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## AMERICAN SAILOR KILLED OFF SHANGHAI

### Seven Democrats Kill Wage-Hour Bill By Silence

Attend Caucus But Fail To Answer Roll Call, Chairman Quits.

### Mostly Southerners

Hope of Passage This Session Fails; Did Not Reach Floor.

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—Seven democrats in the house have killed the administration wage and hour bill for this session by the simple trick of keeping silent. Many of them, attended a party caucus, called to consider forcing the rules committee to release the measure for floor debate—but they didn't answer roll call. As a result the chairman had to announce a quorum was not present and no resolution. The bill was virtually dead even before the Southern members and a few others gave it their final treatment.

### Must Have Aid Requests Right

Raleigh, Aug. 20.—Although saying that "application for Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children are now coming into the state in much better condition," Nathan H. Yelton, Director of the Division of Public Assistance of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, has issued a warning to Superintendents of Public Welfare that "applications submitted for August payment must be in this office in correct form by August 31." "Any applications that are returned for correction and are not resubmitted by August 31 will be accepted for payment of the August check," Yelton continued. "We wish to thank the staffs of the County Departments of Welfare for their cooperation and the effort which has been put forth in getting the program started," Mr. Yelton said. "Since the Public Assistance program is new to us, we were unable to anticipate your difficulties. We hope that we are now making a beginning in that direction of being of more service to you, and we shall appreciate your presenting your problems and offering suggestions to us."

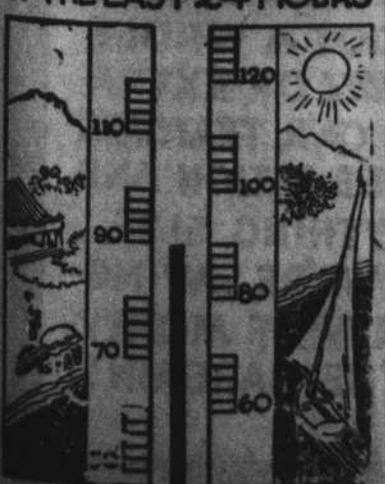
### Climax Resident In Town Today

C. L. Cranford of Climax, one of the county's older citizens, who plans to celebrate his 80th birthday in January, was a visitor at this office today. Mr. Cranford is especially interested in The Daily Courier and said this was a move he has longed to see for this newspaper.

Mr. Cranford came in for news of the liquor vote in several counties. He is an ardent dry and is probably the only living leader in the first dry fight in Randolph. At that time, A. G. Murdock, father of our townsman George Murdock, and Alfred Vuncannon were leaders, working with Mr. Cranford.

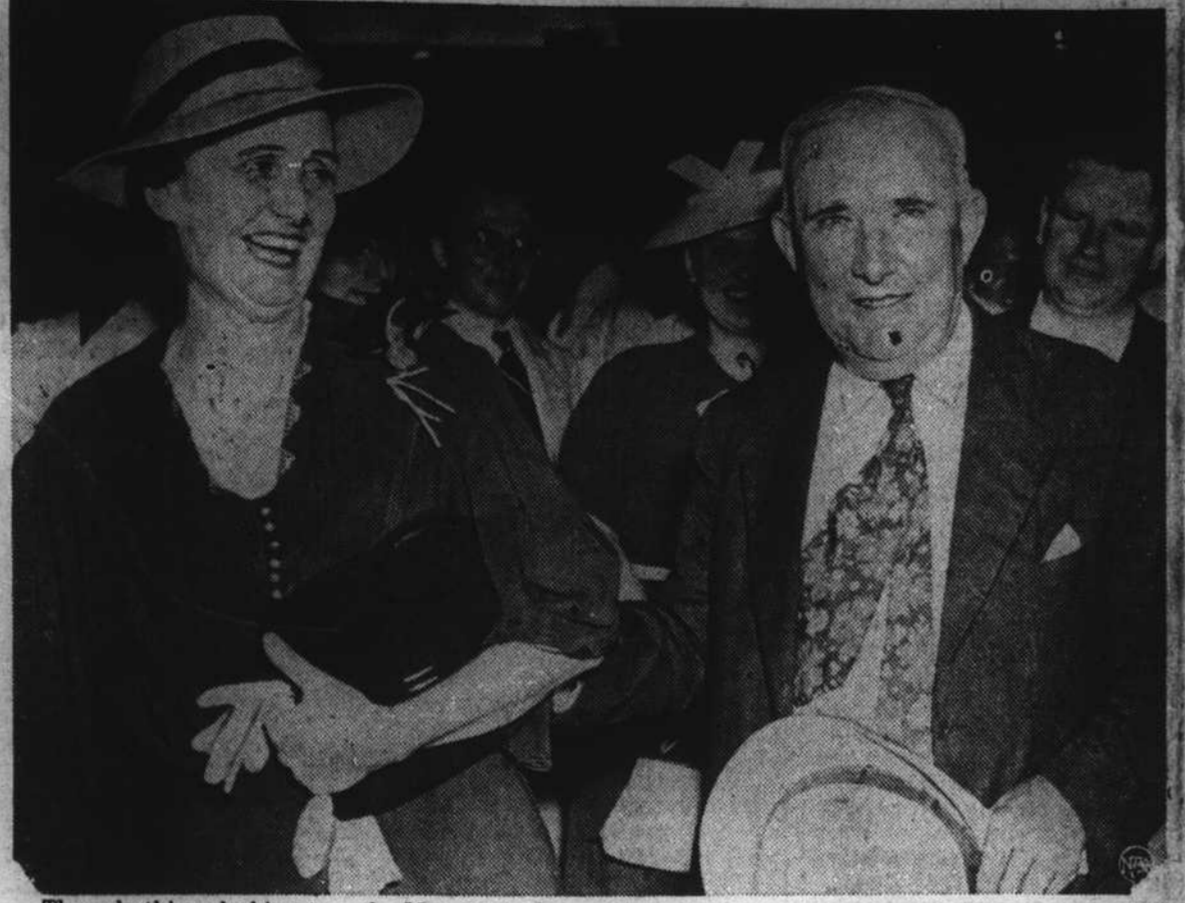
The Randolph citizen states that he was a militant dry in his young manhood and has remained consistently dry ever since. He is active, interested in public affairs, and plans to see to it that Randolph does not vote in the wet ranks while he is able to be about—and it looks as if he would be, for he is in excellent health.

### The Highest Temperature of the Last 24 Hours



THE WEATHER North Carolina: Partly cloudy and somewhat unsettled tonight and Saturday.

### Her Husband Introduces Alabama's New Senator



The only things lacking to make Mrs. Dixie Graves the new senator from Alabama are the resignation of Senator Black and formal presentation of the official documents. And Governor Bibb Graves escorts his wife to the scene of her new activities in Washington, D. C. Home state leaders recognize Mrs. Graves as an able and astute politician.

### Mrs. Dixie Graves W. F. Lambert First Venture In Tobacco Proves a Success

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—Governor Bibb Graves of Alabama appointed his wife, Dixie Bibb Graves last night to succeed Hugo L. Black as senator from Alabama.

The governor announced Mrs. Graves' appointment immediately after Black tendered his resignation from the Senate. Mrs. Graves will serve only temporarily. The governor called a special election for next April 26 to name a senator to fill Black's unexpired term, which ends in January, 1939.

### WPA Valuable To Any Community

Raleigh, Aug. 20.—Mrs. W. T. Bost, Commissioner of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, Wednesday told members of a conference of Social Service division workers of the state WPA that "we regard the Works Progress Administration as one of our most valuable resources in the community in that it obtains employment for those who might otherwise have to depend upon the Department of Welfare for a livelihood."

"You can see," she continued, "what a serious curtailment of WPA would mean to the Department of Public Welfare. While it is true that through the Social Service legislation, North Carolina will be able to reach certain groups of people—the aged, needy blind and dependent children—what of those who do not fall into one of these categories? "There is the traditional outdoor poor list, or general relief, for which some funds will be included in the budgets. But many of the counties are not disposed to appropriate funds for unemployment relief. There is the feeling that there is a national responsibility toward unemployment, and that federal revenues are still need for fighting it."

### State Dept. of Agriculture Planning Farmers Meet 25

Randolph county farmers are urged to plan now to attend a most important meeting in the county agriculture building on Wednesday evening, August 25, at 7:30 o'clock. At this time, the state department of agriculture, in cooperation with the North Carolina Crop Improvement association and the county agent, E. S. Millsaps, county agent, will be in charge of the meeting and will preside. Speakers will include D. S. Coltrane, formerly of Asheboro, now assistant to Kerr Scott, state agriculture head. Mr. Coltrane will discuss fully the new seed law and will show a three-reel picture which reveals the advantages of better seed; how they germinated how they grow. It is suggested by the state department that it would be advantageous to all seed dealers, as well as farmers, to attend this meeting and understand the new seed law.

### Murderer Killed

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 20.—(P)—Shannon Macdonald, 45, was electrocuted here today for the gun slaying of H. B. Thompson, Sr., in Fairfield county in September 1935. H. B. Thompson, Jr., 13, son of the victim, looked on.

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—A Treasury announcement of new borrowing indicated tonight the public debt will climb past the \$57,000,000 mark next week.

### Congress Rushes Towards End Of Session Tonight

Barkley Concedes House May Wind Up Not Later Than Nightfall.

### Conferences Fail

No Agreement Reached On Housing Measure; 3rd Deficiency Bill.

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—Congressional chieftains opened a sudden drive today to adjourn Congress by late tonight. Senator leader Barkley, conceded for the first time as the Senate met at noon, that there was "a chance" to finish up the long session by tonight instead of waiting until the Wagner Housing bill was reported or the possibility of getting a conference agreement on the third deficiency appropriation bill, the last scheduled measure for the session. Previously the leader had stopped reports of possible adjournment by tonight. Both houses were ready for the end of the long but unproductive session.

### 2nd Anniversary Social Security

Is Said to be Most Far-reaching Piece of Social Legislation Ever Enacted.

Washington, Aug. 20.—The Social Security Act was passed by Congress and signed by the President just two years ago. At the Washington headquarters of Region IV, which includes the District of Columbia, and the States of Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia, Mr. G. R. Parker, regional director, when asked to comment on the progress made to date, issued the following statement: "On August 14, 1935, the President signed the Social Security Act, the most far-reaching piece of social legislation ever enacted in this country. It may be worth while to briefly review the results achieved, particularly as applied to the state of North Carolina. "The Act, as is generally understood, includes those features involving state and federal cooperation, that is Public Assistance and Unemployment Compensation, and Federal old-age benefits. "In general outline, public assistance provides aid to needy persons of 65 and over, dependent children, and the needy blind. The states enact their own laws and the federal government contributes a part of administrative authorities in accordance with local aid and expense with need disclosed by investigation. "In unemployment compensation, state funds are being built up which will provide payments to eligible workers who are temporarily thrown out of employment. The cost of administering state plans is borne by the federal government. "Federal old-age benefits is the long-range plan for providing against old-age dependency. It provides for monthly payments to eligible workers upon attaining age 65, or lump-sum payments under certain conditions and in the event of death. These amounts are based on life earnings and the beneficiary is entitled to them as a matter of right, irrespective of any question of need or distress. "On June 22, 1937, the public assistance plan of the state of North Carolina was formally approved by the Social Security board. Under this it is estimated that during August aid will be extended to approximately 5,000 needy old people, and that this number will be substantially increased as the recently formed state organization gets further under way. Dependent children and needy blind will also be benefited. While individual amounts have necessarily been small, the relief of acute distress has been large. In North Carolina, old-age assistance and aid to dependent children is administered by the state board of charities and public welfare, and aid to the needy blind by a commission for the blind. "On December 19, 1936, the Social Security board approved the North Carolina unemployment compensation plan. While it is necessary to permit funds to accumulate until January 1, 1938 before payments are made, thereafter substantial assistance will be automatically provided for those temporarily out of work. As of July 31,

### Tent For Union Meeting Is Ready

The committee for arrangements for the union meeting which is scheduled to begin on Sunday, August 29th, has decided to put the tent on the south Fayetteville street school grounds. The committee decided in favor of the northeast section of the grounds, on Academy street. The large tent will be erected early next week, according to G. H. King, a member of the committee. It is further announced by the committee that this location was decided upon because of the accessibility of the athletic building in which the plan is to hold services, in event of storms. This union service, which was decided upon by the ministerial association of Asheboro, is to be a community affair, and will run for two weeks, as has been announced previously.

### Sends Boats to China

Paris, Aug. 20.—(P)—The Ministry of Marine announced yesterday that because of the "serious events of China," one cruiser, two sloops and a river gunboat would be concentrated at Shanghai. Vice Admiral Maurice Bigot, aboard the flagship cruiser Lamotte-Picquet, was entrusted with defense of the French concession.

### Attacks Spanish Ship

Istanbul, Aug. 20.—(P)—Spanish government freighter Amuru was reported today to have been attacked and driven aground off Gallipoli, Turkey, by an unidentified submarine. The ship was fired on last night almost at the same spot

### War Refugees Met By Earthquake In Manila Harbor

Two Sharp Tremors Add To Horrifying Trip; No Deaths Reported.

### Heard 200 Miles

Lofty Buildings, Churches Damaged; Second Shock Came in 10 Minutes.

Manila, P. I., Aug. 20.—(P)—Two sharp earthquakes hit Manila in the darkness tonight in a terrifying welcome to American refugees from war torn Shanghai. Fire, started by the shocks, added to the panic. Several lofty buildings and churches were damaged. Other major structures swayed noticeably. Many were injured but no deaths were reported. The second tremor added new terror, 10 minutes later. It was felt at least 200 miles away. Most terrified by the rumbling and shaking was the 375 refugees arriving on the President Jefferson to a supposed haven after their experiences in Shanghai.

### Rotary Greets Dr. Cothran G. Smith

Members Participate in Educational Program; Miss Rice, Guest.

Dr. C. G. Smith, president of the Asheboro Rotary club, was officially welcomed back to Asheboro by members of the organization at today's luncheon meeting. Dr. Smith has been in Europe for several months. The Rotary educational program, in charge of Frank Craven, Jr., and E. O. Shaffer, marked today's meeting. Each member was given a questionnaire upon which were printed true and false answers. Members were instructed to underscore the correct answer. Miss Emma Rice was a guest of the club and played several delightful piano selections.

### Brotherhood Voted

Chicago, Aug. 20.—(P)—Railroad executives and heads of the five train service brotherhoods failed yesterday to reach an agreement after a full week of negotiations over the union's plea for a 20 per cent wage increase.

### Ship Goes to Santander

St. Jean De Luz, France, Aug. 20.—(P)—The United States destroyer Kane steamed toward Santander, Spain, yesterday for evacuation of Americans endangered by the insurgent drive on the city.

### Auto Returned

A 1936 Ford V-8, owned by Penwood Redding, taken from its parking place near the Bossong Hospitality Mill yesterday was returned by unidentified persons last night. The police believe the car was "borrowed" by some local person.

### New Orleans, Aug. 20.—(P)—The nations rural free delivery mail men today heard James W. Cole, deputy second assistant postmaster general, urge them to meet the issue of what he termed the present discriminatory system of payment on a mileage basis.

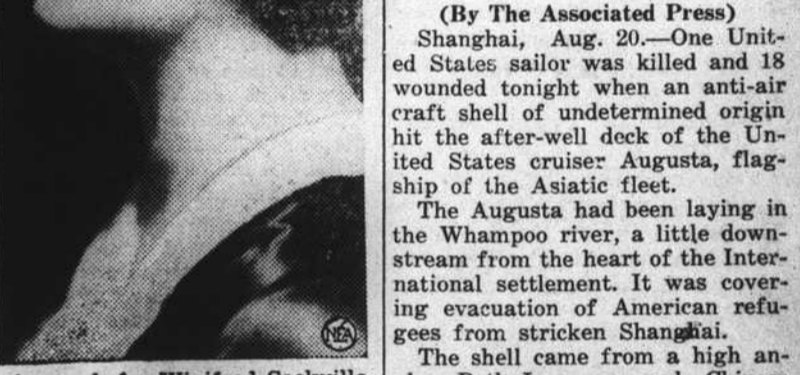
### Rites Saturday For Mrs. A. B. Cox

Miss Annie B. Cox, aged 70, daughter of the late Milton and Elizabeth Davis Cox, died at her home on Sophia route 1, Friday morning at one-thirty o'clock, following an illness of some time. She was born and reared in Randolph county and was well known throughout this section. She was a birth right member of the Marlboro Friends church. Surviving are two sisters, Miss Ettie Cox of Sophia, route 1, and Mrs. Grant Reynolds of Lakewood, N. J., one brother, Jabez M. Cox of Sophia route 1. Also several nieces and nephews survive. Funeral services will be conducted from the Marlboro Friends church Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock by Rev. Sam Nelson, assisted by Rev. B. B. Bulla. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

### Flagship Augusta Hit By Shell; 18 of Crew In Serious Condition

### Fleet Commander Throws Gauntlet To Jap Officials

Florida Native Dies When Shell of Undetermined Origin Hits Deck. Others Drop Near American Admiral Scorns Order of Jap Navy Banning River Use.



Shanghai, Aug. 20.—(P)—One United States sailor was killed and 18 wounded tonight when an anti-air craft shell of undetermined origin hit the after-well deck of the United States cruiser Augusta, flagship of the Asiatic fleet. The Augusta had been laying in the Whampoo river, a little downstream from the heart of the International settlement. It was covering evacuation of American refugees from stricken Shanghai. The shell came from a high angle. Both Japanese and Chinese artillery had been firing furiously in the late afternoon. The sailor killed, was Freddie J. Falgout of Raceland, Fla. Nine of the 18 wounded were in a serious condition. The shell struck the Augusta at 6:40 p. m. when Japanese and Chinese guns were roaring on both banks of the river and warships were firing from their positions. Shortly before the Augusta was struck three big shells, believed from Chinese guns, concealed on shore north of Chapai, plunged into the water close to the cruiser. The Augusta's crew was immediately ordered to take shelter below deck. The crews of other American and foreign ships took similar action. Shortly after the Augusta was hit another shell fell less than 100 yards astern of her on the Pootung side of the river. Shortly after 10 p. m. Japanese on the Whampoo and Chinese batteries to the south of the International settlement began a duel of large and small calibre guns. Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, fleet commander, informed the Japanese naval officers that the United States fleet will use the river whenever he desires. This was in reply to a Japanese demand that American naval officers notify them whenever they plan to navigate the river after dark.

### Santander's Fall Expected Hourly

### Spanish Rebel Forces Are Closing in On Last Loyalist Outpost.

Hendaye, Spanish Frontier, Aug. 20.—(P)—Santander and the Spanish government's north west positions appeared doomed today to fall before General Franco's insurgent columns slowly but relentlessly advancing through rain and mud. "It is only a matter of days," said French and Belgium citizens who arrived from Santander last night, last important stronghold of the government in northwestern Spain. It was impossible to get food through the insurgent blockade. Today Franco's troops poured through a natural barrage of fog and rain for possession of the water works system of the city. General Franco announced his forces met strong resistance in all sections of the Santander front where heavy reinforcements had been sent up by the government forces.

### Shanghai Ablaze

Shanghai, Aug. 20.—(P)—A fourth of Shanghai was ablaze tonight as Chinese air forces struck savagely at Japanese forces and property. American property suffered heavily as the battle for Shanghai became increasingly furious. Destruction of life and wealth was heavy. The Wootong water front just across the river was in flames as the result of heavy bombing of heavy Japanese guns. A large section of Hunkeu, to the north, was burning fiercely. This section is largely Japanese and was a part of the American concession in the 19th century.

### Roosevelt Puts Shanghai Action Up to U. S. Navy

### President Contends Men "On Ground" Better Able To Decide Course.

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—President Roosevelt, was advised of the shelling of the flagship Augusta, the killing of one sailor and the wounding of eighteen others said whatever action was deemed advisable would be taken by "the men on the ground." The President told a newspaper conference that he had received only fragmentary reports of an unofficial nature in dispatches on the shelling of the Augusta. When further questioned the President said, "almost anything can happen in a case like this." When asked "what he has going to do about it," Mr. Roosevelt said, "the people on the site could tell more about it than officials in Washington." He did say, in response to questions, that official Washington was talking about the advisability of invoking the neutrality every day.

### Black Takes Oath

Washington, Aug. 20.—(P)—Senator Hugo L. Black disclosed today he had taken an oath of office as an associate justice of the Supreme Court before Charles F. Pace, the clerk of the Senate without ceremony. The new justice will not exercise authority of his new office however until he takes the judicial oath from Charles E. Cropley, clerk of the high court in October.

### Convict Murderers

Burnsville, N. C., Aug. 20.—(P)—Phillip Ray 26 and Otis Chaiz, 21, both of Burnsville today were convicted of 2nd degree murder before a Yancy county superior court judge in connection with the slaying of James Higgins last May.

### Eagles Game

Unofficial word received from Wichita late this afternoon was to the effect the Lisbon Falls-Eagles game, scheduled for Sunday afternoon, had been changed to some other day and hour. Nothing definite had been received up to the hour of going to press today.

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