansfield reformatory by Assistant County Prosecutor John A. Fitzmartin, attacked the county official here today, beating him into unconsciousness as he sought to fend them off.

The attack occurred as Fitzmartin was driving home from the residence of a friend. The prosecutor's automobile was forced to the curb, and his three assailants leaped on the running board, pulling open the door of the car.

they began beating him with their fists.

"For nearly five minutes the three stood on the running board and beat me," Fitzmartin said. "I tried to defend myself, but it was useless. When I sank down in the seat, my kicks kicked me several times."

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On the ground as the white Lockheed roared fifty feet off the ground at almost 200 miles an hour were

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