

Racketeering In Farm Benefits Is Republican Charge

Senate Approves Extension Soil Conservation

Four Years More

Landless Gives Case of Farmer Who Collected

Washington, May 19.—(U.P.)—The Senate today approved a bill extending the soil conservation program for four more years.

Senator Vandenberg, R., of Michigan, said a federal program to help farmers was "all that is needed" to solve the problem of soil erosion.

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Valedictorian



VALEDICTORIAN of the 1937 graduating class of Elizabeth City high school is Mary Frances Brown, studious and serious-minded daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown of East Burgess street, who made an average of 97.361 on 18 subjects taken during her four years in high school.

Graham Bell Is Named On Board

Rounds Out Board to Handle Social Security Benefits Here

The County Welfare Board which will handle all Social Security matters for Pasquotank county was rounded out yesterday when Graham Bell, trust officer of the First & Citizen National bank, was named as third member of the board.

Noah Burfoot was named recently as a member of the welfare board by the board of county commissioners. John Hall was appointed as the second member of the board by the State Welfare Board. The third member was to be named by Messrs. Burfoot and Hall, who yesterday appointed Mr. Bell to the board.

Mr. Hall has been appointed for a one-year term. Mr. Burfoot for two years and Mr. Bell for three years.

This board will supervise social security matters for Pasquotank county.

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Hound Sets Record

Columbia, May 19.—A hound owned by Jimmie Jones of Gum Neck established something of a record yesterday when she gave birth to 16 puppies. The owner balked at rearing so large a litter and only ten will be kept.

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King George Reviews Big Naval Parade Today

Portsmouth, Eng., May 19.—(U.P.)—King George VI and Queen Elizabeth arrived here tonight to review tomorrow's international "sea parade" in which the finest fighting ships of 17 nations will steam down Spithead roadstead in homage to the newly-crowned monarch.

It will be the mightiest fleet of sea power ever assembled. It will thunder the royal salute from scores of big guns as the sailor-trained king, in the gold of a British admiral, journeys triumphantly through a lane of the massed warships aboard the royal yacht, Victoria and Albert.

The king and queen, accompanied by 11-year-old Princess Elizabeth and the Duke and Duchess of Kent, arrived aboard a special train from London to be greeted by thousands.

Receive Their Diplomas Tonight



The steps of the Elizabeth City High school main entrance were taxed to capacity to accommodate the 1937 graduating class, above, largest graduating class in the school's history. There are 98 graduates.

Members of the class, which is to graduate tonight, are as follows: Iva Alexander, William T. Alexander, Jr., Horace Ambrose, Frances Tony Anderson, Mayo Williams Armstrong, William Gaiter Aydtlett, Frances Barkley, Laura Novella Bray, Alva Ruth Brown, Henry Lee Brown, Charles Morris Burgess, Graham Bunch, Hazel M. Byrum, Janet Cartwright, Ada Pauline Cartwright, Kathryn Britte Cartwright, Wallace Chappell, Alvin B. Cox, Frances Crain, Morris Davis, Zenovah E. Heridge, Kathleen Fearing, Mary Fodrey, George Friby, Junnie Garrett, Edward M. Gregory, Francis M. Grace, H. Samuel Godfrey, Gaynell Harris, Helen Hill, Hazel Hopkins, Fenner Hopkins, Billy Hooper, Earl Hurdle, Frank W. Hollowell, Jr., Richard K. Hollowell, Jr., Eugene Graham Hollowell, Mary Hopkins, Barbara Hite, Virgie Hughes, Lydia Mae Jones, Miriam A. Jones, William Lewis Jones, Jr., Raymond C. Jones, Jr., George Luther Jordan, Frank Kramer, Jr., Madge Lambert, Frances Eloise Long, Elizabeth P. Meiggs, Lona Margaret Meiggs, Mary Leona Minton, Noah Morrisette, Mary Evelyn Morrisette, Katherine Davis Murrell, Harry Grandy McPherson, Robert E. Ownley, Shirley Perry, Melba Parker, Clarice Pritchard, Marion Elwood Pritchard, Wilma Pritchard, Alma Pritchard, Lucy Mae Pritchard, Katherine Ralph, George Edward Reid, Jr., Gertrude Riggs, Silas B. Seymour, Jr., Horace Seymour, Jean Simpson, Mary Elizabeth Simpson, Elizabeth Spence, Clara Spence, Ruth Swain, Anna Louise Simpson, Evelyn Skiles, Carolyn Small, M. C. Sawyer, William Sawyer, Aubrey Sawyer, Mildred Jane Taylor, Claude Frances Tarkington, Weymouth Tillet, Martha Twiddy, Selma Watson, Jerry Wilcox, Jimmy White, Evie Winslow, Marian White, James Emory White, Ruth Bray, Doris Bundy, Ann Britt, Samuel Nathan Dulin, Jr., Luther Mann, and William Edward Griffin, Jr.

Seniors To Be Whole Show At Tonight's Exercises

The entire program of the graduation exercises of the Elizabeth City high school tonight from the invocation to the benediction, with the exception of the presentation of diplomas and awards, will be conducted by members of the graduating class.

It is the seniors' big night, and they are going to be the whole show in what probably will be the most unique graduation exercises ever held here, and what certainly will be the first without a speech by some person from outside the senior class.

The program for the exercises which will begin at eight o'clock in the high school auditorium, is as follows: Invocation by Ruth Newbern Bray; introduction of the Salutatorian by James L. White, III, president of the class; Salutatory by Jean Simpson; talk on the school library by Doris Bundy; talk on high school English by Clarice Pritchard; talk on social sciences by Ann Britt; talk on natural sciences by Graham Hollowell; talk on health and physical education by Sam Dulin; talk on industrial arts by Edward Griffin; talk on home economics by Melba Parker; talk on the commercial course by Mary Simpson; Valedictory by Mary Frances Brown; presentation of a silver cup for the best speller in high school to Mary Hopkins, and Benediction by Barbara Hite.

Other than the diplomas and attendance and honor certificates, the only awards to be made will be a cash prize for the Valedictorian, donated by the Parent-Teachers association; a cash prize for the Salutatorian, donated by D. Pender grocery company, and the spelling cup, donated by Bright Jewelry Company.

Emergency Water Supply Is Public Utilities' Aim

Engineers to Survey Potential Capacity of the Present Field

Engineers of the Bureau of the U. S. Geological Survey, who have been studying data on Elizabeth City's public water field over a period of two years are expected to come to Elizabeth City to confer with the Public Utility Commission as to the desirability of increasing the supply of water from this source for emergency purposes.

In emergencies water is drawn from an emergency basin in which the water many months in the year is decidedly brackish. When this brackish water is mixed in the mains with the ground water from the water field, the Public Utilities Commission is swamped with complaints from consumers who can't get a lather for their bath, shave or wash.

"We believe that we can abandon this emergency basin altogether and, by increasing the number of pump points at the water field, have an ample supply of wholesome water on tap in any emergency," says Supt. J. C. Parker. "But we are going to confer with engineers of the Geological Survey before we take such steps."

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Navy Recruiting Here Until Saturday

Join the Navy, boys, and see the world. Young men between the ages of 17 and 25 desiring to enter the Naval service may make application to C. E. Phoenix, U. S. Navy recruiter, in the Community building here today, tomorrow and Saturday until 4:30 o'clock.

All applicants under 21 must have the consent of their parents. A high school education is desired, but is not required.

President Drives Forward With His Economy Program

Salutatorian



SALUTATORIAN of this year's Elizabeth City high school is Jean Simpson, intelligent daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. Simpson of West Church street. Jean averaged 97.353 on 17 subjects taken during her four years in high school.

Rep. Doughton Draws Fire for the Park Amendment

N. Y. Bill Is Vetoed

Threats Made to Fight Relief Appropriation In Retaliation

Washington, May 19.—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt drove the new deal's first real effort to balance the budget forward tonight in the face of angry taunts and blistering opposition from congressional Democrats fighting to save their personal vote-getting projects from the economy ax.

A rowdy session of the house today clearly outlined the difficulties Mr. Roosevelt must hurdle if he succeeds in transforming a freely-spending congress into one that saves the taxpayers' money. One of the president's own leaders, Chairman Robert L. Doughton, D. N. C., of the house ways and means committee, jammed through an amendment to the interior department appropriation bill which increased the total grant by \$2,000,000.

Blue Ridge Park The additional money is to go into the Blue Ridge parkway which runs through Doughton's district in North Carolina. Twisted by Rep. J. William Ditter, R., Pa., who urged Doughton to withdraw his amendment "to prevent chastisement by the president," the elderly North Carolinian leaped to his feet.

Red-faced and angry, his shell-rimmed spectacles joggling about on his forehead, Doughton insisted (Continued on Page Three)

Sen. Robinson Is Working For A Compromise

Is Silent As to Reports That He Will Fill Court Vacancy

Washington, May 19.—(U.P.)—Senate majority leader Joe T. Robinson sought tonight to win senate support for a compromise supreme court reorganization proposal limiting new appointments to one a year and shifting the age limit upward to 75 years.

Robinson and other administration leaders, far from conceding defeat of the president's request for up to six new appointments, were confident of ultimate success on a compromise along the lines proposed to—and rejected by—the senate judiciary committee yesterday.

Logan Amendment That was the amendment offered by Sen. Matthew M. Logan, D., Ky., which was voted down 10 to 8. Originally it was proposed by Sen. Carl A. Hatch, D., N. M., but with the age limit to 70 instead of 75.

One administration strategist (Continued on Page Three)

Broadcast Today

The Norman Concert Singers of this city, who will leave tomorrow on a tour that will take them as far North as New York City, are scheduled to broadcast from Station WTAR in Norfolk at four o'clock this afternoon.

Local music lovers and well-wishers of this musical group are urged to listen in on the broadcast today.

Basques Hear Mola Will Make Bilbao Cemetery

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish Frontier, May 19.—(U.P.)—Enraged Basques tonight accused rebel Gen. Emilio Mola of planning to make a "cemetery" of 600-year-old Bilbao for its 340,000 frightened refugees.

They rushed machine guns and artillery to weakening sections of their defense lines seven miles from the city to stem the advance of Moors, Carlists, Germans and Italians.

President Jose Antonio Aguirre protested to the neutral non-intervention committee that Mola was preparing to destroy Bilbao. Aided by rains which halted fighting, the Basques concentrated troops to the southeast of the capital, one mile west of Amorebieta which the rebels captured yesterday.

Mola's troops moved southward around Munguia, seven miles north of Bilbao. His Carlist monarchists claimed they captured 2,000 prisoners and huge quantities of war materials.

Both lines were rapidly tightening about the Basque capital. In a dozen places the loyalists were back in their famous "El Gallo" triple-trench lines with the rebels a few hundred yards away.

Mola abandoned plans to surround Bilbao, and apparently was massing men and guns along the highway southeast of the city for a final, smashing drive.

Amorebieta virtually was a no-man's land. After Mola's troops moved in, they were subjected to such violent shelling that he withdrew to trenches east of the city.

John DeGand, United Press staff correspondent with the rebels at Amorebieta, reported that hundreds of women and children streamed from the town to the rebel lines. The refugees said the city was fired by retreating loyalists.

None of the women had eaten for 48 hours, and had been without bread for a month. They said the Basques led them from the town at rifle point and threatened to shoot them unless they fled.

Hoey Makes 6 Appointments To State Jobs

L. Y. Gray of Salvo Named As Wreck Commissioner; ABC Meeting

Raleigh, May 19.—(U.P.)—Gov. Clyde R. Hoey tonight announced six appointments to state posts. They included: Sen. J. Benton Stacy, of Rockingham county, to fill a vacancy on the advisory budget commission due to appointment of Sen. Ernest V. Webb, Lenoir county, to the state highway and public works commission.

Leonard C. Cooke, Charlotte, and Ben. V. Matthews, Winston-Salem, re-appointments to the state board of photographic examiners.

Luther Y. Gray, of Salvo, re-appointed as wreck commissioner for the third district of Dare county.

Mrs. S. Clay Williams, Winston-Salem, to the board of trustees of the Stonewall Jackson Training school to succeed Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, who declined re- (Continued on Page Three)

Local Boy's Paper Has Chance For High Honor

A paper written by Bill Daniels, nephew of Mrs. Gladys S. Daniels of West Church street, is to be read shortly before the American Osteopathic association in competition with similar papers submitted by winners of contests conducted in the various schools of osteopathy in this country.

Daniels, whose paper is a research paper on Angina Pectoris, is a student at the Still College of Osteopathy at Des Moines, Iowa.

In a letter to his aunt this week Bill wrote: Can you imagine my paper before a national convention. The other colleges will have their papers, of course but Dr. Tacto of this college said he thought I had a good chance of winning the national contest. This is quite an honor and I'm proud of it."

A graduate of Elizabeth City high school, Bill Daniels attended the University of North Carolina for two years before deciding to take up the study of osteopathy.

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

- A. M. 8:30 Mens Christian Federation P. M. 7:30 Red Men; Troop 152 BSA; Elizabeth Rebekah Lodge No. 62 7:45 Choir practices Library Hours: 10-12, 2-6.