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CHICAGO, Ill.—A bitter legal battle between Albert Crunker, millionaire Chicagoan, and his divorcee wife, Mrs. Margaret Ruppel, over custody of their two children today ended in victory for Mrs. Ruppel.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The silver dispute hit the Senate today with a formal proposal by Senator Wheeler (Dem.) that the Glass Bill be amended to provide for free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Directors of the Pacific Coast Baseball League today voted unanimously for minimum admission prices of 25 cents for bleachers and 40 cents for grandstand seats. No maximums were set, permitting each club to fix its own admissions at those sums or larger amounts.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The New York Giants today announced that John C. Ryan, young shortstop, had signed his 1933 contract. The Giants obtained Ryan from Buffalo where he played last season.

LONDON, Eng.—The Daily Mail said today that Premier R. Ramsay MacDonald planned to proceed to United States toward the end of next month to start preliminary war debt discussions.

MOSCOW, Russia—Stern warning that Soviet Russia stands for peace but is ready for war if necessary to defend its interests was issued tonight by Premier Viacheslav Molotoff in his address at the opening of Parliament.

PORTLAND, Ore.—Police Inspectors today reported they had traced a man allegedly sent here from San Francisco by the Communist Party of America to undermine confidence in Portland Banks, but that they had been unable to arrest him.

ASCUNSION, Paraguay—Bolivian losses in a desperate three day battle for possession of the "Nanawa Ayala" section of the Gran Chaco total two thousand dead, military observers here estimated today.

SEATTLE, Wash.—The entire fleet of 14 ships of the Pacific Steamship Co. was sold at public auction today on the steps of the Main Post Office for five hundred and eighteen thousand nine hundred thirty-seven dollars. The only bid was made by Henry D. Costigan, secretary of the Bondholders Committee, which the auction was to satisfy default bonds issued by the Pacific Steamship Company. Among the boats were the H. F. Alexander, Ruth Alexander, Amoa Alexander, Dorothy Alexander, the Admiral Chase, Admiral Secree, Admiral Evans, Admiral Watson, Admiral Moser and Admiral Rogers.

YOKOHAMA, Japan—Police advised American Consular Officials today to transfer their wives from the Consulate and placed a guard around the building after five hundred striking Japanese employees of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. had been dispersed near the Consulate. Police arrested 145 demonstrators.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Actors in "The Song of the Flame" rushed to storm the castle Sunday night. "I'm shot," cried William Dalton, 27, a castle guard. Sure enough he was. Wadding from a blank cartridge inflicted a deep thigh wound.

CHANGCHUN, Manchuria — Renewed Japanese air bombing of Chinese Military concentrations in the Kailu District in Northeast Jehol Province on Saturday and Sunday and continued Japanese cavalry activities in the Chinnis Region, on the Southeast Border, reported today. Japanese General Headquarters reported more Chinese troops were entering the disputed Province of Jehol. Military Chiefs expressed the opinion the Major Japanese operations in Jehol were still weeks distant. Japanese cavalrymen in the Chinnis Region were dispersing Chinese bands. Manchurian railroad centers converged here.

SIDNEY, Australia—Eight persons were killed today when a violent storm flooded streets and part of the famous Coogee Beach Sea Front. The storm swept away a dam at Stanwell Park, causing a mighty deluge that swept over a group of weekend campers. An entire family camping in the area was swept to sea as the father heroically struggled to save his drowning baby.

SHREVEPORT, La.—Senator-Elect William Gibbs McAdoo believes something ought to be done about mortgages, the credit system and the farmer, but says the pending of domestic allotment for relief plan is too complicated to administer in its present form. Here, enroute home by plane, McAdoo said he believed the Farm Relief Bill, now before the Senate, would need several amendments to be made practical. He said he believed the country's credit system needs revamping.

LONDON, Eng.—President-Elect Roosevelt wishes the Anglo-American debt conversations to begin shortly after his inauguration, to embrace the whole wide range of world economic problems, office informed International News Service today, elaborating the brief communication issued by President Hoover and the President-Elect following their recent conference. A foreign office spokesman declared Roosevelt was distinctly adverse to discussing the War Debt without due reference to allied economic problems.

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—With six men aboard, the schooner "Why Not" was lost during a storm off Rocky Point, Baja, California, according to word received here today. Discarded clothing of the crew was found floating on the surface. The "Why Not" was on her first trip to deep sea fishing.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The first tentative step toward revision of the Italian War Debt was taken today when Ambassador Augusto Rosso called on Secretary of State Stimson and inquired about the prospects of a debt discussion after March.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The cabinet failed today to reach a decision on the United States suggestion for reopening debt discussion by sending a telephone to Washington. The Ministers decided after an hour's discussion to take up the question again on Wednesday.

STOLBERG, Germany—Monarchists and Republicans of Stolberg, a small town in the Harz mountains of Germany, were split into hostile camps today after the marriage of Prince of Stolberg to the daughter of a commoner. Prince Wolff Heinrich was married yesterday to Miss Erma Erfet, and not to the Princess Julianna of Holland, whom the Monarchest Part favored. The bride is a Bourgeous girl and the daughter of a civil servant of Madgeburg.

LONDON, Eng.—A special mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's Cathedral by order of Patrick Cardinal Hayes, for Miss Marbury, one of New York's most celebrated woman politicians and playrights. Society leaders and authors joined in paying tribute to Miss Marbury, who died Sunday at the age of 76.

OAKLAND, Calif.—Rain caused the postponement of the 100 mile classic automobile race scheduled yesterday for the Oakland Speedway. It was the third time the event had to be postponed by weather conditions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—The football season received its last upset of the year at the Kezar Stadium here Sunday, when Ernie Nevers and his team of All-Stars defeated the Green Bay Packers, former National Professional Championship Team.

MEMPHIS—Abe Lewis, former Vice President of the Bank of Commerce and Trust Company, today was sentenced to six years imprisonment on his plea of guilty of two counts charging forgery and fraudulent breach of trust

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PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia—Fifty Czech Facists stormed the barracks of the 43rd regiment of infantry at Bruean last night and were beaten off after a fight with soldiers. One of the raiders was killed, twenty-three Fascists were arrested.

BOMBAY, India—Mahatma Gandhi was expected today to begin a new fast unto death because the Viceroy refused to sanction introduction of a Bill permitting untouchables to enter temples for religious worship. The government refusal to sanction the temple entry bill is a tragedy Gandhi told the United Press.

LONDON, Eng.—The Viscountess Furness, a twin sister of Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt, New York, was granted a divorce decree today from Viscount Furness, British Shipbuilding magnate, on the charges of misconduct.

PEKING, China—Prospects for negotiations to settle the latest conflict between China and Japan were regarded as favorable today. The Japanese have postponed indefinitely and perhaps may cancel their drive in the Province of Jehol, it was said. Reliable observers believed danger of military operations in China Proper, south of the Great Wall, had been reduced.

DUBLIN, Ireland—The rival armies backing candidates in Ireland General Election Campaign, clashed in various parts of the Free State today and filled the final hours of the campaigning with violence. At Tralee, sixty persons were injured and former President William T. Cosgrave had a narrow escape when supporters of Eamon De Valera broke up a Cosgrave meeting. Cosgrave is a slight favorite in tomorrow's voting. Supporters of De Valera wrecked automobiles in which members of the Cosgrave Party had come to the meeting.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A formal protest against the Republic of Mexico exercising jurisdiction over American Fishing Fleets operating off the Coast of Lower California was filed today with the State Department by representative Swing, Republican, California.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Senate Judiciary Committee today recommended that Congress legalize 3.5 percent beer and wine amendment to the Volstead Act, removing all penalties for manufacturing, sale and transportation of malt and fermented beverages. The committee deferred 8 to 6 an amendment by Senator Bratton, (Dem.), N. M., to reduce the alcoholic content to legalize beverages to 2 percent. Senator Borah, (Rep.) Idaho, obtained admissions of an amendment prohibiting the sale of the 3.5 percent beverages to minors.

WARM SPRINGS, Georgia—President-Elect Roosevelt, to align the insurgent block of the Republican Party behind his forthcoming Democratic administration, apparently had taken a gigantic stride today as the result of his first tweny-four hours in the Little White House, at Warm Springs. Rooseveltian support of the Bill appropriating five hundred million dollars for direct federal relief of unemployed, sponsored by Progressives, and determination of two new cabinet officers was understood to be involved. Roosevelt's first callers, significantly, were Senators Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin and Bronson Cutting of New Mexico.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The movement to protect American Manufacturers and workers against the influence of goods from countries with depreciated currencies was given a tremendous impetus today. With Congressional leaders of both parties giving their support to the program, President Hoover was represented as approving the movement in principle. The President's attitude was reported by Representative Snell of New York, Minority Leader, following a White House call at which he urgently proposed the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to adjust tariffs to the standing of currency in the producing country.

BERLIN, Germany—Three persons died today and nearly thirty others were recovering from injuries after clashes between National Socialists and Political opponents. Thirty-five were injured when infuriated crowds

sought to break up a Nationalist Socialist parade to Bilow Platz, where Communist Headquarters are located, and later to cemetery. Four more were injured in minor clashes during the night in Berlin Suburbs. Nearly a hundred were arrested. Other disorders occurred in the Cologne District and Leipsig. Three injured at Cologne died today in a hospital. Communists announced they would hold a mass meeting Wednesday in Buelow Platz under the slogan, "Berlin Stays Red." Socialists announced a demonstration for next Sunday in the Lustgarten.

PHOENIX, Arizona—Winnie Ruth Judd, condemned "Trunk Murderess," today sought an opportunity to appear before the Arizona Pardon Board. Before being returned to her cell at Florence, where she is scheduled to be hanged February 17 for the murder of Agnes Ann Leroi, Mrs. Judd declared she hoped to plead before the Pardon Board this week. She believes that she had established that she killed the pair in self defense. Meanwhile, the preliminary hearing of J. J. Halloran, accused as Mrs. Judd's accessory to the crime, continued, his attorneys contending that the state had failed to prove a crime had been committed. The hearing was expected to be resumed tomorrow.

SHANGHAI, China—Chinese armies, massed in Jehol and on the borders, were reliably estimated today to number between 150,000 and 250,000, with indications a major Japanese movement into the Chinese Administered Province will begin soon. The Chinese Commanders seemed eager for a fight.

CHICAGO, Ill.—"Welker Cochrane's victory over Otto Eiselt of Philadelphia last night in the world's three cushion Billiard Championship, was no great surprise to me,"said Johnny Layton, "Although I must admit that I had felt since Otto's last game that he was soon due to get back in stroke."

CHICAGO, Ill.—Clarence Jackson meets his nearest contender in the game which will be their fourth straight victory if won in the Jourlan Cushion Billiard Championship Tournament. Jackson, although a veteran star, is seeking his first works championship. In today's first game he meets Johnny Layton, the ten times title-holder from Sedelia, Mo. Layton, after a running start, slipped and lost two games. Another defeat will bar, practically ruin Layton's chances of taking his eleventh crown.

CHICAGO, Ill.—Jay N. Bozeman, Vallejo, California, and Clarence Jackson, Detroit veteran, were victims of upsets in the world's Three Cushion Billiard Championship this afternoon, suffering their first defeats in the tournament.

WARM SPRINGS, Ga.—President-Elect Roosevelt spiked rumors that the Progressive Republican leaders who supported him in the Election Campaign were objecting to any persons he might have under consideration for cabinet positions. "There has been no opposition from the Progressives, I can say that definitely," Roosevelt said.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The death sentence for Lame Duck session of Congress was sealed today. The famous Norris Lame Duck Amendment has been ratified by 36 State Legislatures and now becomes part of the Constitution. The 36th state was Missouri, winner of a race between several State Legislatures for the Honor of making the Amendment effective. The house of Representatives meeting several hours ahead of schedule time won. From Massachusetts it is designed to end forever such sessions of Congress a sthe one now raging as a hangover from the Election of 1930 while new members elected last November wait at their homes, powerless to act upon their mandates from the voters.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—Improvement in the condition of Governor Rolph was reported today at St. Francis Hospital. Attendants said he rested comfortably, following a bulletin in which Dr. John Gallwey announced that his pulse and temperature had receded to normal. Visitors were barred and he is under orders to remain in bed for several days more.