

Mussolini Meets Criticism With Stern Measures

Premier Puts Italy Under Martial Law to Suppress Unrest; Fascist Papers Approve.

By International News Service. Rome, Jan. 5.—Premier Benito Mussolini today stood in the position of a man who has staked all on one throw of the dice.

With a strong show of fascist force and a continued campaign of suppression and confiscation of the opposition press, he was attempting "to clear the situation in 48 hours," as he promised, using the identical methods which swept fascism into power in 1922.

To his friends, to the fascist press and to independent newspapers his action was the only alternative of a great leader who has done his best to conciliate his enemies and had met with continued success.

To his enemies the partial mobilization of the black shirts and the ruthless confiscation of opposition newspapers were a final dramatic gesture of a leader whose popularity was waning.

Position Weakened. There was little doubt that the position of the fascist administration was considerably weakened and the demonstration of power somewhat bedimmed by the resignation of Gino Sarrochi, minister of public works, and Senator Casati, minister of education, who, with the ministers of war and the navy, were the sole remaining members of the cabinet who were not fascists.

But the fascist premier met this with immediate appointment of two other liberal deputies to the cabinet. "The secession from the black shirt party of former Premier Salandra also came at an inopportune time for Mussolini.

"I have lost faith in fascism," Salandra said. "My work for the past two years to insert fascism in the normal life of the country has been destroyed."

To offset these adverse terms, however, Mussolini today had the delirious approval of the fascist newspapers, who pleaded with him to continue the renewal of force against the administration's enemies and consider the steps taken so far as only the preliminaries in "restoration of tranquility to Italy."

Expect Stern Decree. It was believed a decree would be forthcoming soon declaring that all deputies who do not attend sessions of parliament would be deprived of their seats. The boycott had been the weapon of opposition deputies and their means of showing their disapproval of "Mussolini's despotism."

Mussolini practically has placed Italy on a basis of modified martial law, with the strictest orders for suppression of anti-fascist organizations, special militia guarding the railway stations and the fascist prefects authorized to mobilize the black shirt militia.

Fascist claimed the opposition had planned to create a state of anarchy by disorganizing the railways. They claim a plot was discovered to burn the railway stations and say attempts to carry this out were made in some parts of the country.

The government has ordered the dissolution of the Italia Libera association, composed of former soldiers who are opposed to fascism.

Calendar Announced for 14th Judicial District

McCook, Jan. 5.—Judge C. E. Eldred of McCook has announced the following court sessions for the Fourteenth judicial district:

Chase County—February 22, July; May 15, equity; October 28, July. Dundy County—March 15, July; May 11, equity; November 16, July. Frontier County—March 2, July; May 25, equity; November 2, July. Furnas County—March 24, July; June 1, equity; December 7, July. Gosper County—April 16, July; June 14, equity; October 12, July. Hayes County—April 8, July; June 5, equity; November 25, July. Hitchcock County—February 2, July; May 4, equity; September 25, July. Perkins County—January 26, July; May 21, equity; October 19, July. Red Willow County—January 12, July; April 27, equity; September 14, July.

Big Grain Movement on in Gage County

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Beatrice, Neb., Jan. 4.—Considerable corn and wheat was thrown on the market in Gage county yesterday, one elevator man at Rockford, east of here, reporting that 1,500 bushels were sold at his plant. A number of other elevators in the county report a good movement of grain. The grain movement is attributed to the fact that the highways, which have been blocked with snow in some localities, have been opened for traffic.

Bishop Keeney to Speak at McCook Next Sunday

McCook, Jan. 5.—Bishop F. T. Keeney of Omaha will preach in the McCook Methodist church next Sunday, January 11. This will be his first official visit here, and pastors and laymen from all over this part of the state are expected to greet him.

New Steam Power Plant Expected to Revolutionize Art of Aviation

By FRANCIS J. TIETZORT, Universal Service Staff Correspondent. New York, Jan. 5.—Flight across the Atlantic behind a powerful motor that will not go dead.

Non-stop flights across the continent at will. Non-explosive engine, using no gasoline or volatile gas, but a fuel costing three cents a gallon. A noiseless engine which will last 50 years, carry an airplane 300 miles an hour and start instantly by pulling a lever in the cockpit.

Supremacy for America in military and commercial aviation. These are a few of the startling headlines on the development of a compact, powerful and lightweight steam power plant of high pressure for aviation use, which were made public here today.

The inventor, H. Crossland Pfaff, mechanical engineer, who has spent seven years and \$300,000 in perfecting the new power plant, has called in aeronautical engineers to examine its application.

Eliminates Dangers. This pronounces it the solution of both heavier and lighter than air navigation. They declare it will eliminate all the dangers of short lived and temperamental internal combustion gasoline engines. The engine already is applied for automobile use.

Major John Butler, secretary of the joint aeronautical board of the army and navy at Washington, who came to New York to learn some of the details of the marvelous development in aviation power plants, left town for Washington saying he was convinced the Pfaff system would revolutionize all flying. He added: "If it is found to be as completely adaptable to various types of planes as it has been to several types of automobiles, and engineers assure me that it is, this will be the greatest single advance in the history of flying since the Wright brothers first flew at Kittyhawk."

Installation Simple. It was explained by Pfaff and other engineers to the Universal Service that application of the new high compression steam power plant to an airplane presented less difficulties than the installation in a plane of a Liberty motor, which weighs 750 pounds without gas, oil or water.

The Crossland plant has been applied with great success to automobiles. In the case of airplanes, the propeller is balanced by means of a flywheel. In aviation use, Pfaff said, his system, with a four-cylinder steam engine, gives the same power impulses as a 15-cylinder, four-cycle internal combustion motor.

Pfaff, who is making his headquarters with Arthur B. Pendleton, of the Architects Samples corporation, 101 Park avenue, said his chief engineer, A. S. Dearborn of Chicago, an eminent authority on high pressure steam power plants, would give his services to the United States government for aviation developments. He added:

Crude Oil Is Fuel. "If necessary in case of national emergency, we could put these engines into aviation production in four months." One of the significant points concerning the power plant is that it uses crude oil of 25 points gravity as fuel. This is obtainable in the east for three cents and in the west for three and one-half cents a gallon. The flames, from a burner which gives 100 per cent combustion, do not come in direct contact with the boiler tubes.

The engine itself, being steam driven, has an indefinite life. It might last 50 or 60 years. An internal combustion engine such as the Liberty, using gasoline which is exploded in the cylinders with an electric spark, has an efficient life of from 100 to 200 hours.

The Packard engines of the Maybach type in the dirigible Shenandoah, have a problematical life of 1,000 hours, when they will have to be taken down.

The combustion in the Pfaff plant, which is insulated with highly compressed asbestos packing, with a smooth enameled surface on the outside, is placed forward of the steam generator. This gives a naturally induced draft from the head of the airplane.

Greater Power. The steam unit is declared to provide greater power with the same or a less weight than that required for a gasoline engine. The engine starts almost instantly by pulling the throttle, as is the case with a steam locomotive. This will obviate hand whirling of the propeller and self-starting.

There is an elimination of all vibration since there are no volcanic-like explosions in the cylinders, as is the case with internal combustion gasolines. Vibration cuts down power. Another big point of superiority

Employe Admits Slaying Victim of Car "Accident"

Tells Authorities He Killed in Self Defense After Quarrel Over Woman, Then Burned Machine.

Wymore, Neb., Jan. 4.—Owen Iremend of Mt. Clare, Neb., murdered his employer, Owen Brown, Washington county (Kan.) farmer, in a quarrel over a woman.

Iremend, or as he is known here, Jack McMahon, confessed to Sheriff McLeod, it became known tonight and the second chapter was written in one of the most sensational slayings in northeastern Kansas.

Last Wednesday Iremend stumbled into a farm house and declared that he had been in an automobile accident in which Brown was killed. He was given medical attention and taken to a hospital while authorities went to investigate.

On a lonely road, in a ditch, they found Brown's sedan, badly burned, and with Brown's body stuffed inside. Investigation showed that the car had

been pushed backward and then tipped into the ditch and had not gone off the road while rounding a curve as claimed by Iremend.

The discovery led to examination of the snow-covered ground about the car. Beneath the snow blood stains were discovered. And when a deep wound was found on Brown's head orders were issued for Iremend's arrest. Then it was discovered that he had not been injured in any manner and that the injuries which were hurriedly bound up at the farmhouse had been faked.

"Self-defense," pleads Iremend in his written confession. "We quarreled over a woman and Brown attacked me. I killed him to save myself."

And self-defense will be the plea made by his lawyer, it was said here tonight.

Brown, according to his wife, was in the habit of carrying large sums of money and on the night he was struck down and his body crammed into the car to cremate he had in his possession \$300. No trace of the money could be found.

"I didn't steal the money," is Iremend's reply to the charge that he murdered Brown for his \$300. "It was over a woman. He struck at me and I hit him on the head. That's all."

Iremend, who is 25, was born at Cortland, Gage county, Neb. He had been in the employ of Brown for two years.

Poor Shoes Keep 'Kiddies' at Home

22 Boys and Girls Unable to Return to School After Vacation.

Already acknowledged Omaha Engineers club \$1,828.21
S. S. Field, Newman Grove, Neb. 2.00
A. Friend, Havanna, Neb. 1.00
No Name, Yates, Neb. 2.00
A. M. J. 1.00
C. F. Brock, S. & S. home, Barlett, Neb. 1.00
Cashiers Check, Hailbrook, Neb. 3.00
Rebecca W. Wilson 2.00
Total \$1,860.21

Twenty-two boys and girls couldn't go back to school today because they had no shoes.

Hopefully they await the enlargement of the Free Shoe fund till their "turn" comes.

Maybe you, who are reading this, will open your heart and help provide the funds so necessary to the health and comfort of these poor waifs of poverty.

It is a grand thing to remember through life—to remember the kind deed you have done for some poor child.

It is its own reward. Every case carefully investigated by school teachers, and without cost

LOST BIBLE, 250 YEARS OLD, FOUND

Mrs. M. M. Graham, 4318 South Twenty-second street, has recovered her faith in the honesty of people. Her mother, Mrs. V. W. Darling, 81, has been seriously ill at her home for several weeks, and last Friday she called her brother, C. W. Darling of Auburn, Ia., to come to see her. He brought with him the family Bible, thinking that his mother would like to see it. The book has been in the family for 250 years, and contains records of every birth and death in the family since the revolutionary war.

In some way he lost the book at the Union station. He told his sister, Mrs. Graham, of his misfortune, and they decided not to tell the mother for fear the shock of losing such a treasured possession might prove fatal.

Monday Mrs. Graham received a letter from Mrs. George Hartung, 2608 Pinkerton street, saying that her daughter had found the book. A postcard between the leaves, addressed to Mrs. Graham, gave them the clue to the ownership.

School Held for Farmers. Callaway, Jan. 5.—Night school for farmers is being held in schoolhouses all over the county. The school instructs farmers along the agricultural lines.

FIRE THREATENS PACKING PLANT

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Fire, which threatened to destroy the plant of the Chicago Packing company in the heart of the stockyards shortly after midnight, was brought under control when three extraordinary alarms brought two dozen fire fighting companies to the scene. The cause of the fire was undetermined and the damage was believed to have been nominal.

Reopening of College at Sterling Doubtful

Tecumseh, Jan. 5.—Former Director Weltner of the German Lutheran college of Sterling has been visiting in that town. The college, Martin Luther academy, has been closed this school year for lack of a sufficient number of students. Mr. Weltner now lives at Green, Ia. He expressed doubt as to Sterling college reopening, stating that the training the school afforded is now offered by many schools of the state.

Deodorized putrid meat is putrid meat still.

The January Sales

Handkerchiefs Are Added to the Linen Sale

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| Sorosis Fine Footwear 5.95 | Colored, .29 Colored handkerchiefs with dainty designs embroidered. | Boys' Lawn, .19 With colored border and inch high initial, they're bargains. | Handwork, .89 Some of our hand-embroidered handkerchiefs that are soiled. | Smart Silk Umbrellas 25% Less An assortment of short styles in black and other street shades, with ivory or amber tips and ferrule. Street Floor. |
| Men's Linen, .39 Pure line with colored border and colored initial. | Embroidered, .69 White linen hand-embroidered in white or color. | Children's, .15 Better qualities that will make inexpensive school handkerchiefs. | Plain Linen, .20 Very fine quality linen cambric that launders beautifully. | Silk Hose 1.95 Odds and ends which remain where sizes are broken and the line of shades is incomplete. Chiffon and heavier weights. Street Floor. |
| Soiled, .19 An assortment of all-line handkerchiefs, white and colors. | Children's, .15 Better qualities that will make inexpensive school handkerchiefs. | Nile, .15 Sheer and fine, in lovely colors that boiling does not fade. | | |

Silks and Woolens for Greatly Lowered Prices

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| Light Weight Union Suits 59c | All-Wool Jersey 1.69 54-inch width in henna, navy, tan, black, grey, blue and copen. | Plaid Coating 1.69 54-inch widths, in qualities for school wear. Half-price. | Satin Circe 2.69 A highly lustrous all silk satin charmeuse, 40-inch width. | Colored Linette Slips 1.89 Costume slips of excellent quality striped linette, sizes 36 to 44. Brown, navy, black, green and wisteria. Second Floor. |
| Heavy Weight Union Suits 3.98 | Lakme Velvet 7.95 Rayon chiffon velvet of exceptional beauty; poppy, turquoise, orchid, white, coral. | Printed Crepe de Chine 1.95 Fifteen different new prints of excellent quality crepe, in all new spring colors. | All-Wool Flannel 1.95 Sand and ciel blue, in 54-inch width; excellent qual. Street Floor. | Colored Batiste Gowns .98 Dainty sleeveless styles, trimmed with fancy stitching; pink, peach and orchid. Second Floor. |

New Spring Linens in the January Sales

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| Little Girls' Jersey Dresses 2.95 to 6.95 | 39th Annual Sale of Fine Linens--Our Own Imports | Entire Stock of Ready-to-Wear Reduced 20% Without exception, our entire stock of fine apparel is reduced: Coats and frocks, including very beautiful furred wraps, evening gowns, afternoon gowns, street frocks and sports flannels. In many instances the reduction is much more than 20 per cent. Third Floor. |
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'Pequot' Sheets
Sheeting, Cases

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| 81x99-inch sheets | 1.69 |
| 72x99-inch sheets | 1.59 |
| 63x99-inch sheets | 1.59 |
| 42 and 45x36-in. cases | 39c |
| 40 and 42-inch tubing | 39c |
| 45-inch pillow tubing | 39c |
| 54-inch sheeting | 55c |
| 63-inch sheeting | 55c |
| 72-inch sheeting | 57 1/2c |
| 81-inch sheeting | 57 1/2c |
| 90-inch sheeting | 69c |

Street Floor.

All Pure Linen Towels
59c
Linen huck with hem-stitched hems; excellent qualities.

Turkish Towels
Each 19c

Crash Toweling
Yard 25c
All linen crash toweling, washed and ready for use.

Linen Damask Table Cloths, 10.89
2x2-yard cloth, 22x22-inch napkins to match; dozen 13.89

Wash Cloths, each 5c

Glass Toweling
Yard 45c
All linen, checked red or blue. Reduced for the January sales. Street Floor.

Heavy Silver Bleached Damask
Yard 2.00
All pure linen and 70-inch width, reduced to, per yard 2.00

Dish Cloths
Each 6c

Tea Toweling
Yard 15c
Blue striped toweling, an extra value at, a yard, 25c

Entire Stock of Fancy Linens 20% Discount

Without the exception of a single piece we offer you our fancy linens at discount. Real Italian filet, madeira, mosaic, Venetian lace, and Italian cream crash. Lunch cloths, luncheon sets, scarf sets, charibacks, oblong sets, napkins, doilies, center pieces, tea cloths, bridge sets, and vanity sets. Street Floor.

TOO MUCH URIC ACID?

LET US SEND YOU THE WILLIAMS TREATMENT 85-Cent Bottle (32 Doses) FREE

Just because you start the day "too tired to get up"—arms and legs stiff—muscles sore—burning, aching back—dull head—nervous—irritable—WORN OUT before the day begins—do not think you have to stay in such condition.

Rheumatism, kidney and bladder troubles, and all ailments caused by excessive acidity make one miserable. Be strong and well. Get rid of the "rheumatic" pains, stiff joints, sore muscles, "acid" stomach, kidney or bladder troubles so often caused by an excess of body-made acids.

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