

ETHIOPIAN EMPEROR FLEES CAPITAL CITY

Karpis Rushed By Plane To St. Paul For Coming Trial

Accompanied by Eight G-Men on Night Hop From New Orleans, Scene of His Capture

TAKEN TO SCENE OF MAJOR KIDNAPINGS

Did One \$100,000 Snatching Job There and One Later for \$200,000, Involving Banker and Brewer; J. Edgar Hoover Personally Supervises Capture

St. Paul, Minn., May 2 (AP)—Alvin Karpis, the nation's Public Enemy No. 1, who was captured last night in New Orleans, arrived at the municipal airport here at 8:50 a. m., central standard time, today and a few minutes later was whisked away by Federal agents to the Department of Justice headquarters in the Federal Building.

The plane which brought Karpis here from the Louisiana city carried eight Federal agents besides the long-sought leader of the gang who kidnaped William A. Hamm, Jr., St. Paul brewer, for \$100,000 ransom June 15, 1933, and then abducted Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, for \$200,000 six months later.

Chained to Seat
At the Kansas City airport an attendant said Karpis was chained to his seat and was not permitted to leave the plane during a stop there.

Twenty St. Paul Federal Agents awaited the arrival of Karpis and his guards at the St. Paul airport since 3 a. m.

It was presumed Karpis would be taken to the Ramsey county jail in St. Paul, where six others with whom he was indicted only ten days ago for the Hamm kidnaping are being held.

Hoover in Charge
J. Edgar Hoover, head of the De-

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Zioncheck Nabbed In Brunswick

Shallotte, May 2.—(AP)—Representative Marion Zioncheck, whose fast driving twice has brought him under charges, ran afoul of the law again today, but was allowed to continue his honeymoon trip after being detained several hours.

Sheriff J. A. Russ, of Brunswick county, overhauled the Washington congressman's long roadster two and a half miles south of here on U. S. highway No. 17 this morning. He said the car was making 70 miles an hour.

Zioncheck and his bride of four days a former PWA stenographer, were brought back here and detained at the sheriff's office while he communicated with Alexandria, Va., officers.

Zioncheck failed to answer charges of Alexandria yesterday and was charged of reckless driving and disorderly conduct and a capias was issued for him.

Advised that Alexandria did not care to have Zioncheck returned there Sheriff Russ permitted him to continue on his way.

State Bonds Dropping As McDonald Strength Grows

Fears That, if Elected Governor, He Will Put Budget Far Out of Balance Cause of Selling by Holders of State Securities; Many Sources Unloading

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, May 2.—State bonds are already beginning to drop in price as banks and insurance companies, as well as some individuals, are beginning to sell due to the progress which Dr. Ralph W. McDonald is making in his campaign for the Democratic nomination for governor. It was learned from several different sources here today. Some are selling now in order to make a profit, convinced that they can buy the bonds back at a very low figure if Dr. McDonald should be

SHORT WORK WEEK TO SWELL RELIEF, COTTON MEN HEAR

Lower Weekly Earnings Would Lessen Inducements for Employment in Private Work

REPORT IS MADE TO PINEHURST MEETING

Welding of Industrial and Agricultural Interests Held Up as Means of Improving Southern Textile Industry

Pinehurst, May 2 (AP)—The American Cotton Manufacturers Association expressed opposition today to the Ellenbogen bill to regulate the textile industry now pending before Congress.

It recorded itself as favoring voluntary continuation of the former NRA code hours and wages. Resolutions embodying both sentiments were adopted unanimously.

Pinehurst, May 2.—(AP)—A report of the National Industrial Conference Board, submitted to the American Cotton Manufacturers Association today, asserted a reduction in industry's work week would tend to swell relief rolls.

Reducing the hours of work, the report said, would probably result in lower weekly earnings, which in turn would lessen the inducements to accept employment in private industry.

"The seemingly greater security of relief, and the payment of relief wages at prevailing rates have tended to offset whatever advantage private employment may offer in the way of higher weekly or monthly wages," the report said.

Remedy Discussed.
An answer to the question, "How can the southern textile industry improve its condition?" was found by three speakers, one of them a farmer, in the welding of industrial and agricultural interests.

Donald Comer, of Birmingham, Ala., the association's first vice-president.

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FARMERS CALL FOR THEIR LOAN COTTON

Release of 389,123 Bales Held By Commodity Corporation Is Requested by Owners

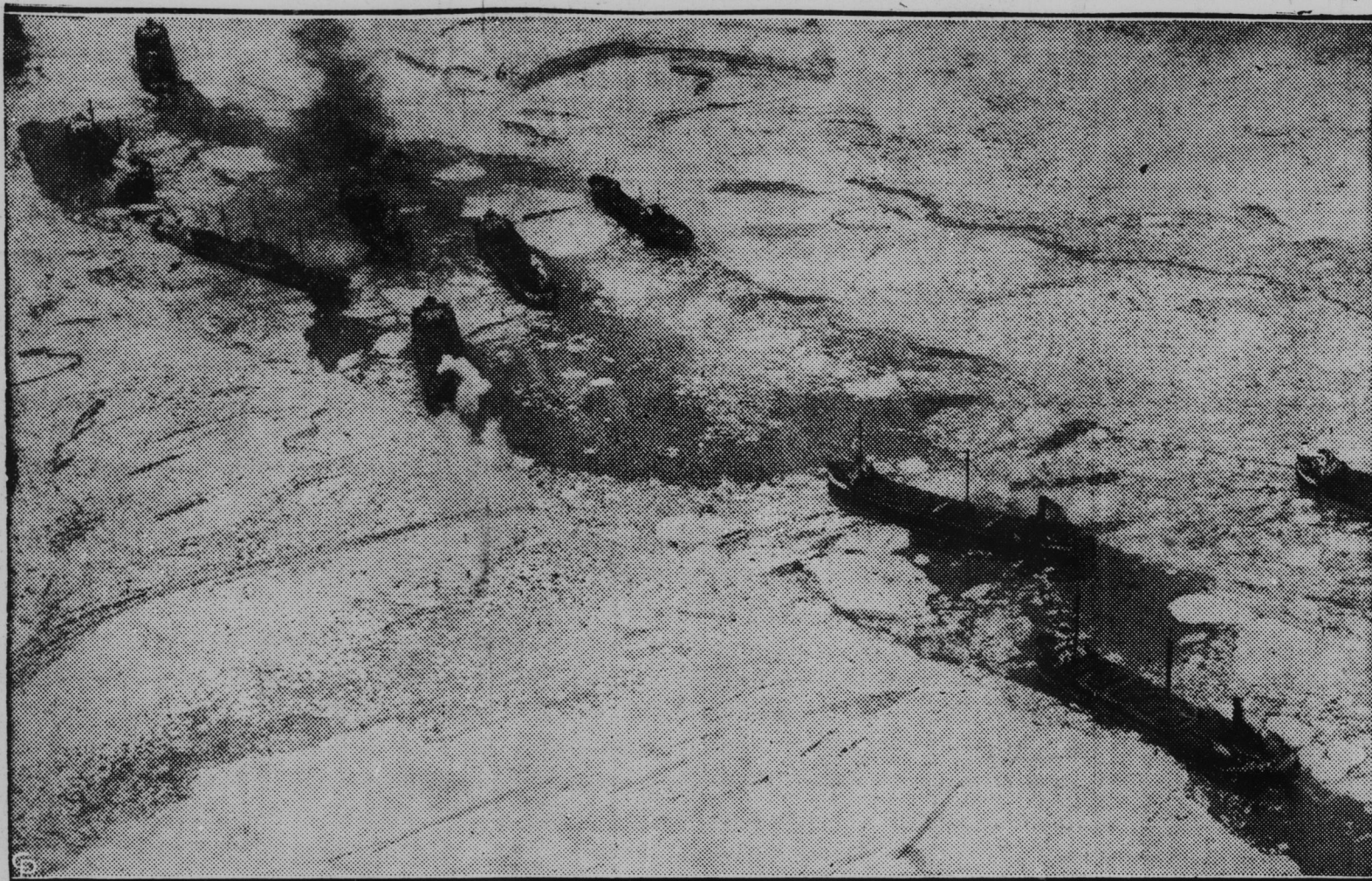
Washington, May 2 (AP)—The Commodity Credit Corporation said today that farmers have applied for release of 389,123 bales of a total of 4,500,000 bales of cotton held under government loans since 1934.

The corporation recently announced a plan to permit sale of 1,000,000 bales of the loan cotton. Farmers with cotton under loans are permitted to withdraw it at a price a quarter of a cent a pound less than the average price of cotton on the date preceding the request. Farmers may not sell the loan cotton for less than 11.25 cents a pound.

The AAA said that on May 1, the 1933 Cotton Producers Pool was holding 618,000 bales in futures contracts and 212,882 bales of spot cotton.

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FIRST OF MAY AND LARGE FREIGHTERS ARE ICE-BOUND IN LAKE ERIE!



View of freighters locked in ice field in Lake Erie off Buffalo

It's the first day of May and the Buffalo end of Lake Erie is so full of ice that 22 freighters are ice-bound, unable to reach port! Part of the 40-mile ice field and some of the freighters are pictured in this air view taken off Port Colborne. Start of navigation on the Great Lakes was greatly delayed this year by unprecedented ice fields due to the extreme cold of last winter and its duration.

—Central Press

Cotton Crop Of 1936 Gets Good Start

Heavy Rain in Texas Changes Complexion of Outlook; Prices Also Drop

New Orleans, La., May 2.—(AP)—With rains banishing fears that Texas would be left at the post, this year's cotton crop appeared to be off to a good start.

While it was agreed that anything could happen before the eleven cotton states come down the home stretch in August, heavy precipitation in Texas seemed definitely to have broken a widespread drought that threatened for a time to cut deeply into the State's yield.

Prices, quick to respond to any potential increase in the crop, dropped back nearly \$2 a bale during the early part of this week, although a surprise reversal of trend restored some 50 cents of this loss yesterday.

Crop experts pointed out that another favorable development was the excessive cold weather of the past winter. Disastrous in some areas in the cotton states, the low temperatures wrought havoc with the boll weevil and other pests.

Too early for any definite estimates on acreage, the trade is accepting the administration's prediction of a ten to 15 percent increase over last year.

As the second week of selling loaned cotton drew to a close, there was no indication of a let-up in world demand. As fast as the cotton could be passed through the official channels it was being snapped up both here and abroad.

G. O. P. LAUGHED AT FOR 'BRAIN TRUST'

Committee's Experts Doing Good Job But Real Punch Is Lacking

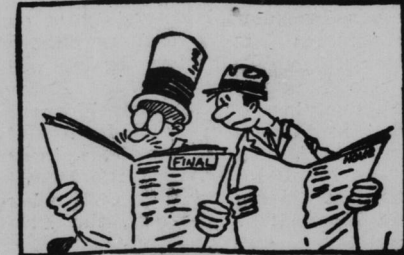
By CHARLES P. STEWART (Central Press Staff Writer)
Washington, May 2.—The Republican high command is being laughed at by Democrats and bitterly blamed by many Republicans for having created a "brain trust" of the G. O. P.'s own to aid the national committee in formulating a campaign policy.

There is a certain amount of injustice in the charge that this was a piece of rank stupidity.

The complaint all along has been that the Republicans haven't had an issue—that they have done nothing except find fault with the New Deal without offering a substitute for it. Now, when Chairman Fletcher of the national committee surrounds himself with a board of experts, to frame

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Partly cloudy, scattered showers in north and west portions Sunday and extreme southwest portion late tonight; somewhat cooler in west-portion Sunday afternoon.

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Swansboro Death Probe Postponed

Swansboro, May 2 (AP)—An inquest into the deaths of three high school baseball players was continued until next week when the jurors empaneled yesterday reconvened at 11 o'clock today. The postponement was necessitated because of the inability of injured members of the party to attend the inquest at this time.

Howell Jones, 18, of Swansboro, and Grady C. Kliche, of Morehead City, driver of a loaded log truck, that collided with the small truck in which the ball players were traveling to White Oak for a game, are the most seriously injured, but their condition today was reported as satisfactory.

BELIEVE M'DONALD STRENGTH TO DROP

Hoey and Graham Forces Profess to Confidence of Their Own Gains

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, May 2.—Is Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, of Winston-Salem, going to continue to remain in the lead for the Democratic nomination for governor, as at present, or is he going to have difficulty in holding on to what support he already has? Will he show even more strength than is now evident and win the nomination in the first primary, as his supporters are now predicting, or will he do well to stay in first place or even second place from now until June 6? Or will the intensive organization work which both Clyde R. Hoey and Sandy Graham and their managers have been doing begin to take effect and show results soon and mow down the lead which Dr. McDonald is now conceded to have in most sections of the State?

Strong in East.
These questions are being heard more frequently and being discussed more here than any others, as a result of the tremendous lead Dr. McDonald is conceded to have in most of the eastern counties and in many of the Piedmont counties. For it is

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INDUSTRIAL PACE BEST SINCE 1930

Associated Press Index of Industrial Activity Is Lifted to 87.2

A NEW TOP FOR YEAR

All Components Except Cotton Manufacturing Register Gains; Steel Activity In New High for 1936

New York, May 2.—(AP)—Industrial production during the past week advanced to a new top for the year at the highest level since June, 1930.

The Associated Press index of industrial activity today was 87.2.

The latest figure compared with 85.8 in the previous week, and 72.9 a year ago.

All components save cotton manufacturing registered gains.

Steel mill activity continued to push into high ground for the year. Carloadings were up on increased shipments of coal. Electric power production and residential building improved for the week.

Cotton manufacturing activity slumped abruptly.

WHEAT PRICES NOT TO DROP VERY FAR

Will Be Governed by Demand in U. S.; Gold Influx Causing Worry

By LESLIE EICHEL (Central Press Staff Writer)

Wheat prices are not expected to drop far. Even if the spring wheat crop exceeds expectations, the United States still will not have a large salable surplus. In other words, there will be little overplus for foreign sale. The price will be governed by demand within the United States.

If Europe or Canada should have crop failures, prices would rise in the United States.

Such is the best available opinion.

GOLD INFLEX
Government financial advisers are worried over the renewed influx of gold from France. That gold adds to the excess reserves (at a phenomenal height). And excess reserves, if they ever break the dam, would bring about a flood of inflation that might wipe out every real value.

On the other hand, gold from France is a distinct liability. If France does not devalue, or does devalue and stabilize, that gold will flow back suddenly—and American security values, bolstered by the influx, will sink suddenly and rapidly, with the outflow.

QUEER
Earnings of soft drink concerns are higher with liquor in than with liquor out.

SABOTAGE
Senator Royal Copeland of New York brought out a serious condition.

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Selassie Palace Being Ransacked

Paris, May 2 (AP)—The French foreign office received a message today from Addis Ababa, which reported the palace of Emperor Haile Selassie had been pillaged.

The message from the Ethiopian capital declared disorders and pillaging were reported in various parts of the city, and French nationals had taken refuge in their legation.

French officials at Addis Ababa confirmed the departure of the emperor with his family by special train due to arrival at Djibouti tonight.

DUKE POWER WARNS OF BIG RATE CUTS

Cuts for Commercial Users Means Rise in Domestic Service Costs

Raleigh, May 2 (AP)—Duke Power company attorneys and witnesses told the State Utilities Commission here today an adjustment in the rates charged commercial consumers of the Company would bring about increases in residential charges. The testimony was given in the action brought by the North Carolina Merchants Association, seeking lower commercial rates.

W. S. O'B. Robinson, of Duke counsel, said the earnings of the company were about 2.5 percent on actual value of properties. Adjustment of commercial rates on the same basis with the domestic rates and provide the same revenue would result in an increase for 32,000 residential consumers, and for 9,800 of the commercial customers.

The merchants association contends

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HUNTING SLAYER OF CHATTANOOGA LADY

Mrs. Ella Mae McConnell, Wife of Theatre Manager, Brutally Slain in Apartment

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 2 (AP)—Working on varying death bed statements, police hunted a "nice looking" young man today for the fatal beating of pretty Mrs. Ella Mae McConnell.

Detectives said the 23-year-old wife of a theatre manager, and mother of twin baby girls, may have been the victim of either a maniac or a rejected suitor.

Mrs. McConnell, found beaten and slashed in her apartment just before the dinner hour Thursday, died yesterday after giving rambling and conflicting accounts of the attack.

Investigators hesitated to place much credence in any of her statements because of her semi-conscious condition.

Police Captain Homer Edmondson said the brutality of the assault, in which Mrs. McConnell's abdomen was crushed by a man's kicks, lent basis to the theory that a madman was responsible.

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SELASSIE MAY GO TO FRENCH RIVIERA TO TAKE UP EXILE

Monarch of Crushed Empire Has Money on Deposit in Many Centers of the World

ITALIAN ARMY NOT AT CAPITAL CITY

Northern Soldiers Halt Before Last Grand Drive as Natives Mass Before Addis Ababa in Final Stand; Widespread Disorder Prevails in the Capital

London, May 2.—(AP)—Sir Sidney Barton, British minister to Ethiopia, advised his government today that Emperor Haile Selassie had left Addis Ababa by train for Djibouti, French Somaliland.

Sir Sidney declared in a wireless message that the Ethiopian capital is the scene of widespread disorder.

The disturbances include shooting and looting, the report of the British minister asserted.

SELASSIE MAY LIVE IN EXILE IN THE RIVIERA
Paris, May 2.—(AP)—Wolde Mariam Ethiopian delegate to the League of Nations, said today Emperor Haile Selassie might come to the French Riviera to establish his residence in exile.

"I hope he comes to France, but I do not know his plans," said Mariam, who is also Ethiopian minister to France. "I do not know what is going to happen."

"First, I want some official news," he added, explaining that he had been without official word from Addis Ababa for several days.

The minister said the Negus has money deposited in different parts of the world.

Mariam did not show surprise when

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U. S. Proposes Neutral Pact Open To All

Washington, May 2.—(AP)—Conclusion of a new neutrality convention open to the signature of all nations has been proposed by the United States government for consideration at the forthcoming all-America peace conference in Buenos Aires.

A "tariff truce" among the 21 American republics involving a pledge to create no new trade discriminations also has been offered by this government as a subject for the conference agenda.

This was announced today by the State Department in a list of items

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Compromise Sought For Phone Rate

Utilities Body Offers Concession to Bell System To Settle Litigation

Raleigh, May 2.—(AP)—Efforts were being made here shortly after noon today between the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company and the State Utilities Commission to compromise telephone rate reductions ordered some 16 months ago by the commission, authoritative sources said.

The rates, ordered into effect January 1, 1935, would save 78,000 customers of the 58 Southern Bell exchanges in the State an estimated \$321,000 annually. Effectiveness of the rates was stayed by court order.

Official sources said the commission had offered some "minor concessions" to the telephone company and that Southern Bell counsel, rather than press their fight on rates through possible further lengthy court procedure, was considering acceptance of most of the reductions.

Definite announcement this afternoon as to the compromise or decision to continue the fight was expected.

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