

SAYS JAPANESE IN HAWAII HAVE PLAN TO DESTROY DOCKS

Opinion Expressed Before House Territories Committee by Congressman Britten

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Relations With Them As Cordial As With Any Country, But May Not Be Ten Years Hence; Admits Never Having Been In Hawaii But Twice

Washington, May 24 (AP)—The opinion that if the homes of Japanese in Hawaii were searched "you would find numerous plans for the destruction of our docks," was expressed today before the House Territories Committee by Representative Britten, Republican, Illinois.

Explaining his bill to put the Hawaiian islands under military control, Britten asserted he was not shaking a red flag at Japan, "because our relations with her are just as cordial as with any country in the world." "But," he added, "that condition may not prevail ten years from now." Responding to a question by Delegate Houston of Hawaii, Britten said he had been in the islands "twice for a couple of days 15 years ago," but that he had heard "many of the best minds in the government discuss the situation hour after hour and day after day in House hearings."

Jap General Not Dead of Bombing And May Recover

Shanghai, May 24 (AP)—Japanese physicians in attendance upon General Yoshinori Shirakawa, commander-in-chief of the imperial army yesterday, said today he was still alive, and had rallied slightly after an operation and further blood transfusions.

FOURTH FUGITIVE FOUND IN FLORIDA

Raleigh, May 24 (AP)—The fourth of five prisoners who staged a sensational escape from State Prison by climbing down a 90-foot blanket rope early on the morning of April 19, has been caught in Jacksonville, Fla. Raymond White, who had been in the prison only five days when he slid down the long rope from the general disease ward of the prison hospital, was caught yesterday and a guard was sent for him today. He was sent to prison from Lenoir county for breaking, entering and larceny to serve seven and a half to ten years.

JAPANESE TROOPS MAKE NEW GAINS

Harbin, Manchuria, May 24 (AP)—Japanese troops operating against Chinese insurgents today swept into Hsuan, about 40 miles north of Harbin, and captured 500 prisoners, three armored cars and several field guns. The insurgents fled to the northwest. The battle was fought with only minor casualties on the Japanese side, seven men being wounded.

HEARINGS HAD FOR 2 CONDEMNED MEN

Commutation For Negro and Reprieve For White Man Likely

Raleigh, May 24 (AP)—Tyre C. Taylor, executive counsel, today heard attorneys representing Plato Edney, Henderson county mountaineer, and Bennie Griffin, Negro, convicted in Orange county, in appeals for clemency for the two men, scheduled to be electrocuted Friday. After the hearings, Taylor indicated he would recommend a commutation of the sentence of Griffin, convicted of killing another Negro in a fight over whiskey. "What course Taylor will take in the Edney case was not indicated, but it is believed probable that he will be granted a reprieve. Edney was convicted of the murder of his wife, and his attorneys contend that a juror in the case was prejudiced."

WALKER IS READY FOR SEABURY



Mayor James J. Walker of New York has expressed himself as ready to face Samuel Seabury, chief counsel of the Hofstadter legislative committee, at the hearing in New York City, May 25. Walker's appearance as a witness before Seabury is regarded as the climax of the investigator's expose of graft and corruption in municipal government circles of the metropolis. Three views of New York's dapper mayor, and Seabury, are above.

Lindbergh Kidnap Hunt Pushed In Five States

\$15,000 Reward Offered By State of New Jersey For Murderers of Baby; Handwriting Compared for Clue; Dr. Condon Remains in Massachusetts Retreat

Hopewell, N. J., May 24 (AP)—Today's episode in the tragic drama of the Lindbergh baby kidnaping-murder mystery were acted out on a broad stage, the actors being scattered through five states. In Trenton, Governor A. Harry Moore signed the bill authorizing \$25,000 reward for information leading to conviction of the kidnapers. In Flemington, John Hughes Curtis, confessed hoaxer in negotiations for return of the baby, remained in jail. In Hopewell, Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and his wife remained in seclusion. Dr. John F. Condon, the "Jafsie," who paid a futile \$50,000 ransom for return of the baby, was at Becket, Mass., apparently on a vacation, although he made several statements on his way to New England that he was still actively engaged in a search for the kidnapers.

In Philadelphia, officials took cognizance of what seemed to be a striking resemblance between the handwriting of a rum runner and that of the person who wrote notes demanding ransom of Dr. Condon. The Bronx county grand jury resumed its investigation of the Condon ransom and called as one of its witnesses Morris Rosner, who early in the case was appointed by Colonel Lindbergh to undertake negotiations with the underworld. Rev. H. Dobson-Peacock, who, with Rear-Admiral Guy H. Burrage, retired, was associated in the Curtis activities, continued his refusal to come to New Jersey.

TEACHERS BEING ALLOTTED RAPIDLY

Board of Equalization About Finished With Its Task For Year

Raleigh, May 24 (AP)—The allotment of additional teachers to the various counties for next year has just about been completed, since the organization sheets have already been received from 95 of the 100 counties and have been carefully gone over by the Board of Equalization, according to LeRoy Martin, executive secretary of the board. The only counties from which the organization sheets have not yet been received, and without which teachers for next year cannot be allotted, are Beaufort, Edgecombe, Watauga and Wilkes. The organization sheet from Harnett county was received Monday but has not yet been passed upon. As a result of the study made of the enrollment in the schools in the 95 counties that have reported so far, indications are that the 400 new teachers—all for which funds are available for next year—will be sufficient to take care of the increased enrollment, according to Martin. "There is no doubt that many schools could use more teachers than the board will be able to allot to them and that fully 1,000 additional teachers could be used to advantage," Martin said. "But since 400 additional teachers are all the board can possibly provide for next year, an effort is being made to allot these so that they will do the most good and fill the greatest need." The board has already made an intensive study of the enrollment and average daily attendance this past year in more than 800 individual schools, in an effort to determine just

MAXWELL ANSWERS CAMPAIGN CRITICS

Plenty of Precedent For Candidacy While Holding Office, He Says

Raleigh, May 24.—Declaring that he is doing nothing unusual in running for governor while holding a State office, and citing the instance that Bickett ran for governor while holding the office as attorney general and that Woodrow Wilson ran for president while governor of New Jersey, A. J. Maxwell, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, last night delivered a stinging reply to the attack made upon him here last week by J. C. B. Ehringhaus, one of the other two candidates for the nomination. "Desperation is back of the campaign tactics of both my opponents," Maxwell declared. "Mr. Fountain, feeling the ground slipping from under his feet, resorts to a desperate attack upon the administration. Mr. Ehringhaus, sensing the rising tide of support for my candidacy, launches an attack upon me that has the vicious quality and scope indicative of the insecurity of his footing in the race and of a desperate effort to stem the rising tide of my candidacy." "In attacking me because I am seeking the nomination for governor while holding office as commissioner of revenue, Mr. Ehringhaus is attacking the most popular Democratic can-

(Continued on Page Four) WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair tonight and Wednesday; slightly warmer in north and extreme west portions tonight, and in north portion Wednesday.

HANCOCK BILL ON BIRTH CONTROL IS DEFEATED 20 TO 4

House Ways and Means Committee Votes Adversely on North Carolinian's Measure

IT WAS ADVOCATED DURING PAST WEEK

Chief Supporter Was Mrs. Margaret Sanger; At Session Behind Closed Doors, Committee Orders Unfavorable Report Barring All Petitions

Washington, May 24 (AP)—The Hancock bill to legalize distribution of birth control legislation was defeated today by the House Ways and Means Committee in a 20 to 4 vote. At a session behind closed doors, the committee ordered the birth control measure reported to the House unfavorably. This blocked any opportunity to use a discharge petition to force a House vote. Hearings were conducted on the bill two days last week. Its chief sponsor was Mrs. Margaret Sanger, prominent birth control advocate.

INDICTMENT GIVEN IN LIQUOR KILLING

R. L. Adkins, Raleigh, Killed Man at Whisky Still in Durham

Durham, May 24 (AP)—R. L. Adkins, of Raleigh, automobile salesman who shot Will Warren to death during a raid on a still in Durham county on May 4, was indicted today for murder.

A Durham county grand jury indicted Adkins for second degree murder for the shooting, which took place in Patterson township while Adkins was an unofficial member of a raiding party. He pleaded the shooting was accidental. It is improbable, court attaches said, that Adkins will be called to trial during this term of court, which ends this week. Court officials said the salesman, although at liberty under \$500 bond, probably would be called into court to have bond fixed at another amount by Judge Garland E. Midyette.

Amelia Earhart Visits Prince Of Wales at Palace

London, May 24 (AP)—Mrs. Amelia Earhart Putnam paid a visit to the Prince of Wales at historic St. James palace this afternoon at the prince's invitation. This was a signal honor for the slim and serene young flier, who landed near Londonderry, Ireland, last Saturday and thus became the first woman ever to conquer the Atlantic by airplane without the help of a man in the pilot's seat.

HUGE SUM SOUGHT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Washington, May 24 (AP)—The House Roads Committee today approved the Almon bill to authorize appropriation of \$218,000,000 for highway construction. The measure would authorize \$100,000,000 in Federal highway aid to states in both the 1934 and 1935 fiscal years, and \$75,000,000 for forest roads and trails each year.

BULLETINS

Gold Star Mothers Abroad. Paris, May 24 (AP)—Seventy-eight gold star mothers, the first to make a pilgrimage of the battlefields in 1932 arrived in France today aboard the Leviathan after a pleasant crossing, which left all of them in good health. Connecticut, today introduced a resolution for repeal of the eighteenth amendment and will seek to bring it up at the first opportunity. Sales Tax on Tires. Washington, May 24 (AP)—A ten per cent sales tax on automobile tires and tubes was substituted for the rubber imports taxes in the revenue bill today by the Senate Finance Committee. "DOLLAR" BILL DELAYED. Washington, May 24 (AP)—The Senate Banking Committee today postponed action on the Goldborough bill to stabilize the dollar, but Chairman Norbeck, Republican, South Dakota, said he believed "something along this line will be reported favorably next Tuesday."

Garner Relief Is Almost Complete

Washington, May 24 (AP)—The \$2,000,000 relief program of Speaker Garner will be placed in one bill and sent to the House Ways and Means Committee this week. The Texas Democrat announced today the measure would be introduced as soon as completed by the legislative drafting service, and that hearings will be held by the Ways and Means Committee before it is sent to the House.

MORRISON AT LAST FORGING FORWARD

Fear of Wet-Dry Issue If Reynolds Wins Causing Some Thinking

WARNINGS ARE HEARD

Church People Backing Up Dry Cause; Workers, Denied Money From Morrison, Cease Demands And Blue Talk

Raleigh, May 24.—Senator Cameron Morrison at last seems to be making some progress in his campaign for renomination as United States Senator, according to observers in political circles here. Until last week the tide appeared to be going against Morrison and it was beginning to look as if Robert R. Reynolds, with the help of Frank D. Grist, Tam C. Bowie and Arthur Simmons, the other three candidates, would at least be in first place. Ardent Reynolds supporters were even predicting that Reynolds would win the nomination in the first primary. This very fact that Reynolds seemed to be getting closer and closer to the nomination, however, has turned out to be one of the things that has helped Morrison more than anything else, it is agreed here. For it caused many Democrats who heretofore had been considering their personal preferences between Morrison and Reynolds to start thinking what would happen in November, in the general election, if the Democrats should nominate Reynolds, an opponent of prohibition, running against Jake Newell, the Republican candidate for the Senate, an ardent dry in both politics and practice. As a result, many Democrats who until recently seemed to prefer Reynolds to Morrison, have become worried at what might happen to the Democratic nominee, if Reynolds should get the nomination. They have recalled what happened in 1928, when Herbert Hoover received 62,000 more votes for president than did the Democratic nominee, Alfred E. Smith, a "wet." They have taken notice of the resolution adopted at the recent meeting of Methodist leaders in the eastern part of the State, urging the support of only "dry" candidates. They have taken notice of the arrival in the State of a new State superintendent for the Anti-Saloon League.

MILLION DOLLARS ON CANAL SOUGHT

Washington, May 24 (AP)—A million dollar project for a modification of the intra-coastal waterway from Winyah Bay, S. C., to Charleston, S. C., to follow the coast route was tentatively adopted today by the House Rivers and Harbors Committee.

VETERANS TO VISIT PRESIDENT JUNE 24

Richmond, Va., May 24 (AP)—After closing their annual reunion here on June 24 Confederate veterans will visit Washington. They will parade up Pennsylvania Avenue, accompanied by their sons and members of the Confederate Southern Memorial Association. At the White House they will be welcomed by President Hoover.

"Jafsie" Calls On Men Who Took Ransom Money To Return It To Donor

Innocent "Lifer"



Convicted of the murder of a candy salesman in 1929, during a holdup, Gerald Growden (above) was sentenced to life imprisonment at Detroit, Mich. Now the confession of three men has established Growden's innocence. At the trial the convicted youth was "positively" identified by witnesses but steadfastly protested his innocence.

Condon Appeals to Mysterious "John" To Swap Original Money For Jersey Reward

CALLS ON MAN TO TELL WHOLE TRUTH

Wants Him To Clear up Murder Mystery; Lindbergh Not To Be Called to Testify Before Grand Jury Considering Case of John Hughes Curtis

Flemington, N. J., May 24 (AP)—Before leaving for the Lindbergh home today, Prosecutor Anthony Hauck announced that Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh would not be called to testify before the grand jury when it considers the case of John Hughes Curtis, jailed hoaxer. Beckett, Mass., May 24 (AP)—Dr. John F. Condon, who as "Jafsie" paid \$50,000 to obtain the return of the kidnaped son of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, today appealed to the "who" received it to return the money to Lindbergh and collect the \$25,000 reward offered by the State of New Jersey for the capture and conviction of the kidnapers. The message was dictated to the representative of a Springfield newspaper after the aged doctor had been informed of the offering of the reward. It was addressed to the mysterious "John" to whom the ransom money was given by Condon in a Bronx cemetery.

PROGRESSIVES NOT SURE OF VICTORY

Idle Worker May Figure Strength to Old Order May Help Him Most

MAY NOT ROCK BOAT

Those Who Have Jobs Now May Fear Swapping of Horses Might Upset Them; Bosses in Both Parties Conservative

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer Washington, May 24.—Many folk unquestionably believe—some optimistically, some in a spirit of deep pessimism—that present economic conditions foreshadow great progressive gains at next November's election—not only the election of more progressives than ever before, but more radical ones. It seems to me that the depression's result is just as likely to be a landslide in an ultra-conservative direction. One way of looking at the matter is that the average unemployed worker will welcome any change that may be suggested to him, hoping to benefit by it; certain that he cannot be worse off, anyway. Perhaps, however, he will feel that his best chance of getting his job back lies in strengthening the old order. Besides, there are the voters who have not lost their jobs. To be reckoned with, it is not unreasonable to guess that the very danger of jeopardizing them if they rock the boat the least bit, will influence their votes powerfully in favor of stability. England had an election not many months ago, in the midst of conditions substantially the same as prevail in this country, and the conservatives won it overwhelmingly. It appears, too, that the steps taken by the victorious Conservative government have, in a fashion, improved the situation in Britain. That is to say, from all accounts, employment has been somewhat increased there—at the expense of about a 30 per cent reduction in the working class living standard. Monetary inflation accomplished it—a canny deflated wage cut. Whether or not this is to be regarded as a good thing for British labor, the essential fact is that desperately hard times gave the opposite of a radical slant to voting sentiment in England's last election—for whatever

Gangster Murder In Harlem Found By Police There

New York, May 24 (AP)—Mysterious murder with gangster earmarks was done in Harlem early today. Police found a sedan parked at a curb with a dead man against the steering wheel. He was John Repetti, 24. A single bullet through the head killed him. Seated on the running board of the car, blood streaming from a bullet wound in the mouth, was Louis (Cheese Cake) Mileto. At the hospital they said it was unlikely he would survive. He told detectives he did not know who shot him or Repetti, and that he wouldn't tell them, even if he did.

LIFE INSURANCE IN STATE DECREASING

Amounted to \$5,920,000 in April and Showed Decline Under National Average Raleigh, May 24 (AP)—Life insurance business in North Carolina during April amounted to \$5,920,000, and 27 percent of the companies operating in the State reported gains during the period, a monthly survey of life insurance sales released today by Dan C. Boney, insurance commissioner, showed. Last month business was 32 percent less than the total amount for April, 1931. The drop was larger than the decrease experienced by the nation, as the national average dropped only 26 percent.

GASTONIA GIRLS TAKEN IN NORTH

Two Tried Suicide And Third Planned It In Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N. J., May 24 (AP)—Rather than return to their homes in Gastonia, N. C. two of three girls arrested last night as runaways by county detectives, attempted to commit suicide by slashing their wrists with a razor blade in the detention room at city hall today. The girls were Emma McGill, 16, and Thelma Quinn, 16. The third girl, Minnie Johnson, 20, said she was determined not to go home, but as she did not wish to cut herself for fear it might hurt, had decided to wait until she got out, and then take gas. They were treated at city hall. Their wounds are not serious. The parents of the trio have been notified and have sent word they are on their way here to take the girls home.

Strikers Battle With Guards But No One Is Hurt

Uhrichville, Ohio, May 24 (AP)—Hundreds of rifle and machine gun bullets were fired early today in a fight between guards at the Wolford coal mines near here and snipers hidden on the surrounding hillsides. Bullets rained around the mine tripple for nearly 45 minutes, while the guards responded with machine gun fire, but apparently no one was injured. Ivan and J. N. Wolford, owners of the mine, said the sniping was an outbreak of the wage strike of many former employees.