

## ROCKEFELLER GIVES BIG SUM AHEAD OF TAX

### Pessimism Deepens As Paris Group Tries To Avert War In Africa

#### ITALY DEMANDING THAT ETHIOPIA BE DISARMED QUICKLY

Also Wants Colonies Just as France and Great Britain Have, Laval Is Informed

#### WAR WOULD MEAN MAJOR DISASTER

Would Wreck Europe's Peace Structure and Probably League, Mussolini Envoy Is Told; Would Also Cost Men and Money and Create Nef Hatred

Paris, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Programs for war and peace in East Africa were weighed by Premier Laval of France and Baron Pompeo Aloisi of Italy as they conferred alone for an hour in the former's office today. Their talks seemed to deepen the pessimism of officials.

Premier Mussolini's right hand came to the French government head with three agreements:

1. Italy must protect Eritrea and Italian Somaliland against a wild and dangerous nation, Ethiopia, by disarming it.
2. Italy must expand into colonies as Great Britain and France have done.
3. Italy is starved for raw materials and must develop her own supplies.

To these arguments, Laval had the following answers:

1. War would wreck Europe's long-drawn-out efforts for peace and possibly even the League of Nations.
2. War would cost men and money and create hatreds, although Mussolini could attain his desires gradually and peacefully.
3. War would endanger or break the Anglo-Franco-Italian control of Europe.

Following his meeting with Aloisi, Laval conferred with his ministry

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#### Control Of Potatoes Is To Be Given

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Potatoes soon will join corn, wheat and other crops in the government's growing list of production controlled farm products.

House approval of a Senate amendment to the agricultural adjustment act making potatoes a basic commodity assured a control program for growers.

Approval with slight opposition in the Senate, the measure was backed by Representative Warren and Senator Bailey, of North Carolina.

#### Lower Rate For Gasoline Is Effective

Winborne Makes Interstate Rates Conform to New ICC Interstate Charges

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILL. Raleigh, Aug. 15.—Freight rates within the State of North Carolina on petroleum products, especially gasoline, were reduced an average of about eight cents per 100-pounds today as a result of the order issued by Utilities Commissioner Stanley Winborne putting the new and lower rates into effect. These new rates are identical with the lower rates put into effect throughout the entire United States by the Interstate Commerce

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#### WILL THEIR MEETING BRING PEACE?



Washington has been informed that the parley to be held in Paris between Baron Pompeo Aloisi, speaking for Premier Mussolini; Captain Anthony Eden for Great Britain, and Premier Pierre Laval for France, will take the form of "conversations rather than a conference" The meeting, however, is expected to point the way to peace or war between Italy and Ethiopia.

#### AAA IS RESISTING 1935 COTTON LOAN

Farm Administration Officials Admittedly Worried About Matter

#### STATEMENT PROMISED

Announcement Will Be Made "In Due Time," Secretary Wallace Says; Credits To Farmers Seem Likely

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—A 12-cent loan on the 1935 cotton crop appeared possible today, despite reported strong opposition from the Farm Administration.

Confronted with a statement by Senator Bankhead, Democrat, Alabama, yesterday that a 12-cent loan would be announced by the end of this week, Secretary Wallace said an announcement would be made "in due time."

Some AAA officials admittedly were worried about the cotton loan situation, and some were known to oppose definitely any loan announcement at this time.

When the agriculture department last week predicted a total cotton crop this year of 11,798,000 bales, Secretary Wallace announced that "adequate credit facilities" would be made available for orderly marketing of the crop.

This statement was interpreted in some quarters to mean that no loan would be announced until late in the year, and that a free movement of the present crop to market would be permitted. The crop estimate was above most private estimates and the market dropped sharply.

#### TEXTBOOK RENTALS OUTLOOK IS FADING

Ten Percent Fee to State Depository Necessary Under Contract

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—Unless the State Textbook Rental Commission will agree to pay existing contract prices for textbooks and accordingly agree to pay the North Carolina School Book Depository, owned by Alfred Williams and Company here, its 10 per cent commission on all the books, per cent commission on the rental text-books, the chances are that no rental text-book system will be established for

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#### Four Persons Die As Plane Crashes

Gilmer, Texas, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Four persons died early today in a tri-motored ship of the Delta Air lines that crashed and burned after circling a cotton field in a vain attempt to land safely.

The bodies, burned beyond recognition, were pulled from the ship by two farmers, who heard the plane circle over a cotton field shortly before the smash-up.

#### Border Mart Prices Still Listed High

Heavy Breaks Feature Sales; Prices Given As From \$22.90 to \$24 Per 100

(By the Associated Press) Heavy receipts were reported from the border belt tobacco markets today while prices remained strong. Around 750,000 pounds were on the floors at Lake City this morning and about 500,000 at Lumberton. Dillon reported increasing receipts and other markets said offerings were heavy.

Prices in general were in line with bids earlier in the week, though common types were reported stronger.

Sales at Lake City yesterday were reported at 500,000 pounds, at an average of \$22.90 a hundred. Fairmont's Wednesday sales were 373,472 pounds at an average of \$24 per hundred. Receipts were heavier there today.

#### Tobacco Handling To Provide 3,000 New Winston Jobs

Winston-Salem, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Increased tobacco production this year will be a boon to seasonal workers in this city who handle the leaf. Some 3,000 workers will be given employment, representing an increase of about 1,000 over last year.

The seasonal employment includes work in redrying plants storage houses, warehouses, transportation and other activity incidental to the movement of the new tobacco crops.

#### STRIKES EXPECTED AS DIRECT RELIEF CEASES IN STATE

But When Workers Find They Must Root Hog or Die, Things Will Get Much Better

#### EXPECT OBJECTION TO WAGE SCHEDULE

Hesitancy of Many to Work Seen in Fact That Only 50,000 of 200,000 on Relief Rolls Have Registered for Jobs With WPA; Big Problem Lies Ahead.

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

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—The rumblings of discontent in the ranks of those who have been on relief in North Carolina at the prospect of the discontinuance of all direct relief are expected to grow even greater than at present and some strikes and demonstrations will undoubtedly develop, according to the private opinion of several Works Progress Administration officials. But when it finally becomes clear to the army of relief workers and former recipients of direct relief that hereafter they must work for what they get or go hungry, and that henceforth it is a case of "root hog, or die," conditions are going to be infinitely better than they have been. Virtually all of the officials of the State Public Works Administration agree with President Roosevelt and Administrator Harry L. Hopkins that the Federal government made a great mistake when it ever started direct relief in the first place and that hundreds of thousands of people got on the direct relief rolls who never worked before, who have not worked since and who will not work now if they can evade it in any way.

State WPA officials cannot and will not discuss this phase of the WPA program for publication or to be quoted directly. But in "off the record" conversations they frankly admit that one of the biggest jobs ahead of the WPA is the revamping of the relief machinery so that relief may be obtained only by those willing to work for it and the abolition of all direct relief who do not want to work for what they have heretofore been getting with little or no work, it is agreed. There is likewise going to be very vigorous objection to the WPA wage scales and the fact that those employed on WPA projects must work an entire month before getting any pay. But in the long run all of these things are going to have a beneficial effect and bring about a great reduction in the present relief load.

No Desire For Jobs There is no doubt that those who have been on relief are showing no great desire to get WPA jobs, since only about 50,000 former relief clients

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#### Long Tells Gotham Of His Plans

New York, Aug. 15.—(AP)—Senator Huey Long announced today he would be an independent candidate for president in 1936—"if the Republicans go Hoover, the Democrats go Roosevelt and there is no other liberal candidate."

The Louisiana political boss called Hoover and President Roosevelt "twin-bed mates of disaster."

"If some liberal candidate would be chosen by either party," the senator said, "I would support him, but it begins to look like the G. O. P. is being dominated by Mr. Hoover or some one of his calling."

"The liberal and progressive element is called upon to decide that we don't want Hoover, that we know what he is, or a Roosevelt that we don't know what he is."

#### WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.

#### Laughing Hopson at Lobby Probe



Howard C. Hopson, the elusive head of the Associated Gas & Electric Co., Howard C. Hopson enjoys a hearty laugh with his attorney, W. A. Hill, as he appears before Senate lobby investigating committee in Washington. He was found by detectives after two-week search. (Central Press)

#### Johnston Girls' Story Of Kidnaping Backed Up

#### Senate Will Get Hopson Very Soon

Washington, Aug. 15 (AP)—The way for the Senate lobby committee examination of Howard C. Hopson, elusive utilities operator, was cleared somewhat today with readiness in the House to drop the dispute over who should have custody of him.

Through counsel, Hopson's announced willingness to testify on the Senate side about his Associated Gas and Electric moves against the bill to regulate holding companies, once his appearance before the House committee was concluded.

The House Rules Committee resolved that he should be arrested at once, but directed that he be available to the Senate when not being questioned on the House side. This evidently ended differences between the two branches of Congress.

#### HANCOCK'S ATTACK WAS NO SURPRISE

#### Congressman Had Little Voice in Naming WPA Key Men in State

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILL. Raleigh, Aug. 15.—The blast turned loose against the State Works Progress Administration by Representative Frank W. Hancock, Jr., of the fifth congressional district, and the charge that all the patronage with regard to its organization in North Carolina is dictated by Senator Josiah W. Bailey, did not cause much surprise here. It has been known here for some time that Hancock was not at all pleased because he was apparently left out entirely when the WPA pie was cut. While State WPA Administrator George W. Coan comes from Winston-Salem, which is in Hancock's district, it is now generally known that Hancock was not consulted and did not know of the appointment of Coan until it had been made public. It is also generally known that Coan was appointed on the recommendations of Senator Bailey and Congressman R. L. Doughton of the ninth district.

But that was not all. While most of the State's eleven congressmen were permitted to have a say-so in the selection of the WPA officials in the eight WPA districts in the State, Hancock was again left out of the

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#### SENDS \$25,000,000 TO CHARITY GROUPS AS EARLY AS JUNE

Beneficiaries Not Named, But Donations Were Made Nine Days After FDR Plan Learned

#### TAX BILL TO PASS BY FRIDAY NIGHT

Cotton Exports Decline 13 Percent; Morgenthau Says Government Is Still Buying Silver; To Seek Dissolution of Processing Tax Suits on AAA

Washington, Aug. 15.—(AP)—While the new tax bill, with its increased levies on estates, moved toward passage in the Senate, the Securities Commission disclosed today that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., had given away approximately \$25,000,000 of oil company stock last June.

The stock went to individual and charitable organizations whose names were not disclosed. The Rockefeller report to the commission showed the gifts were made nine days after President Roosevelt asked Congress to increase taxes on gifts and enact new inheritance levies.

Senate leaders predicted final passage of the tax bill tomorrow night. At the same time they indicated they were considering the advisability of abandoning their pursuit of Howard C. Hopson, elusive utility magnate, who has defied a committee investigating lobbies. House investigators

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#### Coan Hits Back Hard At Hancock

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—(AP)—George W. Coan, Jr., States work progress administrator, today defended the work of his organization, and asserted he had "no apology" to make for what has been done to date in starting works progress projects in the State.

Coan said he was "not certain" whether he would reply to the charge of Congressman Frank W. Hancock, Jr., in Washington to the effect the WPA work in North Carolina was lagging, as compared with other states, and that the Tar Heel set-up was for the "political welfare of Senator J. W. Bailey."

"If I should have anything to say about that, it will not take up more than two or three sentences," Coan said.

Replying to the assertion of Congressman Hancock that only \$390,000 of WPA projects have been approved for North Carolina, Coan said:

"We have, or will have, sent before the day is over projects estimated to cost around \$9,000,000 to Washington for approval."

#### Prisoner Is Shot Down In Escaping

Three More Escape As Girl Campers At Hendersonville Walk Into Firing

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—(AP)—One prisoner was instantly killed today while making an escape attempt in Henderson county, but three other long term convicts escaped, as guards were afraid to shoot them, for fear of hitting a number of girl campers in the road, the State penit division was notified this afternoon.

Oscar Pitts, acting director of the penal division, said he was given on-

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#### SINGLE TAXERS IN U. S. ARE GAINING

Disciples of Henry George Do Not Believe in Income Taxes at All

By L. SLE EICHEL. New York, Aug. 15.—Single taxers seem to be gaining, from the amount of publicity appearing. There may be a reason. The disciples of Henry George do not believe in income taxes.

But would the putting of all taxes on land not socialize land? That question has been asked repeatedly. We have gone to Henry George's "Progress and Poverty" for the answer. In this volume—now considered

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