

Peace Plea Of Pope Is Sent To Various European Capitals

Siloam Man Wins Auto Race With Paralysis Attack

GOVERNMENT IN ITALY IS SILENT; MUCH ACTIVITY

France and Britain Leave Decision to Poles

POSITION IS DELICATE

Germany Engaged in Intense Diplomatic Activity in Europe and Asia

HITLER AT HIS HOME

A Vatican news service disclosed Tuesday that Pope Pius XII had initiated negotiations "through normal diplomatic contacts" in various capitals in an effort to help Europe keep the peace.

The move got a "distinctly sympathetic" reception in German foreign office circles.

In addition to Berlin, the Pope was believed to have contacted London, Paris, Rome and Warsaw through his envoys with some definite plan for relieving the current world tension and maintaining peace.

Diplomatic circles in Paris reported France and Britain had left to Poland the making of a final decision on whether to act on the Vatican's efforts.

Observers in Warsaw considered Poland's position on the matter as being delicate. It was pointed out that Poland is strongly Catholic, but at the same time is averse to anything other than direct negotiations in settling foreign problems.

In Italy, although the government was silent, part of the Fascist press commented favorably on the Vatican's negotiations.

The move came at a time when Germany is engaged in intense diplomatic activity in both Europe and Asia. Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop, returning after arranging the new Rome-Berlin military and political alliance, was on his way to Chancellor Hitler's Berchtesgaden mountain retreat to report.

The fuhrer's right-hand man, Marshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering, was enroute to nationalist Spain to strengthen German ties there, and officials in Berlin studied relations with Japan. The Tokyo government was reported anxious to prevent isolation and yet avoid a concrete commitment to either Italy or Germany.

Finals Begin at Pleasant Hill This Evening

Commencement exercises will begin at Pleasant Hill school this evening (Thursday) with an operetta, "Over the Garden Wall," by children of the primary grades.

Friday evening the certificates of promotion will be awarded the seventh grade students.

The final program will be a two-act play, "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer," Saturday evening. A small admission fee will be charged for the play.

The public is cordially invited to attend the programs.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASS'N TO MEET SUNDAY 2:15

The monthly Surry Baptist Sunday School Associational meeting will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:15 at Gum Orchard Baptist church, near Zephyr. All Sunday schools in the association are urged to have representatives present.

BRINGS IN CHICKENS TIED ON MOTORCYCLE

Early Combs, who has bought a lot of chickens in his time at local produce company, admitted the other day that he had never seen fowls brought in by motorcycle before.

Balton Gwyn, of Ronda, was the young man who surprised Mr. Combs by popping in with a full crate of chickens strapped on his motorcycle.

GRADUATING CLASS Pictured below is the graduating class of Elkin high school, members of which received their diplomas Tuesday evening. They are, first row, left to right: Edith Fox, Nelda Fulp, Geraldine Couch, Betty Lou Evans, Rosamond Neaves, Mason Burcham, Roy Johnson, Dick Smith and Sam Gambill. Second row, left to right: Dorothy Mastin, Lois Gentry, Fannie Sue Harris, Annie Laury Ray, James Eidson, Margaret Couch, Dorothy Murphy and Bill Sparks. Back row, left to right: Bill Gambill, Bill Reece, Earl Pardue, Robert Nicks, George Grier and Hayden Rattledge. Pictured front center are class mascots, Nancy Carroll Gambill, left, and Louis Neaves.—(Tribune Photo).



"NUDE RIDER" IS ARRESTED

Is Nabbed in Mount Airy As He Returned to His Car from Movie Theatre

NO CHARGE PREFERRED

N. B. Spainhour, 24, a native of Bethania, Forsyth county, who has been employed as a bookkeeper by R. J. Reynolds, Jr., at the latter's estate near Devotion, has been arrested by Mount Airy police as the famed "nude rider" who has caused so much excitement in that city lately.

The young man, who is known by many people here, and who comes of a good family, was arrested Monday night as he returned to his car from a Mount Airy theatre. Police, spotting the car by the license number, were awaiting him. He was fully dressed at the time of his arrest. Although he is said to have confessed that he was the "nude rider," Spainhour was held without any charge being lodged against him. It was pointed out that insofar as is known he has not harmed anyone, although he frightened a number of women by leaping from his car and giving chase.

Arrest of the man was brought about when three women, sitting on the porch of a house near Mt. Airy on the Pilot Mountain road, saw a man stop his car on the road, dismount, remove his trousers, and then drive off. When the car passed the house one of the women noted the license and notified police.

State Patrolman Albert Stanley obtained the name of the owner of the car to which the license had been assigned. He, Chief of Police R. E. Lawrence and Sheriff Harvey S. Boyd started for Devotion, but before they got out of town saw the empty auto parked in front of the Mount Airy public library. They hid in the car and waited until the young man appeared.

"LAWYER" HELD IN SPARTA JAIL

Charles Lienbach, wanted Here and in Lynchburg, Va., Is Arrested

POSED AS AN ATTORNEY

Charles Lienbach, of Washington, D. C., was in jail at Sparta Wednesday afternoon being held for Elkin police on a charge of forcible trespass and larceny of valuable papers. Lienbach, it is understood, is also wanted by Lynchburg, Va., police on a felony charge.

The Washington man first came to the attention of the local law fraternity when he came to Elkin posing as an attorney representing Mrs. Steve Allred, who separated from her husband, had been making Washington her home. However, it was soon

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Win Class Honors



Pictured above are Miss Rosamond Neaves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neaves, and Dick Smith, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Smith, whose high scholastic records brought them class honors as graduates of Elkin high school. Miss Neaves was salutatorian and young Smith was valedictorian of the class of '39. Miss Neaves also won the American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship award.—(Tribune Photos.)

National Hospital Day To Be Observed

Local Hospital to Hold Open House Here Throughout the Day Friday and Visitors Are Cordially Invited to Visit During the Day; on Birthday Anniversary of Florence Nightingale

Friday, May 12, the birthday anniversary of Florence Nightingale, has been designated as National Hospital Day and plans for the observance of the day have been completed by Hugh Chatham Memorial hospital. Open house will be held throughout the day and visitors are cordially invited to visit the hospital during the day.

Since the opening of the hospital here outstanding success has marked its activities. Thousands of cases have been treated successfully and many of them free of charge. The treatment of free cases is made possible by the Duke Endowment and membership in the Golden Cross.

Another of the contributors to the success of the hospital is the Woman's Hospital Auxiliary. Organized in 1933, with a membership of 130, this organization has worked untiringly for the betterment of the hospital. During this time thousands of garments, pads and supplies have been made for the hospital. Since the first of this year 19 binders, 14 operating room supply outfits; 28 sheets; 21 shirts; 10 sandbags; 16 leggings; 4 glove pockets; 42 towels; 34 covers; 24 tray covers; 24 T-dozens; 4 aprons; 27 caps; 72 dozen applicators, 4,193 small pads; 2,035 large pads and 18 baby blankets have been made by the organization. In addition 7 hours have been spent in darning and patching. The auxiliary also has supplied flowers for the hos-

TWO MEN ARE FINED FOR ILLEGAL FISHING

Arrested on a charge of violating the fishing laws the latter part of last week, David Brown and L. B. Murray, Jr., local young men, were fined \$25.00 and the costs in a hearing before Magistrate J. L. Hall.

The offense to which the two men were said to have entered a plea of guilty, took place on Mitchell's river above Kapp's Mill, it is understood. Arrest was made by R. B. Gentry, of Sparta, a game warden.

DIPLOMAS ARE PRESENTED 23 ELKIN SENIORS

Finals Come to Close Here Tuesday Evening

MARTIN IS SPEAKER

Scholastic Medals Awarded by J. G. Abernethy, of School Board

CLASS DAY ON MONDAY

The city schools came to a close Tuesday evening with the graduation exercises. Diplomas were presented 23 graduates. Sanford Martin of Winston-Salem, editor of the Winston-Salem Journal, delivered the literary address. Mr. Martin, a forceful and eloquent speaker, held his audience in rapt attention throughout his talk in which he pointed out to the graduates the unlimited possibilities of the South.

Scholastic medals were awarded members of the class by Dr. J. G. Abernethy, chairman of the school board. The scholarship award went to Dick Smith, Jr.; the activities award to Miss Edith Fox; the athletic award to Hayden Rattledge and the citizenship award to Miss Geraldine Couch. Miss Couch was also presented a scholarship to Meredith College. The American Legion Auxiliary scholarship prize of five dollars went to Miss Rosamond Neaves.

Sunday evening Rev. L. B. Abernethy preached the baccalaureate sermon to a large audience. Rev. Mr. Abernethy, who is one of the most beloved citizens of the town, challenged the students to measure up to God's expectation of a man.

Class Day exercises were held Monday evening and Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock the seventh grade graduation exercises were held with the certificates of promotion being given by John W. Comer, county superintendent of schools.

FORMER KING SEEKS PEACE

Duke of Windsor Makes Radio Talk to World from Verdun Battlefield

APPEALS TO LEADERS

Verdun, France.—The Duke of Windsor Tuesday broke his two and one-half years of silence and, speaking "simply as a soldier of the last war," broadcast a fervent appeal for peace to the heads of all nations from this hallowed battlefield of the last great war.

The former king in exile sent his peace plea across the Atlantic to the United States—whence it was re-broadcast back to Europe—despite loud objections from British court circles and the press and a boycott clamped upon his speech by the British Broadcasting Company.

The duke's speech also was boycotted in Canada, where it was felt to be "untimely" in view of the voyage across the Atlantic to the United States and Canada of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth on a peace mission.

Windsor appealed to the leaders of nations to "renew their efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement."

"It is not for me to put forward concrete proposals; that must be left to those who have the power to guide their nations toward closer understanding," the duke said.

"God grant that they may accomplish that great task before it is too late."

Without directly mentioning it, Windsor spoke gravely of the widening tension between the dictatorships and the western nations, including his native Britain over which he once ruled.

He asked for an end to "all that harmful propaganda which tends to poison the minds of the people of the world."

"I personally deplore, for example, the use of such terms as 'encirclement' and 'aggression,'" he said. "Statesmen who set themselves to restore international security and confidence must act as good citizens of the world, not only as good Frenchmen, Italians, Germans, Americans and Britons."

FORSYTH MAN MAKES ESCAPE

Raleigh, May 9.—Oscar Pitts, penal superintendent, said this afternoon that Will Barham, sentenced in Forsyth county in January, 1936, to life imprisonment for kidnaping, had escaped from the Caledonia prison farm. He had no details.

KIDNAP THREAT REPORTED

New York, May 9.—A disputed report that kidnap threats had been made against the "deb age" daughter of the socially prominent Mrs. Evalyn Walsh McLean, of Washington, today dragged the legend of the Hope diamond back into the headlines.

While two New York detectives stood guard at the McLean suite in the Waldorf-Astoria, police here and in the capital were inclined to deprecate the rumored abduction threat.

F. D. R. CRITICIZES SPENDING POLICIES

Washington, May 9.—President Roosevelt today criticized the free spending policies of Congress and charged that its leaders broke their promise to him to impose taxes to finance \$212,000,000 in farm parity payments voted last session.

His ire was stirred by Senate action in adding \$376,500,000 to the pending, record-breaking \$1,218,621,572 agricultural appropriation bill. The budget called for \$842,126,051 and the House clipped \$7,000,000 from this figure after first rejecting a farm parity grant of \$225,000,000.

ASKS FOR SETTLEMENT

Washington, May 9.—In language which sounded much like an ultimatum, President Roosevelt announced today that he had asked coal operators and union officials for a quick settlement of the bituminous coal strike.

The request was made at a conference in his office, attended by five leaders of the United Mine Workers, five mine operators and Secretary of Labor Perkins. Mr. Roosevelt advised newsmen later that he had told the disputants that the public good demands an immediate resumption of mining, and that by tomorrow night they should work out a method for reopening the mines.

SURRY COURT ENDS MAY 4TH

Majority of Cases Are Disposed of; Change Recommended in Next Session

DIVORCES ARE GRANTED

The regular term of Surry civil and criminal court came to a close Thursday, May 4th. Judge Felix Alley who presided over the April term of court at Dobson was quite pleased that the majority of the cases on the docket were disposed of in orderly fashion.

The following cases were disposed of the last few days of court:

H. B. Corrico vs. J. S. Belton, non-suited; R. D. Flippin vs. H. E. Taylor, judgment was rendered in the amount of \$1,402.66; John Wilmouth, last will and testament upheld; A. W. Key vs. Addie Key, divorce granted; Major Paw vs. Dora Paw, divorce granted; H. H. Llewellyn vs. D. C. Lewis, defendant pay costs and \$62.50 judgment; W. L. Chilton vs. J. F. Venable, Venable pay judgment of \$500.00 and costs; W. L. Chilton vs. J. A. Mills, Mills pay \$175.00 judgment and costs; George W. Golings vs. Nora Golings, divorce granted; Ethel Smith vs. Gury Smith, divorce granted.

The Surry Bar Association recommended a change from civil court to criminal for the June 5th session.

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES TO MEET FRIDAY AT 4

A meeting of the Associated Charities will be held Friday at 4:00 p. m. in the office of W. S. Reich, chairman. Mr. Reich announced Wednesday.

All members of the various committees are urged to attend.

MASS SLAYINGS MOUNT HIGHER

Philadelphia Murder Ring Investigation Reaches Weir Proportions

END IS NOT IN SIGHT

Philadelphia, May 9.—Investigation into the colossal machinations of a mass murder corporation reached incredible proportions tonight with the number of deaths attributed to the merchants in arsenic slayings increasing almost hourly.

Even the veteran members of the homicide squad which has been investigating the syndicate since last November were so bewildered by the startling developments that they almost gave up hope of ever finishing their task.

They began their job when a federal informer, posing as an ex-convict in an effort to locate the source of counterfeit money, was offered \$200 in "real money," or \$500 in "counterfeit money" to act as a professional killer for a corporation which killed men in order to collect their life insurance and estates.

Tonight they had 23 persons, including 12 suspected "arsenic widows," in custody, were searching for scores of others and had called in New Jersey authorities to help investigate the operation of a branch in that state.

No one knew how many deaths the murder merchants were responsible for, but even the most conservative of the investigators believed that the early estimate of 100 was far short.

BAPTIST CHURCH HOURS CHANGED TO 8:00 P. M.

Beginning Sunday, May 14, and continuing through the summer months, the evening hour of worship at the First Baptist church will be changed from 7:30 until eight o'clock.

Sunday morning at the close of Sunday school the classes will assemble in the auditorium for a special program in observance of Mother's Day.

The public is cordially invited to attend both the morning and evening services at the church.

PLAN MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM ON MAY 14

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock a special Mother's Day service will be held at Elkin Valley Baptist church. L. F. Walker of this city will be guest speaker for the meeting.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend.