

TOBACCO GROWERS TO MEET ON SATURDAY

British Fleet In The Mediterranean May Start War

MUSSOLINI MIGHT REGARD SUCH MOVE AS AN ACT OF WAR

Naval Blockade Looms As Possibility if Italy Finally Decides to Attack Ethiopia

ROME SKEPTICAL OF LEAGUE'S PROPOSAL

Gives No Occasion for Italy To Change Her Attitude, Government Spokesman Says; Ethiopia Has Done All Possible To Avoid War, Now Up to Italy

London, Sept. 19.—(AP)—Foreign military observers said tonight a situation was rapidly developing in the Mediterranean where an untoward incident might furnish the tinder for touching off a powder keg spreading far beyond the Italo-Ethiopian dispute.

These observers said they saw a grim and purposeful meaning in the speedy and steady mobilization by Great Britain and Italy of their best ships, airplanes and troops along the danger line within the Mediterranean and its two entrances at Suez and Gibraltar.

Meanwhile, both governments maintained official silence regarding the significance of their actions as officials of both countries anxiously studied developments.

(By The Associated Press.)

Great Britain, increasing concentration of fighting ships in the Mediterranean—a concentration which is even calling warships from its West

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Rome Papers Say England Seeking War

Charge Huge British Fleet Sent To Mediterranean To Provoke Hostilities

(By the Associated Press.) Charges that Great Britain, with a great fleet assembled in the Mediterranean wished to provoke war were made tonight by newspapers in Italy.

The authoritative Giornale d'Italia said: "There is already an open menace of war," and elsewhere in the Italian press were attacks on the motives behind the British naval movement.

It was estimated 1,000,000 men were

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"What's the matter?" asked the startled McNamara.

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Steamship 'Dixie' Is Floated Again

Miami, Fla., Sept. 19.—(AP)—The Morgan liner Dixie, driven aground on French reef, south of Miami, by the Labor Day hurricane which lashed the Florida keys was re-floated early today.

Captain E. W. Sundstrum, master of the 8,100-ton luxury coastal vessel, radioed The Associated Press the terse message: "Dixie re-floated 1 a. m., nineteenth."

The message contained no other details as to how the two big salvage tugs which had hawsers on the ship succeeded in dragging her back into deep water.

LONG CANDIDATES MAKE STATEMENTS IN LOUISIANA RACE

Lieut.-Gov. James A. Noe Announces for Governor To Succeed Incumbent, O. K. Allen

WADE MARTIN OUT FOR SENATE POST

Announcements Follow Conference at Hotel With Rev. Gerald Smith, Head of Long's "Share-Our-Wealth" Clubs; He Had Given Ultimatum as to the State

New Orleans, La., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Lieutenant Governor James A. Noe, now of Monroe, today announced his candidacy for governor in the January primaries on a pledge to follow "the plan of progress of Huey P. Long."

At the same time, Wade P. Martin, public service commissioner, announced his candidacy on the Long platform for the United States Senate. Although his statement did not spe-

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To Prosecute Gas Diluters, Bootleggers

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

Raleigh, Sept. 19.—The gasoline and oil inspection division of the State Department of Revenue is getting ready to bear down harder than ever on filling station operators and gasoline dealers who are diluting gas, line, kerosene and motor oils, as well as those who are "bootlegging" inferior grades of gasoline and oils un-

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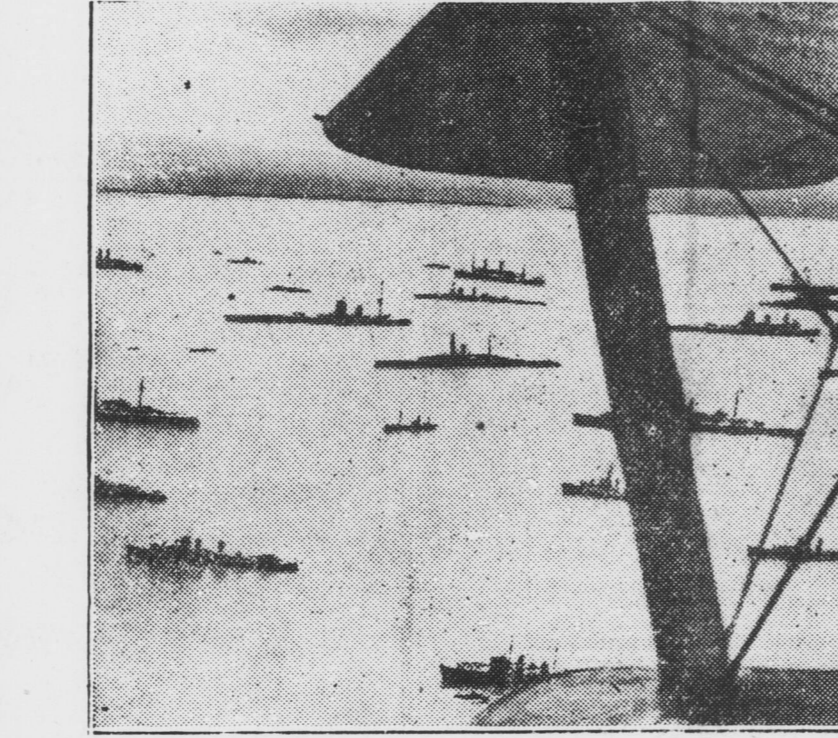
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Fleet Britain Is Rushing Into Mediterranean "Blockade"



Main body of British fleet, last assembled at Spithead in July, as shown here, is being rushed by the government into the Mediterranean to bolster up Britain's threat of blockade if Italy persists in African conquest. Total of 59 warships were given fast sailing orders. (Central Press)

Liquor Acts Expected To Be Sustained

Belief Is Supreme Court Will Find County Liquor Law Constitutional

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

Raleigh, Sept. 19.—The State Supreme Court is expected to hold the two county liquor control laws passed by the 1935 General Assembly, under which 17 counties are now operating nearly 50 liquor stores, constitutional. This expectation, of course, is based entirely on guess-work and speculation, since none of the five justices has indicated how he intends to hold in the decision. But those who sat and listened to the lengthy arguments

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No Blame Placed In Woman's Death In Textile Strike

Anderson, S. C., Sept. 19.—(AP)—After having heard 30 witnesses, including both strikers and members of the Pelzer Good Will Association, a coroner's jury composed of six Anderson county farmers early this afternoon found that Mrs. Gertrude Kelly, who was killed in the rioting at Pelzer on September 2, "came to her death at the hands of person or persons unknown to the jury."

Following the inquest, Coroner J. Roy McCoy, said that no warrants would be issued in connection with Mrs. Kelly's death.

Although none of the 30 witnesses who took the stand this morning testified that they knew who killed Mrs. Kelly, five persons, all of whom were said to have been shooting in the direction of the railway cut in which Mrs. Kelly was killed, were mentioned as possible slayers of the young textile worker.

Plan Use Of Customs To Aid Cotton

Washington, Sept. 19 (AP)—Officials today disclosed that Comptroller General J. R. McCarl has approved use of gross customs receipts for payment of a subsidy to farmers on cotton loaned this year under Bankhead control allotments.

Formal approval of the plan for use of this money provided by the AAA amendments removes the last principal obstacle for making the subsidy

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Boats Hasten To Shelter on Coast

Jacksonville, Fla., Sept. 19.—(AP)—Small craft along the Atlantic coast took to shore today as the Weather Bureau here warned of a "slight disturbance" which moved northeasterly off the Carolinas. An official advisory issued at 9:30 a. m., said: "Disturbance very slight intensity off South Carolina coast apparently moving slowly northeastward; caution advised small craft off North Carolina coast. No further advices."

ICKES TO RESIGN SOON, IS REPORT

Out of Step at White House and Recent Compromise Was Loss

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington, Sept. 19.—Despite Secretary of the Interior Harold I. Ickes' denial of reports that he is soon to resign, it is manifest that the Chicagoan is altogether out of step with certain important White House policies.

President Roosevelt's recent adjustment of differences of opinion be-

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Roosevelt Is To Open Race In The South

Speech In Atlanta Thanksgiving Week Will Be Challenge to Gov. Talmadge

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 19.—(AP)—A challenge to the political strength of Governor Eugene Talmadge was seen here today in the announcement that President Roosevelt would open his

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday; probably showers in extreme east portion tonight and on the northeast coast Friday morning; little change in temperature.

Still Time For AAA To Assist Tobacco Growers, Gov. Ehringhaus Thinks

Push Sign-Up and Announce Next Year's Allotments Now, Governor Urges; Denies He Is Playing Politics In Effort To Boost Tobacco Prices

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

Raleigh, Sept. 19.—There is still time for the AAA and the Department of Agriculture to do something to help the tobacco price situation, and the present slump in tobacco prices is because the AAA refused to pay any attention to suggestions made by him and others early last spring, Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus said here today.

"I know that already I am being accused of playing politics because I am trying to help the tobacco farmers get better prices for their tobacco," Governor Ehringhaus said today. "The facts are that I am genuinely interested in seeing these thousands of tobacco farmers get a fair

price for their crops, and I am going to continue to do what I can to help them, no matter how much others may raise the cry of politics. For I know that the farmers are still facing steadily rising prices, while the prices for their crops are going down."

The present slump in prices is due to three things, all of which were pointed out to the U. S. Department of Agriculture early last spring, but completely disregarded, Governor Ehringhaus said. These three things are:

1. The increase in the crop allotments made by the AAA to tobacco farmers with the result that the crop this year in North Carolina is about 40 per cent greater than last year.

2. The fixing of the parity price at

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HANCOCK ASSAILS SPENDING BY WPA

Useless Spending of Relief Funds Must Stop, Congressman Asserts

Washington, Sept. 19 (AP)—Representative Frank W. Hancock, Democrat North Carolina, today said "boondoggling and counting caterpillars" must come to an end in the administration of Federal relief funds.

He expressed disappointment over the decision of President Roosevelt to let Works Progress Administrator Harry L. Hopkins expend the greater part of the \$4,000,000,000 appropriation.

"I am a little worried over the way

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GOV. OLSON MOVES TO SIDE OF LABOR

Enhances Chances for Presidential Nomination; Wall Street Loses

By LESLIE EICHEL

New York, Sept. 19.—Governor Floyd Olson of Minnesota, already looked upon highly by farmers as a future presidential candidate, took other step toward labor the other day. The significance of it was not caught in the general run of news.

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COMMITTEE CALLS GATHERING TO BE HELD AT RALEIGH

400 Growers In Hall of House Applaud Proposals for Another Tobacco Holiday

WALLACE'S REPLY NOT SATISFACTORY

Governor at Last Gets Answer To His Telegram Sent Week Ago; J. C. Kittrell's Proposal for Warehouse Holiday Cheered; Big Gathering Is Held

Raleigh, Sept. 19 (AP)—Representatives of Eastern North Carolina tobacco growers voted here this afternoon to call a Statewide tobacco price protest meeting to be held in Memorial Auditorium here at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

The decision was reached by a committee of some 40 growers which met while a crowd of some 400 farmers sat in the hall of the House of Representatives and applauded suggestions that a new tobacco holiday be declared, during which growers could sign new contracts and demand that AAA officials announce a reduction of 35 percent for the 1936 crop.

Governor Ehringhaus said just before he started a speech to the meeting that he had received a letter from Secretary Wallace which "was disappointing" in reply to his telegram of last week asking that something be done about the tobacco situation immediately.

KITRELL'S SUGGESTION IS GIVEN GREAT OVATION

Raleigh, Sept. 19.—(AP)—Close to 400 tobacco growers of Eastern North Carolina assembled in the Hall of the House of Representatives in the State Capitol here this afternoon to discuss dropping prices for the weed in the State and to lay plans for future action.

The meeting was supposed to have been only a committee gathering of five men to study the question of calling a Statewide mass meeting on the tobacco situation, but hundreds of growers came seeking immediate action for higher prices.

Zeb V. Williams, of Rolesville, who led a Wendell delegation here last week, called the meeting to order, and asked that persons delegated by various markets to attend the meeting meet with him and his committee of four members in executive session to discuss procedure. Some 40 farmers went into the committee meeting.

While the committee deliberated, E. Y. Floyd, tobacco specialist of North Carolina State College, and AAA tobacco program director in the State explained the new control contracts to the farmers and discussed how so-called parity prices were figured.

J. C. Kittrell, of Henderson, inter-

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Growers To Ask Closing Warehouses

Local Group Takes Vigorous Resolutions to Raleigh Committee Meet

Closing of warehouses, a quick sign-up of growers and fixing at the present time of acreage allotments for 1936 were urged in resolutions adopted here today at noon, and they left immediately for Raleigh to present the proposals to the governor's committee meeting this afternoon to adopt some course looking to the speedy lifting of prices being paid to tobacco growers for this year's crop.

The committee consisted of both

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