

WINBORNE SEES NO EARLY REDUCTIONS IN CITY GAS RATES

Only Three of Nine Companies in State In Black Last Year, Other Six In Red

HENDERSON-OXFORD COMPANY HAD LOSS

Gastonia, Asheville and Raleigh Corporations Had Aggregate Profit of \$31,521; \$2,258 More Than Net Losses of Others; Henderson To Ungulf Even That

Raleigh, May 6 (AP)—Stanley Winborne, State Utilities Commission chairman, said today he saw little chance for reductions in the near future in gas rates in most North Carolina cities.

Winborne had just completed a study of 1935 reports of eight of the nine companies in the State, and data from the other, which showed three made net profits and six had losses.

The companies paid taxes aggregating \$74,328 last year.

The Gastonia and Suburban Gas Company, the Asheville Gas Company and the Raleigh Gas Company reported profits aggregating \$31,521. The profits of the three amounted to \$2,258 more than the net losses reported by five other companies, but Winborne said the report of the Henderson-Oxford Gas Company, when filed, would offset this.

McDonald's Taxing Hit By Graham

Raleigh, May 6 (AP)—A. H. (Sandy) Graham, a Democratic gubernatorial candidate issued a statement here today charging one of his opponents, Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, "advocated a tax on every man, woman and child who earns as much as \$83.33 per month."

"This is no wild charge," Graham said. "Professor McDonald himself has made the record."

"In the last session of the legislature, when the Forth philosopher was offering substitutes for the revenue bill, he submitted a 'program' showing just how he planned to raise money enough to do away with the sales tax. And way down in that plan is the joker, skillfully camouflaged behind the pedagogic title 'occupational tax.'"

"And here is what the professor wanted to do. He wanted, and no doubt still wants to levy a tax on every man, woman and child in the State who has a job, does not pay Schedule B tax, and makes as much as \$1,000 per year, or \$83.33 per month."

"He wants the man who makes that small sum to pay \$5 yearly, and from there up the tax would increase to a maximum of \$900."

Big Negro School At Wilmington Is Reported Burning

Wilmington, May 6.—(AP)—The Williston industrial high school, a Negro institution housing more than 2,000 students, was in flames at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. All available fire-fighting apparatus in the city had been rushed to the scene.

Firemen said most of the students were marched from the building to safety before the fire enveloped the three-story structure.

The cause of the fire, believed to have started in a wooden outbuilding, was not immediately known.

ELLENBOGAN BILL READY FOR HOUSE

Will Be Reported Soon As Minority Report Can Be Properly Written

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Chairman Connerly, Democrat, Massachusetts, of the House Labor Committee, said today the twice re-written Ellenbogen bill for Federal regulation of the textile industry would be reported to the House as soon as a minority report was completed.

The bill was to have been reported today to the House, but was held at the request of Representative Hartley, Republican, New Jersey, who expressed his intention to submit a minority report.

Connerly made public, however, the

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Reciprocal Trade Pact With France Agreed On To Be Signed By Night

Slain in Ethiopia



Mrs. A. R. Stadin

Mrs. A. R. Stadin, wife of a doctor attached to the Seventh Day Adventist mission, was an American casualty in the Addis Ababa riots. She was killed in her sleep by a stray bullet as terrified Ethiopian tribesmen rioted and put the torch to the capital city. Mrs. Stadin's home was in Loma Linda, Cal.

—Central Press

MCDONALD AND HOEY AGREED ON LIQUOR

Their Position Virtually Identical on Handling of That Problem

GRAHAM IS DIFFERENT

Says Hoey Is Bone Dry and Accuses McDonald of Inconsistency in Pledges Now and Votes Last Year

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

Raleigh, May 6.—Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, of Winston-Salem, and Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby, though as far apart as the poles on most of the issues in the present campaign, are as close together as the Siamese twins on the liquor issue and standing on the same bone-dry plank, dictated by the United Dry Forces of the State, Sandy Graham, likewise a candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, said here today in an exclusive statement to afternoon newspapers.

"The Shelby orator, Clyde Hoey, is generally regarded as the staunch supporter of conservatism and standpatism in the State, while Professor Ralph W. McDonald is looked upon as being the apostle of radicalism, if not of anarchy," Graham said.

"So it is a strange paradox to see

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ASSERTS MCDONALD FOUGHT MEALS TAX

Lumpkin Reiterates Stand of His Candidate in 1935 Legislature

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

Raleigh, May 6.—The sales tax on meals was imposed when the regular revenue bill was enacted by the 1936 General Assembly, and House Bill 32 contained the section which imposed the sales tax on meals in cafes, restaurants and hotels, Willie Lee Lumpkin, State campaign manager for Dr. Ralph W. McDonald said today in another statement issued to the newspapers. The statement was made in reply to two statements here Monday by Clyde R. Hoey and Sandy Graham, two of the other candidates for governor, in which they pointed out that Dr. McDonald voted twice for the enactment of House Bill 1360, which would have greatly increased the license tax on hotels and which would have imposed the sales tax not only on meals served in hotel dining rooms, but on room charges as well. Manager Lumpkin does not deny that Dr. McDonald voted for this bill.

Says McDonald Led.

"The sales tax on meals purchased in cafes, restaurants and hotels was

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Great Importance Attached by Both Countries to New Commercial Accord Reached

FRANCE IS ONE OF BIG U. S. CUSTOMERS

Treaty Regarded as Second in Importance Only to That Negotiated With Canada; Discussions Have Been Under Way for Year; Concluded Last Night

Washington, May 6 (AP)—The State Department announced today an agreement with France on a reciprocal trade pact is to be signed in Washington late this afternoon.

Although no details of the agreement were available immediately, great importance was attached in both countries to the commercial accord, which is intended to lower certain restrictions now applied by the French against American products.

France is America's fifth best customer and the new agreement is regarded by State Department officials as second only to that recently entered into with Canada.

Negotiations Last Year

The pact will represent the thirtieth to be negotiated by the State Department under this government's reciprocal trade program.

Negotiations with France have been proceeding more than a year. It was understood agreement on the last remaining technicalities was reached only last night.

The new pact will apply not only to France but to its colonies, dependencies and protectorates as well, with the exception of Morocco.

In the main, the United States exports to France such products as unmanufactured cotton, petroleum products, refined copper, leaf tobacco, wheat and lard.

Its chief imports from France are luxury articles.

KERR-EHRINGHAUS ROW IS OMINOUS

Congressman's Opponent and McDonald Candidacy Hidden Behind It

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

Raleigh, May 6.—When second district visitors coming to McDonald headquarters in Raleigh find Candidate McDonald's back turned, many of them will say that Governor Ehringhaus has strengthened himself in his attack on Congressman John Hosea Kerr.

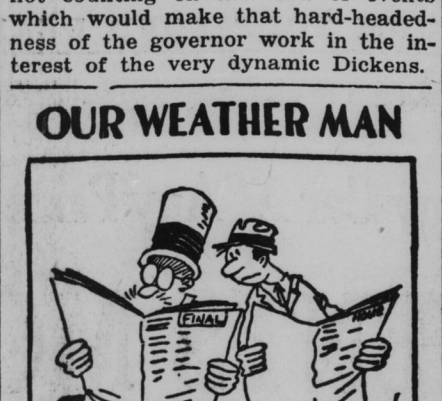
These gentlemen may be conceded to Judge Kerr's opponent, A. O. Dickens, without formality, but they agree interestingly. They say the governor is right about that session, that Judge Kerr's tobacco compact bill is not a crop-saver and that the congressman was highly vulnerable when he opened on the governor.

There is, of course, slight disagreement in the McDonald camp. These hot Dickens supporters like the way the executive assailed the incumbent but Candidate McDonald was counted on to make capital of the governor's determination not to summon the legislature to Raleigh. Even so, the kick given to Judge Kerr pleases them. They cannot shout any praises because that might pitch an inharmonious into the dulcet notes of the McDonald song.

It was interesting to hear from Wilson, Warren and Northampton praise of the governor for rawhiding the incumbent congressman. What Dr. McDonald says about Governor Ehringhaus is not to be retracted, but when it comes to saying the world in season for Mr. Dickens these second districters are very much in favor of Mr. Ehringhaus.

Judge Kerr intimated that Governor Ehringhaus had something suspicious as a reason for refusing to call this special session. The intimation was that a fear of governorship candidate dominated his excellency. But the congressman evidently was not counting on the turn of events which would make that hard-headedness of the governor work in the interest of the very dynamic Dickens.

OUR WEATHER MAN



Fair tonight and Thursday; slightly warmer in north portion Thursday.

Orders Evacuation



Cornelius Van H. Engert

Cornelius Van H. Engert, American minister to Ethiopia, ordered evacuation of the American legation in Addis Ababa as Ethiopian tribesmen rioted and threatened to destroy the city in the face of advancing Italians. Engert wired the U. S. he expected to hold the legation against the loot-mad African warriors. Mrs. Engert remained by the side of her husband.

—Central Press

OVER HALF TOTAL DELEGATES NAMED FOR CONVENTIONS

Democrats Have Picked 552 of 1,100 To Nominate Roosevelt at Philadelphia Meet

REPUBLICANS PICK 685 OF THEIR 1,001

Landon Delegates Running Slightly Behind Uninstructed Group in California Returns, But Landon Is Ahead of Borah in South Dakota Countings

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—More than half the delegates have been chosen for the big political shows next month in Philadelphia and Cleveland.

With immediate attention directed sharply toward primary battle grounds in California and South Dakota, the latest tabulations showed the Democrats have picked 552 of the 1,100 delegates to the national convention which will be re-nominate President Roosevelt.

The Republicans have chosen 685 of their 1,001 delegates, amid clashing predictions as to how many of them will vote.

Incomplete returns in the California Republican vote showed that delegates pledged to Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, were running behind a slate of uninstructed delegates.

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G.O.P. Will Oppose New Relief Bill

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—House Republicans were summoned today to a conference tonight to discuss the party's position on the deficiency appropriation bill, carrying the new relief fund when it reaches the House floor tomorrow.

President Roosevelt yesterday turned down flatly the suggestion of some House members for earmarking \$450,000,000 of the requested \$1,500,000,000 relief appropriations for PWA projects instead of turning it all over to Harry L. Hopkins of the Works Progress Administration.

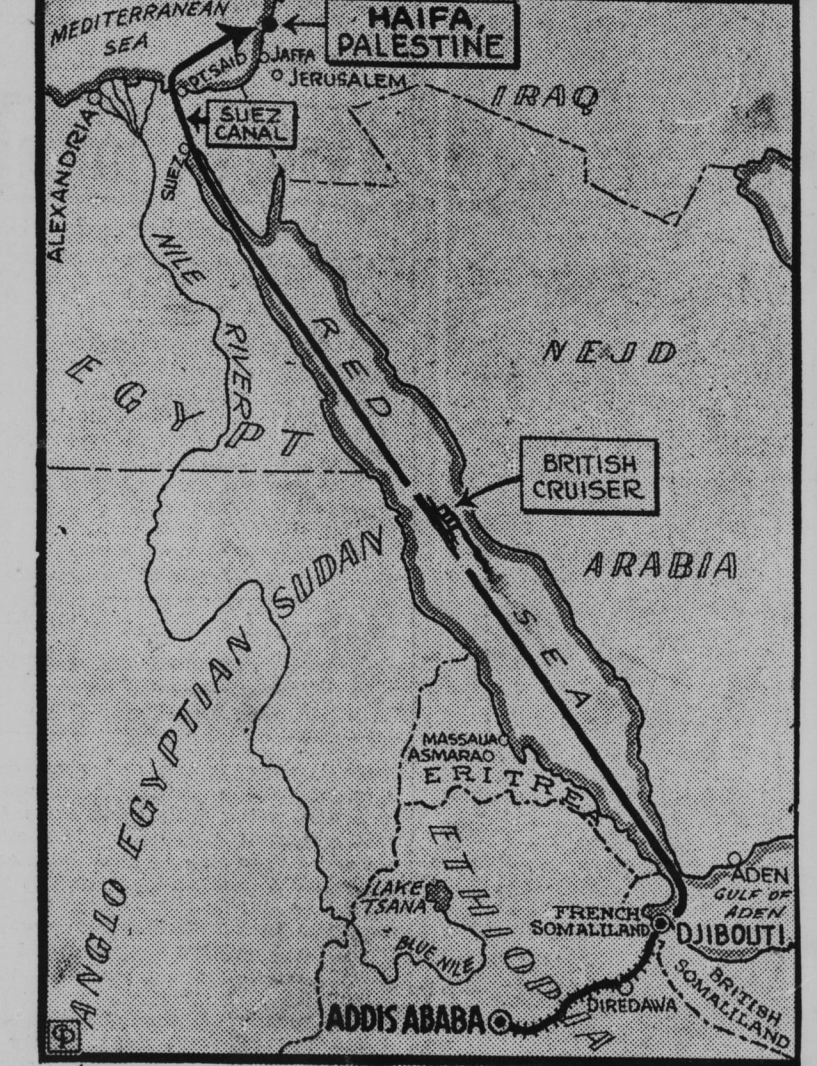
This was one of the issues open for discussion by the Republicans. Representative Taber, of New York, ranking Republican on the appropriations committee, said:

"There will be a fight. That is determined in advance. But the conference will be more for the purpose of explaining the situation to the membership than to organize the opposition."

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Population Of Addis Ababa Is Out Enmasse To Welcome Conquering Italian Troops

ROUTE TAKEN BY FLEEING EMPEROR



Map of emperor's flight

Here is a map of the route followed by Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia as he fled with his family and his aides from Addis Ababa, the capital of his crumbling empire. The emperor, reaching Djibouti, French Somaliland, was to board a British destroyer and sail for Haifa, Palestine.

—Central Press

New Contract Agreed On For Hard Coal Industry

Two-Year Agreement Is Worked Out To Be Signed Late In Day For Anthracite Workers

FEDERAL MEDIATOR GETS COMPROMISE

Deadlock Has Persisted Since Conferences Between Miners and Operators Began Last February; Old Contract Expired March 31; Now To Be Replaced

New York, May 6.—(AP)—Pennsylvania anthracite operators and miners, deadlocked for several days, agreed on the major points of a new contract today.

Aided by Edward F. McGrady, assistant secretary of labor, who joined the conferees last Thursday when a deadlock developed, the weary negotiators announced at 1 a. m. they had agreed in principle on virtually all matters and had entrusted details to a sub-committee.

While the announcement of the joint wage conference of 14 men, at

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League Must Continue On, Eden Thinks

France To Oppose Annexation of Ethiopia by Italy; New Problems Arise

London, May 6.—(AP)—Anthony Eden, foreign secretary of Great Britain, declared to the House of Commons today "the League of Nations must go on."

The cabinet minister, upon whom has devolved British leadership in the Italo-Ethiopian struggle, said the government was beginning immediately a study of the problem raised by the Italian victory in East Africa.

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NATIVES IMITATE FASCIST SALUTES TO IL DUCE'S MEN

Order Is Restored With Coming of Italians and Guards Are Put on Outpost Duty

U. S. LEGATION IS SAFE ONCE AGAIN

Mussolini In Rome Directs Nation's Business Men To Fight League Sanctions; Tentative Plans Already Drawn To Make Ethiopia Fully Italian

(By The Associated Press) The population of Addis Ababa, which had run riot for four days, turned out enmasse today to greet the conquering forces.

While an Italian flag flew over Emperor Haile Selassie's palace, natives stood along the streets and gave imitations of Fascist salute to the 30,000 Italian soldiers who poured through the streets.

Order was re-established with the coming of the Italians and Fascist guards went on outpost duty to prevent the possibility of raids.

U. S. Legation Safe

The State Department at Washington received a message from Vice Consul William H. Cramp at Addis Ababa the Italian guard around the American Legation had been withdrawn after disarming a number of natives during the night.

The Fascist soldiers were summoned to the assistance of the besieged Americans in the Legation after the building had been attacked yesterday by Ethiopian bandits.

Premier Benito Mussolini, who proclaimed to his mobilized nation last night that the war is ended and "Ethiopia is Italian," permitted Roman celebrations to continue, but directed business to combat the League of Nations sanctions siege.

A tentative plan to transform Ethiopia into an Italian possession already was formulated.

To Oppose Annexation

French sources said their government would oppose outright annexation of Ethiopia to Italy, preferring a treaty to give Ethiopia nominal sovereignty.

They looked also for a movement

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KARPIS ASSOCIATE GIVEN ARRANGMENT

New Orleans, La., May 6.—(AP)—Fred Hunter, associate of Alvin Karpis, Public Enemy No. 1, who was captured in a raid on his New Orleans apartment last Friday by Federal agents, was arraigned today before U. S. Commissioner Reginald Carter, Jr., on a charge of harboring Karpis and was held under bond of \$200,000.

After his arraignment, Hunter was placed in custody of a United States marshal. He waived extradition and it was understood he was to be taken to Ohio in charge of a postal inspector to answer to a charge of mail robbery at Garrettsville.

Hunter was arrested with a pretty young woman, Ruth Robinson, at the Karpis apartment late Friday by J. Edgar Hoover, head of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and about a score of his agents.

U. S. MAY ABANDON COLONIZATION IDEA

Nation Has Failed in That Direction and At Terrific Expense

By CHARLES F. STEWART

Central Press Staff Writer

Washington, May 6.—Americans seem to have recovered completely from their hallucination that it would be a fine thing to develop the United States into a great colonial power.

Congress has started the Philippines on the road to independence. It has abandoned Uncle Sam's policy of interfering in Cuban affairs. American marines are out of all such little republics as Nicaragua and Haiti.

Now Senator Millard E. Tydings is agitating with considerable prospects of success, for legislation granting independence to Puerto Rico.

None of the American experiments

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