Carolina

Pledges Louisiana Clean-Up

Turning from his smashing ballot victory over Gov. Earl K. Long,

brother of the late Huey Long, Louisiana's next Governor, Sam Houston Jones, 42, declares his objectives will be to "restore constitutional,

democratic, decent government and to put Louisiana on a sound fi-nancial basis." The Lake Charles attorney is pictured with his wife as he heard of his triumph.

**Excess Weed Sales Levy** 

Enforcement Demanded

Quadruplet, Succumbs

JASPER, Ala., Feb. 23.—(4)

Hone Short, one of Alabama's

41-day-old quadruplets, died about 7 o'clock tonight.

tributed to bronchial

monia.

yesterday.

kerosene lamp.

The infant's death was at-

Hope had been under an oxy-

gen tent and had been re-

ceiving glucose injections since

Condition of the other quads

-Faith, Charity and brother

Franklin-was reported excel-

lent. All weigh about four

pounds. The babies weighed ap-

proximately three pound each

when they were delivered Jan.

14 in a coal-miner's shack near

Nauvoo, Ala., by the light of a

STRIKE IS VOTED

BY LONGSHOREMEN

Other Ports Unless Pay

Demands Met

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 23.-

(A)-Longshoremen wroking coast

wise boats at eight Atlantic and Gulf

ports voted today to strike at mid-

night Saturday, unless their demands

for a pay increase are met, it was

learned from James L. Bernard,

Bernard, who came here from

Washington to act as mediator,

said the longshoremen, member. of

the International Longshoremen's

association (AFL), were seeking to

equalize their pay with that re

ceived by deep sea and intercoast-

Deep sea and intercoastal wharf

Ports affected by the threatened

strike were listed as Wilmington,

N. C., Charleston, S. C., Savan-

nah, Ga., Jacksonville, Fort Pierce

Port Everglades, Miami and Tam

Bernard said he had scheduled

a meeting with representatives of

the longshoremen and coastwise

shippers tomorrow and hoped to

be able to work out an agreemen

between the two groups to avert

The longshoremen's contract ex-

pired last September and negoti-

ations for a new one have been

Bernard said the maritime la

bor board volunteered to mediate

the dispute and both sides had

the threatened tieup.

in progress since.

workers get from 10 to 15 cents

an hour more, the maritime labor

board representative said.

al longshoremen.

maritime labor board representa

RESOLUTION ADOPTED Hope Short, Alabama

ence Of AAA Officials,

Farmer-Committeemen

RALEIGH, Feb. 23.-(P)-A reso

ution calling for strict enforce-

ment of a 10-cent a pound penalty

on tobacco sold in excess of mar-

keting quotas was passed today at

the closing session of a three-day

farmer-committeemen.

this year's crop.

those for 1940.

onference of AAA officials and

The resolution was endorsed aft

er J. B. Hutson, assistant AAA ad-

ministrator, had warned that the

record-breaking tobacco crop grown

last year would affect prices of

Price Outlook

The assistant administrator warn-

of tobacco should drop, allotments

"If growers plant well within or

below their 1940 allotments, and if

world consumption is maintained

at present estimated levels, the

acreage allotments for next year

probably will be as large as those

An increase in the domestic con-

sumption of tobacco was cited by

said domestic consumption in the

per cent above that of the corre-

The use of cigarettes has increas-

ed 5.3 per cent over the same pe-

sponding period in 1939.

riod last year, he added.

Hutson as a "favorable factor"

for this year," Hutson said.

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# WII MINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1940

# ESTABLISHED 1867 HOUSE PASSES TLAN TO EXTEND TRADE ACCORDS

County Board To Push Airport Paving Proposal Hull Program

**Seeks Divorce** 

ALICE FAYE

**SUIT FOR DIVORCE** 

Does Not Make Ali-

mony Request

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 23.-(P)-

Alice Faye, blonde film actress,

filed suit for divorce today against

Tony Martin, radio crooner, She

that they might have come from

almost continuously since he and

the blondest of the movie charm-

ers were married in September

"We did our best to make

And so it always goes-"inevit-

thing else but a divorce."

charged cruelty.

cessful.

the same stencil.

a marriage."

**ALICE FAYE FILES** 

# Drainage And Top-Soil Work S Completed

Chairman Hewlett Says Application Will Be Made To WPA From Project

OUARRY MAY BE USED

Two Paved Runways Would Be 1,000 Feet Long And 100 Feet Wide

NEWMAN R. THURSTON

**WILL SPEAK HERE** 

linas Clubs Will Honor

Thurston Tonight

meeting will close Sunday morning

J. H. Fussell, state Exchange presi

Lowrimore, president of the Wil-

Reservations for the affair have

Burlington, High Point, Raleigh,

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C. BEEKEEPERS

Wilmington Man Is Named

President At Annual

Meet Of Association

meeting in the customhouse yester-

er, F. B. Meacham, of Raleigh;

and executive committee members,

C. I. Sams, of Raleigh; and G. E.

nual meeting will be decided at a

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Figure In Burgaw Case

On January 27 The Wilmington

Morning Star published a report

from its correspondent in Burgaw

stating that William Strickland, of

Burgaw, had been committed to jail

under \$1,000 bond, on a charge of

tories of the colored High school in

The story said that Strickland was

William Strickland Not

Date and place for the next an-

day afternoon.

SELECT HUGGINS

Wilmington and vicinity.

mington club.

**EXCHANGE LEADER** 

With a complete drainage system installed and top-soil work comleted, the New Hanover county poard of commissioners is now planning to go ahead with its original lans of paving runways at Bluehenthal airport.

Addison Hewlett, Sr., chairman Representatives From Carof the board, said yesterday that an application will be made to the Vorks Progress Administration for the project, although no definite action has been taken as yet.

Would Re-open Quarry Under the plan, he said, the ounty will re-open its old rock majority of the roads in the coun- ing in Wilmington last night for the y, and furnish a greater portion meeting today in honor of Newman f the mterials needed itself. R. Thurston, of Grand Rapids, Ohio,

This plan was hit upon this week een technically turned down on an official visit to the city.

nembers of the board in Raleigh Life." arlier in the week that at the This will be the first official visit resent it seems impossible for it to Wilmington by a national presifurnish any equipment for use dent since the local Exchange club the airport here. Record snows was founded 19 years ago. It will and ice in the Piedmont and west also be Mr. Thurston's first southern on the isthmus. em parts of the state have caused visit in his official capacity.

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# WORK IS STARTED ON SEAPLANE BASE

Thirty-Five Negro Youths dent, who will be introduced by C. S. Engaged In Construction Of Base Here

Mrs. Julia B. Hussey, NYA supervisor for New Hanover county, reported yesterday that work has been project at the foot of Greenfield N.

About 35 colored youths ranging from 18 to 24 years of age are engaged in the work, the initial phases of which include cabinet shop work. The seaplane float will be 10 feet by 22 feet with gangplanks. Mrs. ssey expressed the hope today that two additional sections, 10 feet b) 22 feet, could be built at a later date, giving the float a total size of 30 feet by 22 feet. About six weeks will be required

or completion of the project, M1s. ssey expressed the hope yesterday

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### WEATHER

FORECAST North Carolina: Mostly cloudy warmer Saturday, followed by Curtis, of Graham. fain in west portion Saturday afteroon and in east and central porons Sunday, slightly colder Sun

(Meteorological data for the 24 urs ending 7:30 p. m. yesterday). Temperature 1:30 a. m. 38; 7:30 a. m. 32; 1:30

minimum 31; mean 40; normal Humidity 1:30 a. m. 68; 7:30 a. m. 68; 1:30

46; 7:30 p. m. 60. Precipitation Total for 24 hours ending 7:30 inches; total since first of forcibly entering one of the dorminonth 4.82 inches. Tides For Today

(From Tide Tables published by the northern part of the city. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey). alleged to have entered the apart-Low ment of one of the colored teachers. mington ----- 10:36a 5:23a The Star yesterday learned that this 11:02p 5:51p report was entirely incorrect and 6:47a; sunset 6:03p. Strickland. rise 7:50p; moonset 7:23a.

Cape Fear river stage, 19.72

Magistrate A. C. Blake, of Burgaw, said yesterday that another man was arrested on the charge re-Continued on Page Two; Col. 6) had nothing to do with the case. ferred to and that Mr. Strickland

## Speaks Tonight Soviet Army Makes Gains On Finn Line

Thrusts Forward At Several Points But Loses 3,-000 Men In Battles

**DEFENDERS USE FORTS** 

Several Factors Favor Finland's Army As It Contimes Great Resistance

By THOMAS F. HAWKINS

HELSINKI, Feb. 23 .- (AP)-The Russia narmy thrust forward at several points along a jagged 30-mile front in an intensified drive through the western half of the Mannerhein line today, but at tremendous cost, losing nearly 3,00 0killed in a single day's bitter combat.

The Russian penetration at one point reached to within ten to 12 miles of Viipuri-to the vicinity of Naykki lake, roughly four miles The vanguard of the expected 130 northwest of the amara railway starepresentatives of all Exchange tion, where fighting began Thursquarry, which was used to pave a clubs in the Carolinas began arriv- day, according to today's communi-

Costly Advance

If this meant that the Soviet adpresident of the National Exchange vance was part of a major offensive fter the county commissioners had club, who arrive this morning for to celebrate today's 22nd anniversary of the forming of the Red heir request for the use of equip- Mr. Thurston will speak tonight army, it was a costly one, and one ment by the state highway and at 7:30 o'clock at a banquet in his which failed to win Viipuri, as the public works commission.

The highway commission told as his subject, "Tangible Assets of to celebrate the occasion.

The Russian dead, said the communique, approximated two battalions -about 2.000 men-in one sector and 8200 in another in the fighting Hollywood's axiom about long dis-The widened front and the indica-

onsiderable damage to the state's
The meeting of the clubs here toward Vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of bands and beat of drums, the ward vijpuri, together with the fact night is so similar to those of the countries of th tory of Exchangeites of the Carolinas. An elaborate program has Finns, might seem to present a and Binnie Barnes and Madeleine been planned for the meeting, which highly serious picture for the defend- Carroll, some of recent memory, ers, but there were several additional will open at noon today with registration at the Cape Fear hotel. The

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#### with a visit to places of interest in Vilmington and vicinity. He will be introduced tonight by PROJECTS CONTEST PRIZES AWARDED

been made by Exchange clubs in Final Five One-Dollar Prize Winners Are Announced By R. B. Page

> The awarding of prizes in the Star-News civic improvements suggestions contest was concluded yesterday with the announcement by R. B. Page, publisher, of five addi-

Winners are H. F. Newkirk, Jr. Herbert W. Slack, Arthur Xanthos, W. W. Storm and F. D. Weaver. Others To Be Printed

Prizes to the \$25, \$15, \$10 and 15 \$1 prize winners will be mailed out F. L. Huggins, of Wilmington, was in a few days. It is planned to print elected president of the North Caro- all worthy suggestions not winning lina State Beekeeper's association prizes in groups from time to time H. F. Newkirk proposed:

at the closing session of its annual Marina Needed "In my opinion, we as a communition of visiting private yachts. As matters stand now, there are but few responsible captains' with a private yacht in their command,

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miles and oceans.

Urges Allies To Fight Reds

> Ousted British War Minister Calls For Real Moves To Save Finland

Hore-Belisha

CELEBRATION STAGED

Crowd Acclaims Men Who Won Rio Plata Victory Over Graf Spee

By ROBERT E. BUNNELLE LONDON. Feb. 23.-(A)-Grea Britain and her French ally, feinting cautiously at Germany in western Europe, were exhorted boldly to Actress Charges Cruelty, night by Leslie Hore-Belisha, ousted war minister, to make real war on Soviet Russia on land, air and seato save Finland and to shorten their wn ordeal by fire.

This revealing and vigorous peech was delivered by the forth right, unchastened Hore-Belisha to his parliamentary constituents at Devonport on a proud day for this island at war.

Heroes Hailed The greatest crowd since the cor-

Her two-page complaint alleged hat for 18 months, Martin "inonation, with scarcely a glance a flicted grevious mental suffering" the inscrutable and dangerous sky, upon her, causing her "to become jammed London's old streets from physically and mentally ill." Such Westminster t othe Guild Hall to actreatment, it added, "was without claim the men who won the Rio cause or provocation" on her part. It included no request for all-mony and made no mention of Plata victory ever the Graf Spee while Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, spoke with mingled any property settlement.
Filing of the blonde actress' suit exultation and sober warning of "this hard and novel war" at sea. bore out her declaration that "it King George himself came to was inevitable" she and Martin Horseguards' parade to review and should part, and gave weight to decorate the men of the cruisers Ajax and Exeter-and widows o tance marriages seldom being suc-Beneath the morale-building blare Action Taken At Conferthe dead. Her brief statement of last mid-

Dorothy Lamour and Bette Davis went grimly on at its curious temporary British warplanes were disclosed to

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#### Alice said, "Tony's a grand person, but we simply didn't have ROSE ADDRESSES Tony, who didn't catch on in the movies the way Alice did, has been away for months at a time for stage and radio engagements

He has been a traveling troubadour Members Of Columbus Legion Post Celebrate Its Tenth Birthday

go of it," added Tony in Miami. WHITEVILLE, Feb. 23.—White"It would appear," said Hutson, ville's American Legion post cele"that prices for the 1940 crop WHITEVILLE, Feb. 23.-White-'There doesn't appear to be anybrated its 10th anniversary with a would be somewhere near those for turkey dinner here tonight, with the 1939 crop." ably"-with Hollywood wives who Junius K. Rose, of Greenville, comare separated from husbands by mander of the State Department of ed that if quotas were exceeded this the Legion, delivering the principal year, or if the world consumption Lamour made a similar state- address of the evening. ment when she officially broke up R. L. Sholar acted as master of for 1941 might be smaller than with Herbie Kay, musically busy ceremonies at the session, which was

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### WPA Starts Construction Work At Robeson Schools

Work of erecting or improving got under way the first of this week buildings at seven Robeson county and the ground work of the other the flue-cured tobacco situation. He president, C. C. Thompson, of Mountain Park; secretary-treasur- municipal dock for the accommoda- WPA forces, L. J. Jordan, area su- Mr. Jordan also and the ground work schools was started this week by four has been started. WPA forces, L. J. Jordan, area su- Mr. Jordan also and the ground work schools was started this week by four has been started.

the present facilities, while at ed within the next few weeks. that will risk their charges and take others new buildings are being

Work on three of the buildings tion, he said.

Mr. Jordan also announced that, last seven years had been at a except for a few minor details, the record level — approximately five At some of the schools, he said, new armory at Parkton has been the new construction is to enlarge completed and will be formally open-Principal work to be done on the

project is minor ground construc-

Meanwhile, with Baltic Sea transport stopped by ice, Germans were reported busy shipping Swedish high grade ore from Narvik, on the west coast of Norway. From Narvik German ships have the protection of Norwegian territorial waters, merging into Swedish and Danish waters en route to Ger-

While German imports from Kirkenes are not extensive, Scandinavians said it was recognized that all high grade ore

accepted the offer

# Approved On 216-168 Vote

Continuation Resolution Is Sent To Senate, Hearings Planned Monday

THREE YEAR EXTENSION

Republicans Aided By Scattering Of Democrats, **Battle Legislation** 

By RICHARD L. TURNER WASHINGTON, Feb. 23- (AP) -The house gave the administration ts first great victory of the session tonight with a vote extending the reciprocal trade agreements program for a period of three years.

The continuation resolution, passed 216 to 168, goes next to the senate, where the finance committee plans to begin hearings on Monday, with Secretary Hull as its first wit-

The republican leadership fought the legislation to the end, assisted by a scattering of democratic members from farm and cattle sections particularly. These members have been in rebellion against the program on the ground that tariff reductions effected under it have injured the producers of their dis-

Triumph For Hull

In addition to being a victory for he administration, the vote was in the nature of a personal triumph for Secretary Hull, and one which some as a potential democratic presidential nominee. Hull issued a statement tonight

"I am, and I am sure the support-

ers of the program everywhere are, mmensely gratified at the vote." Hull had fought for such a program for years before he became ecretary of state in the Roosevelt cabinet. Arguing that a revival of world trade depended principally on the elimination of such trade barriers as high tariffs, he obtained congressional approval for a three

### **NLRB PROBE BODY GIVEN MORE FUNDS**

House Votes Another \$50,-000 To Continue Special Investigation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 .- (AP) -Without a word of debate, the house voted today to give another \$50,000 to its special committee investigating the Wagner act and the national labor relations board. Chairman Smith (D-Va) disclosed later that the first \$50,000 the nouse appropriated last year "already has run out."

"We will use this new money to complete our inquiry into activities of the labor board and to Plan To Walkout Here And the other things the resolutions which created the committee calls for," Smith said.

He referred particularly to sections which instructed the investigators to determine what effect the

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#### Your Vacant Rooms Can Mean An **Increase In Income**

Your income can be increased by renting that attractive room and bath. This can be accomplished for only a small additional outlay of cash on your

A permanent tenant can be found through a Star-News Want Ad . . . Mrs. P. Rhodes of 309 S. 2nd St., found a tenant in one day. Cost? Just 45c. Not only did she rent her rooms but received 24 additional calls from prospective

Rooms Rented furnished rooms for housekeeping. 309 2nd St. Phone 269.

Call 2800 today and start your Rental Ad. You can schedule your ad to run 3 or 7 days and cancel when results are obtained.

Charge If You Like

OF ALLIES' BLOCKADE SEEN EXTENSION AS STEP TO HALT GERMAN IRON By ELMER W. PETERSON Likewise there was no sup-(Authoritative British sources

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 23.-(AP)-Allied action in thrusting an arm of the blockade against Germany into the Arctic off

northern Norway, Finland and Soviet Russia was interpreted here tonight as possibly aimed primarily at halting German transport of high grade iron ore from Kirkenes, northern Norwegian port.

Scandinavian commercial circles said they believed a secondary motive was the blocking of any effort by German vessels which may be taking refuge in Murmansk, Russia's ice-free port in that region, to get back to Germany.

in London declined to discuss Scandinavian advices that Allied warships had begun blockade of Arctice waters off Murmansk. The admiralty said any comment might give information to the enemy. French officials said they had "no Scandinavlans shrugged off

rumors that the British intended to land troops and equipment in the Petsamo area -occupied early in the Finnish-Russian conflict by Russian forces-as an aid to Finland on the grounds that weather if no other factor would be against such a procedure.

port for rumors that a clash with the Soviet Arctic navy already had occurred. Both Norwegian and Swedish iron ore is loaded at Kirkenes,

a modern little port with a good harbor. Commercial circles pointed out that as a rule ships must territorial outside proceed waters there, on account of the weather, before gaining the shelter of the numerous islands

dotting the Norwegian coast-They said they believed the British intended to safeguard their own shipments of ore from Kirkenes while trying to

check the flow of supplies to Germany.

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