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# Senate Poll Shows 56 Favorable To Anti-Lynch Bill

**Independent Questionnaire by a Washington Information Service Reveals 47 Positive Votes, With 9 More Favoring Measure; Only 20 Listed as Definitely Opposed**

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20—A poll of the Senate on the question of whether or not senators favoring the Gavagan anti-lynching bill has revealed that 56 senators—7 more than a full majority—are in favor of the measure.

Of these 56 votes, 47 are positively certain for the bill, while 9 are for it with certain reservations.

Only 20 votes are listed as definitely opposed to the bill. Nineteen senators are listed as uncertain.

The poll was an independent one conducted by one of the several leading information services operating here. These information services collect information on legislation, and release it to subscribers. From time to time, they conduct polls on important pending legislation. Supporters of anti-lynching legislation had nothing whatsoever to do with the poll and, therefore, the results have double significance since they can not be interpreted as inspirational propaganda.

In the notation accompanying the tabulation, the information bulletin says:

"The poll indicates that this bill on lynching can pass the Senate if it should come to a vote now. The big issue concerning the bill appears to be whether or not it will be brought to a vote. Indications are that it will not. The tabulation above is a reflection of sentiment as of noon Friday, May 7.

Many "Uncertain" Senators Friendly

Of the 19 senators listed as "uncertain" on the Gavagan anti-lynching bill, 16 have at one time or another indicated that they are friendly to legislation, NAAACP officials said here today.

The NAAACP has received permission to make the poll public, but the association is withholding the names and classifications of the senators until it can receive an answer from the 16 senators in the uncertain group, whom it believes are favorable to the bill. The NAAACP is confident that at the very least, 8 of these 16 will declare for the bill, making a total of 64 or 65 votes for the

TREASURER



THOMAS EDWARDS, Treasurer of the Passaic Athletic Club, 278 Summit street, Passaic, N. J. Mr. Edwards lives at Belleville, N. J. Charter members of the club, which was organized 14 years ago are, Robert Allen, Wm. Miller, Jefferson West, Frank N. Kyles, Bill Slattery and Tom Edwards. (CS)

measure in the Senate—an overwhelming majority.

"This poll by Congressional Intelligence is simply one more proof of our assertion that there are more than enough votes to pass the anti-lynching bill in the Senate if it can be got to the floor," said Walter White, NAAACP secretary. "The poll by the Institute of Public Opinion in December showing 70 per cent of the people in this country in favor of an anti-lynching bill plus these polls in the House and Senate showing overwhelming majorities in Washington for the bill indicate plainly that the major task now before all supporters of this legislation is to exert the utmost pressure upon the leadership in the Senate to get it to bring the bill up for a vote.

"Messages should be sent to H. F. Ashurst, chairman of the Senate judiciary committee, to Senator Joseph H. Robinson, majority leader, to Vice-President J. N. Garner and to Senator Frederick Van Nuys and Robert F. Wagner, urging them to take steps to see that the bill is brought up for a vote. The addresses for all senators is: Senate Office Building, Washington.



The new, modernly equipped, Fraternity, \$160,000 which was informally opened to the public at a recent dedicatory service by officials of the County and City School Boards of Thomasville, N. C. Prof. E. L. Peterson (shown left) of Heathsville, Va. is Principal. Prof. Peterson, who has been Assistant Principal at Dunbar High School, Lexington, N. C., and who now holds the distinction of being the youngest Principal in this N. C. District, has been re-elected for the year 1937-38. He is a graduate of A. & T. College, Greensboro, N. C. and a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha



Prof. J. H. Brackett (shown right) of Yonkers, N. Y. has been assisting Prof. Peterson in his duties. Prof. Brackett, who came to Thomasville the first of the year, is also head of the Department of Mathematics and Science and Director of Athletics. In 1935 he was given a place of distinction in "Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities of America." He is a graduate of Livingston College, Salisbury, N. C. and a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

## SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TO AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

RALEIGH, May 20—One of the most humane articles of legislation, ever to be adopted by any Commonwealth will go into effect in North Carolina on July 1 of this year.

It will be the Aid to Dependent Children Act, which became a law through action of the 1937 General Assembly.

No more will the spectre of hardship and suffering face a bereaved widow and fatherless children, left to the mercies of the world without income sufficiently adequate to care for them in even the most modest manner.

The various orphanages scattered throughout the state have done splendid work during the past, but there have been thousands of instances where children were not eligible for entrance into these havens of refuge for the underprivileged.

ren Act not only will take care of children left without a father—it also will embrace those who, for any good reason, are not receiving the proper care and training because of a lack of money.

Children under 16 years of age, living with either their father, mother, grandmother, grandfather, brother, sister, or other relatives, will be cared for if it is shown that those charged with their keeping are not situated so as to give them the advantages to which they are entitled.

The Act provides that children eligible for benefits shall either have been born or resided within North Carolina for at least one year prior to the filing of an application for assistance, or that the mother of the applicant also has been a resident of the state for a similar period, and that she has not the means for a decent livelihood for herself and her children. Applications for aid are to be made to agencies which will be established in each of the 100 counties of the state.

The maximum amount any one child may receive under provisions of the Act is \$18 per month, with each additional child of the same family being allowed \$12,

provided the total does not exceed \$65 per month. One-third of the cost of administering the Aid to Dependent Children Act will be borne by the counties, with the state and federal governments also absorbing one-third each.

The Act provides, however, that in order that no injustice may be caused, more than \$65 may be paid "in extraordinary circumstances in which it appears to the satisfaction of the State Board that a total of \$65 per month would be insufficient to secure the purpose above set forth."

"The Social Security Act, in providing aid to dependent children, gives evidence of long range planning for the future," recently said Mrs. W. T. Bost, Commissioner of Charities and Public Welfare. "It stands out as the greatest opportunity for constructive work with children that has ever been available to the nation. This aid is based on the fundamental conception that the family life is the best environment for the growth and development of children into future citizens.

"We have long since come to realize that, for any cause, the

breaking up of a home in which there are children is a delicate social-surgical operation at best, but to break up a home for poverty alone is nothing short of a crime.

"The Act recognizes the simple fact that where the wage earner has been removed from a family because of death, desertion or sickness, the remaining parent is frequently unable to give proper care to minor children and at the same time earn a living for them."

"In North Carolina, after July 1," Mrs. Bost continued "passage of the Act means that instead of aiding only 300 mothers and families a year—as we have been doing the past few years—we will be able to aid more than 7,750 families involving approximately 21,700 children.

"Where the family is self-respecting and child-loving, keeping children in their own homes decided advantages—Enactment of this legislation means a home for every child and that love and security which a home provides."

### DEATHS

- John Foster, Elberon, N. C.—May 13th.
- John Ervin Hunter, 912 Ebony St.—May 18th.
- Mrs. Adanna Hayes, Apex, N. C.—May 18th.
- Zeb Joyner, 1405 Gunner St.—May 11th.
- Nelson Monroe, 1214 Cornell St.—May 14th.
- Eugene Hart, 308 Roney St.—May 15th.
- Mrs. Mary J. Lasater, 2224 Pratt St.—May 16th.

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## Italy Celebrates 'Empire Day'

LONDON—(Calvin Service)—As Italy celebrated "Empire Day" on May 9, glowing over the conquest of Ethiopia, the New Times and Ethiopia News here revealed more details of the frightful massacre in Addis Ababa following the bombing of Marshal Graziani during which most of the educated Ethiopians were brutally slain. The story, as told by an eye-witness, and translated into English by Ethiopian officials of the London legation, in which the real reasons why Graziani was so bombed and wounded 160 times are given, continues as follows: "The noise of sharp and hollow blows resounded, they rapidly multiplied, interrupted from time to time by other yet stronger blows.

"Terrified men, women and children ran in turmoil in all directions, only to be mowed by groups of ten, twenty, fifty and hundred Italian militiamen and blackshirts.

"Soon the streets were strewn with dead bodies—No one dared venture out. From that time began a method which was followed out thoroughly during the three long days—The method consisted of setting fire to the houses, and waiting for the inhabitants to be driven out by the fire and massacring them without distinction, with daggers, bayonets, hand grenades, cudgels, stones and, at times with guns.

"One could see groups of Fascists chaining the poor men to lorries and amusing themselves by dragging them along from one part of the town to the other until their bodies fell to pieces.

"Others entertained themselves by scourging naked women to death under the eyes of their husbands or brothers, who, of course, first rendered impotent.

"Still others derived devilish pleasure out of crushing the little ones made orphans a few minutes previously with their enormous heavy boots (godasses).

"The Lybians, whose savage instinct was excited by the example of their masters, who excited them the more by saying that it was their day of great vengeance, specialised in cutting the throats of their unfortunate victims or in disembowelling them in cold blood and leaving them to die slowly in terrible agony.

"Blood Flowed in Torrents"  
"Blood flowed on all sides in torrents. Frightful screams of women and children mingled with the diabolic concert of modern arms.

"During three whole days this went on!

"The New Flower, the city of mimosas and eucalyptus trees, which, with its crowds of peaceful inhabitants, always dressed in white, had the appearance of an immense park 'en fete,' was now nothing more than a lugubrious field scattered with corpses!

In certain quarters the corpses entirely covered the streets and the squares. In St. George's Square, already robbed of the equestrian statue of Menelik II, the dead bodies formed a veritable pile.

"St. George's Cathedral itself, a temple built forty years ago by the Ethiopian Nation in commemoration of the victory of Adowa, and dedicated to the Patron St. of the Ethiopian Army, did not escape the fury and vandalism of the blood-thirsty Italians. After of North Carolina in a wide ex-having sprinkled petrol althit on May 21.

over it they set fire to it. The walls are still standing, but the interior of the church was entirely destroyed.

"No one among the few Ethiopian survivors had the right to take up the dead body of his own relative, no one was allowed to weep and lament over his or her loved ones, under penalty of being shot, imprisoned or banished. Only the Fascists could gather the corpses in lorries and burn them in Gulele (the western part of Addis Ababa) . . .

"No More Markets"

"There are no more markets, no more victuals, and famine awaits Mussolini's army. The population of the environs has been invited, by leaflets scattered over the country-side from aeroplanes, to bring provisions of cereals and cattle for the army. But none dare venture into the city which has been turned into a city of death from whence spreads the legend, strengthened by the disembowelling scenes, that there are 'Man-eaters' there. This refusal was sufficient to urge the Italians to let loose anew bombs and mustard gas on the unfortunate peasants.

"The reprisals spread very rapidly to distant regions where the Italians have encamped. I learn from reliable sources that at Nekempti, in Wollega, more than a-clever and strong had taken to the jungle at the approach of the Italian forces on March 8th.

"Italian 'Vendetta' weighs all over the country, and I often ask myself how long the world will remain indifferent to the agony of an innocent people!


"General Graziani's condition is considered very serious. In fact no one outside the official inner circle knows anything of what became of him since the day when he was confined in the clinic of la Consolata at Gulele. It is said that specialists were sent for from Rome to treat him, but no one has seen them. A secret rumor says that Graziani had been sent back to Rome, dead or alive, with some of his unfortunate companions. No one knows what has happened behind the scenes."

### WPA ADULT EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT

W. P. A. Adult Education under the supervision of J. T. Cobb, staged an exhibit in the Auditorium of Hillsdale Park School on May 14th. The exhibit displayed progress made by adult pupils during past school season. Work displayed was literary in character, however, a little home making was shown.

Viewing of the exhibit by patrons got under way at 2 P. M. at 3 P. M. pupils from the White Rock and St. Mary Nursery Schools performed. During the remainder of the afternoon the exhibit was held open to the public.

A brief program was presented at 8 P. M. with addresses by W. S. Kennedy, secretary of N. C. Mutual Life Insurance Company E. D. Mickles, principal of W. G. Pearson Elementary School, to conclude the program the exhibit committee selected materials from the local exhibit which will be taken to Raleigh to be displayed along with other counties tre blood-thirsty Italians. After of North Carolina in a wide ex-having sprinkled petrol althit on May 21.



## Beware Of The 'SPRING COLD'

It has been reliably estimated that four out of every five persons in this country have at least one cold a year. While the death rate from colds and influenza is comparatively low, they nevertheless cause discomfort, loss of time from work, and often develop serious complications.

The majority of these colds could be prevented if the following precautions were taken:

1. COLDS ARE CONTAGIOUS. THEY ARE CAUGHT FROM OTHER PERSONS. AVOID CONTACT WITH ANYONE WHO HAS A COLD.
2. WEAR SUFFICIENT CLOTHING TO KEEP WARM.
3. AVOID WET FEET, DAMP CLOTHING AND EXPOSURE TO COLD DRAFTS WHEN PERSPIRING.
4. GET PLENTY OF FRESH AIR, NO MATTER HOW COLD THE WEATHER. A HEATED ROOM SHOULD INVARIABLY HAVE A CIRCULATION OF FRESH AIR.
5. TAKE PLENTY OF EXERCISE.
6. AVOID OVER-EATING AND OVER-INDULGENCE IN ALCOHOLIC DRINKS. A WELL BALANCED DIET IS ESSENTIAL TO HEALTH.
7. KEEP YOUR NOSE AND THROAT IN A HEALTHY CONDITION. COLDS HAVE THEIR BEGINNING IN THE NOSE AND THROAT.
8. CHILDREN WITH ADENOIDS AND DISEASED TONSILS SHOULD HAVE THEM REMOVED WITHOUT DELAY.
9. AND FINALLY, IF YOU CATCH A COLD WHICH DOES NOT RESPOND TO TREATMENT, GO TO BED AND CALL A DOCTOR.

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