

POLITICIANS PLAN FOR CAPTURING OF 1932 FARMER VOTE

Republican And Democratic Leaders Spar for Support For The Presidential Campaign

LITTLE LEGISLATION THIS SESSION SEEN

Both Parties Faced With Admittedly Difficult Task Of Attracting Attention Of Rural Voters; Lateness of Hour Precludes New Laws Now

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—Well aware of the importance of the farm vote, the Republican and Democratic leadership attempted at a conference between farm leaders and the Senate Agriculture Committee today to sense the farmers' viewpoint and cull fruitful ideas for party campaign platforms.

It is generally believed that those who follow agricultural fortunes in Washington that there is little, if any, chance that major legislation for the farmer's benefit will be passed by this Congress. They point particularly to the lateness of the hour and the coming of a new presidential campaign. Nevertheless, each party is faced with the admittedly difficult task of formulating platforms which will attract rural attention when the party candidates take the field soon after the conventions in June. The ideas advanced today by farm organization spokesmen were expected to prove helpful.

Wilmington Asks Help In Keeping Custom District

Wilmington, April 26.—(AP)—The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce today appealed to the North Carolina cities to join Wilmington in fighting the proposed merger of the North Carolina and Virginia customs districts.

The Treasury Department Friday announced the merger would probably be made under the congressional retrenchment measure of the Treasury Department.

March collections for the North Carolina district were \$777,261, in comparison with \$679,836 for February.

Tardieu Fails To Keep Engagement On German Accord

Geneva, April 26.—(AP)—A joint plan of Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson and Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald, of Great Britain, to bring together in their presence Premier Andre Tardieu, of France, and Chancellor Heinrich Brüning, of Germany, for an effort at Franco-German reconciliation, went away this morning when Premier Tardieu failed to show up.

MacDonald and Stimson thought they had the French premier's promise to meet them and Chancellor Brüning at Secretary Stimson's villa at Bessing, but M. Tardieu remained in Paris. Chancellor Brüning was present, however, and conferred with Stimson and MacDonald all morning.

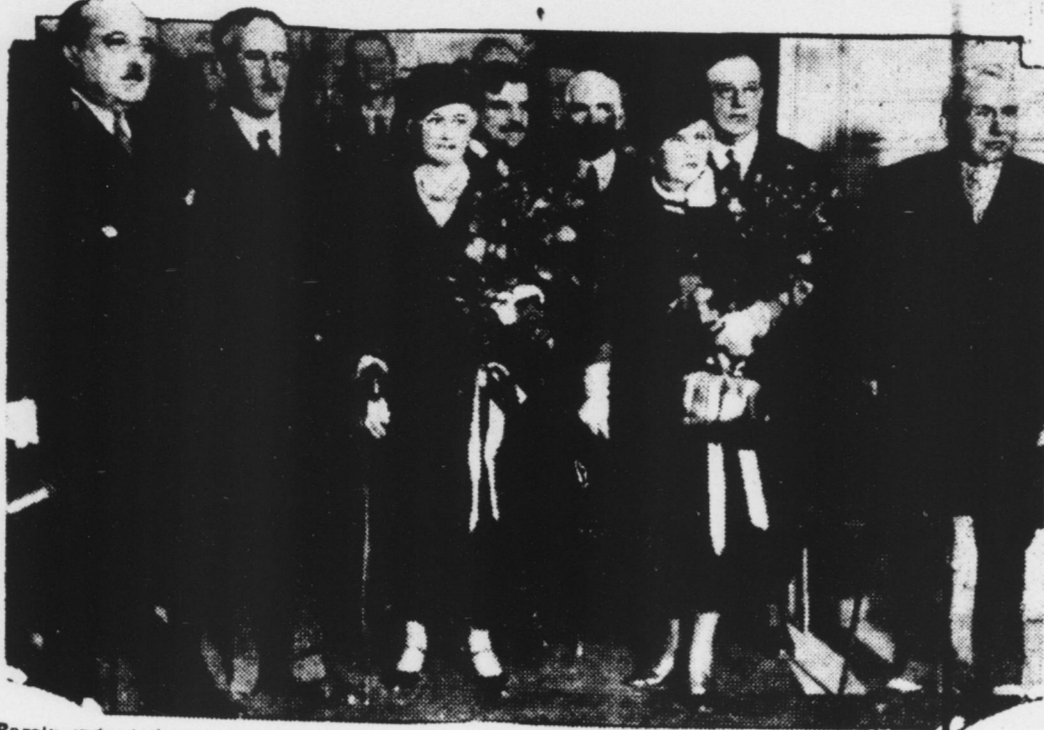
17 YEAR LOCUST IS DUE THIS SUMMER

Dr. Metcalf, of State College, Tells of Swarms Due In May and June

Raleigh, April 26.—(AP)—North Carolinians in May and June will be able to observe one of the most phenomenal happenings in the insect world when the 7-year locust makes its periodical appearance, Dr. Z. P. Metcalf, of N. C. State College, said today.

The sound of unusually loud gusts and insistent straining of thousands of insects in the woods will herald the emergence of the insect.

American Envoys Welcomed to France



Rarely indeed does a photographed group include such a distinguished gathering of notables as that shown here. Picture was made at the Gare St. Lazare, Paris, when Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson and Frank B. Kellogg, the United States delegates to the Geneva Disarmament Conference, were welcomed to France. Left to right in the group are: Premier Andre Tardieu of France, Secretary Stimson, Mrs. Stimson, former Premier Pierre Laval, Norman Davis, U. S. delegate to the conference, Mrs. Kellogg, Ambassador Walter E. Edge and Frank B. Kellogg.

Charges Publicity Used To Misrepresent Stocks By Pools Of Big Brokers

Roosevelt Leads In Early Returns

Mashpee, Mass., April 26.—(AP)—Roosevelt pledged candidates for delegates-at-large for the Democratic convention led Smith-pledged candidates by margins averaging two to one in the primary vote cast today in this little Cape Cod town.

BANK CASHIER AT FLETCHER SUICIDES

Body Found In Vault; Accounts In Good Shape; Act Mysterious

Fletcher, N. C., April 26.—(AP)—S. G. Rhodes, cashier of the Bank of Fletcher, was found shot to death in the bank today.

W. H. Summer, president of the bank, and G. N. Henson, liquidating agent for the State Banking Department, discovered the body in the vault about 9 a. m. Rhodes had been dead less than an hour.

Coroner J. S. Brooks, who examined the body, decided Rhodes had killed himself and that no inquest was necessary.

Bank officials said there was no shortage in Rhodes' accounts, and that, so far as they knew, there was no reason for him to kill himself.

Rhodes, who was 58 years old, was a widower. A son, Morris Rhodes 18, survives. Funeral arrangements had not been made this afternoon.

DEMOCRATS OFFER HOPE, TAYLOR SAYS

Lexington, Va., April 26.—The efforts of the "great engineer," Herbert Hoover, to build a bridge over chaos during the past two years have been fruitless and in vain, while the efforts of the Republican party to assist him have been equally futile, with the result that the only hope the United States now has for any definite leadership or a solution of present problems is in the Democratic party.

So declared Tyre C. Taylor, president of the Young Democratic Clubs of America, in delivering the keynote address here this afternoon before the mock Democratic National Convention held quadrantly by the Democratic students of Washington and Lee University. Taylor is executive counsel to Governor O. Max Gardner, of North Carolina, originator and first president of the Young Democratic Clubs in North Carolina, and recently selected as president of the nation-wide organization of Young Democrats.

TAX EXEMPTION IS ERASED FROM BILL

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—The Senate Finance Committee struck out of the revenue bill today the exemption from income taxes allowed American citizens residing abroad, and working for American firms.

The action was taken without a roll call vote, and on suggestion of Senator Connally, Democrat, Texas.

LaGuardia Produces Checks He Says Were Paid For Writing of "Ballyhoo" Articles

HE ALSO EXHIBITS "BULL" LITERATURE

Charges Richard Whitney, President of Exchange, Knew of Market Irregularities, And Similar Alleged Irregularities Would Bring Arrests Elsewhere

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—The use of publicity to misrepresent stocks by brokerage pools to inflate their values was charged before the Senate Banking Committee today by Representative LaGuardia of New York. The fiery little Republican produced from two trunks numerous checks he said had been paid to some writers on financial topics for New York and other newspapers to "ballyhoo" certain stocks. He also brought literature he said had been circulated forecasting bull markets.

LaGuardia said Richard Whitney, president of the stock exchange, knew of market irregularities. In referring to one stock, Krueger, which he said was handled by Lee Higginson and Company, LaGuardia said: "Why, Senators, if Whitney had been president of a grocery exchange and Higginson as selling canned beans and conspired to misrepresent as they have in the present occupation both would be under indictment at this time."

War Department Is Against Deepening Carolina Channel

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—The War Department today reported to Congress that improvement in North Carolina of the channel from Beaufort Inlet by way of the Inland Waterway and Neuse river to New Bern is not advisable at the present time.

Interests in the affected section held that improvement would result in establishment of a coastwise steamer service to New Bern and in development of that city as an important port.

ROOSEVELT TO SIT CLOSE TO HOOVER

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—Governor Roosevelt, of New York, leading candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, will sit but one seat removed from President Hoover next Thursday night at the White House dinner for members of the governor's conference now meeting in Richmond.

Mrs. Roosevelt will sit at President Hoover's left.

CRISP TO RUN FOR SENATE IN GEORGIA

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—The office of Representative Charles K. Crisp today made known that the distinguished Georgia legislator has announced as a candidate for the Senate for the unexpired term of the late Senator William J. Harris, who died two weeks ago.

Ford Offers New Plan For Hoover

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—After a surprise call at the White House, Henry Ford said today he had advocated to President Hoover a plan of combining farming and industry under which factory workers could save \$500 a year by raising part of their own foodstuffs.

The automobile manufacturer, surrounded by newspaper men in the White House lobby, said he had been working for three months to move out details of such a plan. He added, however, he was not yet ready to announce its details in full.

Recent Senate Explosion On Debts Was Startling and Vehement

ODDS ON THEIR SIDE

They Know Europe Must Pay or Accept Stages of Defaulting, Which May Be Embarrassing At Some Future Time

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Staff Writer
Washington, April 26.—How extremely unpleasant a situation is almost certain to present itself upon expiration of the European debt moratorium was foreshadowed recently by the senate's explosion immediately following publication of news that no provision is made in the new English budget for payment of the \$171,500,000 which will be due from Britain to the United States July 1, 1933.

The spontaneity of the so-called outburst was as startling as its vehemence. No time was required for the preparation of speeches. Early editions of the afternoon papers, containing cabled accounts of the financial plans of Chancellor of the Exchequer Neville Chamberlain for the coming fiscal year, had hardly more than made their appearance in the capitol lobbies before the lawmakers were in full eruption.

It was a blast from which it is safe to predict what diplomats call "repercussions," too. Things were said by Senator William E. Borah of Idaho, Robert B. Howell of Nebraska, and J. Hamilton Lewis of Illinois that surely cannot fail to draw the answering fire of legislators in London, Paris and elsewhere abroad. Senators Borah, Howell and Lewis are just the type of statesmen to talk back. It is difficult to guess where the row will end. The senators, of course, have one immense strategic advantage.

It is not so much that the merits of the argument are all on their side; Europe's spokesmen are able to present a case which satisfies their own various peoples, and that is the only item they care about, insofar as mere talk is concerned.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy, slightly cooler tonight and Wednesday.

HIGHER SURTAXES IN REVENUE BILL BELIEVED LIKELY

Even Steeper Digs at Incomes of Very Wealthy Proposed Before Senate Committee

INCREASES ALREADY VOTED IN THE HOUSE

Some Negotiations Still Going On Looking to Additional Boosts; Senate Democrats Eyeing Proposition For Increases Proposed In Surtax Rates

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—New income tax schedules for America's host of tax-payers held the attention of the Senate Finance Committee today since the tariff issue brought up in the revenue bill was temporarily set aside.

Some negotiation is still going on in party powwows over amending the income rates, but discussions so far do not indicate material changes in the increases voted by the House.

Senate Democrats are eyeing favorably a proposition to boost the surtax rates applying on incomes over \$100,000. The House raised the maximum rate on incomes over \$100,000 from 20 to 40 per cent. Senator Connally, Democrat, Texas, is proposing to add a graduated scale above those rates to reach a 50 per cent maximum on all incomes in excess of \$2,000,000.

WAKE LEGISLATIVE FIGHT IS HOT ONE

Hinsdale, of Luxury Tax Fame, Opposed by J. W. Bunn, An Opponent

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, April 26.—With ten candidates already in the running and four more on the verge of announcing for Wake county's three seats in the house of the next legislature, and with the announcement by J. Wilbur Bunn that he will be a candidate for the State Senate from this county, opposing John W. Hinsdale, of luxury sales tax fame, indications are that Wake county is going to have one

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GOVERNORS VISIT AT OLD JAMESTOWN

Also Attend Washington Bicentennial Event At Williamsburg

Jamestown Island, Va., April 26.—(AP)—Beneath the age-old pines and cedars of Jamestown Island, chief executives attending the annual conference of governors today learned of the work of the Association for Preservation of Virginia Antiquities in preserving the landmarks of the first permanent English settlement in America.

Miss Ellen M. Bagby of Richmond, chairman of the A. P. V. A., was spokesman for the organization on a tour of the old Jamestown church and the statue of Pocahontas and Captain John Smith.

An hour late in leaving Richmond, the group of governors making the trip today came directly to Jamestown, and after a stop of approximately half an hour here, returned to Williamsburg to attend Washington Bicentennial exercises in Phi Beta Kappa hall, with President Francis P. Gaines, of Washington and Lee University as principal speaker of the occasion.

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Terrific Struggle Certain On Scaling Veterans' Benefits

Girl Governor



The distinction of being the only woman to act as Governor of a State fell to Mrs. Alice Lee Grosjean (above), 25-year-old Secretary of State for Louisiana, through the departure of Governor King for a ten day absence. The constitution provides that in the absence of the Governor the Lieutenant Governor shall act. Next in line are the President of the State Senate and the Secretary of State. Louisiana has neither Lieut. Governor nor Senate President because of political battles and Mrs. Grosjean therefore becomes acting Governor.

Economy Committee Begins Preparations For Opening of Retrenchment Fight In House

IT GETS UNDER WAY WEDNESDAY MORNING

American Legion and Other Veterans Organizations Girding to Resist Cuts in Allowances to Men With Higher Incomes in The Service

Washington, April 26.—(AP)—A terrific struggle over the provisions to scale down benefits to World War veterans in the \$217,000,000 omnibus retrenchment bill was in prospect today as the special economy committee began preparations for the opening battle tomorrow in the House.

The committee met with Chairman McDuffie to put the finishing touches to the formal report to be laid before the House by 5 o'clock this afternoon. The American Legion and other veterans organizations have begun a campaign against the revised provisions cutting allowances, pensions and hospitalization to ex-service men who have incomes over \$1,500 if single and \$3,500 if married, with \$400 allowed for each dependent.

Driver of Truck Is Heavily Fined For Over-Loading

Winston-Salem, April 26.—(AP)—Judge Thomas Watson, in municipal court here today, struck at truckmen who he said are "monopolizing highways paid for by the public."

He imposed the maximum penalty for a misdemeanor—\$500 and costs—on Conrad Stoffel, of Highland, Ill., who was arrested Monday on charges that his truck was "too high and over-loaded."

Stoffel was hauling automobile tires out of Akron, Ohio, and arresting officers charged his truck exceeded height and loading regulations provided by North Carolina law.

Zebulon Merchant Drowns Himself In Small Water Tub

Raleigh, April 26.—(AP)—W. A. Hunnicutt, 58-year-old Zebulon merchant, committed suicide in his store today by filling a barrel two-thirds full of water, and forcing himself into it, head down.

Coroner L. M. Whiting, of Wake county, said the case was one of the most unusual he had ever investigated. Hunnicutt, the coroner said, filled a tin barrel partially with water and placed it at the end of a table. He then got on the table, face down, pushed himself off into the barrel and died of strangulation. He is survived by a son, a sister and brother.

RESISTS ARREST AND KILLS FATHER

Intoxicated Veteran in Georgia Subdued Only By Tear Gas Bombs

Millen, Ga., April 26.—(AP)—A World War veteran evading arrest for intoxication barricaded himself in a hotel room today and killed his father as a crowd sought to entice him to surrender.

The veteran, Dave Humphrey, 38, arrested about dawn by a policeman, but he wounded the officer in a fight and fled to the hotel. "I'll come out if you'll get my father," he shouted to Sheriff Marbach from the room, which he guarded with a shotgun.

The sheriff drove five miles into the country to the home of the father, R. B. Humphrey, and brought him to the hotel. "That's not my father. You're trying to trick me," the ex-soldier said. "This is daddy. Don't you know me, Dave?" replied the father as he climbed to a balcony so his son could get a better view of him. Dave Humphrey deliberately raised his gun and fired, blowing off his father's head. He refused to let officers approach the boy. Finally, a squad of policemen came from Augusta with tear gas bombs, tossed them into the room and subdued him.

Unlimited Time Given Heflin For His Appeal

Washington April 16.—(AP)—Former Senator J. Thomas Heflin today was granted unlimited time in the Senate for concluding his appeal for the unseating of his successor, Senator John H. Bankhead, of Alabama. The oratorical prowess of Heflin was displayed to packed galleries in the Senate as he argued his right to a seat in the body in place of Senator Bankhead, who defeated him for reelection. Wearing his customary long black

coat and a white vest, Heflin, whose resonant voice was heard frequently during the 11 years he served in the Senate, shouted that he was a victim of "political assassination."

Because he refused to support Alfred E. Smith for president, in 1928, Heflin was barred from the Alabama Democratic primary in 1930. He ran as an independent and was defeated by Bankhead, a Democrat. A Senate committee has upheld the right of the latter to his seat.