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## TOBACCO CONTROL UNDER SOIL PLAN

Sign-Up On That Will Be Pushed With State Compacts If Latter Are Approved

**VOLUNTARY PLAN IS** SHELVED FOR TIME

Scheduled Meeting of Tri-State Committee in Raleigh Collapses When Virginians and South Carolinians Fail To Show Up; Crop Cut Urgently Asked

Raleigh, March 26 (AP)-Decision to concentrate on using the Federal soil conservation program to control 1936 tobacco production in North Carolina ,and to shelve, at least temporarily, a proposal to have farmers sign voluntary control cts was reached this aftby the State central steering committee, Governor Ehringhaus and Agriculture Commissioner W. A. Graham. The action was set forth in the fol-

Whereas it is manifest that at the time the other states growing flue-cured tobacco desire to concenaction to secure compliance with

interests of the growers will ved by consolidating the acn the several states.

Therefore, be it resolved, that this nmittee earnestly recommends that bacco growers plant not more 70 per cent of the base as predetermined, in order that they may qualify for the maximum payof approximately \$40 per acre eres taken out of tobacco cul-

for the present we concenthe soil conservation drive, with State compacts, and the voluntary contract drive

SCHEDULED MEETING FOR THREE STATES COLLAPSES March 26.—(AP)—What

was scheduled to be a meeting of the Tobacco Advisory Commitf the Carolinas and Virginia colsed here today when the only outman attending was Senator njamin Muse, of Petersburg, Va., ame in an unofficial capacity. The North Carolina Central steering

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## Schedules Of New Tax Agreed On

ington, March 26 .- (AP)-The e Ways and Means Committee accepted without change the rogram worked out by a subnittee as a basis for open hearon the administration revenue

report contained recommendadready disclosed for a new form orporation tax based on percentof net income held in reserves, ed to yield \$591,000,000.

included, too, a proposal for a percent "windfall" tax on "unjust chment occurring as a result of

payment" of old AAA processing new processing taxes, as sug-

sted by the President, or any other orm of excise levies were embraced

One hitherto unrevealed feature (Continued on Page Six.)

Industry Itself May Ask Return Of Modified NRA

By LESLIE EICHEL

Central Press Staff Writer

a modified NRA within less than

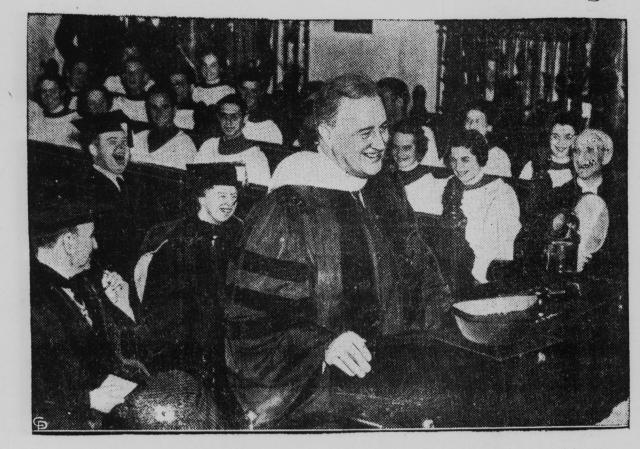
Bills before Congress to define new

ge slashes, and consequent strikes

is merely one of the advertised in-

rear-perhaps after election.

#### President Roosevelt Causes Audience to Laugh



The president addressing Rollins college convocation

Speaking before a special convocation at Rollins the audience into a laughing mood. Mrs. Roosecollege, Winter Park, Fla., where he was awarded velt is shown sitting directly behind the president, an honorary degree of doctor of literature, Presi- who departed immediately after for a two weeks' dent Roosevelt lets go with a bit of wit which puts fishing trip in Florida waters.

## Japan Threatens Action As Communists Move On

#### Eden Sees Future With Heavy Heart

London, March 26 (AP)-The Locarno powers' proposal to settle the Rhineland crisis allayed the immediate prospect of war moves, Anthony Eden, foreign, secretary told the House of Commons today in re-affirming Great Britain's obligations under the Locarno treaty. Declaring Germany must make a

contribution toward easing the situation, the foreign secretary emphasized its critical nature, saying: "I do not view the future with a light heart. I believe we are beginning a period which must at best be one of the most critical in

international negotiations," he said. The recent proposals, coming "at moment of crisis," he said, alleyed the "immediate prospects of steps being taken which might have led to war."

## TOBACCO SITUATION IS MUCH MUDDLED

Virginia's Refusal to Join Sign-up Blamed for Present Predicament

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILL

Raleigh, March 26.— The tobacco situation both in North Carolina, the other tobacco producing states and in Congress, seemed to be as muddled as ever today, if not more so. Another meeting of the tobacco advisory committee or steering committee named by a meeting of growers last week when it was decided to launch a voluntary tobacco acreage reduction sign-up campaign Thursday of this week, met with Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus here again today. The committee met with the governor for a long session yesterday, at which exactly nothing appeared to have been accomplished. The governor seems determined in hiss tand that nothing but

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stances. There are many other in-

The American Federation of Labor

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Labor, of course, desires a

Legislation May Be Sought Shortly After Election; In-

dustry Not Regarded In Congress as Likely To Re-

spond to Roosevelt Appeal for More Jobs

of the NRA.

stry itself may suggest the return making earnings "stick."

Unrestricted competition is playing have increased production.

The tire situation, with layoffs and problem of unemployment, because it

#### Sudden, Unexpected Appearance of Red Army at Mongoliam Border

WARNING ISSUED BY JAPANESE OFFICER

Brings Crisis

Would Take Most Grave View of Any Chinese Military Activity Calculated to Disturb Balance of Power and Peace in North China, He Declares

Peiping, China, March 26 (AP)sudden, unexpected appearan of the vanguard of the communist army campaigning in China at the frontier of Inner Mongolia, evoked sharp words of warning from Japanese militarists today of possible intervention.

Major Takeo Imai, Japanese military attache in Peiping, announced the Japanese army will take the most effective steps necessary to deal with the situation, if the communists menace the peace of Hopei and Cha-

har provinces." Major Imai declined to elaborate on his statement, but declared:

"It is most difficult to understand how the communists continue to advance against the combined Shansi province and Chinese Nationalist government armies.

Action Threatened The communist invasion of Shansi province in North Central China proper had brought troops of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, virtual dictator of the central government, into the area of the Shansi Militarist Yen

Si-Shan. Further apanese concern over the situation was reflected by an earlier statement of a Japanese embassy spokesman at Nanking that "we have not yet moved in the Shansi situation, but we would take the most grave view of any Chinese military activity calculated to disturb the balance of power and peace in North

## McDonald's Rivals Will Start Soon

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hote.,
By J. C. BASKERVILL.
Raleigh, March 26.—Indications are that before many days now the cam-Shelby, and of Lieutenant Governor A. H. Graham, of Hillsboro, are going to change their political tactics Salem, who is admittedly causing found by officers in a corridor of the them more worry than anything else stances. The steel trade, in the midst right now. There are even indications here is a belief in some circles that of good business, is having trouble that Candidates Hoey and Graham may personally start replying to some of the McDonald statements and speeches and that some very hot campaigning is about to get under way. asserts that a continuation of the It is generally conceded that both of merely as the beginning of new legis- NRA would have increased workers' these candidates and their campaign buying power, and therefore would managers have decided to abandon the contention of Miss Stretz's counthe policy followed so far of practical-"It is inevitable," says the A. F. of ly ignoring McDonald and his candiations. Capitalism could destroy it- L. in its monthly survey, "but none dacy and have virtually decided that with a further spread of this dog- the less tragic fact that industry, as a new line of attack must be developits recovers, is failing to solve the ed.

There is no doubt that the opposi-

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#### Hoffman Inspects Hauptmann Home

Trenton, N. J., March 26 (AP)— Governor Harold G. Hoffman spent almost five hours in Bruno Richard Hauptmann's Bronx home today checking evidence connecting the convicted Lindbergh kidnapkiller with the kidnap ladder.

"The examination was not con-clusive," the governor said. "We have been looking at the wood, and no conclusion can be drawn until we make further tests" he declared as he left the house.

This news came while Haupt mann's second appeal for mercy was still pending before the court of pardons and the date set for his execution only five days away.

# Hoffman Is

Governor Not Likely To Give Further Reprieve; Hope Lies in Courts

Trenton, N. J., March 26.-(AP)-With little prospect of executive intervention, Bruno Richard Hauptmann's chances of escaping execution next Tuesday night rested today with the court of pardons and the judge who sentenced him to death.

Governor Harold G. Hoffman, & member of the court, planned to consult Chancellor Luther A. Campbell on the advisability of a hearing on the convicted slayer's new plea for cle

Hope in Judiciary. Should the court turn thumbs down on the convicted Lindbergh kidnaper as it did two and a half months ago, judicial intervention remained his only hope and appeared remote. Failure in the court of pardons to convince Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Trenchard, trial judge, they have enough new evidence to ask for a new trial means Hauptmann will probably die. The governor was asked if this is so, and replied: "It looks much that way."

Again when he was asked if his de-

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#### Woman Weeps as Witness Tells of Doctor's Slaying

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hotel,
By J. C. RASKERVILL
Raleigh, March 26.—The Republi-New York, March 26.—(AP)—Vera Stretz sobbed and buried her face in cans of the State took a stiff sock at Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, one of the her hands today when a detective four candidates for the Democratic testifying for the State quoted her as nomination for governor, and unwitpaign managers of Clyde R. Hoey, of saying, "there was no assault" on the tingly improved the chances of the night she fatally shot Dr. Fritz Gebother candidates, especially of Clyde hardt, wealthy German importer. R. Hoey, of Shelby, and of Lieutenant The attractive blande secretary lost and start "opening up" against Dr. her composure as she heard for the Ralph W. McDonald, of Winston- fourth time the story of how she was Governor A. H. Graham, of Hillsboro, when they nominated Gilliam Grissom as the Republican candidate for governor here this week, according to

> her lover-employer was killed.
>
> "No Assault." "Was anything said about assault?" asked Judge Cornelius Collins, of Detective John Keiser, in charge of the

> fashionable apartment hotel, where

"Yes, she said there was an assault," Keiser replied. This was contrary to also believe that if McDonald should sel that the slaying was in self-de- now are confident he will be, that in the general election enough anti-Mcfense after she had been attacked. "Have you read in the papers that Donald Democrats would join with

the defense in this case is self-de- the Republicans and elect Grisson fense?" Asked Samuel Leibowitz, Miss governor rather than McDonald. Stretz's counsel, in cross-examination. The question was objected to and Keiser was not permitted to answer.

Thus the nomination of Grissom as (Continued on Page Six.)

comment heard from both Democrats

Many believe Grissom is going to

keep a large number of Republicans

from voting for McDonald in the

will undoubtedly do so anyway. They

be nominated, as many Republicans

Democratic primary—though

and Republiacns.



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

## United States And Britain Seek Accord With Japanese To Limit Far East Defense

May Bring New Kidnap Story



Reported frightened and shaky in the death house at Trenton penitenkeported irightened and shaky in the death house at Trenton penitentiary, Bruno Richard Hauptmann may yet change his story of the Lindbergh kidnaping in a last effort to save himself from death in the electric chair. The combined efforts of Samuel Leibowitz, noted New York criminal attorney, Governor Harold Hoffman of New Jersey, the prisoner's wife, Mrs. Anna Hauptmann and his spiritual adviser, the Rev. John Mathiesen, are said to have broken Hauptmann's iron nerve.

## Seeking To Britain Will Back Save Bruno Locarno Pact, Eden Tells Parliament

Eden, foreign secretary, told the there would be no aggression between House of Commons today that the Germany, France and Belgium. British government would back up the Locarno pact.

Many of the legislators he addressed in a parliamentary debate on the European crisis sought assurance that Great Britain contemplated no further commitment on the continent.

Britain's Obligation Great Britain was obligated under are our national obligations.

sor; Lessens Chance

In November

London, March 26 (AP)-Anthony | the Locarno treaty to guarantee that "I am not prepared," he said, "to

be the first British foreign secretary to go back on a British signature. "I believe it to be the judgment of this country, even if we think Ger-precate the fact that she has chosen many has a strong case, that we deto present it by force and not reason. "We must distinguish between what

Eden pointed out to them that might be national sentiment and what

#### McDonald's Cause Hurt LIQUOR ORGANIZE By Grissom To Work for Retention of

County Control Systems and Profits Means Fewer G.O. Wilson, March 26.—(AP)-Repre-P. Votes for Profes-

sentatives of the 17 counties operating liquor stores under the "Pasquotank act" have formed an organization to work for retention of the county liquor control system and reten tion of liquor profits for the counties Details of the organization were worked out yesterday at a meeting in Greenville.

Thomas H. Woodard, chairman of the Wilson County Board of Commis-sioners, was elected chairman of the organization, and Roy T. Cox, of Pitt county, was named secretary. Named to an advisory board to work with the officers were Leo Harvey, Lenior county; W. C. Hargrove, Edgecombe county, and J. W. Whitaker, Halifax

#### **OUR WEATHER MAN**



Occasional showers tonight and Friday, slightly warmer in northwest portion Friday.

## **NEW NAVY ACCORD** DOES NOT RELATE TO FORTIFICATIONS

Washington Treaty Provision Against New Bases Not Renewed In New Agreement

JAPAN HAD ASKED FOR INFORMATION

Made Overtures as to American and British Intentions in Far East; Japan Did Not Sign New Treaty, But Powers Hope She and Italy Will Do So

London, March 26 (AP)— The United States and Great Britain followed up today the signing of the new London naval treaty, spokesmen said, with diplomatic conversations with Japan concerning fortifications and naval bases in the Far East.

The new pact failed to renew Articles XIX of the Washington naval limitations treaty, by which the three pow ers agreed that no new fortifications or naval bases should be established in designated Far Eastern territories

Japan Seeks Information The British naval spokesman said the diplomatic negotiations over this question were undertaken in answer to a Japanese request for information as to the future intentions of the other great sea powers toward the

Japan did not sign the new treaty, having quit the naval conference after its demands for full fleet equality were opposed by the United States and Great Britain.

American, Britis hand French delegates, however, after signing yesterday the accord to replace the expiring Washington treaty of 1922 and the London pact of 1930, expressed hope that Japan, as well as Italy, would enter the fold later.

#### Dr. Townsend Described As Brilliant Man

F. E. Townsend, with whom he had split because of "differences," today was termed "a brilliant man and a physician of note" by Robert E. Clements, co-founder of the Townsend old age pension movement.

He was the first witness in the \$50,000 House investigation of the Townsend and other old age pension movements, from which committee members have promised "startling revelations." Clements resigned this week as secretary of the Townsend

A throng of spectators crowded a big capital caucus room as the 41-year-old Californian began his reply to questions of James R. Sullivan, committee counsel. Sullivan questioned Clements par-

ticularly about the attitude of committee investigators sent to his office. Clements said they were courteous in every respect.

### End Seen In Deluge Over Pennsylvania

But More Families Flee to Safety in West Virginia and Ohio Flood Areas

(By The Associated Press.) Protracted flood conditions in forced hundreds of families from their homes, while in Pennsyl-vania the end of the deluge was

in sight. The Monongahela and Allegheny rivers poured their excess waters into the Ohio river, but Pittsburgh, hardest hit by last week's flood was not

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