ITALY TO PROTEST BRITISH FLEET MOV

GROWERS WILL MEET EHRINGHAUS WANTS TOMORROW, BENT ON AAA TO TAKE STAND HIGHER WEED PRICE FOR 1936 PROGRAM

Represented at Raleigh Assembly

WALLACE PROMISÉS LITTLE ASSISTANCE

Secretary of Agriculture Says Government Is Doing And Allotment Figure Right Now Is Urged by Governor Ehringhaus

> Dally Dispatch Bureau, In the Si- Walter Hotel, BY J. C. BASKERVILL.

Raleigh, Sept. 20 .- Several thousand tobacco farmers from all of the tobacco counties in the State will hold a huge mass meeting here tomorrow morning in an attempt to decide whether they will declare another tobacco-selling "holiday," and ask the governor to close all the warehouses until some plan can be worked out to strengthen tobacco prices, or whether some other course will be followed. Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and Chief Hutson, of the tobacco division of the AAA, have been invited to attend this mass meeting.

The mass meeting was called yesterday afternoon after the meeting here of several hundred tobacco farmers with Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus and Senator Josiah W. Bailey, both of whom addressed the meeting and suggested possible courses of action, and after receipt by the governor of a letter from Secretary Wallace in which he gave very little encouragement for better tobacco prices The general tone of the letter from Secretary Wallace was to the effect that tobacco prices were about as good as could be expected and that the Department of Agriculture and could do to help the situation. Definite recommendations and re-

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NEWSPAPER MAN IS FREED OF ROBBERY

Walterboro, S. C., Sept. 20 .- (AP)-J. B. Gramling, of Orangeburg, former newspaper correspondent, today stood absolved on any connection with the recent robbery of the Enterprise Bank at Smoak.

A Colleton county jury returned a verdict late yesterday acquitting Gramling on a charge of conspiracy.

Wallace Is **NotComing** To Meeting

Raleigh, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Zeb V. Williams, of Roiesville, chairman of State in its suit against the Norfolk the committee which called a Statewide tobacco protest meeting here tomorrow, said over long distance telephone this afternoon that Secretary Henry Wallace had telegraphed him he could not accept an invitation to

attend the meeting. Williams said the secretary of agriculture expressed regret "that previous engagements" could make it im

possible for him to attend. No reply had been received from J. B. Hutson, AAA tobacco chief, who was also invited to attend.

All Tobacco Counties In Warehouse Men On Side SCHAUB SURPRISED

About All It Can; Sign-Up He a d Of Easterr Carolina Association Thinks Remedy Can Be Agreed Upon

> Rocky Mount, Sept. 20 .- (AP)- H. P. Foxhall, president of the Eastern Carolina Warehouse Association, issued a statement today saying it was supporting the crop production control program and in sympathy with the movement for better 1935 tobac.

> His statement said:
> "The Eastern Carolina Warehouse Association is 100 percent behind the four-year crop production control finance plan and is in sympathy with and vitally interested in the fight for better prices for the 1935 crop. We think this can be attained by immediate sign-up and a prompt statement from the tobacco section of the AAA of a drastic cut in 1936 acreage."

Hosiery Business Throughout South In Midst of Boom

Charlotte, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Taylor R. Durham, secretary of the Southern Hosiery Manufacturers Association, said today the hosiery knitting industry in the South was experiencing a boom and that some mills have ceased taking orders for delivery earlier than January 1.

"Something definitely resembling a boom lately has developed in the industry, especially in the silk knitting division, and buyers who a few weeks ago refused to place orders now are almost frantic in their efforts to obtain knit goods," he said.

State Wins Tax Suit On N. & W. Road

Daily Dispatch Bureau, BY J. C CASKERVILL.

Raleigh, Sept. 20-A broad smile dorns the face of Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell as a result of the opinion handed down by the State Supreme Court upholding the and Western Railroad for back taxes. Not only does this opinion mean that the Department of Revenue will not hearing has been set. have to refund some \$75,000 in taxes Collected from the railroad under protest, but that the State can now continue to collect an average of \$20,-000 a year from this road without any fear of having to refund it.

The case was very complicated and many fine points of law were involved, hinging upon Commissioner Max.

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County Commissioners Of Rowan Condemn Wholesale Arrests By Highway 'Cops'

solution condemning the State Highway Patrol for making arrests of were formed "unintentional, harm-less and trivial violation of the motor vehicle laws" was passed by the Rowan Board of Commissioners in a

special session today. The commissioners stated that they resented the action and believed such actions are "doing nothing to reduce reckless and hazardous driving."

Salisbury, Sept. 20.—(AP)—A re- ities in charge that the patrolmen "be instructed to use some common sense in carrying out their duties and not waste time running after some poor motorists in this section for what fellow who has lost his registration card, or whose rear light perhaps came loose, and go after those who are cutting corners, running on the wrong side of the road, entering high ways without stopping and other major infractions of the law."

Solicitor W. V. Harris, of the county court, stated that he will nolle administration in the past two sesprose all trivial and meaningless The board recommended to author-cases brought by the highway patrol.

Would Be "Happiest Thing That Could Happen Under Present Circumstances," He Says

AT PARITY COURSE

Of Farmers Had Been Told by AAA Heads It Would Be 21 to 22 Cents This Year; Now Wal llace Says It Will Probably Be Under 20 Cents for 1935 Tobacco Crop

> Raleigh, Sept. 20-(AP)-Calls went out today to growers throughout Eastern North Carolina to attend a mass meeting here tomorrow to protest low tobacco prices and to determine some means of stabilizing the depressed market.

> Decision to call the mass meeting was reached by representatives of the growers, who held a conference here yesterday and applauded suggestions that Governor Ehringhaus declare a tobacco holiday and close the auction warehouses.

> Governor Ehringhaus, who address_ ed the 400 farmers, assembled in the hall of the House of Representatives, said "the happiest thing that could happen under the present circumstances would be for the AAA to say what they are going to do about next year's crop and stop saying they may or may not do something."

> The governor was cheered when he asserted "finding a needle in a haystack would be simple compared to finding out what the parity tobacco price is."

The governor made known receipt (Continued on Page Five.)

LONG LEGISLATIVE **ACTS TONED DOWN**

Baton Rouge, La., Sept. 20-(AP)—Attorney General Gaston L. Poterie today ruled that the act of the late Senator Huey P. Long's legislative special session forbid-ding "unconstitutional" Federal activities in Louisiana did not apply to the agricultural adjustment

Charge Four Men With Possession Of Burglar Tools

Raleigh, Sept. 20 .- (AP)-Raleigh police said today that four men arrested here ten days ago as alleged members of a safe blowing gang would be charged with possession of burglary tools for the purpose of committing a felony, and that other charges had been lodged against them also. The four are C. C. Hamilton, Leroy Faison, Coley Cain and Ed

Cobb, alias William Jones. Police said the four are also alleged to have broken into the store of L. S. Farmer, at Elm City, to have robbed a railroad station at Wilson, and stolen an automobile in Greensboro. Cain is alleged to have participted in store-breaking in Red Springs. The men are being held without bond and no date for a prelinminary

Wants To Be Prison Division Director; Strong With Administration

> Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, BT J. O. RASKER YILI.

Raleigh, Sept. 20.-Robert Grady Johnson, of Burgaw, Pender county, speaker of the House in the 1935 Gen. eral Assembly, is now a receptive candidate for the appointment as director of the Prison Division of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, it was learned from an authoritative source here today. For several days the rumor has been current that Johnson's name was under consideration for the post and this

was verified today. If the post of director of the prison division is to be filled on the basis of politics and if the job is to be given as a rewar for supporting tne

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Mussolini Chooses Historic Setting for Caesar Role



*One picture tells more than 10,000 words," runs the adage, and here is Benito Mussolini, the blacksmith's son, deliberately posing beside a 2,000-year-old statue of the first Caesar in Rome as he takes the salute of legions departing for Africa along a trail blazed by Caesar to conduct a new conquest. The photo was made less than two weeks ago.

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MID-AIR SLAYING

Coroner's Jury Finds They President Releases New Killed Ball Player In Self-Defense

Toronto, Can. S,ept. 20.—(AP)-Charges of manslaughter against William Joseph Mulqueeney and Erwin Davis in the death of Len Koenecke, Brooklyn ball player in an airplane above the Long Branch race track here Tuesday, were dismissed today by Magistrate Douglas Keith.

A coroner's jury earlier today ruled that the Detroit airmen acted in selfdefense when they fought the baseball player to death Tuesday. At the coroner's jury inquiry evi-

dence that Koenecke attacked Mulqueeney and his companion while flyng from Detroit to Buffalo was pre-A chemical analyst of the Univer-

sity of Toronto gave evidence that Koenecke was intoxicated.

VAN ZANDT AGAIN

New Orleans, La., Sept. 20 (AP)-James E. Van Zandt, of Altoona, Penn., will be head of the Foreign Wars of the United States as their commander-in-chief for his third conservative term. He was nominated in the annual convention here today without opposition for formal election

Woman Loses Life In Dynamite Blast In Tennessee Town 15 HIGHWAY

LaFollette, Tenn., Sept. 20 .- (AP)series of dynamite explosions shook LaFollette early today, partially wrecking a business building and killing Mrs. Prudie Rutherford, mother of several children.

The blast tore out concrete brick and timbers in a building near the post office.

Mrs. Rutherford, who lived in an apartment on the second floor, was killed as she attempted to save her children. The children escaped with only minor injuries. Sheriff R. B. Davis and deputies began an inves-

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair tonight and Saturday; little change in tempera.

Yorker at Latter's Own Urgent Request

Hyde Park, N. Y., Sept. 20 .- (AP)-President Roosevelt announced today the resignation of Joseph P. Kennecy chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Kennedy is retiring on Monday and will return to private business after vacation trip to Europe.

Kennedy was named as the first chairman of the commission created under the New Deal to take over supervision of the mammoth stock ex. change trading of the country.

Cotton Spinning Industry Running 76.4 Pct. Capacity

Washington, Sept. 20.-(AP)- The TO HEAD VETERANS cotton spinning industry was reported today by the Census Bureau to have operated during August at 76.4 percent of capacity on a single shift basis, compared with 73.5 percent in July this year, and 76.8 percent in August last year.

Spinning spir.dles in place August 31 totalled 30.014,994. Active spindle hours for August totaled 5,545,241,-375, or an average of 185 hours per spindle in place. North Carolina reported 1,221,227,

720 active spindle hours, and an average of 199 per spindle in place.

Many of Projects Involved Are Grade Crossing Elimination Plans

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

Raleigh, Sept. 20.-A highway letting, including 15 projects, many of them grade crossing projects, has been set for October 3, and bids on these projects will be received at that time, according to Chief Engineer W. Vance Baise, of the State Highway and Public Works Commission. The total cost of these projects is estimated at 1,402,000. This batch includes several important grade cross ing elimination projects which have been included in the \$4,500,000 Federal Aid program for eliminating dangerous grade crossings over the State. The projects included in this letting are as follows:

Cumberland and Robeson counties,

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A THREAT OF WAR London Answers Warships Were Sent East Merely As Precaution In Ethiopian Crisis SELASSIE NOT TO

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BRIBE MUSSOLINI Ethiopian Ruler Says He Won't Buy Peace; Meanwhile, League Awaits Mussolini's Answer to Peace Plan, Which Is Expected To Be Very Unfavorable

(By The Associated Press.) Great Britain's concentration of fighting ships in the Mediterranean is to be met, according to a high official in Rome, with a protest by Italy to the League of Nations Council. Italian sources, particularly the Italian press, said the British action

constituted a threat of war. Official surprise was immediately expressed in London, where authorities said that the British fleet maneuvers were purely precautionary in the light of the possibility of hostilities between Italy and Ethiopia along the route of the British Empire communications. There was no threat against Italy, they said.

Meanwhile, speculation was aroused as to the whereabouts of Italian ships which had not reported in the Suez Canal, although they were due there week ago.

Emperor Haile Selassie told The Associated Press in Addis Ababa that Ethiopia could not give Italy "bribes to purchase immunity from attack."

He said: "Let no pretended leader." of Christendom attempt to crucify an

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TALY IN ETHIOPIA SOLDIERS ON KEYS DAMAGED THEATRE

Tavernier, Fla., Sept. 20.-(AP)military board of inquiry investigating conduct of National Guardsmen in the keys after the Labor Day hurricane today was told troops stationed at Tavernier did damage estimated at \$25 to property of A. S. McKenzie, theatre proprietor and merchant.

TRAIN KILLS MAN NEAR LEXINGTON

Lexington, Sept. 20.-(AP)- The body of a man found on a railway trestle near here has been identified ably Be Dismembered In Specific Coroner J. been caused by a train.

Probe Into CottonDrop About Over

Washington, Sept. 20.—(AP)—Chair man Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, today expressed satisfaction over progress of the committee's investigation into the sudden drop last March in the price of cotton. Returning from New York, where investigators have been quietly at work for several months, Smith said he found 'everything in good shape."

"The investigation is now nearing completion, and I am having all the data digested and briefed so that the committee will have this information

at their disposal when they meet." Smith declined to disclose the nature of the information gathered, or to say whether he will call the coinmittee into special session to consider the report of the investigators.

Italy More Kindly To Great Britain

Rome, Sept. 20.-(AP)-A slightly was the fact that war muniticus in government circles and the press, firm or advanced. out a high authority disclosed that Premier Mussolini will protest to the concentration of British naval forces

Mussolini's Presumption

Mediterranean Is His Sea

Menaces England's

"Life Line"

Germany, Austria and May-

be Hungary Might Join

Italy on Land; British Em-

By LESLIE EICHEL

New York, Sept. 20.-The British

agitation over Italy's threats to in-

vade Ethiopia is very real. The Blue

Nile rises in Ethiopia—and to have

the headwaters of a British-dominated stream controlled by somebody else brings cold chills. Egypt's life

Then, too, Italy's presumption that

the Mediterranean is her sea has

alarmed the British. The Mediter-

ranean is part of the British empire's

And Italy's massing of 50,000 men

n the frontier of Libya and Egypt is

Thus the British are invoking the

eague and talking of "collective se-

curity," And secretly, they are as-

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DIES IN LUMBERTON

Lumberton, Sept. 20.—(AP)—W. Y.

Floyd, 41, attorney, died here today

after a brief illness. He was a former

local American Legion post comman_

der and formerly FHA chairman for

Robeson county. Funeral services will

be held tomorrow at 3 p. m.

ATTORNEY FLOYD, 41,

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ON HIS AIR POWER

IL DUCE COUNTING

Attack of Enemies

n the Mediterranean. Most significant of the indications tanks in its products fell 16 points.

more conciliatory attitude toward shares fell heavily on the stock x-Great Britain was displayed tonight change, although other shares hald

For example, the stock of the I'va Company, which manufactures gin League of Nations Council against the and war products, fell 7 1-2 poirts, and the stock on the Fiat Company, which includes machine guns and