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SIX NAMED BY DR. WIRT DENY COMMUNIST PLOT HERE

Japan To Advise Other Nations Of Her Claim To Control Over China

RE-STATEMENT OF POLICIES RELATING TO ASIA PREPARED

Will Insist on Holding Special Responsibility To Maintain Peace in The Far East

DESIRES WORLD TO UNDERSTAND FULLY

American Aviators In China and American Loans on Wheat and Cotton Are Deeply Resented at Tokyo; Supplying of Military Airplanes Is Charged

Tokyo, April 17.—(AP)—The draft of a "re-statement and clarification" of Japan's policy toward China, which may be made the basis of protest to the United States was revealed to the Associated Press today.

From a high official source, it was learned the draft already has been submitted by the foreign office to Foreign Minister Koki Hirota for approval.

It will be communicated shortly to the Japanese minister at Nanking, and to all other Japanese officials in China.

The draft contains a statement of Japan's insistence that she hold special responsibility to "maintain the peace in east Asia," and to determine that China's contacts with other powers shall not be of such nature as to jeopardize that peace.

"In order that other powers may fully understand," an official spokesman said the draft probably will be communicated to Japanese ambassadors in Washington and other capitals to serve as a basis for explanations to the governments to which they are credited.

"Japan must object," when efforts to aid China take the form of the "supplying of military airplanes, the establishment of airdromes, the furnishing of military aviators and instructors and the granting of political loans.

The spokesman declined to state how this would be applicable to the sales by American manufacturers of airplanes to China, participation by American companies in the establish-

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Expect Big Money Bill Pass Soon

\$480,000,000 Measure To Drop Oil Impost; Garner Breaks Tie In Senate

Washington, April 17 (AP)—The capital today listened attentively to testimony that Dr. William W. Wirt, Indiana educator, made false statements when he said there was talk of a revolution at a dinner he attended last September.

Meanwhile, on the Senate side leaders became more optimistic over the passage of the \$480,000,000 revenue bill. They hoped to eliminate in conference with a House committee levies on cocoa nut oil, to which President Roosevelt is opposed. He has indicated he would veto the measure if they were retained.

Vice-President Garner had the usual chance to vote today. He broke a tie to permit consideration of a measure by Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, to prohibit senators and representatives from representing any one before a government department on anything in which the Federal government is interested.

At the White House President Roosevelt heard arguments for and against the McLeod bill to pay off depositors in closed banks. Representative McLeod, Republican, Michigan, sought administration support, while Chairman Jones, of the Reconstruction Corporation, opposed the legislation. President Roosevelt did not indicate whether he had changed from his previous opposition.

Soviet Russia Resents U. S. Ban On Loans There Because Of Debts Here

Bank Bill Author



Rep. Clarence McLeod Following signing by 145 Congressmen of petition discharging House Banking and Currency Committee from further consideration of the McLeod Bank Bill, its sponsor, Rep. Clarence McLeod, of Michigan, has filed resolution asking that the bill be given preferred status on House calendar.

Moscow Newspaper Says Reds Won't Deal With Nation Thus Obstructing Its Plans

WON'T BE COERCED INTO A SETTLEMENT

First Public Reaction to Johnson Law Described New Law Here as Menace to Soviet-American Trade; May Boycott Business Of United States

Moscow, April 17.—(AP)—Active Soviet reprisal against the newly enacted United States law against further loans to debtors came today in an admonition to Soviet economic organizations by "the newspaper for industrialization" to alter their reputed intention to give preference to American materials and equipment for the remainder of the second five-year plan.

The newspaper warned that the Soviet government will not be coerced into a debt settlement.

The statement by the official organ of the commissariat of heavy industry was the first public reaction to the Johnson law.

It described it as "a menace to Soviet-American trade," and declare, in effect, that Soviet Russia will not deal with a country placing such an obstacle in its way.

EHRINGHAUS GOES TO WASHINGTON TO DEMAND TAX CUTS

Governor Hopes To Persuade Administration To Back 40 Percent Tobacco Slash

EXPECT OPPOSITION IN NORTH AND WEST

Recent High Tax Bill Enactment Lends Hope And Brightens Prospects, But Roosevelt Backing Is Considered Necessary To Bring Congress In Line

Raleigh, April 17 (AP)—Governors of six tobacco growing states today had lined up behind a movement instituted by Governor Ehringhaus of North Carolina to urge a 40 percent reduction in the Federal tax on tobacco products. The North Carolina governor recently invited the chief executives to join him in Washington to place the question before President Roosevelt and Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace.

Daily Dispatch Bureau In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, April 17.—Governor J. C. Ehringhaus is going to Washington Wednesday to confer with Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, officials

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Trotsky Is Ordered To Leave Now

Paris, April 17 (AP)—Leon Trotsky, exiled Russian revolutionist, was ordered to leave France by the government today because of his efforts to organize a world revolution. Minister of the Interior Albert Serreau announced the cabinet decided to withdraw the permission granted Trotsky

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PUBLIC APATHETIC ON FEDERAL TAXES

Governor Unable To Understand Indifference of State on Subject

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, April 17.—Governor J. C. Ehringhaus is at loss to understand the apparent apathy on the part of North Carolinians generally to the tremendous amount of taxes which the federal government collects from the State each year, amounting to more than \$200,000,000 annually, as compared with the crusade for lower state taxes, when the state collect only \$25,000,000 a year for state purposes. This \$25,000,000 a year, of course, does not include the revenue from the gasoline and automobile license tax, which go to pay highway indebtedness and for the maintenance of the roads.

"I fail to understand the psychology of many people in North Carolina, who, while crying out for additional reduction in State taxes, which were reduced 32 per cent by the 1933 legislature, continue to permit the federal government to collect more than \$100,000,000 a year in income taxes and some \$192,000,000 a year in tobacco taxes without making any objection," Governor Ehringhaus said.

"I also cannot understand why there is so much opposition to the State three per cent sales tax, while the federal government collects what might be called a 35 per cent sales tax on every package of cigarettes, since of every 15 cents spent for a

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Gen. Smith, N. C. Commander U. C. V., Dies At Age Of 92

Ansonville, April 17.—(AP)—Taps will sound tomorrow for General W. A. Smith, commander of the North Carolina Department United Confederate Veterans.

Funeral services will be held from the Smith home here and burial will follow at Wadesboro.

General Smith died shortly before midnight last night. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He was 92 years old.

His widow, the former Nannie Slake, of Anson county survives him.

Intimate Hoover Friend Is Involved In Air Mail Case

CHAIRMAN REFUSES INQUIRY INTO QUIZ OF COL. LINDBERGH

Senator Black Declines To Call Assistant Attorney General's Secretary Into Case

CLAIM LINDBERGH WAS NOT GRILLED

Department Merely Asked His Views on Air Mail Situation, Is Statement; Mark L. Requea, of California Offered Services To Air Mail Company in 1931

Washington, April 17.—(AP)—Mark L. Requea, Republican national committeeman from California, and described as a "close friend and advisor" of former President Hoover, was pictured to the Senate air mail investigating committee today as having volunteered to use his Washington influence in 1931 in the interest of an aviation company controlled by E. L. Cord.

Chairman Black, Democrat, Alabama, read into the record a telegram from Lyndal L. Young, an officer of Century Air Lines, to L. B. Manning, of the Cord corporation, dated in September, 1931, saying young knew Requea personally, and believed "his influence with the Hoover administration can be used to our advantage."

"I personally know his influence in Washington is as strong as anybody's," the telegram read.

Previously, Black had turned down the request of Senator Austin, Republican, Vermont, to summon the stenographer who sat in on the interview between Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh and Carl Ristine, special assistant attorney general, while the famed flier was here several weeks ago.

Black Refuses to Probe Quiz of Col. Lindbergh Washington, April 17.—(AP)—Chairman, Democrat, Alabama, of the Senate

DAKOTA GOVERNOR UNDER INDICTMENT

Langer and Eight Others Accused of Forcing Relief Group To Pay

Fargo, N. D., April 17.—u—Governor William Langer and eight others persons were under indictment today on charges of exacting political contributions from federal relief workers in North Dakota.

A federal grand jury voted the indictments late yesterday to culminate a week's deliberations. An earlier result of the inquiry was the removal of Governor Langer by Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins as head of relief work in the State.

Governor Langer had no statement to make on the jury's action.

Six Named by Dr. Wirt Make Denials



Here are the six persons named in testimony of Dr. William A. Wirt, superintendent of schools at Gary, Ind., before a congressional investigating committee at Washington, as his informants of the existence of an asserted "plot" among members of the so-called "brain trust" to overthrow the present form of government in the United States, and who today denied the allegations at a committee hearing—left to right, top, Hildegarde Kneeland, of the home economics bureau, department of agriculture; Alice Barrows, of the department of education, interior department; Mary Taylor, economist of the AAA; below, Laurence Todd, Washington representative of a Soviet news agency; Robert Barere, chairman of the textile code advisory board, and David Cushman Coyle, of the PWA technical review board.

Severe Quake In Santa Anna Felt

Santa Anna, Cal., April 17.—(AP)—A severe earthquake shock caused persons to leave their homes and office buildings heretoday.

No damage is believed to have been done, but the Orange county courthouse swayed and almost every one left the building. The shock was felt at 10:33 a. m. It was the most severe here since the earthquake of March 10, 1933.

ASK LOWER PHONE AND POWER RATES

Municipal Association Meeting This Week Expected To Make Demand

Daily Dispatch Bureau In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILLE.

Raleigh, April 17.—A reduction in the power and telephone rates in effect in North Carolina is expected to be advocated by the State Municipal Association in its annual convention here Thursday and Friday, April 19 and 20, officials of the association indicated today. A permanent federal employment program for the state is also expected to be urged and resolutions to that effect are expected to be adopted and sent to Washington. The association is also expected to lay the groundwork for the formulation of the legislative program it will seek to have enacted by the 1935 general assembly.

Ever since its formation three years ago, the State Municipal Association, composed of the mayors, city managers and other city officials of the various cities and towns in the State, has been striving for a reduction in power and telephone rates in the State and is regarded as having had

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Government Rests Case On Cannon

Directed Verdict Of Acquittal, Asked by Defense Attorneys, Denied by Court

Washington, April 17 (AP)—Check transfers of Bishop James Cannon, Jr., and Miss Ada L. Burroughs on February 19, 1929, were described at their trial today by the government prosecutor as a "common, everyday garden variety of check kite."

John J. Wilson, assistant district attorney, used that language in arguing against a defense motion for a directed verdict of acquittal on a charge of conspiracy to violate the Federal corrupt practices act.

In asking for a directed verdict, defense attorneys contended the government had produced no evidence to prove conspiracy.

The prosecution disputed this. Justice Peyton Gordon planned to render a decision as soon as the arguments on the motion were completed.

Washington, April 17 (AP)—The government this morning completed presentation of its case against Bishop James Cannon, Jr., and Miss Ada L. Burroughs, charged with conspiring to violate the Federal corrupt practices act in connection with the Southern Methodist churchman's 1928 campaign against the presiden-

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, rain in east portion tonight; Wednesday showers, not much change in temperature.

STATEMENT ABOUT CONVERSATIONS AT DINNER IS DENIED

Miss Kneeland Says Guests Were Unable To Check Educator Long Enough To Talk

CORROBORATION BY HOSTESS IS GIVEN

Miss Barrow Says Dr. Wirt Went Backwards and Forward in Discussion of Gold Dollar Devaluation; President's Daughter, Mrs. Dall, at Hearing

Washington, April 17 (AP)—The House committee investigating Dr. William A. Wirt's allegations of "a brain trust revolution" was told today by the hostess at the celebrated dinner party that statements by him on what the guests had said were false.

Miss Hildegarde Kneeland one of the guests, also denied assertions by Wirt, saying "we were unable to interrupt the flow of his conversation." Quoted by Wirt as having herself quoted much from Assistant Secretary Tugwell at the dinner she said today she had never read any of his writings.

Miss Alice Barrows at whose Virginia home the dinner was held in September said there was no mention there—as Wirt had testified—about President Roosevelt being a "Kerensky" who would be supplanted by a "Stalin," or of Dr. Rexford Guy Tugwell, assistant secretary of agriculture.

The other four diners were waiting to testify. Another crowd jammed a huge House hearing room, among them Anna Roosevelt Dall, daughter of the President.

Republicans had sought in vain to have the committee subpoena Tugwell, Secretary Wallace and others in the inquiry.

To the accompaniment of occasional laughter in the audience, Miss Barrows said no guests other than Wirt could say anything because the ndiana educator talked constantly on inflation.

Dr. Wirt "went backwards and forward" in his discussion of the revaluation of the gold dollar, she testified.

Britain Not To Pay Debt To America

No Provision for It In Budget; Business Better, Parliament Is Told

London, April 17.—(AP)—Neville Chamberlain, chancellor of the exchequer, declared to the house of commons today that he did not propose to make any provision for the payment of war debts to America, or the receipts of war debts from Great Britain's debtors.

His statement was made in the midst of a speech in which he said Great Britain now had "regained its place as the first exporting country of the world."

He told his listeners, who heard him repeatedly, that the past fiscal year had shown a profit of 39,000,000 pounds—or about \$200,000,000—add that the "atmosphere is distinctly brighter."

He listed sources of revenue in proposing his budget for the year 1934-35, and said that in the year past the beer tax had produced five million pounds more than expected, but that there had been a deficit from tea and sugar. Groans followed cheers at this announcement.