

ASK CONGRESS TO LIMIT TOBACCO IMPORTS

Two Persons Believed Dead In Forest Fires In Western North Carolina

200,000 ACRES IN
BURNED TERRITORY
IN TWO COUNTIES

Thirteen Homes Known To
Have Been Destroyed in
Section Swept By
The Flames

WILKES, ALLEGHANY
COUNTIES HARD HIT

Mother of Three Children
and Unidentified Fire
Fighter Thought To Have
Perished in Blaze; Flames
Sweep on Despite Efforts
of Volunteers

Doughton, May 4.—(AP)—Despite the efforts of hundreds of organized fire fighters, four major forest fires are continuing unchecked over a wide front in the Blue Ridge section this morning, and residents of this section feel a strong breeze will extend the blaze into new territory.

Fears for two missing persons believed to have perished in the fire at Mitchell's River were ended today when both were found safe.

Doughton, May 4.—(AP)—Two persons are believed dead and 15 homes are known to have been destroyed in one of several disastrous fires sweeping the mountains of northwest North Carolina.

More than 200,000 acres, it is estimated, have been burned over, and the flames are still raging today in Wilkes and Alleghany counties.

Reports reaching here said that Mrs. Alice Calloway, mother of three children, and a fire fighter whose name was not learned, had perished in the fire at the Mitchell River community, at the foot of Roaring Gap. They were missing when citizens of their community evacuated their homes and abandoned their property to the invading flames.

Another fire, thought to be even larger, is raging over Stone Mountain, on the edge of Wilkes county. Although the flames advanced within two miles of Roaring Gap, exclusive summer resort, it is not believed the village is in danger from that source. However, the fire in the Mitchell community might endanger the resort, unless brought under control. Thirteen homes were fed to the flames at this place and several homes were said to

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METHODISTS WON'T ELECT ANY BISHOPS

General Conference Refuses,
However, To Limit Terms
of Bishops

Jackson, Miss., May 4 (AP) The 22nd quadrennial General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, today defeated proposals to limit the terms of bishops, decided not to elect any new bishops at this conference, and amended the discipline to permit the retirement of bishops for "unacceptability and inefficiency."

Hard To Find Where State Can Cut Its Expenditures

Looking Around For Something To Do Without Gets
Little Result; Representative Garibaldi, of Mecklen-
burg, Wants Costs Cut, But Doesn't Say Where

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In the Sir Walter Hotel,
Raleigh, May 4.—The thing for North Carolina to do is to reduce the cost of its government to the point where it can get along without the sales tax, "Uncle Joe" Caribaldi, of Charlotte, fiery foe of the sales tax in the last two sessions of the General Assembly, is telling merchants in the anti-sales tax meeting being arranged by John Paul Conrad and the anti-sales tax organization he heads. Caribaldi is the owner of a large jewelry business.

"We must do in government what we have had to do in our homes—do without things," Caribaldi told a meeting of merchants in Albemarle

New Strikes Are Offset By Strike Settlements In Parts Of United States

Primary Victor



Miles B. Allgood
Chances of former Senator J. Thomas Heflin of staging a political comeback, suffered a severe setback as a result of his defeat in Alabama primary for the Democratic nomination for U. S. Representative by Miles B. Allgood.
(Central Press)

GEORGE P. DOWLING DIES OF INJURIES

Man Hurt In Auto Crash
Near Here Feb. 15 Dies
In Philadelphia

WIFE, DAUGHTER HURT

Two Staten Island Ladies Were Killed
in the Wreck; Injured Were
in Hospital Here For
Week

Philadelphia, May 4.—(AP)—Mayor George P. Dowling, of Audubon, N. J., died today from injuries received in an automobile accident which took the lives of two women near Henderson, N. C., last February.

Dowling, his wife and their daughter were hurt in the collision and spent several weeks in a Henderson hospital. All three were brought home on stretchers and, complications setting in, the mayor was brought to a hospital in Philadelphia. Three blood transfusions failed to save him.

Dowling had been mayor of Audubon for five years.

MAYOR AND HIS FAMILY
WELL REMEMBERED HERE

Mayor George P. Dowling of Audubon, N. J., who died in a Philadelphia hospital today of injuries he sustained in an automobile wreck near here on last February 15, is pleasantly remembered by many acquaintances he made during the weeks he and his

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2,000 Soup Company Workers
at Camden, N. J., Ac-
cept Wage Raise and
Bargain Plan

LEATHER WORKERS
DECIDE TO RETURN

Strike of Longshoremen At
Gulf Ports Spreads, How-
ever, as Workers Demand
More Pay; Dock Workers
Strike at Norfolk; Oil
Workers Also Out

Birmingham, Ala., May 4.—(AP)—Demanding higher wages, shorter hours and union recognition, between 6,000 and 8,000 iron ore miners in the Birmingham district walked out on strike this morning.

(By The Associated Press)
New strikes were virtually balanced by settlement today in the nation's industrial seaway.

An end was written to the strike of 2,020 employees of the Campbell Soup Company at Camden, N. J. They voted last night to accept a seven per cent increase in wages and the company's collective bargaining plan.

The general strike of 7,000 leather workers in northeastern Massachusetts was halted, the employees voting to return to the manufacturers decided to resume negotiations with the National Leather Workers Union.

On the down side, shipping was paralyzed in gulf ports as a spreading strike of some 4,000 longshoremen seeking higher wages remained in effect. Several hundred dock workers at Norfolk, a. v., walked out, and 600 waterfront workers at anconover, B. C., decided to take a strike vote on May 12.

A peaceful strike also was on in the Seminole, Okla., oil area, affecting 800 union employees of the Sinclair-Prairie organization.

Members of the Paterson, N. J., Typographical Union No. 195 called a strike last night on the Paterson Morning Call and the afternoon Evening News, asking a wage increase.

19 HORSES ENTERED IN KENTUCKY DERBY

Louisville, Ky., May 4 (AP)—Nineteen thoroughbred three-year-olds were entered today for the 60th Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs tomorrow.

The weather man today saw occasional showers in prospect for derby day.

Japan Will Refuse All Peace Talk

Forever Hereafter
Western Powers Will
Not Be Consulted on
Far East

Tokyo, May 4.—(AP)—Foreign Minister Koki Hirota voiced a vigorous expression of Japan's new "hands-off China" policy today and implied that Japan proposes never again to discuss the question of peace in the Far East with western powers.

Addressing the annual conference of prefectural governors, the foreign minister declared that Japan refuses to submit to repetition of what happened at Geneva in 1932, "when unfortunately Japan's opinions concerning the maintenance of peace in eastern Asia were rejected, compelling us to secede from the League of Nations."

Although Hirota mentioned only Geneva in this, his first public expression on the Tokyo government's recently enunciated policy toward China, there was a strong implication that Japan intended never again to debate Oriental questions on equal terms with the Occident as she did at Washington in 1922, when the nine-power treaty was framed.

Quits G. O. P. Job



Everett Sanders, of Indiana, former congressman from that State, last night resigned as chairman of the Republican National Committee after a growing and persistent demand for his retirement. He directed the unsuccessful campaign of President Hoover for re-election in 1932.

TELEPHONE RATES SLASH CALLED FOR BY COMMISSIONER

Winborne Cites Southern
Bell To Show Why
Charges in Raleigh
Should Not Drop

ACTION BASED UPON
INVENTORY FIGURES

Other Orders To Follow In
succession as Inventories
Are Filed by Utilities Serv-
ing Various Localities; Old
Commission Refused To
Act

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In the Sir Walter Hotel,
Raleigh, May 4.—When Utilities
Commissioner Stanley Winborne thinks
telephone rates are too high, he says
so. But he does not stop merely with
saying what he thinks. He does some-
thing about it.

Accordingly, when Commissioner Winborne said yesterday that in his opinion, and after careful investigation and examination of the inventory it submitted, the rates being charged by the Southern Bell Telephone Company in North Carolina are excessive, he did not stop there. He issued an order for the Southern Bell Telephone company to appear before him the morning of May 17, in Raleigh, to show cause why the present rates should not be reduced to figures which he considers fair.

More than a year ago, the old Corporation Commission, composed of three men, announced that it was making an investigation of telephone rates and would seek to bring about some reduction by means of voluntary agreements with the telephone companies. It had the authority to issue an order such as Winborne has already issued and to compel the telephone companies to show cause why rates should not be reduced. But the other two members of the old commission, W. T. Lee and George P. Pell, were not in favor of taking direct action, with the result that no reduction in the base rates was ever forthcoming, though some reduction in installation charges and in the rental of hand sets was made.

But as soon as Winborne took office as Utilities Commissioner on January 1 of this year and commission then became composed of one man instead of three, one of his first acts was to issue an order to all utilities companies to prepare and file a complete inventory of all their physical properties, giving present values rather than replacement values. This information, he indicated, would be

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA Fair tonight and Saturday.

FOR HENDERSON
For 24 hour period ending at
noon p. m. today; highest tempera-
ture, 81; lowest, 58; rainfall, .42
of an inch; southwest wind; hazy.

U. S. Chamber Criticizes Varied Aspects Of Laws Of This Administration

Business Men Ask Modifica-
tion of Stock Market Con-
trol Bill Passed by
the House

LEADER SNELL SAYS
IT IS GOING TO FAR

Chamber Also Asks Loosening
of Securities Act, Re-
peal of Wheat Processing
and More Power for NRA
Code Authorities; Silver
Issue Still Talked

Washington, May 4.—(AP)—While the Roosevelt program progressed today in Congress, various aspects of past administration-fathered enactments were critically appraised in resolutions by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

"The new deal" as a whole was not a subject of any of the 23 resolutions. Henry I. Harriman sympathetic to the administration in general, was re-elected president of the chamber.

At the Capitol the House did its work on the stock market regulation bill before sending it to the Senate. Republican Leader Snell opposed it as "going too far."

Modification of this regulatory proposal was asked by the assembled business men, and whether the request will be heeded by the Senate is awaited.

The Chamber also asked a loosening of the securities act, repeal of the wheat processing tax and more power for NRA code authorities.

International negotiations on behalf of silver were favored, but unemployment insurance was opposed.

President Roosevelt, meanwhile, received the report from the Darrow

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Roosevelt Wants Mace of Ontario Returned There

Washington, May 4.—(AP)—President Roosevelt today asked Congress to return the mace of the Parliament of Ontario, Canada, captured during the War of 1812, and now held at the Annapolis Naval Academy.

In a special message Mr. Roosevelt called attention that on July 4 a memorial tablet to the United States forces killed in action will be unveiled in Toronto.

"The suggestion has been made," he said, "that it would be a gracious act for the United States to return this historic mace to Canada at the time of the unveiling of the tablet."

110 Planes Are To Cost \$7,500,000

Bids To Be Asked By
War Department In
Few Days for New
Air Equipment

Washington, May 4.—(AP)—Bids for 110 airplanes cost \$7,500,000 will be asked within a few days by the War Department as a part of a three-year aviation development program.

The money has been made available by the Public Works Administration.

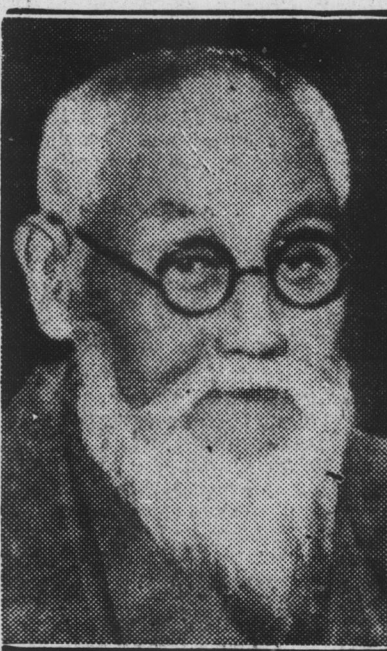
Bids will be asked for 80 bombing planes and 30 attack planes.

Objections raised by the army judge advocates general to terms of a previous advertisement for bids have been met in the new specifications the War Department said.

All bids for the planes were held up when a District of Columbia grand jury and a Congressional committee began an investigation recently into alleged influence by "lawyer lobbyists" War Department purchases and contracts.

Before July 1, the chief of the air corps will ask for bids on planes to be purchased during 1935, with funds recently appropriated by Congress, and for planes to be purchased during 1936.

Jap Peace-Maker



Mitsuru Toyama
Fearing that resentment aroused by supposed U. S. opposition to a "Japanese Monroe Doctrine" for Asia, might result in anti-American riots in Tokyo, Mitsuru Toyama, veteran Japanese patriot, appealed to his countrymen to remain calm and counseled against any demonstrations.

(Central Press)

WILLIAM H. WOODIN DIES IN NEW YORK

Was Forced from Office of
Secretary of Treasury by
Ill Health

HAD THROAT TROUBLE

Was Intimate Friend of Roosevelt and
Music Composer as Well as Politi-
cian; Burial to Be In
Pennsylvania

New York, May 4 (AP)—William H. Woodin, the frail little secretary of the treasury who helped pilot the nation through the 1933 banking crisis, is dead.

He succumbed last night to complications which followed a throat infection. He would have been 66 years old May 27.

The throat trouble developed last summer and forced him to leave the Treasury post in November.

When told of Mr. Woodin's death, President Roosevelt said at Washington:

"I'm deeply shocked and distressed by the passing of my dear friend."

An industrialist at the expense of a boyhood ambition to be a doctor, Woodin turned to music after his 60th birthday, and achieved a note as a composer.

He talked affectionately of the President shortly before the end.

Burial probably will be at Berwick, Penn., the Woodin family home.

Growing Highway Surplus Brewing Assembly Battle

Will Be Around \$7,500,000 at End of Fiscal Year June
30 After Paying General Fund Its \$1,000,000; Will
Be At Least \$10,000,000 July 1, 1935

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In the Sir Walter Hotel,
Raleigh, May 4.—While it has been known for months that the surplus in the highway fund, derived entirely from the gasoline tax, the automobile license tax and the sale of titles, has amounted to several millions of dollars, exact figures as to its present size and its estimated size at the end of this fiscal year on June 30, the official estimates as to what the highway surplus would be June 30 were not learned until today.

The amount on hand in the highway fund as of April 1 was \$9,936,238.

The amount on hand at the end of this fiscal year after all bills are paid

and after \$1,000,000 has been diverted to the general fund, is estimated at \$7,500,000.

It is estimated that the balance will amount to \$8,500,000 by December 31, 1934 on the eve of the meeting of the 1135 General Assembly in January, and that the balance on hand, after all appropriations are made and another \$1,000,000 diverted to the general fund, will be at least \$10,000,000 by June 30, 1935.

While not obtained direct from the Budget Bureau, these estimates were obtained from a source close to the Budget Bureau and are understood to

AGRICULTURE HEAD WOULD HAVE RIGHT TO REDUCE QUOTAS

Proposal Laid Before House
Committee Considering
the Kerr Crop Con-
trol Measure

ACTION EXPECTED
EARLY NEXT WEEK

Lessening of Flow of For-
eign Stocks Into United
States Is Sought; Licensing
of Warehouses and Buyers
Discussed as Provided In
Flannagan Bill

Washington, May 4 (AP)—An amendment to the Kerr tobacco production control bill to authorize the secretary of agriculture to prescribe import quotas was presented today to the House Agriculture Committee.

The amendment, along with the rest of the bill, is expected to be acted upon by the full committee at a meeting early next week. The committee was in session today, but deferred action.

The quota amendment, prepared by the department, embodied a suggestion by Representative Koppelman, Democrat, Connecticut, who urged its inclusion in the bill for the purpose of lessening the flow of foreign stocks into the United States.

J. B. Hutson, tobacco chief of the Farm Administration, and his assistant J. C. Lanier, who brought the quota amendment to the Capitol, also discussed with Representative Flannagan, of Virginia, his bill for licensing of warehouses and buyers.

ARREST TAX AGENT OF PILOT MOUNTAIN

K. C. Cook, 38, Held in Dal-
las, Texas With Winston-
Salem Divorcee

Dallas, Texas, May 4 (AP)—Kenneth C. Cooke, 38, former tax collector and chief of police at Pilot Mountain, N. C., was being held here today following his arrest for North Carolina authorities on a charge of embezzling public funds.

AUDIT SHOWS SHORTAGE
OF \$1,800 FOR ACCOUNTS

Pilot Mountain, May 4 (AP)—Kenneth Cooke, held by Texas rangers for local authorities on a charge of misappropriation of tax funds, has waived extradition and an officer left here today for Dallas to return him here. When arrested, Cooke was accompanied by Mrs. Alice Hester, divorcee of Winston-Salem.

Cooke disappeared from Pilot Mountain Sunday, April 22, telling his wife he would "never come back." An audit of his accounts revealed shortages of more than \$2,800, according to town officials, and he was charged with misappropriation of tax funds. The loss was covered by his bond.

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