

SENSATIONS HINTED IN HAUPTMANN CASE

New Locarno Pact Proposed By Hitler

RHINELAND WOULD BE PLACED UNDER OUTSIDE CONTROL

One Representative Each of Britain, Italy and Neutral Power Would Have Charge

NEGOTIATIONS OVER FOUR MONTHS SEEN

Plebiscite of Peoples Involved Would Then Be Called To Ratify Whatever Agreement Might Be Reached; Military Forces Would Not Be Increased

Berlin, April 1 (AP)—Adolf Hitler, in a memorandum to British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden, proposed today negotiations covering a period of four months for what might be termed a new Locarno, replacing the pact broken by Germany.

During these negotiations, Der Fuehrer suggested, Germany, France and Belgium should accept control of their frontiers by a commission of one representative each from Great Britain, Italy and one neutral power. Both sides—Germany, which re-militarized the Rhineland in violation of the Locarno pact, and France and Belgium, which protested this action—should refrain from casting aspersions on each other, either in publications, public utterances or teachings.

Plebiscite Would Follow

A plebiscite of the three peoples involved was proposed by Hitler to give solemn sanctions to the work of statesmen, once the negotiations were concluded successfully.

These negotiations, with neither side to increase its military forces along the border zone, would be followed by a general conference for limitation of armaments.

The German terms offering Hitler's way out of the Rhineland impasse, were disclosed today after Joachim von Ribbentrop, Der Fuehrer's ambassador-at-large, carried them to London to be presented to Eden.

PUBLICITY HURTFUL TO DR. TOWNSEND

Congressional Probes Not Helping Telephone Company Any, Either

By CHARLES F. STEWART Central Press Staff Writer

Washington, April 1.—The Townsend plan, the American Telephone and Telegraph company and the big industries which have been arming in anticipation of labor trouble, have been getting considerable undesirable publicity out of pending congressional investigations.

The Townsend quiz might not be particularly damaging to the pension planners' cause if it were not for the split which occurred, just at the psychological moment, between Dr. Francis E. Townsend himself and the scheme's business manager, R. E. Clements. The Townsend-Clements rumpus has its aspects of the ridiculous, in that it is advertised as resulting from the elderly doctor's jealousy of his junior associate's growing reputation as the "real brains" of the plan. It was an incident, however, which perhaps would have blown over except for the investigation of the pension proposition, right in the midst of it, to keep discussion of it alive.

Briefly, the inquiry and the row coordinated in a way to do one another the most good. MERITS NOT ON TRIAL

Two "Confessions"—And an Enigmatic Smile



Compulsory Service For Austria Now

Other European Powers See New Menace in Sweeping Vienna Action

Vienna, April 1.—(AP)—The Federal diet, by unanimous vote today, made "service to the fatherland" compulsory, granting the government unlimited authority to conscript men for labor on public works projects and for military duties in emergencies.

The extraordinary law stated, "Any Austrian may be called upon to serve the fatherland with or without arms, according to his physical and spiritual capacity."

State Tax Program Is Held Fair

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

Raleigh, April 1.—The winning of the Norfolk & Western tax case before the United States Supreme Court by the State Department of Revenue not only means that the State will not have to refund some \$200,000 in taxes to that railroad, but serves to establish the State's method of taxing railroads as sound and equitable and removes for all time the danger of any further effort by any railroad to question the North Carolina laws taxing railroad earnings within North Carolina, Commissioner of Revenue A. J. Maxwell pointed out today. He paid high tribute to the work done by Attorney General A. F. Seawell, who argued the case for the Department of Revenue before the U. S. Supreme Court several weeks ago.

Since 1927, the Norfolk & Western has paid under protest the taxes levied by North Carolina on the portion of business done by its lines in North Carolina, on the grounds that

Selassie Battles With His Troops

Rome, April 1.—(AP)—Italy's northern army smashed through to its first major victory over the troops of Haile Selassie—led by the emperor himself—Marshal Pietro Badoglio reported today in an official communique.

SPECULATION OVER MCDONALD PROGRAM

Tax and Liquor Plans Chief Center of Interest in Conning Speech

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Raleigh, April 1.—The speech which Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, of Winston-Salem, will make Thursday night over a Statewide radio hook-up, in which he is expected to outline his program and platform in greater detail than he has so far, is being keenly awaited in all political circles here.

Those opposed to McDonald, however, are just as much interested in the forthcoming speech as are McDonald's supporters.

Washington, April 1 (AP)—Senator Borah decided today to extend his primary campaign for the Republican presidential nomination to New Jersey.

New Events Based Upon Grand Jury

Nature Not Disclosed, But Revolve Around "Confession" of Wendel

Trenton, N. J., April 1.—(AP)—The sensational Lindbergh case, still reeling from the literally last-minute halting of Bruno Richard Hauptmann's execution last night, was threatened with further startling developments today.

The new break, the nature of which was not disclosed, promised to come from the Mercer county grand jury's investigation of charges that the murder of the baby Lindbergh was done by Paul H. Wendel, now held under a formal charge in the county jail here.

SANCTIONS FIZZLE WITHOUT SUPPORT

U. S. and Britain Could Have Stopped Him, but He Held Upper Hand

By LESLIE EICHEL Central Press Staff Writer

Economic sanctions have fizzled. There are two reasons: 1. To apply sanctions would cause cutting off business profitable to large corporations, such as oil companies. (Oil companies are powerful politically.)

FRESH RUSSO-JAP WAR FEARED WITH MONGOLIAN CLASH

24-Hour Battle on Far East Frontiers Ended, According to Reports from Moscow

EACH SIDE SADDLES OTHER WITH BLAME

Russians Claim Fight Was on Mongolian Soil, While Japanese Say It Was On Manchukuoan Territory; Mongols Accused of Using Poison Gas Weapon

(By The Associated Press.)

A 24-hour battle, which informed Soviet sources asserted contained the danger of another Russo-Japanese war, was reported in Moscow to have ended today.

The battle was fought on the border between Manchukuo, the Japanese created empire, and Outer Mongolia, the Soviet-advised state.

Russian sources said the battle was fought in Mongolia; the Japanese general headquarters claimed it was fought in Manchukuo.

Each party to the dispute claimed the other had used airplanes, and one Japanese source implied that the Mongols used poison gas.

Official advices received in Moscow from Mongolia said the Manchukuoans and Japanese had been forced to retreat from Mongolian territory.

A Soviet spokesman said "serious responsibility" would devolve on the Japanese government if the fighting in Mongolia continued.

750 Loans To Farmers Each Week

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Raleigh, April 1.—Approximately 750 farm loans per week are being made to families eligible for rehabilitation under the rural rehabilitation activities of the Resettlement Administration, Vance E. Swift, State director in charge of this work, announced today.

Loans totaling approximately \$1,000,000 have already been advanced to farm families to finance spring planting of crops, and additional loans are being approved every day, Swift said.

Before any farm family can get a rehabilitation loan, it must voluntarily agree to follow approved farm and home management plans worked out by the county rural rehabilitation supervisor in cooperation with the county farm agent. Plans for food and feed, including a garden to help provide food for the family, are among the requirements which must be met.

Distressed Families Helped. "These loans are extended to distressed farm families for such things as seed, livestock, fertilizer, farm equipment and other supplies needed for making a crop," Swift said. "From one to five years are allowed for the repayment of the loans. A longer term is allowed for the repayment of loans for mules and equipment than for other items. This makes it possible for the farmers aided by the rural rehabilitation division to re-establish themselves without being forced to sell their food and feed crops at the end of the first year to pay their debts as was the case under the old system under which the small farmers had to give crop liens to the time merchants for their seed and supplies.

CONVICTED MAN NOT NOW LIKELY TO DIE TOMORROW EVENING

He Also Escapes



Charles Zeid

Zeid, who killed a policeman, and who was a member of the notorious Mals Tri-State gang of Philadelphia, escaped death in New Jersey's electric chair last night along with Bruno Richard Hauptmann. Governor Hoffman granted him a 30-day reprieve. He had been scheduled to go to the chair just ahead of Hauptmann.

Hints Board "Planted" In Bruno Home

PWA Wood Expert Urges Governor Hoffman To Investigate Discovery

Washington, April 1.—(AP)—Arch W. Loney, PWA materials expert said today he had urged Governor Harold G. Hoffman, of New Jersey, to investigate the origin of the board from which part of the Lindbergh kidnaping ladder reportedly was made.

Hauptmann's Wife Is More Hopeful Now

Trenton, N. J., April 1 (AP)—"I think this will be the means of saving him," said Mrs. Anna Hauptmann today of the delay of the execution which snatched her husband from death last night.

Instead of wearing the mourning veil she had bought, Bruno Richard Hauptmann's wife, jubilant, her hopes soaring again, laid out a gay checked spring suit for another visit to his death cell.

Her joy in Hauptmann's new lease on life was the greater for receiving "loving messages" from him, relayed by the Rev. D. G. Werner, who was praying with Bruno in his cell when news came of the delay.

HAUPTMANN IN PROSECUTOR'S QUESTIONS DETENTION OF PAUL WENDEL BY DETECTIVE PARKER

EXECUTION DELAY HAS NO PRECEDENT

Possibility of Further Postponement Looms as Grand Jury Probing Wendel's Alleged Confession Is In Recess Until Sometime Thursday Morning

Trenton, N. J., April 1.—(AP)—Colonel Mark O. Kimberling, of the New Jersey State Prison, announced this afternoon that Bruno Richard Hauptmann's execution has been set for Friday night at 8 o'clock.

Kimberling said, though, that if the Mercer county grand jury, at whose request Hauptmann's execution was delayed last night, is still in session, he would probably again defer execution.

Hauptmann has not yet been told that a new date has been set.

Kimberling told Mrs. Anna Hauptmann, the condemned man's wife, of the new date when she called at the prison at noon. She was weeping slightly when she left. She had not seen her husband but expected to return later in the day.

Trenton, N. J., April 1 (AP)—Prosecutor Erwin Marshall, of Mercer county, announced today he was investigating the detention of Paul H. Wendel, charged with the murder of the Lindbergh baby, in Burlington county by Chief of Detective Ellis H. Parker.

There were unconfirmed reports there might be sensational developments in the case.

HAUPTMANN WILL LIKELY NOT DIE ON THURSDAY NIGHT

Trenton, N. J., April 1.—(AP)—Once more Bruno Richard Hauptmann has dodged his date with death—this time most dramatically of all—by an unprecedented action which today gave him new chance for life.

While his executioner awaited his coming in the little room of lost hope in the State Prison last night, the man three times sentenced to die for the Lindbergh baby murder, was almost literally snatched from the electric chair.

Further Delay Possible. His respite was for "at least 48 hours." It came from an unexpected source—the Mercer county grand jury which convened unexpectedly yesterday to consider charges that another man, the middle-aged Paul H. Wendel was the kidnap-killer of the infant son of the Charles A. Lindberghs.

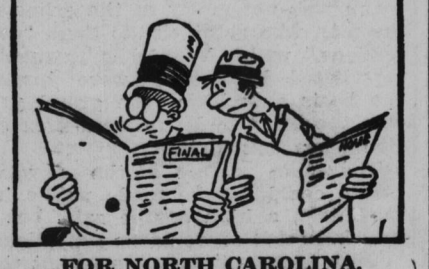
The possibility of Hauptmann's escaping the death chair beyond tomorrow night grew as the grand jury delayed until tomorrow morning further consideration of the alleged Wendel confession.

TOWNSEND COURT ACTION DISCUSSED

Indictments Against Field Man on West Coast Before House Committee

Washington, April 1.—(AP)—A written statement by Dr. F. E. Townsend that "it looks to me if there might be millions in it" was submitted today to the House committee investigating the Townsend old age pension plan.

Washington, April 1.—(AP)—Three indictments returned against Edward J. Margett, San Francisco area manager of the Townsend old age pension organization, were submitted to the House investigating committee today by James R. Sullivan, its counsel.



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, with occasional rain tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer in east and central portions tonight and in northeast portion Thursday.