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Wheeler Attacks Labor's Attitude On Court Change

Reports of Justice
McReynolds Quit-
ting Denied

Compromise Plans

Labor Man Clashes With
Senator On Union Sup-
port of Reorganization

Washington, May 20.—(U.P.)—Senator K. Wheeler, D., of Oregon, today attacked the reorganization plan of the executive vice president of the National Labor Relations board, which he believed that the president "can't justify it."

Wheeler liberal clashed with labor executive vice president of the non-union commerce department on pending legislation. His attack featured a discussion of the Van Dantzer creation of a new administration committee.

McReynolds Denial
Senator James Clark McReynolds advised a questioner that the capital was not in jeopardy over pending legislation as a result of the court's action.

Senate majority leader T. Robinson for the Virginia vacancy grew in support of Bennett Champ Clark, D. Va., mentioned in the Senate and Rep. John W. Fisher, D. Va., announced he would support the Virginia vacancy tomorrow to en-

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Two Thousand Guns Thunder Kingly Salute

Salute New York Rep-
resents United States
at Spithead

With the King's Fleet Procession, May 20.—(U.P.)—A salute of many nations of the world was given to the newly-crowned king of the United Kingdom at Spithead, England, today. The salute was given by 2,000 guns of the British fleet.

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Bonner and Party At Inlet for the Week End

Washington, May 20.—(U.P.)—Senator Bonner, secretary to Congressman Lindsay C. Warren, arrived here tonight to work with the blues and the blues. Oregon Inlet this week end.

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Senator Bonner's party will make their headquarters at Bodie Island Coast Guard station while here. They will return to Washington on Sunday.

Fletcher Issues A Warning

Employers of Labor
Must Know About
Wagner Act

Law of the Land

State Labor Commissioner
Is Keeping Touch With
The Union Situation

The state department of labor today issued a warning to employers to acquaint themselves with provisions of the National Labor Relations act, the aftermath of two disturbing strike situations in North Carolina and within 24-hours after the Committee for Industrial Organization had completed its negotiations in the state with an employer.

Major A. J. Fletcher, commissioner of labor, issued the warning and said as a result of a conference with Gov. Clyde R. Hoey his department would keep closer touch with labor disturbances. He said the governor had agreed to sending an inspector from the department to the scene of troubled working conditions as soon as a breach appeared between employer and employee.

Fletcher has already sent an inspector to East Lumberton, where CIO organizers have reported they have met with violence. He mentioned briefly the report of organizers at Morehead City, where a shirt plant was closed indefinitely following an unsuccessful attempt to unionize workers.

"The Wagner act is the law of the land now," Fletcher said, "whether employers like it or not, and it will be a wise thing for them to learn it and abide by it. It will help them avoid embarrassing mistakes."

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Raleigh Girl's New York Visit Served A Double Purpose

New York, May 20.—(U.P.)—Miss Elizabeth Richardson of Park of Raleigh, N. C., came to New York today to wish her father and mother bon voyage and ended up by getting married at "The Little Church Around the Corner" to Marcus George Lynch of New York.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Park. They will attend the Rotary International convention in France.

P. L. Parker Dies at Currituck Home

Currituck, May 20.—P. L. Parker, 70, died here this morning at 7:30 o'clock.
Besides his wife, he is survived by four sons, W. A. Parker of Portsmouth, P. L. Parker, Jr. of Norfolk, Linwood Parker of Baltimore and Carroll Parker of Currituck; three daughters, Mrs. J. D. Vandergrift of Currituck, Mrs. S. W. Brumsey of Portsmouth and Mrs. E. D. Doney of Belcross.
Funeral services will be conducted Saturday afternoon.

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Youngest



YOUNGEST member of the 1937 graduating class of Elizabeth City High school, which graduated last night, was George Frisby, 13-year-old son of John Frisby of East Church street. When John Frisby, Jr., who is a year older than George, started school, George, like Mary's little lamb, would follow him to school each day. He didn't make any trouble so the teacher let him stay. He displayed an aptitude for learning as quickly as others in the class, so he was allowed to enter school at the age of five.—Photo by Frisby's original also.

Graduation Exercises Unique

Present Word Picture
of School Program;
98 Receive Diplomas

"A word picture of the Elizabeth City high school program, both curricular and extra-curricular," was given to parents and friends of the 98 graduates of the class of 1937 in the school auditorium last night.

The program, from invocation to benediction, was handled by members of the graduating class, and it was the first time in the school's history that a graduation program was staged without a speaker from outside the school.

Following the procession, Ruth Bray gave the invocation and Jimmy White, class president, introduced the program in the following words:
"As president of the senior class I have the honor to introduce tonight a graduating program somewhat different from the usual baccalaureate address.
"It is an attempt to give our parents and friends at least a word picture of our high school program, both curricular and extra-curricular.
"If you will follow closely the speeches that are made, I believe that you will observe the stress and emphasis on the practical in education. You may also note the traits of the modern educational program."

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One-Man Crime Wave Has Attractive Offers

New York, May 20.—(U.P.)—Joseph Roth, a citizen who knows his constitutional rights when he sees them, walked up to the information booth in police headquarters today and said:
"I want to get arrested."
It would not be exactly accurate to say that Patrolman John Dawson, who was "information" at the moment, was asleep. A prettier thing to call it would be "siesta," but in any event he did not leap up immediately and offer to arrest Mr. Roth. Nor did he direct him to the place where the arresting was going on. That

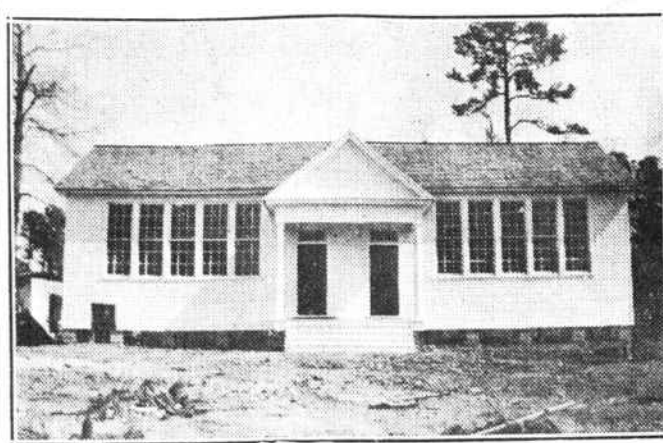
made Mr. Roth plenty sore. He hammered the information booth with his fist, shouting: "I'm a citizen and I want some service around here. Why don't you arrest me? I'm going to kill a fellow!"
"What do you want to do that for?" asked Patrolman Dawson, "violating the police code of greater New York by closing a sentence with a preposition."
Mr. Roth made another proposition:
"I'm going to commit suicide and I'm going to fix it so it will look just like Fred murdered me. Fred's my brother. He lives up in the Bronx."
"What do you want to do that for?" asked Patrolman Dawson, demonstrating that his repartee has range as well as impact.
Mr. Roth looked disgusted and drummed his fingers on the information booth. A far-away look

Hundreds View Body of Veteran Father

New Bern, May 20.—(U.P.)—Hundreds of persons tonight filed by the casket containing the body of George Isaac "Daddy" Hughes, 98-year-old Confederate veteran who a tounded the medical world by becoming the father of two children after he was 94 years old.
Hughes, living almost in poverty here with his second wife whom he married at the age of 23 about five years ago, died today from the infirmities of old age, accelerated by a weakened heart. He had been barely conscious for several days.
He gained national prominence in December, 1934, when a son was born to his young wife. The American medical society investigated the birth and announced the poverty-stricken veteran—who received only \$1 a day pension from the state—was the child's father.
The Hughes christened the boy Franklin Roosevelt in honor of the president, who followed with a personal note of congratulations on the birth.
The second child, a girl, was born in June, 1936.
After the second birth Hughes told reporters: "There is nothing particularly remarkable about my becoming a father again. Doctors examined me when I was 94 and were puzzled that I was healthy. It's simply the result of following a simple formula—hard work, regular hours and no smoking."

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What WPA Labor Can Do



The school building above, constructed by WPA labor, is an outstanding example of what such labor, often accused of being incompetent, can actually do.
In the fall of last year a windstorm demolished the Winslow school building in Salem township, and the county board of education applied to the WPA for a project to take apart the remainder of the old building, salvage as much lumber as possible and construct a two-room frame building, 20 feet deep and 60 feet wide, with cloak rooms.

The project was approved and work was started on the project on January 10. The operation of the project rated 100 per cent. for each period, and the building was completed on scheduled time. The construction of the building was done entirely by relief labor, and not one of the men who worked on the project had ever constructed a building before, not even the foreman, Walter Swain.
T. P. Richardson, WPA division engineer, showed the men how to read blue prints and they went ahead and put up a building that would be a credit to skilled carpenters. The building was completed in April at a total cost of \$2,631.30, of which the board of education, sponsors of the project, provided \$1,233.50, the cost of the materials, and the WPA provided labor costing \$1,447.80.

Four Yachts Due Here Today

Are On a Demonstration Cruise; New Marketing Wrinkle
If prospective buyers find it difficult or inconvenient to reach your show-room, take your show-room to them. This maxim of modern business, manifested in recent years by display of carious products in handsome trailers, will take on a new form today when four show boats sent out on a demonstration cruise by a yacht broker at Newport News, Va., are due to arrive here for inspection.

The boats are due to arrive here today at noon and to remain here until tomorrow night. The fleet is in command of Mr. Julius Herbst.
The primary purpose of the cruise is to show southern yachtsmen, who have been unable to visit the show-room of C. P. Amory, Distributor, Inc., of Newport News, the four yachts.
The yachts are: a 26' Richardson Little Giant, fishing type; a 26' Richardson Little Giant, standard cruiser; a standard 33' Deluxe A. C. P. Wanderer.
After leaving Elizabeth City the demonstration fleet will visit Morehead City and Wilmington.

Sitdown In Mine

Wilsonville, Ill., May 20.—(U.P.)—Approximately 500 members of the progressive miners of America tonight began a sit-down strike half a mile underground in the shaft of a Superior coal company mine here. They occupied a mine corridor more than 2,000 feet below the tippie of mine no. 4.

Former Pasquotank Resident Dies In Raleigh

Word was received here late yesterday of the death of John L. Harris formerly of this county, in Raleigh yesterday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the age of 61, following three strokes of paralysis.
The deceased was born in the Corinth section of Pasquotank county and was a son of the late Miles Granberry Harris and Mary Jane Harris.
He graduated from the S. L. Sheep high school and began teaching school at the age of 18. Teaching part of the time and studying part of the time he graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1901 and from then until 1921 served as principal of the schools at High Point, Rocky Mount and Dandleman. In 1912 he went to work for a school supply firm and later organized the Carolina School Supply Co., of Raleigh.
Besides his wife, Mrs. Lillian Hooper Harris, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. John Hecutt and Miss Evelyn Harris, both of Raleigh; two sons, John L. Harris, Jr., and Robert Harris, both of Raleigh; two sisters, Mrs. J. S. Davis of Eden and Mrs. J. H. Ballard of this city; and two brothers, W. Thomas Harris and Cader P. Harris, both of this city.
Funeral services will be held at Raleigh at 4:00 o'clock this afternoon.

Boa-Constrictor Hunting New Brooklyn Sport

New York, May 20.—(U.P.)—Effie, six-foot boa-constrictor which is so even-tempered that she won't quarrel over whether her mid-day meal is a man or a woman, came back from the dead today.
Last week a sigh of relief swept Brooklyn and stirred the harbor waters when it was reported that the man-eating snake had been found dead on a fence. Mothers turned their children out into the parks again; policemen took their hands off their pistols; Charles Mulle, who had been hauled into court for allowing Effie to escape, figured his legal troubles were over.
Well, just before dusk today Mrs. Catherine Baranoff, who lives just around the corner from Mulle, looked up through a skylight in her home. Mrs. Baranoff, who has heard all about Effie and who has a definite prejudice against becoming a file de sole, screamed.
Effie stirred lazily in the sun.

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Economy Forgotten When Vote-Snaring Bill's In Congress

Pacific Air Defense Is Immediate Need

Atlantic Can Wait,
Swanson Tells the
Committee

Washington, May 20.—(U.P.)—Secretary of the Navy Claude A. Swanson informed the House Naval Affairs committee today that expansion of "inadequate" air defenses in the Pacific is "an urgent, immediate requirement."

The need for more and better airplane bases on the West Coast, in Panama and Hawaii should be filled before any plans are made for additional air bases on the Atlantic Coast, Swanson said in a letter to committee chairman Carl Vinson, D., Ga.

At Alameda
Swanson emphasized the necessity for prompt development of the proposed naval air station at Alameda, Calif., to complete the line of three primary air defense bases from Southern California to Washington.

Actual work on the Alameda base in San Francisco bay is being held up because of a land title dispute. The naval appropriations bill for the 1938 fiscal year carries \$1,000,000 to start the work. The house approved a bill this week authorizing total expenditure of \$13,500,000 on the station.

Complete Chain
Naval air forces on the West Coast now are concentrated at an \$18,000,000 base at San Diego, Calif., and a \$2,200,000 station at Sand Point (Seattle) Wash. The Alameda development will complete the chain of aviation bases

Rev. D. Clay Lilly Presbyterian Head

Morreat, May 20.—(U.P.)—The Rev. D. Clay Lilly, pastor of the Reynolds Presbyterian church, Winston-Salem, N. C., tonight was elected moderator of the Presbyterian church of the United States at the opening session of the 77th General Assembly.

The Reverend Lilly was elected over Dr. R. O. Flynn, of Atlanta, and Dr. R. C. Anderson, of Montreal.

Retiring Moderator P. Frank Price, China missionary preacher gave the opening sermon tonight.

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Mrs. Wehbie Is To Rest In Peace Beside Son

To Be Buried Today;
"Drowning With Suicidal Intent"
Mrs. Mary Wehbie, whose dead body was found floating in Charles creek early yesterday morning, will be buried this afternoon in a plot in Hollywood cemetery which had been her primary, if not sole interest in life for over 15 years.
Mrs. Wehbie's body was discovered around seven o'clock yesterday morning by Robert L. Sawyer, driver of a bread truck, who noticed the body in the creek as he was driving across the bridge that crossed Charles creek on Southern avenue. Police at that very moment were looking for Mrs. Wehbie, who had disappeared between the hour of midnight and 3:00 a. m. from the home of her nephew, E. P. Azar, at 702 Southern avenue.
Mrs. Wehbie who was 67 years old, came to this country 37 years ago from Syria, first locating in Illinois, where her husband died about 30 years ago. About 17 years ago she moved to this city, bringing with her her younger son, Tom; her older son, Mike Mettrey Wehbie, and his family, and K. P. Azar, a nephew whom she had raised from childhood.
Tom Mettrey Wehbie died in 1921 at the age of 19. His mother, who worshipped him, never got over his death. She had him buried in Hollywood cemetery, where

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Transferred



COMMANDER James A. Price, well-liked commanding officer of the Seventh U. S. Coast Guard District, whose transfer to the Sixth District with headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla., will become effective June 25th.

Price Leaves Here June 25th

Popular Coast Guard
Commander Is Being
Transferred to Jacksonville, Florida

Commander James A. Price, popular commanding officer of the Seventh Coast Guard district, has received notice that he is to take over the command of the Second district, with headquarters at Jacksonville, Fla., on June 25th.

Commander Price will be succeeded here by Commander Christopher J. Sullivan, who is now located at Chincoteague, Va., as Commander of the sixth district.

The Florida district will not be

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Interior Funds Boosted Three Million Instead of Cut

Flood Work Voted

Senate Approves the President's Plan for a Permanent CCC

Washington, May 20.—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt lost a \$3,200,000 economy fight in the "pork-hungry" house late today but won an easy victory in the senate to make the Civilian Conservation Corps—his favorite new deal project—a permanent agency.

Earlier he had bowed to house Democrats rebelling against his sweeping economy drive, by agreeing to support a \$25,000,000 emergency flood control program for the Ohio valley this year. Thus M. Roosevelt reversed the position he took a fortnight ago when he urged that flood control authorizations be deferred until the next session of congress.

See No Relief Change
Although the revolving house torpedoed plans of Mr. Roosevelt and its own appropriations committee to economize on the interior department appropriation bill, there were indications that the Democratic majority would give the president another blank check for \$1,500,000,000 to finance relief during the coming fiscal year. The work-relief bill was placed before the chamber today with a charge by Rep. Clifford A. Woodrum, D., Va., that racketeers are keeping up the cost of federal aid to the destitute.

Woodrum, who led a futile fight in committee to slice the appropriation \$500,000,000 in the interest of economy, said caustically that such a reduction would not provide "a liberal allowance if the relief racketeers keep hanging on to the trough—not a liberal allowance for socialistic or idealistic experiments."

A rattle of applause and a few
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Mola Hammers At Bilbao's Last Defense

Moors, Germans, Italians and Carlists Aided by Aerial Assault

Hendaye, Franco - Spanish Frontier, May 20.—(U.P.)—Gen. Emilio Mola's Rebels, unleashing a final "death blow" against ancient Bilbao, tonight shattered Basque defenses along a 10-mile front and drove four miles closer to the city.
More than 60 black-winged Rebel warplanes riddled and blasted the Basque lines with machine guns and bombs.
Fierce hand-to-hand fighting was reported, leaving more than 1,000 Loyalist dead in one sector alone.
Scores of fleet Rebel tanks led Mola's troops in the attack which sent the Bilbao defenders reeling back to within four miles of their proud capital. Moors, Italians, Germans and red-capped Carlists reached the famous "El Gallo" triple ring of defenses along half

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Singers Off Today On First Tour Of North

Norman's Concert Singers, accomplished local Negro choral group, will leave here this afternoon on their first Northern tour—a tour which will take them as far North as New York City.
The group, sixteen in number, will travel by automobile, arrangements having been made to take four cars on the trip.
The singers will travel direct from here to New York, where they will present their first concert. Other concerts will be presented in Philadelphia, Washington and other points. The group plans to be on tour for a week or ten days.

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR
A. M.
8:30 Mens Christian Federation
P. M.
7:30 I. O. O. F.; B. P. O. E.;
Daughters of America
Library Hours: 2-6, 7-9