

SUPT. ERWIN SPEAKS AT P.-T. A. MEETING FOR THIS DISTRICT

Appears in "Model Program" Period at Afternoon Session of North Central Group

STATE'S PRESIDENT URGES COOPERATION

Mrs. Sidbury Also Stresses Safety Program Inaugurated in Schools; National Field Worker Speaks; Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Wall Are Elected Again

A speech by Superintendent of Public Instruction for North Carolina, Clyde Erwin, this afternoon, who was presented during a model Parent-Teacher Association, and an hour of open forum discussion and question and answers conducted by Mrs. C. E. Roe, national field worker, of Washington, D. C., featured that session of the North Carolina District group of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers in the Henderson high school auditorium.

The morning registration was placed at 200, with more being added for the afternoon session.

Mayor Irvine B. Watkins extended the visitors a welcome to Henderson, and the response was voiced by Mrs. Eugene Lasater, of Lillington.

During the morning session, Mrs. N. L. Walker, of Raleigh, was re-elected president of the district, and Mrs. S. M. Breckridge, of Chapel Hill, was named secretary. The officers will serve with Mrs. Jennings, of Conway, v-president, and Mrs. L. D. Wall, treas., of this city. Mrs. Breckridge succeeds Mrs. Walter Seely.

County presidents gave their reports with group singing and recreation being interspersed to make the program very snappy and enthusiastic.

Mrs. Sidbury, State P.-T. A., president brought a message to the gathering on "Home and School Co-operation" stressing cooperation of the units with the national council, and the pushing of the safety campaign that has been launched in the schools. She also urged better work in the summer round-up of children, those entering school in the fall for the first time, in order that diphtheria vaccinations can be carried out to aid in stamping out the disease.

Mrs. Roe addressed the group on "Finding the Way Together," stating that teachers and parents should cooperate on the same line of thought reminding her hearers that although

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METHODIST GROUP STRONG FOR UNION

Blue Ridge Conference of Northern Church Unanimous at Asheville

Asheville, Oct. 9.—(AP)—The Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church voted unanimous approval today of a proposal for unification of the three branches of Methodism.

The vote followed talks by representatives of the two other branches—the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church, advocating the consolidation.

Bishop Wallace E. Brown, of Chattanooga, Tenn., called for a standing vote after the talk. Nearly every pastor present stood. None arose when

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Says Democratic Women More Aroused Than Ever

Mrs. Spilman Says Issues Are of More Concern to Them Than in Any Previous Campaign; Social Security and Other New Deal Devices Have Appeal

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel. By J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Oct. 9.—The Democratic women of North Carolina are taking a greater interest in the present campaign than ever before, because they have confidence in the Democratic nominees, and especially in President Roosevelt and Clyde R. Hoey, the Democratic candidate for governor, Mrs. J. B. Spilman, of Greenville, vice chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, said here today. Accordingly, Mrs. Spilman is confident that the Democratic women of the State are going to cast more votes than ever before and help materially to boost the size of the Democratic majority on November 3.

"The chief reason for the enthusiasm and interest being shown by the

Life Terms Wait Seven In Legion

Detroit, Mich., Oct. 9 (AP)—Seven Black Legion night riders faced sentences of life imprisonment today for their part in the hooded band's terrorism, which ranged from floggings to murder. The seven convicted of first degree murder, which carries a mandatory life sentence, were called to appear before Circuit Judge A. H. Moynihan, who presided over the recent trial.

Another Black Legion member, Dayton Dean, self-styled "executioner" of Charles A. Poole, received a life term at hard labor in the southern Michigan prison yesterday.

ROOSEVELT ISN'T WORRIED LONG AS PEOPLE IN SADDLE

President Says Great Moral Lesson Points Way United States Should Now Travel

Dubuque, Iowa, Oct. 9.—(AP)—President Roosevelt opened his western campaign here today with a declaration that he was not "worried" so long as the future conduct of the nation remained in the hands of the people.

Addressing a welcoming crowd of Iowans from the rear platform of his campaign special, the chief executive asserted there was a "great moral lesson pointing the direction on which our country must needs go" in an oration given by Father Sheehy at funeral services several months ago for Senator Murphy, of Dubuque, Iowa, who was killed in an automobile accident.

He quoted at length from the trial

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California Voters For Roosevelt

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 9.—(AP)—California has registered 57.4 Democratic and 38.4 percent Republican for the November general election in which Roosevelt and Landon will battle for the state's 22 electoral votes.

Such was the showing in compilations today by The Associated Press of county clerks' registration figures

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COMMITTEE MERGER WIDELY APPROVED

Horton Wants Finance and Appropriations Groups Made Into One

Raleigh, Oct. 9.—Lieutenant Governor-nominate W. P. Horton, of Pittsboro, is more than ever convinced that the consolidation of the Senate and House finance and appropriations committees into a single committee, as he suggested some months ago, would greatly help in bringing about a balanced budget and hence shorten the length of legislative sessions, he said here today. His suggestion has met with wide approval over the State and he has received hundreds of letters commending it, Horton said.

"The two biggest arguments in fa-

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Germany and Italy Both Want Her Colonies and May Take Them

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Staff Writer. Washington, Oct. 9.—It is a cold day in midsummer when some fresh war hazard fails to be brought to the State Department's attention.

Portugal's status as a colonial power is involved in one of the latest of these worries.

It may not seem as if the United States can have much interest in Portugal's destinies. Indirectly such an interest is a possibility, however. Most folk probably think of the Portuguese as a mere pewee of an unimportant little people. The little nation is not, indeed, of much consequence considered only as a narrow

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Death Unseats Stack Sitter



Pinky Frazier, middle-aged colored man, climbed to the top of this 102-foot stack in Cartersville, Ga. He is shown on the stack where he resisted all attempts to dislodge him, threatening to leap if anyone went after him. After sitting on the stack from 5 in the morning, Frazier's hold weakened. At 11:23 p.m. he plunged to the ground and was instantly killed. (Central Press)

Ruby Wilder Says Cruel Treatment From Husband Drove Her To Kill Him

Tells Court She Saw Him Reach to His Hip Pocket as She Shot Him in North Henderson Cafe; State Seeking First Degree Verdict and Rests Case

Ruby Wilder Ellington, North Henderson woman on trial for first degree murder for the slaying of her husband, Hartwell "Red" Ellington, in George Rooker's cafe one night last summer, told a jury in Vance Superior Court this afternoon that her husband's cruelties drove her to the crime, and said she thought he was reaching for his hip pocket just before she fired the fatal shots.

Mrs. Ellington took the stand after the State had unexpectedly rested its case shortly after 11 o'clock. She was held by questioning of defense attorneys to tell the story of her married life with Ellington and direct exami-

nation was completed as court recessed for lunch. The State grilled her on cross-examination for an hour or more this afternoon.

It is expected the trial will last well into Saturday afternoon unless Judge W. C. Harris, presiding, should order a night session tonight to expedite the testimony.

A 13-man jury is sitting in the case, the personnel consisting of the following: G. A. Franklin, Russell Harper, J. D. Yancey, J. L. Hedgepeth, J. S. Norwood, J. M. Tucker, R. C. Clark, G. W. Dunkley, C. B. Boyd,

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Roosevelt Scours West In His Quest For Votes As Landon Vists Lakes

President Makes Major Address in Omaha Tomorrow Night, While Landon Delivers Big Address in Chicago Tonight; Catholic Prelate Denounces Coughlin

(By The Associated Press.) While President Roosevelt and Governor Landon steamed along on their campaign travels today, man-to-man tussles broke out all over the map.

Heading for a major speech at Omaha tomorrow night, President Roosevelt travelled to Iowa and Minnesota for a series of motor parades, Federal works inspections, rear platform talks and political and farm conferences.

On a tour of four Great Lakes

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OUR WEATHER MAN

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy, probably showers tonight and Saturday; cooler in interior Saturday night.

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MILLIONAIRES SEE SIX STATES FROM GERMAN DIRIGIBLE

American Business Leaders Make 618-Mile Flight Over Eastern Portion of Nation

CHINA CLIPPER ON ITS SECOND JAUNT

Leaving Honolulu for 1,323-Mile Hop to Midway on Way to Philippines; Telegram Reporter Leading Round-World Flight of New York Newspaper Workers

(By The Associated Press.) A mass flight of millionaires and American business leaders, a journalistic preview of the China Clipper's trans-Pacific course, and the ninth day stage of the reporters' round-the-world race contributed to aviation history today.

The men of wealth and power—73 of them, including Nelson Rockefeller and Winthrop W. Aldrich—were up for a 618-mile cruise over six eastern states in the German dirigible Hindenburg.

Out of Honolulu the China Clipper's engines were warming up in preparation for the second leg of the flight westward to Manila. This is a hop of 1,323 miles to Midway. The ship carries five New York reporters, who are getting a layman's view of the route regular passengers will shortly be seeing.

In the other newspaper flight, the globe circling race, H. R. Ekins, New York World-Telegram and Scripps-Howard newspaper reporter, was still far in the lead. He landed today in Dutch Borneo after an 800-mile flight from Batavia.

Several thousand miles behind were his rivals, Dorothy Kilgallen, New York Evening Journal and International News Service representative, and Leo Kieran, of the New York Times, and the North American News paper Alliance.

OXFORD GETS MONEY FOR COURT HOUSE

\$12,272 Listed in PWA Allotments Announced by Secretary Ickes With FDR Approval

Washington, Oct. 9.—(AP)—Secretary Ickes announced today approval by President Roosevelt of public works allocations for 88 projects at an estimated construction cost of \$23,895,874.

The public works administration share will consist of grants of \$10,697,410 and loans of \$432,000.

The approved allocations grants only unless otherwise specified included: North Carolina: Oxford, court house addition, \$12,272.

Man Held In Slaying Of Woman

Weymouth, Mass., Oct. 9.—(AP)—Stirred by the identification of Mrs. Grace Asquith, 41-year-old widow, as the woman whose severed legs were hauled from Boston harbor four days ago, detectives today held one man for questioning and sought a missing World War aviator.

While police grappled in the harbor for the head and torso of the victim, a woman's tip sent detectives scurrying last night to a lonely cottage on the Weymouth shore, 12 miles from Boston.

There Mrs. Isabel Murphy, of Boston, told police her friend, Mrs. Asquith, who "disappeared" September 20, lived.

She said the widow resembled the harbor victim as pictured by medical examiner William J. Brickley.

Police found the cottage ransacked. The walls of the living room were sprinkled with blood, Deputy Superintendent James R. Claffin, of the Boston police, said.

"Two blood-stained sheets and a spread were found upstairs in the bedroom. "In the cellar we located a saw. There are brown specks on the handle. We have sent the saw to our Boston

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CHINESE-JAPANESE PEACE NOW DARKER

Tokyo, Oct. 9.—(AP)—Japanese officials declared today that the conference between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, China's dictator, and Japanese Ambassador Shigeru Kawagoe did not warrant optimism for settlement of the Sino-Japanese crisis.

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ENVOYS OF NATIONS GATHER AT LONDON TO STAVE OFF WAR

Britain Fights Desperately To Avoid Fascist and Communist Rush in Spanish War

THAT MIGHT MEAN GENERAL OUTBREAK

Soviet Russia, Flatly Accuses Germany, Italy and Portugal, and Demands Commission Enter Portugal for Investigation; Fascist Armies Make Gains

(By The Associated Press.) In the tense atmosphere of continental crisis, neutrally envoys of 27 nations met secretly at London's foreign office today to thresh out sharp Russian and Spanish government charges of broke pledges and Fascist military aid to Spain's insurgents.

The basic problem before the group—and more particularly for England in the role of peace-maker—was how to stop an open rush by Fascist and communist nations to aid opposing belligerents in Spain.

That might mean European war. Soviet Russia, flatly accusing Germany, Italy and Portugal, wanted the committee to send an investigating committee to Portugal, alleged gateway for arms shipments to Spanish insurgents.

There were concrete evidences as the gathering opened that Portugal would not consent to an investigating body.

On the military front Fascists smashed through rugged terrain west of Madrid in three powerful columns to capture three strategic cities. Madrid hailed the prospect of Russian help and rejoiced at what appeared to be almost complete victory for loyal Asturian miners who long have besieged the Fascist city of Gviedo in the north.

WILSON SHERIFF IS ORDERED REMOVED

Wilson, Oct. 9 (AP)—Superior Court Judge Marshall Spears ordered Sheriff W. A. Weatherby, of Wilson county, removed from office today after studying testimony of witnesses that he was drunk at an election poll in Black Creek township July 4, the date of the second North Carolina Democratic primary.

Twenty-seven Black Creek township residents testified at an outdoor hearing Wednesday the sheriff was under the influence of liquor at the polls and 48 defense witnesses said he was sober.

Defense attorneys filed exceptions to the ouster ruling.

NEED ROADS MORE THAN ANY REFUNDS

C. W. Tatem, 1935 Legislator, Appears Before Assembly's Hearing

Raleigh, Oct. 9.—(AP)—C. W. Tatem, of Tyrrell county, chairman of the House Committee on Roads in the 1935 legislature, told the special commission investigating county road claims today that "the primary need of all North Carolina counties today is further road building."

Tatem contended that no equities can be established between counties, so far as roads are concerned, "as

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Unemployment Story Is "Cockeyed", Babson Says

Always Great Number Without Jobs, But Even Women in Homes and Boys in Schools Are Now So Listed; Average Industrial Production Is Now Normal

BY ROGER W. BABSON, Copyright, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc. Babson Park, Mass., Oct. 9.—Several weeks ago I announced that business had reached "normal" according to my Babsonchart. Since then many readers have written me asking how I can consider business normal with so much unemployment and relief. These readers feel that we cannot possibly have made such a sharp comeback with 20,000,000 receiving government aid and with 9,000,000 estimated jobless. Their point is well taken and the situation needs explanation.

Babsonchart An Average. First, let me briefly explain the Babsonchart. Periodically, my statisticians add together by means of a

special formula, the physical number (not the dollar value) of freight cars loaded, pairs of shoes made, automobiles assembled, cattle slaughtered, pounds of copper mined, and the like—in all 55 separate series of production figures. Dollars and cents do not enter into this index. Hence, actual output today is comparable with that of ten or twenty years ago, even though prices have changed drastically. "Normal" on the Babsonchart is based on the production volume of the years 1923-27 with proper allowance for the increase in population.

This index, therefore, shows the average output of all industries and in all sections of the country. When I say we are at "normal" I do not mean

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