





RAILROADS ASK HALF BILLION RATE BOOST

Request Is Made Under Guise of Helping Unemployed

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The railroad barons, whose profits for 1937 far exceeded 1936, today appeared as "enemies" of unemployment by urging, as a measure to create jobs, that they be given over half a billion dollars in freight and passenger rate increases.

Women and Children First



A CHINESE father carries his injured child to a waiting ambulance as Japanese bombers withdraw after sweeping over Nanking. The raiders killed and wounded many civilians and set fire to numerous buildings in the city's business section.

2 MORE STATES RECOGNIZE ROME "EMPIRE"

Powers Balk at Anti-Communist Pact, League Action

BUDAPEST, Jan. 12. (TP).—Austria and Hungary agreed tonight to recognize the Italian victory for Italy came conquest of Ethiopia.

Effort Fails



CAMILLE CHAUVETS

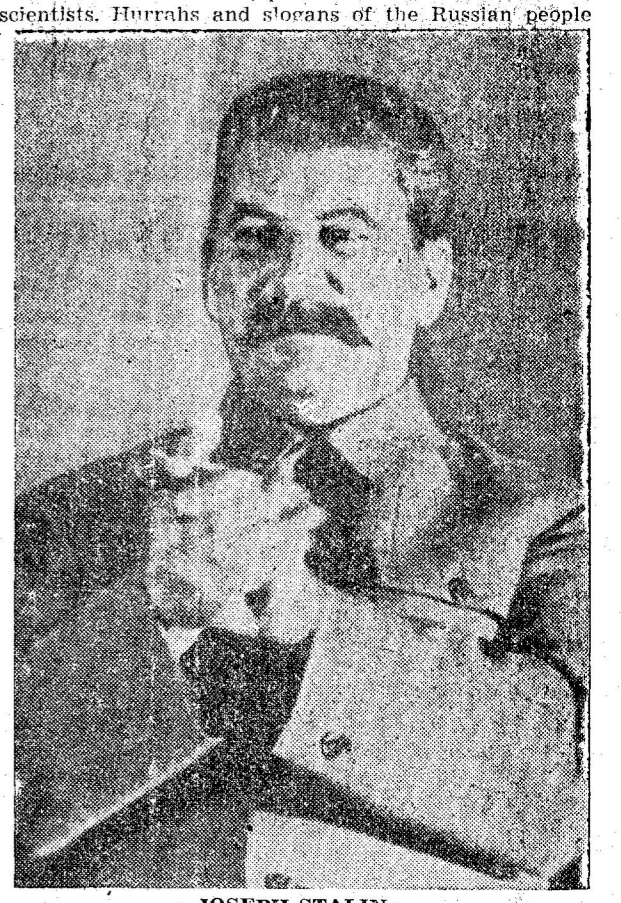
Employers Kill 'Peace Pact' Talks in Paris

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First Session of High Soviet Stirs Mighty Ovations

Newly Elected Legislators Cheer Stalin; Tell Joy of Receiving People's Trust; Pledge Fatherland Devoted Service

MOSCOW, Jan. 12.—The entire U.S.S.R. hums with excitement as the first session of the new Supreme Soviet convenes here today.



JOSEPH STALIN

The opening session of the Supreme Soviet was broadcast to all parts of the huge USSR where the festive election mood still prevails.

Teamster Czars Muster to Oust Shelley From Post

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—Led by Teamsters' Union officials, ultra-reactionary delegates in the AFL Central Labor Council here are out to "get" President John P. Shelley. It was reported here today.

Building Union Stand Indicates AFL Swing For Meyers in Seattle

Spikes Beck Claim to Federation Strength Behind Dore in Mayoralty Campaign Against Progressive Candidate

SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—Something really significant in the Seattle labor movement happened last night when the Building Service Employees Union endorsed Lieutenant-Governor Meyers for mayor in the forthcoming city elections.

Federation Balks at Premier's Bid to Parley

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Unrest Grows As Leaflets Flood Italy

PARIS, France, Jan. 12.—In all the big cities of northern Italy, particularly here and in Milan, both centers of Italian heavy industry, tens of thousands of anti-fascist leaflets have made their appearance, according to the Paris Oeuvre.

Economy Seen Behind Japanese Dance Ban

TOKIO, Jan. 12.—Dance halls throughout Japan must close by the first of April, according to an order of Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu, Home Minister, made public today.

De Valera to Talk Independence for Irish Free State

DUBLIN, Jan. 12. (TP).—Sources close to the Irish government said today that a delegation of Irish officials, headed by Premier De Valera, will go to London next week to discuss the question of Irish independence.

Pirate U-Boat Strikes Again Off Spain Coast

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 12. (TP).—Shipping interests feared today that the nation responsible for the recent pirate submarine campaign in the Mediterranean has resumed its mysterious drive.

Why Quit Reich to Hunt for Gorillas?

BERLIN, Jan. 12. (TP).—The director of the Berlin Zoological Gardens, Dr. Lutz Heck, is en route to Africa today to obtain a collection of gorillas and elephants.

Memorial Meeting Planned to Honor Courageous Cleric

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Known to his shocked superiors as "Bad Bishop Brown," respected and loved by thousands of people for his courage and forthrightness, a memorial meeting will honor the memory of the Reverend William Montgomery Brown, D. D.

More British Columbians

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 12. (TP)—Provincial officials said today that the population of British Columbia increased by 30,000 during the past year.

LA Chinese Won't Hold Regular New Year Fete

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Chinatowns will not have their customary fireworks this year at the Chinese New Year's celebration on Jan. 31.

Nazis Worried By Prospects of Ex-Kaiser Return

BERLIN, Jan. 12. (TP)—Official Nazi sentiment was in opposition today to rumors that the aged ex-Kaiser would return to the fatherland to spend his last days.

Teamster Agent's Threats Too Vile For Women's Ears

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Brewery drivers, members of the Brewery Workers Union, today testified in Judge William James' court to coercion and intimidation by teamsters.

Councilman Asks Labor Be Taxed As 'Big Business'

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Councilman Steven W. Cunningham, one of the mainstays of the reactionary City Council, has added another feather to his bonnet.

Advertisement for watches with text: WATCHES... Nationally Advertised Prices... ALL FAMOUS BRANDS... BULOVA... GRUEN... WALTHAM... HAMILTON... ELGIN... Easiest credit terms in Oakland... CRESCENT CREDIT JEWELERS... 1100 Broadway Oakland... Edward Lipson, Manager

This method of choosing the candidate to support was at once thoroughly democratic and educational. A surprisingly large group of union members were taught how, properly, to use a voting machine.

Fierce Blizzard Swept States 50 Years Ago

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Jan. 12. (TP).—Today is the fiftieth anniversary of the Great Blizzard on Jan. 12th, 1888.

Hotel Workers, Owners to Pick NLRB Arbitrator

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—Mrs. Alice M. Rosseter, National Labor Relations Board regional director, announced she would name five persons today, one of whom will be selected as an arbitrator to adjust complaints made by unions in local hotels.

Rome to Honor Hitler as Fuehrer and Fuehrer

ROME, Jan. 12. (TP)—Italian authorities said today that Chancellor Hitler will be recognized in the dual capacity of German dictator and leader of the Nazi party when he visits Italy this spring.

Mickey Mouse a Plagiarist? Oh No, Says Creator Disney

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Mickey Mouse was on trial in court here for plagiarism. But Mickey doesn't know anything about it—at least if Walt Disney, his creator, has something to say about it.

Lenin Memorial Planned

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—The Eastside Communist Party and the Young Communist League will hold a Lenin Memorial Meeting on Sunday evening, Jan. 23 at 2111 Brooklyn Ave. of this city.

Mother Dahl Awaits Release Of Her Son Held by Fascists

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Jan. 12. (TP)—Fifty-five-year-old Mrs. Ida Dahl clung to her hope today that she soon will be reunited with her aviator son, Harold.

Boy Who Exposed Killer Sues Fitts

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—Charging District Attorney Fitts and the Board of Supervisors with having gyped him out of his reward in the Ingleswood slaying case, Mike Huerta, 14-year old schoolboy today filed suit in the Superior Court.





