

Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

- 1. When were thimbles invented? 2. When was the Great Wall of China completed? 3. Who was the only English Pope?

- 1. First used by ancient Chinese. Brought to England in 1695, by John Lofting, a mechanic, from Holland. 2. In 212 B. C.

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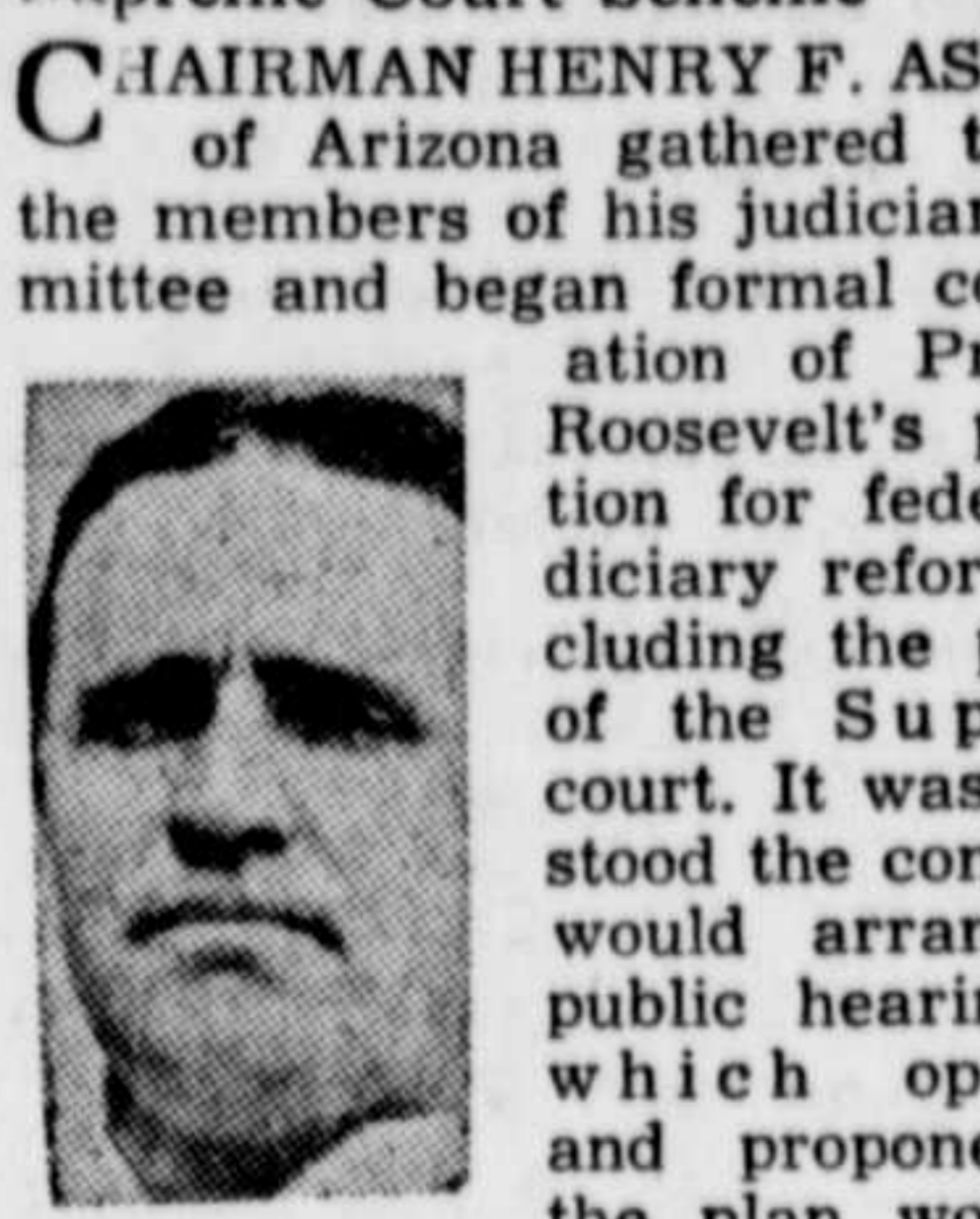
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Current Events IN REVIEW by Edward W. Pickard

Senate Committee Studies Supreme Court Scheme



CHAIRMAN HENRY F. ASHURST of Arizona gathered together the members of his judiciary committee and began formal consideration of President Roosevelt's proposition for federal judiciary reform, including the packing of the Supreme court.

Senators Frazier of North Dakota, Bone of Washington and Nye of North Dakota also were summoned to the White House, but what they heard there did not change their stand against the President's plan.

Mr. Nye, indeed, soon after delivered a radio address against it. He did not especially defend the Supreme court, but said he thought there are better ways of attaining the objective in conformity to the Constitution than the way of packing the court proposed by Mr. Roosevelt.

Ex-President Herbert Hoover in an address before the United League club of Chicago uttered solemn warning that the President's plan was a serious threat against the ultimate safeguard of liberty, and condemned any such "quick and revolutionary change in the Constitution."

Winant Quits as Head of Social Security Board

JOHN G. WINANT, who as chairman of the social security board had a lot of trouble with certain senators over patronage and whose reappointment to membership on the board had not been confirmed by the senate, sent his resignation to the President, Mr. Roosevelt said Mr. Winant was retiring to attend to pressing private business and would be back in the federal service before very long.

Sit-Down Strike Worries Governor of Illinois

GOV. HENRY HORNER of Illinois and Martin Durkin, his state director of labor, were making earnest efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement of a sit-down strike in the plants of the Fansteel Metallurgical corporation at North Chicago.

The corporation had refused to treat with outsiders who sought to represent the employees who belong to a union allied with the C. I. O. The heat had been turned off in the plants, but when the weather turned

cold President Aitchison of the company ordered it turned on again, believing a majority of the men in the buildings were held there against their will.

Governor Hoffman of New Jersey is one executive who has taken a firm stand against the sit-down strike. He announced that he would use all the resources of the state to prevent such seizures of property.

John L. Lewis' threat, during the General Motors strike, that "Ford and Chrysler are next," is being carried out. The United Automobile Workers union sent to Walter P. Chrysler demands that the U. A. W. be recognized by his corporation as the sole collective bargaining agency.

Union Labor Takes Hand in Navy Steel Affair

BOTH the American Federation of Labor and the Committee for Industrial Organization accuse steel manufacturers of collusion in refraining from bidding on navy steel contracts and have instructed their chiefs to ask the Department of Justice to investigate the reasons for a shortage of armor plate needed by the navy.

The federation council took a very definite position," Green said. "We could not sponsor or favor any modification of the Walsh-Healy act as it applies to those steel corporations refraining from bidding."

"The American Federation of Labor sponsored that bill and it is a reasonable and fair measure providing work standards that are reasonable and fair. We gain the impression that there is collusion on the part of the steel corporations because of single steel company has submitted a bid."

Death of Congressman James P. Buchanan

CONGRESS lost one of its really useful members when James P. Buchanan of Texas died of heart disease at the age of seventy-three. He was chairman of the powerful house appropriations committee and personally was an advocate of rigid economy.

Nanking Offers Peace to Chinese Communists

OFFERING to make peace with the Chinese communists against whom it has waged war for ten years, the National government at Nanking announced the terms on which those Reds would be allowed participation in national affairs. The Kuomintang's demands are: Abolition of the communist army and its incorporation in the National government forces; dissolution of the Chinese communist state and its unification with the central government; cessation of red propaganda opposed to Kuomintang principles, and stoppage of the class struggle which divides society into antagonistic classes and invites mutual destruction.

That the Nanking government is steadily growing stronger is made evident in the more conciliatory attitude adopted lately by Japan. A spokesman for Hayashi's new cabinet in Tokio indicated Japan was willing to abate its demands for simultaneous settlement of all pending Sino-Japanese incidents and negotiate separate settlements for each.

Viceroy's Life Attempted by Ethiopian Bombers

THAT Italy's conquest of Ethiopia does not yet embrace all Ethiopians was demonstrated when a shower of hand grenades was hurled at Viceroy Rodolfo Graziani in Addis Ababa by natives. The viceroy was only slightly injured but several in his suite, including Air Gen. Aurelio Liotta and the Abuna Cyril, Coptic bishop of Ethiopia, were severely wounded. The attack took place just before the close of celebrations for the birth of a son to the crown prince of Italy.

The assassins escaped in the confusion, but the army and police started on a relentless manhunt and soon had more than 2,000 natives under arrest.

Blockade of Spain to Insulate Civil War

SO FAR as the international non-intervention committee can do it, the war in Spain is now insulated. Representatives of 26 European nations agreed that no more volunteers for either side in the civil conflict should be permitted to enter the Iberian peninsula, effective at midnight February 20; and they laid plans for a complete blockade by land and sea that would prevent the importation of any more men or war munitions.

The decisions were reached after France delivered a virtual ultimatum to her fellow committee members to end their bickering and warned Italy she would not stand for "open invasion of Spain."

The international naval patrols presumably will not have authority to stop vessels suspected of carrying arms and men to Spain, but will report ship movements to the committee for action and will place observers on the vessels to check cargoes.

Supposing this blockade to be successful, it may well be that the Spanish civil war will die of inanition. Then may be brought about that which the international committee seeks—international mediation between the insurgents and the loyalist government.

For the present both sides are renewing their efforts for decisive victory. The fascists, still driving hard at the "life line" that connects Madrid and Valencia, also are attacking the capital itself again. Their airplanes made two night bombing assaults on the city and its environs, killing a number of persons; and their artillery constantly shells the highways to Valencia.

The loyalist government, at its temporary seat in Valencia, took a new mandate of absolute power from all Popular Front parties and mobilized all available man power to oppose the insurgent forces. All military classes of the last five years were drafted for immediate war service.

Britain's Navy Plan May Enlarge Our Program

PRIME MINISTER STANLEY BALDWIN'S government of Great Britain is asking for \$7,500,000,000 to finance its "war plan in time of peace," and is meeting with determined opposition from the Liberals, Laborites and others in parliament. These especially object to the plan for enlargement of the nation's land, sea and air forces by a \$2,000,000,000 loan and increased taxation.

Commenting on the British naval construction program, Admiral William D. Leahy, chief of naval operations of the American navy, served notice that any foreign nations expanding their navies beyond the standards of recent treaties might expect that the United States would match their construction. He said it was his understanding that this nation was definitely committed to the maintenance of a "navy second to none."

The present United States building program calls for start of construction this year on two new capital ships. Great Britain already has laid the keels of two new craft and the program announced in London calls for the start, after April 1, of construction of a third new vessel. When Britain lays a third keel, then this government is likely to start similar construction.

Paul V. McNutt Appointed to Philippines Post

PAUL V. McNUTT, former governor of Indiana, has been appointed to the desirable post of high commissioner to the Philippines, at a salary of \$18,000 a year and with residence in a huge palace in Manila. Mr. McNutt is still considered one of the possibilities for the Presidential nomination by the Democrats in 1940. It had been thought he might get a place in the present cabinet.

President Asks Measure to Help Farm Tenants

IN a special message to congress President Roosevelt urged legislation to "improve the present intolerable condition" of 3,000,000 farm tenants, presenting this four-point program:

- 1. Action to open the doors of ownership to tenants who now have the requisite ability and experience. 2. Modest loans, with the necessary guidance and education to prevent small owners from slipping into tenancy. 3. The retirement by public agencies of land proved to be unsuited for farming and assistance to the families living thereon in finding homes on good land. 4. Co-operation with state and local agencies of government to improve the general leasing system.

First Stirrings of Spring



THE chic young miss above, center, says, "I make my own clothes. I learned sewing from Mother first, got a touch of it in school, and a real exposure in 4-H activities. I choose this dress for Spring because it looks like Spring, and because it takes the minimum of time and money."

A Practical Choice. The Lady on the Left says, "I'm practical. I choose patterns that I can cut twice; then I have a gingham gown to set me off in my kitchen and an afternoon dress in which to entertain the Maggie-Jiggs club. The all-of-a-piece yoke and sleeves make me look years younger, the shirred pockets give the decorative note every dress needs, and I can run it up in an afternoon."

Three-Purpose Pattern. The Girl in the Oval has a far-away look in her eyes. She says it's because she wears glamorous blouses like this one. She cuts her pattern three times—no less—and evolves a blouse in eggshell for her velvet skirt; one in velveteen for her tweeds, and the third in metallic cloth for after-five activities. "The skirt with its simple well directed lines is equally well suited to tweeds for sport, velvet for dress and wool for business," says Madam.

The Patterns. Pattern 1832 (above left) comes in sizes 32 to 44. Size 34 requires 4 3/4 yards of 39 inch material. Pattern 1263 (above center) is designed in sizes 12 to 20 (30 to 40 bust). Size 14 requires 4 3/4 yards of 39 inch material for the dress and 2 1/4 yards for the jacket—to line it requires 2 1/4 yards of 35 inch material. Pattern 1958 (above right) is available in sizes 14 to 20 (32 to 46 bust). Size 16 requires 2 3/4 yards

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