

ITALY IS READY TO NEGOTIATE FOR PEACE

TREMENDOUS GAIN IN STATE REVENUE FOR FOUR MONTHS

More Than \$3,000,000 Over
Similar Period of Fiscal
Year 1934, Reports
Show

GENERAL FUND GAIN IN OCTOBER 50 PCT.

Total Income Since July 1
Is \$18,117,365, Against
\$15,110,463 Same Period
Last Year; 14 Percent Gain
in Highway Funds for Four
Months

Raleigh, Oct. 31. (AP)—The State of North Carolina collected \$18,117,365 in revenue during the first four months of this fiscal year, a gain of \$3,006,902.56, or 19.9 percent over the \$15,110,463.12 taken in the similar period of last year.

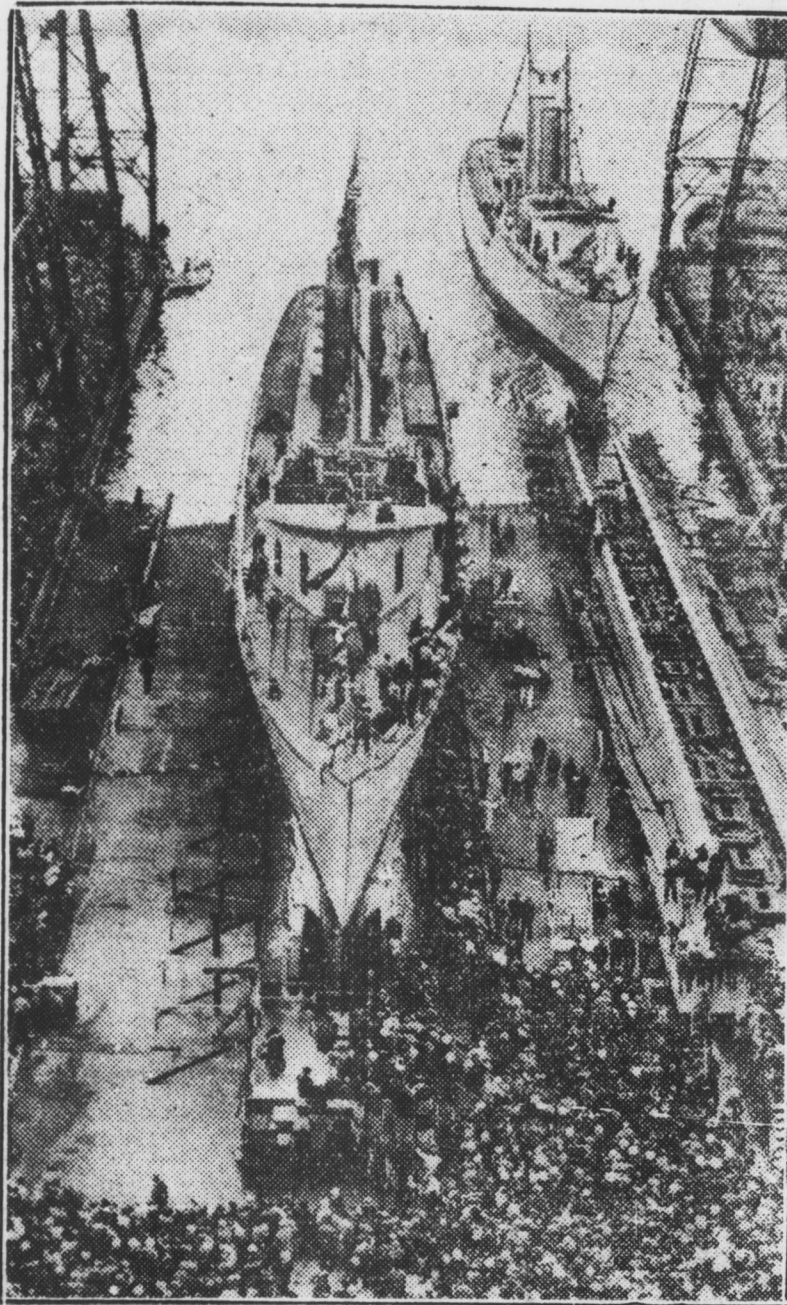
A. J. Maxwell, State commissioner of revenue, expressed gratification at the continued increase being shown. The general fund October receipts of \$11,298,111 were 54.87 percent over the October, 1934, total of \$7,241,191, while the highway receipts of \$1,873,750.20 were 12.11 percent more than the \$1,671,274.05 taken in October last year.

General fund revenues for the four months ending today aggregated \$10,361,755.56, a gain of 24.6 percent over the similar period last year. The sales tax contributed \$3,149,730.31 of the total, as compared with \$2,245,978.35 in the period last year. Franchise tax receipts this year aggregated \$3,513,076.05, compared with \$3,928,348.21 last year.

The highway fund, with receipts of \$7,556,606.32 for this year, showed a gain of 13.94 percent over last year. Gasoline taxes contributed \$6,614,920.28 up to today, as compared with \$5,715,681.81 in the similar period of 1934.

Beer taxes in the first four months of this fiscal year totalled \$716,391.94, compared with \$139,423.72 last year.

Navy Adds Two More to Fleet



The destroyer *Cassin* (left) and U. S. S. *Shaw* (right) as they were being launched at Philadelphia Na. Yard. Simultaneously keel of a new cruiser, *Wichita*, was laid down in the Navy's program to build up a fleet as strong as any nation's. (Central Press)

New Justice Will Be Named Tonight

Raleigh, Oct. 31 (AP)—Governor Ehringhaus said today he planned to announce his selection tonight to name a successor to Associate Justice Willis J. Brogden of the State Supreme Court, who died Tuesday.

The chief executive said he hoped to announce his selection tonight but gave no intimation who it will be.

Capitol Hill gossip continued to place Judge W. A. Devil, of Oxford in the lead among those being talked of for the place. Six or eight other persons, including Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell, Judge M. V. Barnhill, N. A. Sinclair, and Walter Small; Clyde Hoey, of Shelby and Angus Dhu McLean are included in the speculation.

DEVIN CONSIDERED CERTAIN AS CHOICE IN SUPREME COURT

His Geography Is Right,
Coming From Same Section
As Deceased
Judge Brogden

RATED AMONG BEST ON SUPERIOR COURT

Has Been Thought of in
Past Appointments, but
Came From Wrong Section
of State; Barnhill Stands
Ace High, but Is Little Too
Far to East.

Rocky Mount, Oct. 31 (AP)—Declaring his determination not to "embarrass the governor by becoming either an active or a receptive candidate," in view of the fact that Justice Connor is from the same judicial district, Superior Court Judge M. V. Barnhill, of this city, today said that he was not a candidate now and would not become a candidate to succeed Justice Brogden.

Durham, Oct. 31 (AP)—Hundreds of lawyers and friends from all parts of the State came to Durham today for the funeral of Willis J. Brogden, associate justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, who died at his home here late Tuesday at the age of 58.

Officials of the court and other Capital offices in Raleigh arranged to close during the hour of the final rites this afternoon. Over State buildings flags flew at half staff.

The pastor and two former pastors of the First Baptist church, scene of the farewell service, were in charge.

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HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS COSTING INDUSTRY

Very Expensive, According
to Figures of State Industrial Commission

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

Raleigh, Oct. 31—Highway accidents are causing a steadily mounting loss to industry with the result that during the past year one-fourth of the total paid out because of industrial accidents under the workmen's compensation law in North Carolina was because of injuries to employees in highway accidents, figures made public today by the North Carolina Industrial Commission indicate. The figures are for the year ending June 30, 1935, on which the

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POTATO QUOTAS OF STATES WORKED UP

Farm Administration Figures
Will Probably Be
Announced by Night

Washington, Oct. 31 (AP)—The Farm Administration had ready today figures telling each State how many potatoes its farmers may grow next year without being taxed.

The figures were closely guarded, however.

A statement yesterday by Chester C. Davis, AAA administrator, that State quotas under the Warren potato control law, would be announced before the November 1 deadline gave credence to reports they would be out today.

Under the law, subject of sharp controversy, a tax of three-fourths a cent a pound goes into effect December 1 on all potatoes marketed above quotas.

After State quotas have been announced here, they will be broken down by counties, and then by individual farmers.

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U. S. Solons "Spy" Suspects



While Vice President Garner was being received by the Japanese emperor in Tokio, two other members of the official U. S. mission to the Far East were questioned by Japanese police because photos were taken of a rice field in a fortified zone. They were Rep. Bert Lord of New York (left) and Delegate Santiago Iglesias of Puerto Rico (right). Their chauffeur was detained. (Central Press)

Helena Is Shaken By Another Quake

Helena, Mont., Oct. 31.—(AP)—A severe earthquake struck Helena again today, adding damage to a number of downtown buildings that already had been shaken by a number of other recent tremors.

The office in which The Associated Press bureau is located was jarred severely, plastering fell and a crack was opened in the wall.

Men in the nearby composing room of the Montana Record-Herald ran to escape a downfall of plaster.

FOUR KILLED WHEN AIR LINER CRASHES

Dives to Earth Near Cheyenne, Wyo., in Zero Temperatures There

Cheyenne, Wyo., Oct. 31.—(AP)—A silver-hued air liner roared out of a snow-flecked sky last night, hurled four airmen to death on a tiny hill-top and left a puzzle for investigators today in an ugly mass of molten metal.

What caused the 13-passenger plane undergoing a trial flight, to crash on a low knoll six miles south of here, while it exploded as it dived to the earth, and why it leaped again into the air to burst into a ball of flame were questions confronting investigators.

The victims, who had taken the United Air Lines plane on what was to have been a leisurely cruise through zero weather, were M. T. Arnold, chief test pilot of the U. A. L., Cheyenne; Henley G. Coane, 32, veteran Wyoming air service pilot, of Denver; Edward Yantis, 28, of Cheyenne; Harold Kattfman, 21, of Cheyenne.

The plane had been aloft about 25 minutes when the motor began to sputter. Two minutes later it plummeted with a deafening explosion, bounded high into the air in a second explosion and fell in a mass of flames.

BROADCASTERS ARE GIVEN A WARNING

Unless Programs Are Cleaned
Up, Government May
Take Stations

New York, Oct. 31 (AP)—George Henry Payne, Federal communications commissioner, warned commercial broadcasters today they would have to improve their program and change their advertising methods if they wanted to maintain the present system of privately-owned radio stations.

In an address at Columbia University, Payne said:

"If there is evidence on the part of the broadcasters of intention to increase the educational and cultural qualities of the program; if there is observable a desire to reform the advertising methods and innovations with which the public is afflicted, the present system will be maintained, I believe. On the other hand, if there is an arrogant assumption of political

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MUSSOLINI YIELDS GROUND IN FACE OF ECONOMIC PRESSURE

Statement at Geneva Evidently Is Answer to Ever-Tightening War of Sanctions

STRONG PROTESTS MADE BY ENGLAND

Ambassador at Rome Tells
Mussolini to Stop Attacks
Against Britain in Fascist-Controlled Press and on Radio; Demonstrations Occur in Rome

(By The Associated Press)

Fascist Italy, faced with the threat of economic isolation from most of the world, gave ground today and offered to negotiate peace with Ethiopia.

One of Mussolini's spokesmen at Geneva said:

"Italy is willing to negotiate."

This change of front apparently was Italy's reaction to the ever-strengthening war of sanctions the League of Nations is waging against the aggressor in the East African conflict.

As the League's sanctions staff of 32 nations convened to lay down the deadline for the imposition of the drastic economic sanctions—the "buy nothing from Italy" boycott and the prohibition on exporting key products to Italy—there was a feeling among the delegates the deadline would be around November 15.

Another development contributing to the Italian change of front was the renewal of British representation to Mussolini against continuing attacks upon Britain in the Fascist-controlled Italian press.

In London it was disclosed Sir Eric Drummond, the British ambassador, called on 11 Duc yesterday and made verbal protest against anti-British

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STUDENTS IN ROME ANGRY AT BRITISH

Demonstrations Include
Storming Stores Thought
English-Owned

Rome, Oct. 31 (AP)—Students demonstrating against Great Britain stormed stores they believed to be British-owned tonight, following a morning demonstration in front of the British Embassy.

Shouting "Down With England," they broke a big lamp hanging in front of a tea room on the Via Sistina and pasted a map of Aduwa, Ethiopia, on the window. The place is owned and operated by Italians, but the students saw signs printed in English and thought it was a British restaurant.

A crowd of about 200 students, carrying effigies of Emperor Haile Selassie then went to the Embassy night club which is operated by Americans and English. But the managers lowered the iron shutters before the students reached the place.

Police failed to arrive in time to block the demonstration.

BLOODY BATTLE ON THE SOUTHERN LINE

Italians and Natives Beat
Off Resistance of Ethiopian Warriors

Adigrat, Ethiopia, Oct. 31 (AP)—Italy's southern army beat off Ethiopian defenders in a bloody battle, unconfirmed press dispatches said today, and penetrated to the vicinity of its next objective—Gorrahel.

The report, issued from Mogadiscio Italian Somaliland, said the battle raged for several days between Gorrahel and Seillave, a fortified Italian center. The dispatches did not estimate the number of dead or wounded.

Thousands of Italians and native troops were reported to have engaged in the combat, and to have swept aside successfully the Ethiopian warrior hordes.

The reports were communicated to this northern front, but could not be officially confirmed here immediately.

SAYS CO-OPS BUY COTTON OUTRIGHT

Senator McKellar Hurls
Accusation at Co-Op Manager
at Inquiry

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 31.—(AP)—Senator McKellar, Democrat, Tennessee, today charged cotton co-operatives with outright buying of cotton from farmer members in competition with the private trade.

Charles G. Henry, general manager of the Mid-South Cotton Growers Association, who was on the stand at the time, denied the co-ops buy cotton at the time of its delivery to them.

Senator McKellar is chairman of a Senate sub-committee appointed to investigate the operations of the co-ops and their parent organization, the American Cotton Co-operative Association.

Senator McKellar read from an advertisement in the Mid-South Cotton News, published by the Memphis As.

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O. H. TINGEN KILLS SELF HERE TODAY

Writes Note, Takes Poison
and Cuts Throat at the
Robert Henry

After scrawling a note, a white man said to be O. H. Tingen, about 45 years old, of Youngsville, committed suicide at Robert Henry hotel this afternoon about two o'clock in a bath room on the third floor.

He took a bottle of carbolic acid and sliced a jugular vein with a brand new pocket knife, apparently just purchased for the act.

A woman living on the floor heard Tingen scuffling in the bath, ran downstairs and notified Mr. Satter, white, the manager, who came to the room and found the man dying. Police were notified and rushed to the hotel, Officer J. C. Hudgins entered the room and found the man dead.

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JOHNSTON CARRIES FIGHT TO CAPITAL

South Carolina Governor
Goes to Washington
About Road Funds

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 31.—(AP)—Governor Olin D. Johnston left for Washington today while bodyguards of troops escorted his new highway board on every move, apparently to forestall service of court orders.

Reports that the governor had hurried to confer with national authorities over Federal road funds for South Carolina could not be confirmed, but his action Monday in ousting the State Highway Commission with militia was viewed at Washington as possibly jeopardizing road fund allotment.

Thousands of party motorists were perplexed, meanwhile, over whether to buy 1936 licenses, due tomorrow, from a highway administration whose right to sell them was challenged in the State Supreme Court, and 2,300 highway employees wondered whether they would be paid today, since road expenditures were banned by injunction.

W. Robinson, of Columbia, counsel for 13 ousted commissioners, who obtained the finance injunction and charged the Johnston board had "forcibly and illegally seized control," said he considered service of the court orders completed, although National Guardsmen had ejected the server yesterday.

He added that no further attempt would be made to serve the order.

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Jimmy Walker Is Back Home Again From Self-Exile

Aboard the S. S. Manhattan,
Off Quarantine, N. Y., Oct. 31.
(AP)—James J. (Jimmy) Walker, former mayor of New York, returned home today from almost three years of self-imposed exile in Europe.

Walker, with his wife, the former Betty Compton, musical comedy star, arrived at Quarantine on the liner Manhattan at noon.

An advance guard of a flotilla of welcoming craft—two pleasure yachts—met the Manhattan shortly after it passed Ambrose Light.

Their whistles blew a greeting to be answered by a hoarse salute by the liner. The yachts flew banners bearing the inscription, "Hello, Jimmy," and "Welcome home, Jimmy."

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; unsettled on north coast; no decided change in temperature.