

SENATE GROUP REFUSES TO REVEAL PLANE SALE DETAILS

Week of Defense Debate Opens; La Follette Committee Urges Restraint of Industrial Police

Hull Indorses Policies, Calls Armament 'Sacred Duty.'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The Senate Military Affairs Committee today rejected, 10 to 6, a proposal to make public its record concerning the aid given by the United States Government to a French Air Mission that proposes to buy about 600 new American-made fighting planes.

Chairman Sheppard (D. Tex.) said that the committee's action was based upon the belief that "faith should be kept" with witnesses who had testified in secret.

Senator Bennett Champ Clark (D. Mo.) who led a bipartisan group seeking to disclose details of the aid given France, offered the motion.

Sensors supporting Senator Clark here were Lundeen (F-L Minn.); Austin (R. Vt.); Nye (R. N. D.); Bridges (R. N. H.); and Gurney (R. S. D.).

The other Democrats, including Senator Minner (D. Ind.), voted against the motion, along with Senator Holman (R. Ore.).

The meeting of the Military Affairs Committee today began a week in which the House is expected to complete work on President Roosevelt's request for an emergency defense program to increase the fighting strength of the air force to 5500 planes within 18 months.

Debate Starts Today

Debate on the 376-million-dollar bill providing for more than 3000 new planes, additional fortifications for the Panama Canal Zone, placing of "educational" orders with industry for war materials, and a training program for new pilots, was scheduled to begin today. But leaders' plans to adjourn the House a few minutes after noon in tribute to the late Pope Pius XI will postpone action until tomorrow.

In a radio address last night, sponsored by the United States New York World's Fair Commission and broadcast nationwide and by short wave abroad by the National Broadcasting Co., Mr. Hull declared that it was a "sacred duty" to strengthen defense forces when the specter of a major war "haunts the world."

Supreme Court Film Ruling Called Vital

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The Supreme Court, in a decision characterized by Government officials as of far-reaching significance today upheld validity of an anti-trust decree enjoining movie distributors from enforcing price restrictions on exhibitors.

The decree was issued by the Northern Texas Federal District Court. It enjoined eight major distributors from enforcing contractual prohibitions against exhibiting certain "A" films as part of double feature programs or in theaters charging less than 25 cents for evening performances.

"The decision," Solicitor General Robert H. Jackson declared, "upholding the application of the anti-trust laws to agreements affecting copyrighted and, by inference, patented articles is one of the most significant to the enforcement of the anti-trust laws ever handed down."

Mr. Jackson explained that he believed the ruling might open the way toward application of anti-trust laws to numerous copyrighted and patented articles previously held by the Supreme Court to be legal monopolies, subject to complete control of the copyright or patent holders.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

CLARK move to publicize phone deal defeated.

MARITIME Commission reveals strides in Merchant Marine rehabilitation.

ROOSEVELT captured by Ft. Wayne housing experiment.

LA FOLLETTE committee asks curb on private police.

LUDLOW lodges protests on Southern rail rates, putting churches under social security.

SUPREME COURT upholds injunction against double feature bans.

RESOURCES planning on permanent basis asked.

DR. TOWNSEND to appear before House Committee.

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U. S. REPORTED GAINING ON SEAS

Maritime Commission Says 'Long and Dangerous' Decline Checked.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The Maritime Commission reported to Congress today that the United States was well on the way to becoming a first-rate maritime power and re-emphasized the importance of a merchant fleet as a naval auxiliary in time of war.

"Rehabilitation of this merchant marine is definitely under way," the commission's annual report said. "The long and dangerous decline of our merchant fleet has been checked, the process reversed, and progress forward has begun."

Prospects for the return of the American flag to a place upon the seas commensurate with our country's position as a world power are the brightest in many years."

The report contained no recommendations for legislation, but the commission indicated it would suggest some later.

In the first full year of its operation, the commission declared it had more than fulfilled its self-imposed quota of 50 new ships a year for 10 years.

At the end of the calendar year, 1938, the report disclosed, the commission had 52 new ships of 425,000 gross tons under construction in private yards, with private operators or for its own account. The majority of these probably will be launched this year and will be ready to take their place on trade routes by 1940.

Ludlow Lodges Double Protest

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13. — Rep. Louis Ludlow (D. Ind.) made a double protest in Congress today, first against a series of bills designed to reduce southern freight rates and secondly against placing employees of churches and religious organizations under the Social Security Act.

"Unless our industrialists in Indiana and other northern states wake up to this so-called protection to 'life interterritorial freight barriers they may find themselves badly hurt,'" Rep. Ludlow declared. "In the South the manufacturers have natural and statutory ad-

Reports on Study of Harlan and 'Little Steel' Strike.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The Senate Civil Liberties Committee today recommended that Congress enact legislation to restrict the functioning of industrial police systems and prohibit labor espionage, shadowing, coercing and intimidation of workers.

The recommendations were based on the committee's inquiry into industrial strife and particularly its examination of conditions in Harlan County, Ky., and the Republic Steel Corp., prior to and during the so-called "Little Steel" strike of 1937.

The committee, headed by Senator Robert M. La Follette Jr. (Prog. Wis.), advised the Senate that it is drafting legislation to cover its recommendations. The report is the second of a series by the committee.

"Functions of private police systems must be restricted to the protection of plant and property," the committee said. "Employers using the channels of interstate commerce should not be permitted to spread and perpetuate a system of shadowing the civil rights guaranteed by the Federal Constitution and Federal legislation."

The committee said it did not seek to curtail rights of employers to police and protect industrial property and premises.

Hits Criminal Guards

"In only one respect does it seem advisable to regulate the personnel which employers may hire," the committee said, "and that is to prohibit the employment as armed guards of persons who have previous criminal records showing a tendency toward violence or the dangerous use of deadly weapons."

"Legislative remedies, in the opinion of the committee, should be aimed to prohibit the practice of labor espionage and the shadowing, coercion and intimidation of workers in ordinary times and to restrict company police to company property in times of strike."

A statutory prohibition of these practices by private police systems, carefully defined, will also cover the similar practices of detective and strikebreaking agencies.

"Where private police systems are used as instruments of anti-union policy they abridge and violate the rights of labor guaranteed by Federal statutes, result in riots and bloodshed and endanger the public safety," the committee reported.

Roosevelt Urges Resources Planning

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—President Roosevelt today asked Congress to provide for establishing Government resources planning on a permanent basis.

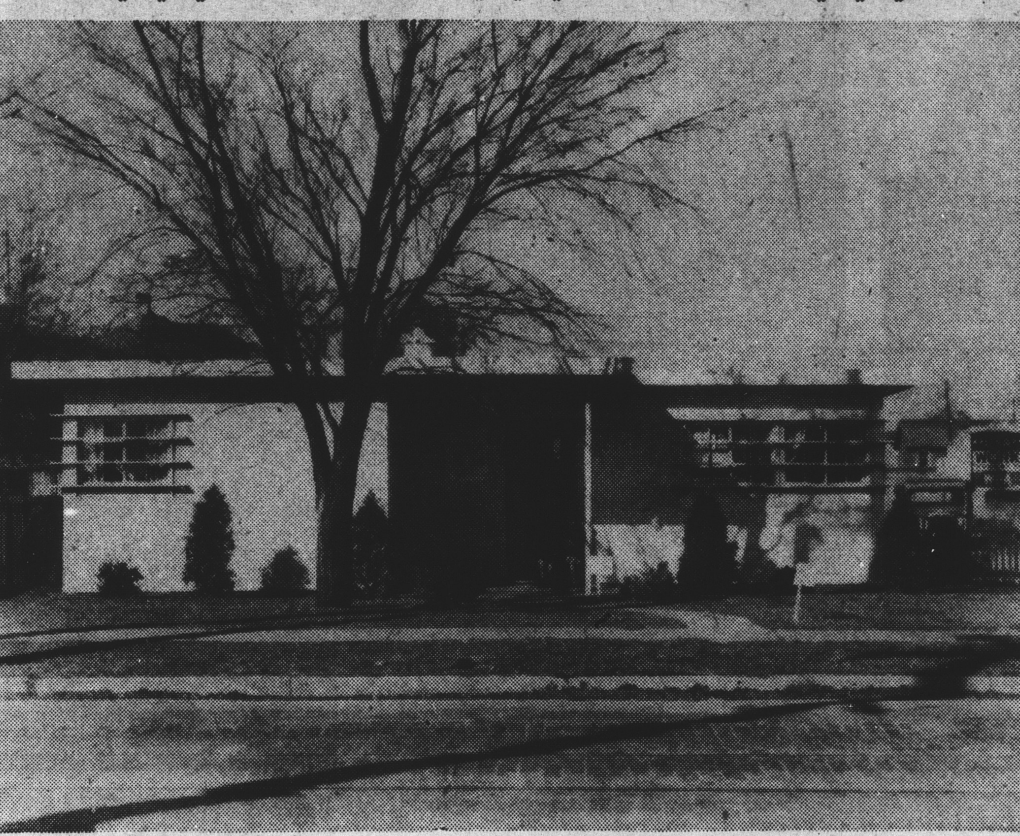
WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The House Ways and Means Committee today agreed to hear Dr. Francis B. Townsend, legislative counsel to the House, and two Senators backing his plan. They will testify on Thursday.

The Senators, Pepper (D. Fla.) who introduced the Townsend bill in the Senate, and Nye (R. N. D.),

advances which northern manufacturers do not have."

His protest against placing church and religious employees under social security was filed with the Ways and Means committee. Such action would violate the American principle of separation of church and state, Rep. Ludlow contends.

Movies of Ft. Wayne Housing Prompt Roosevelt To Propose Similar Project for Poughkeepsie, N. Y.



Built by WPA labor and financed by the Ft. Wayne Housing Authority, this low-cost, four-room apartment house is the first to be put up for Ft. Wayne's relief families. The houses rent for \$2.50 a week, and cost \$900 to construct, not counting expense for labor.

1,200,000 VIEW POPE PIUS' BODY

Burial Set for Tomorrow; Italians Oppose Choice Of Foreigner.

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At the last of the nine-day series of masses, and the Rev. Msgr. Antonio Bacchi to make the funeral oration after Mass of the Holy Ghost.

Many Offices Closed

Many offices were forced to close today because employees took an unofficial holiday in their determination to pay homage. Many thousands could not get into the chapel yesterday, after waiting for hours, because of the tremendous crowd. So unmanageable did it become that after troop cordons had been broken, the doors of St. Peter's were closed at 5 p. m. instead of 7 p. m. It was planned to keep the church and chapel open until 7 o'clock tonight and close it at noon tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—Both Houses of Congress adjourned a few minutes after noon today in memory of His Holiness Pope Pius XI.

The action was most unusual, taken technically in respect for the head of a foreign state, though the United States does not have formal diplomatic relations with the Vatican.

Italians, discussing possible successors as the 26th Pope, seemed to exclude the idea that any but an Italian could or should be elected. For instance, the well-informed newspaper, Popolo di Roma, discussing the possibilities, named only Italians—the Eminences Giovanni Cardinal Naselli-Rocca, archbishop of Bologna; Luigi Cardinal Lavitara, archbishop of Palermo; Francesco Cardinal Tedeschini, archbishop of Palermo; Luigi Cardinal Magliani, archbishop of Palermo; and Massimo Cardinal Massimo, prefect of the Oriental Codification, president, and Adolfo Cardinal Piazza, patriarch of Venice.

It was emphasized that all lists were purely speculative. There is a saying, for which there is considerable basis, that "who enters the conclave as Pope comes out a Cardinal"—that candidate who are most prominently mentioned are not elected. Though there were more than 40 Cardinals here when the Pope died—come for the celebrations of the Lateran signing of the 7th year of Pope Pius's reign—most of them were home as soon as he died. This was because tradition holds that whoever is elected Pope must remain at the Vatican and renounce all thought of returning home.

Compromise Expected

Hence some of the Cardinals went at once to wind up their personal affairs.

After the nine days of masses for the dead Pope, the Cardinals begin exchanging visits and discussing the elective conclave. Then names of men who will be voted for—and will be most likely eliminated in favor of a compromise candidate—are mentioned. It was suggested that this conclave might last four or five days, during which the Cardinals will be completely isolated from the world.

News that United States and South American Cardinals were coming to the conclave caused a most favorable impression in church circles. It was said that their presence in general and east portions tonight, colder in west and central portions tomorrow.

WEATHER IN OTHER CITIES AT 7 A. M.

Station	Weather	Bar.	Temp.
Amariillo, Tex.	Clear	29.82	38
Albuquerque, N. M.	Clear	29.82	38
Boston	Cloudy	30.02	38
Chicago	Cloudy	30.02	38
Cincinnati	Cloudy	30.02	38
Cleveland	Cloudy	30.02	38
Denver	Cloudy	30.02	38
Dodge City, Kan.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Helena, Mont.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Jacksonville, Fla.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Kansas City, Mo.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Little Rock, Ark.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Los Angeles	Cloudy	30.02	38
Miami, Fla.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Mobile, Ala.	Cloudy	30.02	38
New Orleans	Cloudy	30.02	38
New York	Cloudy	30.02	38
Omaha, Neb.	Cloudy	30.02	38
Pittsburgh	Cloudy	30.02	38
Portland, Ore.	Cloudy	30.02	38
San Antonio, Tex.	Cloudy	30.02	38
San Francisco	Cloudy	30.02	38
St. Louis	Cloudy	30.02	38
St. Paul	Cloudy	30.02	38
Washington, D. C.	Cloudy	30.02	38

PARK SERVICE MAY END

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 (U. P.).—The National Park Service has informed welfare groups operating recreation demonstration centers throughout the country that it could not guarantee maintenance of the centers after the end of the fiscal year, July 1.

City Pays Lincoln Tribute; Taft Aims at Presidency

Bobbitt Asks Return of Philosophy That Guided Emancipator.

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The State heard the New Deal severely criticized.

At a meeting in Bedford Arch N. Bobbitt, Republican State chairman, declared Governor Townsend "to be utterly unfitted for the governorship." Declaring that "conditions in Indiana are but a reflection of those in the United States," Mr. Bobbitt asked "for the return to the principles and philosophy that guided the 'Great Emancipator.'"

Homer Caphart, host to the Republican "confrontation" last year, asked for a leadership in which the people can have confidence, in an address at Columbus.

Congressman Gerald W. Landis spoke Saturday at Linton and is to speak tonight at Vincennes. State Senator William E. Jenner was principal speaker at a Madison County rally at Anderson.

Congressman Charles A. Halleck, dean of the Indiana delegation, spoke at the Buckeye Republican Club banquet at Columbus, O., Saturday. Congressman Forest A. Harnes spoke today at a G. O. P. gathering at Kokomo.

Lincoln programs were to be held in public and parochial schools and several commemorative services were to be held by political and other organizations. Programs will be given tonight by the Irvington Republican Club, by the Marion County Republican Club, and the Ninth Ward G. O. P. Club.

At the Columbia Club's annual beefsteak dinner tonight addresses will be devoted to reviews of Lincoln's career. The Fourth Degree dinner meeting of the Knights of Columbus at 6:30 p. m. in the K. of C. clubhouse also will be in the form of a Lincoln's birthday observance.

A costume review of the Civil War President's Gettysburg address will be given by George Hill, local attorney, at the Lions Club Lincoln party tomorrow night at the Riviera Club.

Yesterday, members of Broad Ripple Republican Club, who split rails in a Lincoln contest and Ross E. Lockridge, State historian, addressed post members.

The City's art role on Lincoln has been placed on display at the John Herron Art Museum as a special February exhibit.

Lauds 'Common Sense'

Adoption of Lincoln's creed for labor, his advice for economy in government and his common sense attitude in foreign diplomacy was advocated by Congressman Harnes in his address.

"Everything basic in the creed of Lincoln and his Republican Party is the direct antithesis of the New Deal," he declared as he urged Indiana Republicans to honor the Great Emancipator "by action," where we cannot add to his greatness through lip service."

Leadership based on Lincolnian justice, patience and courage is needed to restore internal harmony, he said, "but the total result of American statesmanship in the past six years has served merely to aggravate and magnify the disturbances."

"We must show every laboring man that the leader who follows Lincoln is the best friend of labor. To secure to each laborer the whole product of his labor... is a worthy subject of any government, and labor is the superior of capital and deserves the much higher consideration, and the strongest bond of fellowship should be the one uniting all working people."

"If we can apply the same justice and patience, as followers of Lincoln, the unrest and uncertainty which have been hampering recovery can be removed as mere incidents in our national life."

Congressman Harnes attacked the "bell-meal extension of government, boot-strap economics" and the "skyrocketing of Federal debt and taxes" as exactly opposite to "every principle of Lincoln." The New Deal "borrow and spend your way to prosperity" is a violation of arithmetic and common sense, he declared.

The President greatly overestimated the immediate risks of aggression, Congressman Harnes maintained, as he attacked the "blunders of secret diplomacy." "Until further evi-

TWO ARE HELD, GEMS CHECKED IN ROMIG CASE

Ex-Convict, Stepdaughter Detained for Investigation Without Bond.

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have had at least one interview with Mrs. Romig relative to the sale of her restaurant at 209 Massachusetts Ave.

Federal Bureau of Identification records show, police said, that the man's criminal career began more than 20 years ago and that he has served sentences in Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin on charges of conducting confidence games, robbery and bad checks.

Persons living at the Romig apartment building told police after the crime that she had several callers during the morning.

One person told police she saw a man who asked to be directed to the apartment of the woman who had the restaurant for sale and another said she had answered a phone call in the Romig apartment during the morning and had heard a man's voice in the front room. At that time, Mrs. Romig had told her, police were informed, that she was talking business.

Mrs. Romig was a native of Randolph, Ill., and spent the early years of her life in Bloomington, Ill. In recent years she lived in Indianapolis and Shelbyville. She left personal property and money valued at more than \$50,000 to her husband and other relatives.

SEEK CLUES HERE IN CINCINNATI DEATH

Prosecutor and Aids Plan To Interview Widow.

Prosecutor Carl W. Rich of Cincinnati said today that he and his aids here this afternoon in their investigation of the mysterious death Feb. 5 of Willard H. Armstrong, 38, former Indianapolis man.

Mr. Armstrong's body was found in a heavy paper bag by his widow, Mrs. Jessie Armstrong, when she returned from Morristown where she had attended a christening. Mr. Armstrong had been asphyxiated by gas carried into the bag by means of a rubber hose attached to a kitchen stove burner.

The Cincinnati prosecutor said he planned to interview Mrs. Armstrong, who is in Indianapolis, in an effort to obtain clues. The prosecutor said he was uncertain whether Mr. Armstrong had committed suicide or had been slain. He said a physician had examined Mrs. Armstrong, suffering from shock, has been confined to bed since Thursday.

WARNS OF MENACE

MILTON, Mass., Feb. 13 (U. P.).—A communistic plot to separate the South and form it into a Soviet state was being hatched by Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, author of "The Red Network," yesterday.

Speaking at annual Lincoln Day exercises at the log cabin replica of Abraham Lincoln's birthplace on the estate of Miss Mary Bowditch Forbes, Mrs. Dilling said the country was facing a crisis comparable to that existing during the martyred President's regime.



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IN INDIANAPOLIS

Here Is the Traffic Record

County Deaths (Speeding)	Reckless driving	City Deaths (To Date)	Running preferential streets	City Deaths (To Date)	Running red lights	Injured	Drunk driving	Accidents	Dead	Arrests	Others
1939	7	1939	5	1939	10	Feb. 11-12	24	24	0	87	31

MEETINGS TODAY

Official Observance of Lincoln's Birthday, banks and public buildings closed.

Men's Apparel Club, convention, Claypool Hotel, all day.

Seaside Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Service Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Irvington Republican Club, meeting, 945 E. Washington St., 8 p. m.

Delta Upsilon, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Indianapolis Press Club, dinner, 48 Monument Circle, 6 p. m.

North Side Realtors, luncheon, Canary Cottage, noon.

Notre Dame Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Central Labor Union, meeting, Plumbers Hall, 8 p. m.

Indiana Union Council, meeting, Amalgamated Hall, 8 p. m.

Indiana Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

MEETINGS TOMORROW

Men's Apparel Club, convention, Claypool Hotel, all day.

State Conference on Social Work, meeting, Claypool Hotel, 3:30 p. m.

Indiana Association of Credit Men, meeting, Claypool Hotel, 8 p. m.

Purchasing Agents' Association of Indianapolis, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Building State Fair Grounds, 2 to 10 p. m.

Indiana Press Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Alpha Club, luncheon, Claypool Hotel, noon.

Beta Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Tau Omega, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Grye Club, luncheon, Spink-Arms Hotel, noon.

Mercator Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

Universal Club, luncheon, Columbia Club, noon.

University of Michigan Club, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Knights of Columbus, luncheon, Board of Trade, noon.

Lutheran Service Club, luncheon, Canary Cottage, noon.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

(These lists are from official records in the County Court House. The times, therefore, is not responsible for errors in names and addresses.)

Stanley Beckwith, Jr., 34 Barton Hotel, Yelma Pauline Burr, 27, of 1222 Wright Ave.

Bruce Duncan, 25, of 510 N. Board Ave.; Robina Margaret Lindsay, 26, of 150 E. 34th St.

Walter Ray Wetherald, 29, of 410 S. New York St.; Melba Wetherald, 29, of 252 S. Dearborn St.