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Generally fair and continued warm  
Saturday and Sunday.

# THE DAILY INDEPENDENT

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## Gen. Miaja Resumes Offensive

Attacks On First Anniversary of War's Beginning

Dynamites Trench Loyalists Claim Capture of 2,000 Rebels Since Drive Began

Madrid, July 16.—(U.P.)—Gen. Jose Miaja's loyalist armies tonight celebrated the close of the first year of the civil war with a resumption of their smashing offensive in the Guadarrama Hills, 11 miles west of the capital.

The insurgent artillery of Gen. Francisco Franco killed 20 persons in a bombardment of Madrid's western outskirts, attempting to prevent Miaja from moving up reinforcements for his drive to free the city from eight months of siege.

**Have "Top Hand"**  
Miaja, asserting that his troops have the "top hand" at last, announced that the enemy stronghold of Villa Franca del Castillo along the Coruna highway was secured.

On the northwestern fringe of Madrid, amid the ruins of University City, many insurgents were reported killed and wounded when Miaja's "dynamiters" blew up a rebel front line trench near the shambles of what once was a medical school.

Two mines were set off after an artillery barrage. More than 50 rebels were in the trench and those who escaped death beneath tons of bricks and earth were heavily machine-gunned.

**Beats Counter-attack**  
The assault on Villa Franca del Castillo indicated that Miaja had beaten off insurgent counter-assaults and was ready to resume his drive southward toward Navalcarra, southwest of Madrid, in an effort to break the backbone of the rebel line.

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## C. G. Accepts New Boat House

Probably Means Removal of Cape Henry Station to Little Creek

The first move preliminary to removal of the Cape Henry Coast Guard Station to Little Creek, Va., was made yesterday when the Coast Guard service formally took over a new boathouse at Little Creek.

A new lifeboat will be placed in the boathouse there shortly, and eventually it is planned to have a Coast Guard station erected there.

The Coast Guard's reason for placing a boat at Little Creek is because it is always possible to take a boat out of the creek and into Chesapeake Bay and the ocean off Cape Henry, whereas in heavy weather it is very difficult to launch a boat thru the surf where the Cape Henry Coast Guard Station is now located.

Seventh District Coast Guard headquarters here has no definite information regarding the eventual removal of Cape Henry Station to Little Creek.

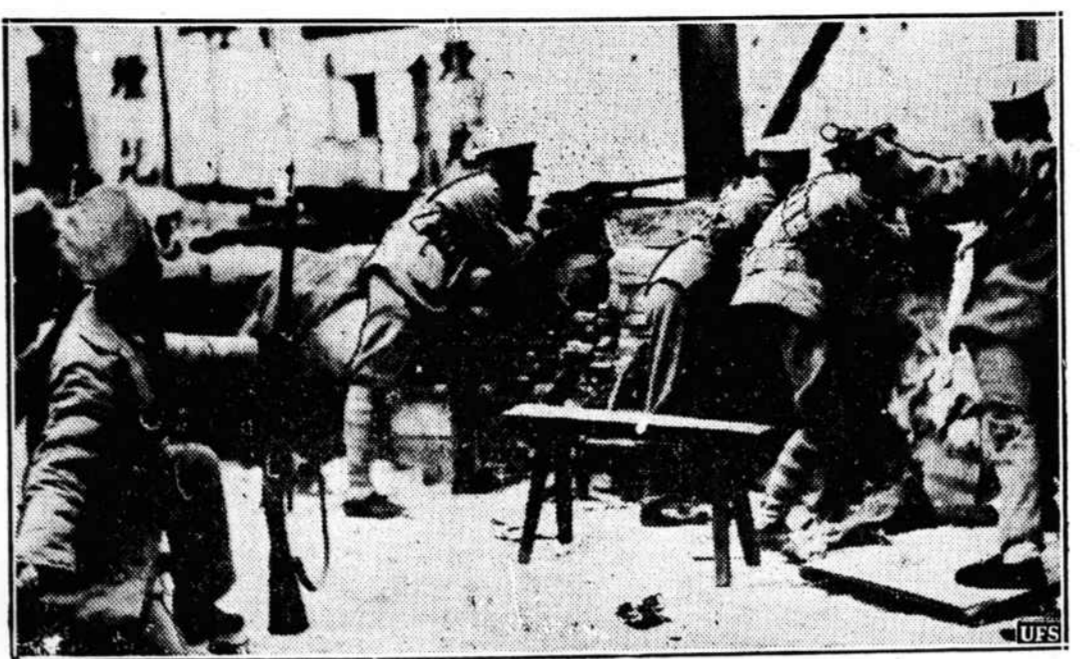
## Yes, Yesterday Was Hottest Day of 1937 Here

The public is not always right, certain business firms to the contrary notwithstanding, but the public was certainly right yesterday when, between puffs and pants, it declared that yesterday was the hottest day of 1937.

The Weather Man's official report for the day recorded a high of 96 degrees and an average for the day of 86.5 degrees.

All day long a hot sun beat mercilessly down upon the sweltering populace, the only relief—and that of a temporary nature—being found in the river, under a big awning or in front of an electric fan.

## China No Longer Pacifist Nation



WAR reports from Spain are now paralleled with reports of the new war in North China between the Chinese and Japanese. These are typical fighting men of the Chinese army, members of the 29th brigade. They are repelling a Japanese attack during recent fighting near Peiping. Note how some of them are throwing hand grenades.

## Japanese Army Moves Upon Strategic Points In China

Hull Warns Far Eastern Powers of the World Reaction

Tientsin, North China, Saturday, July 17.—(U.P.)—Steel-helmeted soldiers of the regular Japanese army closed in on North China along three routes today and were expected to occupy strategic areas in three of Cathay's richest provinces during the week-end.

Both Chinese and Japanese agreed that major hostilities, in which more than 200,000 seasoned soldiers may be engaged, appeared to be "a matter of hours." A division of the Japanese home army was reported to have reached the strategic city of Tsingtao on naval transports, escorted by destroyers, and to be preparing to land despite Chinese resistance.

Tsingtao is the key to Shantung province—one of the richest in all China—and its occupation will give the Japanese command of the vital railway line which runs from the Port Northwest to the Yellow river near the provincial capital, Tsinan.

Once in command of this railway, the Japanese will be in a position to prevent Chinese reinforcements from Nanking from proceeding north. The Japanese already dominate the Peiping-Tientsin-Mukden railway and part of the northern approaches to the Peiping-Hankow railway as well as the motor roads between Tientsin and Peiping and north from Peiping to the fortified passes in the great wall.

**Hull's Message**  
Washington, July 16.—(U.P.)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull today warned Japan and China

## Elizabeth City May See Itself In Movies

Awaits Sentence For Auto Death

Forced Notice to Take the Wheel; Man Killed Wife Injured

Raleigh, July 16.—(U.P.)—Joe Rogers, 33, Raleigh ex-convict, today awaited sentence following a plea of guilty of causing the death of Clarence D. Moore, Jacksonville, Fla., lumberman, in an automobile collision here a month ago.

Statutes provide a sentence ranging from four months to 20 years in prison.

Moore was killed and his wife was critically injured two miles east of here when an automobile in which Rogers was riding crashed head-on into the Florida couple's car.

Testimony at the trial here showed that a 13-year-old Negro boy, Rufus Haywood, was steering the death car, with Rogers "stepping on the gas" at the time of the crash.

The Negro youth testified he had never before driven an automobile.

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## Court Opponents Believe Administration Plans To Combat Their Reelection

### Accord Is Reached By Powers

Accept Eden Compromise Rather Than Risk a Break

London, July 16.—(U.P.)—Europe's powers agreed tonight, as the Spanish civil strife rounded out a year of bloodshed and destruction, to join in a final effort to revive their shattered non-intervention project.

The delegates of 27 nations, meeting against the grim backdrop of 350,000 Spanish dead and more than \$2,000,000,000 in destruction, consented to use a compromise plan of Anthony Eden, British foreign secretary, as a "basis of discussion."

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### Denies Any Evasion



JAMES ROOSEVELT, son of the president, denying to newspapermen that he had any interest in foreign holding companies, as implied by Congressman Fish. He repeated it to the Joint Congressional Tax Evasion committee later.

## Robinson Funeral Brings Armistice

Can Start On Building By August 10

Bond Issue Is Finally Approved; No Other Obstacle Remains

Actual construction work on Pasquotank County's proposed agriculture building probably will be started around August 10th, if not a little sooner, according to T. P. Richardson, district WPA engineer, who is preparing an operations schedule to be sent to State WPA headquarters in Raleigh.

As soon as word is received here that the plans and estimates have been approved, the WPA will be ready to start work on the building, Mr. Richardson said.

The WPA authorities and President Roosevelt approved the project last spring, but there was some little hitch on the county's part in obtaining funds with which to supplement the WPA funds. This week, the county's \$20,000 bond issue was ap-

proved, and let him join the family for an occasional week-end.

"But times have changed. People who want a season at the seashore today build their own cottages. And instead of finding resort hotels filled up with families booked for a fortnight, a month or a summer, you find them deserted for five days in the week and overflowing with joy-parties on week-ends.

"And the highways are lousy with hot dog and soda pop stands at which the motoring masses pick up half their meals at the cost of a dime.

"But don't worry about the lack of big hotels on the Nags Head and Kitty Hawk beaches. It took a lot of small hotels and boarding houses to make place for a Cavalier at Virginia Beach. It should not be long now before you'll see a 200-room hotel with a ball room and a steel fishing pier on the coast."

"Well, when they build it I shall thumb a ride and go down and give it the once over," said the Soda Jerker.

"Which is just about all a first rate hotel ever gets from the general public," replied the Bank Clerk cynically.

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### Will Join Forces to Combat Any Such Reprisal

### Fear Punishment

Van Nuys and McCarran Among Those Up for Re-election in '38

Washington, July 16.—(U.P.)—Senate Democrats fighting President Roosevelt's supreme court reorganization bill anticipate attempts by the administration to defeat them when they come up for re-election in 1938 and already are preparing to join hands in combatting such reprisals it was learned tonight.

The attitude the administration will take toward party members who have broken with the president to condemn the new deal's most drastic reform proposal has been the subject of informal discussions among court foes. They were cheered last week when Postmaster General James A. Farley who also is chairman of the Democratic National Committee said in a speech that no permanent party split would arise from the court fight.

But, a few days later Gov. M. Clifford Townsend, of Indiana, said on leaving a conference with President Roosevelt that Senator Frederick Van Nuys, D. Ind., one of the foes of the court measure, would not be renominated. Townsend heads the powerful political machine built up by Paul McNutt, Governor General of the Philippines, when he was Indiana's Governor. Until he broke with the administration, Van Nuys was popu-

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## Legion Day At Ft. Raleigh Delayed

National Commander Leaves at Once for France; Comes Later

Manteo, July 16.—American Legion Day in connection with the 350th anniversary celebration of the Lost Colony was indefinitely postponed last night upon receipt of a telegram by I. P. Davis, commander of Fort Raleigh post, from National Commander Harry W. Colmery saying that he found it impossible to come to Roanoke Island on July 23, the day set. The national commander said that the date for the dedication of a national war memorial in France at which he is to officiate had been set up to July 24 from a later date originally specified, and that he would be obliged to sail at once. It had been his plan to leave for France immediately after the Roanoke Island ceremonial.

Commander Colmery, however, expressed his intention of making

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## Pennsylvania Ave. Sidewalks Near Completion

The laying of concrete sidewalks along the west side of Pennsylvania avenue has been completed as far as Railroad avenue, and bricks of the old walkways will be used to extend the paving on toward Knobbs creek. Some of the brick have already been used to provide a sidewalk on Chesnut street. The work is being done under WPA auspices.

Street forces are now engaged in grading the city's dirt streets in preparation for winter, using the tractor and grading machine recently purchased by the city.

There is no form of nerve disorder that may not be caused or aggravated by eye strain. For a thorough eye examination see

DRS. J. D. HATHAWAY. (adv.)

## Drinkwater To Broadcast On Ripley's Program

Sunday Program At Old Fort Raleigh

Sermon at Old Fort Raleigh by the Rev. Rowland P. Wagner, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Norfolk, Va. Special Choral numbers by "The Lost Colony Choir" made up of Westminster Choir School singers, Princeton, N. J. Services begin at 11 a. m. Organ concert in Fort Raleigh amphitheatre 4 p. m. Paul Green's "out-door symphonic drama "The Lost Colony" 8:15 p. m.

## Navy Asked To Send Planes July 28th

Would Have Them Participate In Aviation Day Observance

Manteo, July 16. (Special)—The suggestion comes from Louis H. Windholz, of Norfolk, himself a great showman, that the U. S. Navy should be urged to send a fleet of planes to Roanoke Island on July 28 to take part in the Aviation Day ceremonies incident to the celebration of the 350th anniversary of the Roanoke Island settlements.

The suggestion was imparted to Chairman A. W. Drinkwater in charge of the Aviation Day program.

## Warner Bros. Write for Photos of Town As It Looked In 1903

Elizabeth City is likely to see itself in the movies a few months hence, but the chances are only a small percentage of the Elizabeth City residents who see the movie will recognize the old home town in the picture.

The thing is shrouded in mystery.

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JOHN Q. PUBLIC AND FIRST RATE RESORT HOTELS

"They tell me that 50 years ago, before there were any roads or bridges, and when it took five hours to go to Nags Head from Elizabeth City by steamer, that there was a hundred-room hotel at Nags Head and it did a thriving business. And now with all of our roads and bridges and automobiles, more people and more money, nobody has the nerve to build a hundred-room hotel anywhere on the Dare coast." It was the Soda Jerker speaking and he was appealing to the Bank Clerk for enlightenment.

"I'll tell you something else," said the Bank Clerk; "that old Nags Head hotel had a big ball room, an orchestra and a bar room."

"But why can't Nags Head or Kitty Hawk support something like that now?" pursued the Soda Jerker.

"They can," said the Bank Clerk, "and it is my guess that you will see hotels of more than a hundred rooms along that Virginia Dare Trail between Kitty Hawk and Nags Head. But the resort hotel business has undergone a revolution in a quarter of a century. It used to be that an investor who had the nerve to build a resort hotel in some isolated place could count on building up a clientele that would make it pay. Travel was different then. People who went to the moun-

### TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

A. M.  
8:30 Mens Christian Federation  
P. M.  
2:30 Local 119 AFHW  
Library Hours: 10-12, 2-6.

### SUNDAY CALENDAR

A. M.  
3:30 St. Elizabeth Mass  
9:30 Church Schools  
11:00 Morning worship  
P. M.  
7:15 Young Peoples Leagues  
7:45 Christian Science services  
8:00 Evening worship  
Library Closed.