

## CONGRESS CONTINUES ARGUMENT ON COURT

### NEW TESTS AWAIT ON STRIKE FRONTS OVER THE NATION

Sitdown "Still Effective," Homer Martin Says, Despite Reverses During Week

### MINNESOTA THREAT TO SEIZE UTILITIES

Governor Says He Will Take Over Strike-Bound Plants If Law Will Allow; Martin Becomes Defiant Toward Governor of New Jersey Over Strikes

(By The Associated Press) A troublesome week on the wide labor conflict front ended today with new tests of strength indicated. With an estimated 30,000 workers still idle because of controversies, many of which involved the sitdown, President Homer Martin, of the U. A. W. A. took occasion to assert this strike weapon was "still effective."

### STRIKES AT A GLANCE

(By The Associated Press.) Strikes at a glance: Waukegan, Ill.—Two C. I. O. organizers jailed in aftermath of tear gas attack routing 61 sitdown strikers from Faunsteel Metallurgical Corporation plant.

### Smoak Set To Die In Poisonings

Wilmington, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Attorneys for Edgar Smoak, accused poisoner of his two wives and 16-year-old daughter, mapped plans today for an appeal after a jury convicted the stolid carpenter to die.

## Compacts Collapse Brings A New Crisis To Tobacco Grower

Huge Crop, With Low Prices, Seen As Almost Certain, With Another March on Washington Probable When Markets Open At Starvation Prices

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, By HENRY AVERILL. Raleigh, Feb. 27.—Legislators from tobacco growing counties are freely predicting a new and severe "crisis" as the result of the collapse of compact legislation.

## Deck Is Being Cleared For Early Adjournment For State Legislature

### Mysteriously Slain



Humphrey Pearson, 40, prominent writer of film scenarios and radio scripts, was found shot to death in the bedroom of his Palm Springs, Cal., home. Police refused to divulge the details of the tragedy, and questioned his widow and the Pearson butler.

## Revolt Over "Must" Bills Is Weakening

### Hoey's Persuasive Powers Working Wonders; but Way Is Not Clear Yet

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Feb. 27.—The mild but determined revolt which has been in evidence in both houses for several days against some of the administration measures—especially against the old age pensions and free textbooks bills—is giving signs of weakening.

being more and more vindicated every day. **Huge Crop Certain** The views of Representative W. E. Fenner, Nash, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, are illuminating and characteristic of the reaction of most legislators from the weed belt.

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### Tax and Appropriations Measures Passed by Both Houses During Week Just Ended

### LOCAL BILLS BEING RUSHED TO PASSAGE

### Fight Over Social Security and Reorganization of Highway Commission Are Major Bills Remaining; Child Labor Bill Must Also Be Acted On

By RALPH L. HOWLAND Raleigh, Feb. 27 (AP)—The General Assembly continuing its record-setting clip, disposed this week of the \$76,000,000 revenue bill and the \$145,000,000 appropriations measure.

## 19 BILLS PASSED BY STATE SENATE

### House Not In Session After Post-Midnight Revenue Passage

Raleigh, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Eight senators passed 19 bills at a perfunctory legislative session today. Measures enacted into law would ban sale of gasoline to intoxicated drivers in Cumberland and Johnston counties, and prohibit sale of alcoholic beverages in a Wilkes township.

### "Liquidated"



Ras Desta Remtu, last of the powerful Ethiopian chieftains opposing Italian seizure of Ethiopia, has been captured and executed on orders of Premier Mussolini of Italy.

## MORE ROAD BONDS ONLY PROSPECT OF COUNTY ROAD JOBS

### Its Money Taken for Other Purposes, Highway Commission Has No Alternative

### BOND ISSUE MUST BE VERY LIMITED

### New Constitutional Amendment May Hold It to \$10,000,000; Only Way Out Is Bonds, Says Waynick, Who Has Opposed That Course Up to Now

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, By J. C. BASKERVILLE. Raleigh, Feb. 27.—A new highway bond issue offers the only hope for any material improvement in the secondary or county highway system in North Carolina, now that the General Assembly has already adopted a revenue bill which earmarks \$4,500,000 of highway revenue for possible diversion into the general fund to be used for current State expenses.

### DR. TOWNSEND ASKS FOR ANOTHER TRIAL

Washington, Feb. 27 (AP)—Dr. Francis Townsend asked today for a new trial on a charge of contempt of the House of Representatives.



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Cloudy and rain tonight and Sunday. WEEKLY WEATHER. For South Atlantic States: Fair and colder first of week; increasing cloudiness, rain and warmer middle period; fair and colder latter part.

## State Revenue Is 24 Percent Above Same Period 1936

\$21,607,306 Collected, Compared to \$16,795,804 Corresponding Period Year Ago

### HEAVY GAINS ALSO IN MOTOR VEHICLES

\$22,142,817 Now Compared With \$18,506,706 Last Year, All Figures Being for Eight Months of Fiscal Year Through February; Beer Taxes Higher

Raleigh, Feb. 27 (AP)—A. J. Maxwell, State commissioner of revenue, released figures today showing a 23.93 percent increase in collections for the eight months ending February 28, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period last year.

## CONGRESS TO STAY INTO MID-SUMMER

### Effect of Hot Weather on Legislation May Be Very Unfavorable

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist Washington, Feb. 27.—Congress undoubtedly will be in session away on into the summer.

## Local Bills Being Pushed Before Close

Daily Dispatch Bureau, in the Sir Walter Hotel, By HENRY AVERILL. Raleigh, Feb. 27.—The panic is on. Adjournment is in the air and every legislator who has a pet project is rushing madly, wildly about the bustiness of getting it enacted into law before it gets caught in the jam that always develops in the dying days of the session.

## SENATOR DONAHEY, OF OHIO, LINES UP WITH PLAN'S FOES

Says Matter Should Be Referred To People and Not Settled by The President

### OPponents NOW 33, PROPONENTS NOW 26

### Half Dozen Counted for Plan Say They Are Non-Committal; Only 25 of 700 Letters to One Senator in Single Day for Plan; Retirement Measure Passes

Washington, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Senator Donahey, Democrat, Ohio, spoke out today against President Roosevelt's reorganization program after his colleague, Senator Buckley, Democrat, Ohio, endorsed it as an effort to "restore our form of government."

Not New Gain. Donahey's declaration did not add to the total of senators publicly committed, however, because earlier word had come from his office on his stand.

### 2 NATIONAL GUARD FLIERS ARE KILLED

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 27.—(AP)—Two National Guard aviators were killed today, Chicago police reported, in a crash of their training ship shortly after taking off from the municipal airport.

## Spain To Hurry To Beat Ban

Madrid, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Insurgent big guns sent shells screaming into mid-Madrid again today.

## Kidnap Baby In Argentine Is Murdered

La Plata, Argentine, Feb. 27.—(AP)—The unclothed body of baby Eugenio Iraola, whose three-day kidnaping stirred Argentine as the Lindbergh case gripped the United States, was found today in the grime of a piggery on the baronial villa of his wealthy parents.

### Sentenced as Spy



John S. Farnsworth, former lieutenant commander of the United States Navy, has been sentenced to serve from four to 12 years in prison for conspiring to sell United States naval secrets to the Japanese.

## MATTSON KIDNAPING CLUE IS DISCOVERED

Redlands, Cal., Feb. 27.—(AP)—Officers studied somewhat skeptically today a possible clue to the kidnaping of ten-year-old Charles Mattson at Tacoma, Wash., given by a man who may have seen the boy with the kidnapers while still alive.