

PROBE OF U. S. FASCISTS GIVEN APPROVAL

HOUSE COMMITTEE FAVORS INQUIRY OF HITLER MOVEMENT

New York Congressman
Says He Can Name 125
Spies Leading 200,-
000 Fascists

MICHIGAN LAW DEAN FIGHTS COURT PLAN

Says Roosevelt Scheme Is
Not Liberal or Progressive
and Leads to Theory of
Government Triumphant
In Parts of Europe at the
Present Time

Washington, April 1 (AP)—
A proposal for an inquiry into
un-American propaganda aimed
chiefly at a reported Fascist
movement in this country, won
today the approval of the House
Rules Committee.

It was put forward by Chair-
man Dickstein, Democrat, New
York, of the House Immigra-
tion Committee, who said he
could name 125 spies working
in behalf of a fascist state in
America.

In his early testimony before
the committee, the New Yorker
also asserted a Nazi army was
being drilled in this country,
complete with uniforms and
swastika and a Detroit, Fritz
Kuhn had an organization of
200,000 Nazi sympathizers.

The investigation proposal will
go from the rules committee to the
House for final determination.

Another committee which recently
had heard considerable testimony
about the American form of govern-
ment and the preservation of democ-
racy, the Senate Judiciary Com-
mittee, heard Dan Henry Bates, of the
University of Michigan Law School
testify in opposition to President
Roosevelt's court reform plan.

He declared it was "not liberal and
progressive" and would move "to-
ward a theory of government trium-
phant in part of Europe at the pre-
sent time."

Many of his remarks were directed

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Jury Probing Frisco's Vice Is Dismissed

San Francisco, Cal., April 1.—(AP)—
A "sitdown strike" of a grand jury
trying into charges police were paid
\$1,000,000 annually to protect vice
and gambling was answered today by
summary dismissals.

"Neither this jury nor any other"
can "sitdown" on the public interests
of San Francisco, Superior Court
Judge Steiger was quoted as saying in
a story copyrighted by the Chronicle.

"I believe the jury has destroyed
public confidence in the outcome of
the current proceedings by inexplic-
able and incessant bickering and con-
fusion within its own ranks."

"Furthermore, it has been brought
to my attention that at least four of
the personnel of the jury are subject
to removal from the jury in view of
the disclosure associating them di-
rectly or indirectly with certain
phases of the matter under investiga-
tion."

The matters under investigation
are data assembled by Special Inves-
tigator Atherton, former Department
of Justice agent.

Big Strike In Calcutta Is Serious

Calcutta, India, April 1.—(AP)—
Confronted by a swiftly-spreading
general strike, India's vast corps
of police and soldiery was held in
tense readiness today to put down
any violent opposition to the birth
of constitutional semi-home rule
for eleven legislative provinces.

The new constitution for India,
which nationalists oppose as not
giving them enough independence,
went into effect today.

All commodity markets were
closed along with numerous shops
and mills, and nationalist news-
papers suspended publication.

QUEEN OF BEASTS UNDER THE SURGEON'S KNIFE



"Dutchess," a seven-year-old carnival lion, underwent an emergency operation in Charlotte, N. C., because she ate too much meat—together with the canvas bags wrapped around the meat. Securely strapped and put to sleep with hypodermics, she scarcely flexed a muscle while veterinarians removed her stomach and retrieved the bags. Barring complications, "Dutchess" is expected to recover. (Associated Press Photo.)

Spanish Rebel Soldiers Flee On Three Fronts In Face Of Federal Drives

Duchess the Lion Dies of Operation

Charlotte, April 1.—(AP)—Duchess, the Lion circus performer, whose last days of life after an operation attracted attention such as might have been accorded a human star, died today.

Stimulants administered throughout yesterday and last night failed and attaches said the daughter of Lindy, an actual jungle king, died without recovering from the coma into which she fell yesterday.

BAILEY ATTACK ON FARLEY PONDERED

Seen as Possible Definite,
Conclusive Break With
Administration

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In the St. Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, April 1.—The bitter attack
made by Senator Josiah W. Bailey in
his speech in Chapel Hill Tuesday
night on Postmaster General Jim Farley,
in the course of his speech de-
fending his own position in opposi-
tion to the President's Supreme Court
reorganization program, is causing
much more interest here than the
portion of the speech in which he de-
fended himself and in which he main-
tained that he said, "I have voted for
the administration officer than the
State has—nine administration mea-
sures have been passed by Congress
this year and I voted for every one
of them."

In the course of his speech, Sen-
ator Bailey also paid his respects to
Secretary of the Interior Harold L.
Ickes, who was the principal speaker
at the "Victory" dinner at which Sen-
ator Tidings, who had been invited to
make the address by Senator Bailey,
made a speech regarded as a very
thinly veiled attack upon the Pres-
ident and his court reorganization pro-
gram.

"I am so cold on Ickes it would
take four hundred million degrees of
heat to make me feel him," Senator
Bailey said.

Concerning Jim Farley, Senator
Bailey is quoted as saying:
"Who is Jim Farley to talk about
loyalty? Farley threw his party in
New York, in Wisconsin and in other
states. When he comes talking loy-
alty to me, I'll ram his words down
his throat."

Observers here are wondering at the
force of Senator Bailey's language
with regard to Jim Farley, who is not
only the President's right hand man
and chairman of the National Demo-
cratic Executive Committee, but also

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HOEY DELUGED FOR NEW APPOINTMENTS

Coan's Lieutenants Apply-
ing Heat to Governor
for WPA Chief

Liquor Jobs Up, Too
But Chief Interest Centers in High-
way Places; Bailey Is Anxious for
Coan To Get The
Appointment

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Raleigh, April 1.—The blow-torch
bearers are applying the heat on Gov-
ernor Clyde R. Hoey with regard to
his forthcoming appointment of ten
new members of the State Highway
and Public Works Commission and a
chairman, also with regard to the
chairman of the new Alcoholic Bever-
ages Control Board and the two part-
time members. But while Governor
Hoey has announced he will make the
liquor board appointments in the very
near future and before he makes the
highway commission appointments, a
great deal more interest is being
shown in the highway commission
posts than in the liquor board jobs.

Most of the delegations, telegrams
calls and letters being received by the
governor—and these are coming in by
the hundreds—are in behalf of dif-
ferent candidates for membership on
the new highway commission or as
chairman.

Just about the only thing Governor
Hoey has done since the General As-
sembly adjourned has been to read
hundreds of letters pertaining either
to the highway or liquor commission
jobs, and to listen to delegations ur-
ging the appointment of various indi-
viduals. Until Tuesday of this week,
most of the endorsements were con-
fined to letters, telegrams and tele-
phone calls. But since the governor's
office re-opened following the Easter
holidays, there has been an almost
unending line of delegations going in
and coming out of his office.

Indications are that the contest for
the chairmanship of the new high-
way commission has now simmered
down to a contest between George W.
Coan, present State administrator of

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GEDEON GETS VIEWS OF MURDERED WOMEN

Detectives Watch His Reactions as
Slain Art Model Daughter and
Wife Are Buried

New York, April 1.—(AP)—While
detectives watched carefully his re-
actions, Joseph Gedeon was taken to-
day to view the bodies of his artist
model daughter, Veronica, and his
wife, Mary, slain with a boarder,
Frank Byrnes, Easter morning in the
triple murder on Beekman Hill.

Gedeon, upholsterer who discovered
the baffling crime, has been question-
ed almost continuously since District
Attorney Dodge announced yesterday
"police have a definite suspect."
Captain William Reynolds, in
charge of 50 detectives working on
the case, said Gedeon faced a charge
of violating the anti-firearms law be-
cause of the finding of a revolver in
the apartment where he lived near
his estranged wife and daughter.

Reynolds said detectives were
ordered to accompany Gedeon to fun-
eral services for the two women in
the Roman Catholic church of St.
Gregory the Great this morning.

SPARGER MAY GET NEW JUDGESHIP JOB

Folger, Father and Son,
Also Talked for New
District Post

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In the St. Walter Hotel,
By J. C. BASKERVILLE
Raleigh, April 1.—A brisk contest
is developing as a result of the cre-
ation of the new twenty-first judicial
district by the recent General Assem-
bly and the fact that Governor Clyde
R. Hoey will have to appoint a new
superior court judge and a new solici-
tor for this district before July 1.
The new district is composed of Caswell,
Rockingham, Stokes and Surry coun-
ties and was carved out of the eleven-
th and twelfth judicial districts.

While Governor Hoey is being flood-
ed with endorsements for would-be
candidates for both the judgeship and
solicitorship in this new district, most

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Both Sides In Court Battle Claim Monday Decisions Aid For Their Side Of Question

400,000 Soft Coal Miners Wait Order To Launch Strikes

Unless Operators Capitulate to Wage and Hour De-
mands, Strike Will Come, John L. Lewis Declares;
Negotiations Continuing in New York

(By The Associated Press.)

Four hundred thousand soft coal
miners today commemorated institu-
tion of the eight hour day, while an
apprehensive, strike-weary indus-
trial world faced the possibility of
another widespread strike.

Their leader, John L. Lewis, said
that unless operators capitulate to
wage and hour proposals offered them
in a new working contract there
would be no resumption of bituminous
mine operations tomorrow.

Negotiations between heads of the
United Mine Workers and coal pro-

ducers continued in New York.
Upon a conference today at Oshawa,
Ontario, hinged developments in an
embryonic strike threat of employees
of the General Motors plant in the
Canadian city.

Governor Frank Murphy, of Mich-
igan, asserted he would press "day
and night" for solution to the Chry-
sler strike. A conference will be re-
sumed tomorrow at Lansing.

At Covington, Va., the textile work-
ers organizing committee assumed di-
rection of the sit-in strike at the Cov-
ington Industrial Rayon Company plant.

General Motors Strike Is Receding Around Detroit

Other Walk-Outs Occur In Area, However, To Offset
Gains Made in Settlements Returning Workers to
Jobs; Over 100,000 Men Are Still Idle

Detroit, Mich., April 1.—(AP)—A
sudden outbreak of strikes in General
Motors plants that affected 81,400 men
at its peak, receded today as the com-
pany announced 7,200 men had return-
ed to work in the Fisher Body plant
at Cleveland.

Offsetting that settlement, how-
ever, was the strike that closed the
plant of the Yellow Truck & Coach
Manufacturing Company at Pontiac,
Mich., this morning. The company is
not a General Motors unit.

Also closed by strikers were the

Fisher Body plant at Pontiac and the
Chevrolet Motor Company's final as-
sembly line at Flint, Mich. Closed, or
partially closed, because of strikes in
other plants were the Pontiac plant
and Fisher Body plant No. 2 at Flint.
General Motors officials here said
the strike in the Cleveland plant,
caused by a wage dispute, was of brief
duration.

Approximately 17,400 men still were
idle.

Today's strike developments in-
creased the number of automobile
workers idle to more than 100,000.

FREEDOM WORRIES PHILIPPINE FOLKS

Moreover, Uncle Sam Dis-
likes Idea of Kissing Is-
lands Goodbye

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

Washington, April 1.—Ever since
the United States took them away
from Spain the Philippines have been
clamoring for independence.

Now that they are about to get it
they do not seem to like the prospect.
President Manuel Quezon has been
touring the United States, making
frequent remarks implying that he
prefers not to have his people's inde-
pendence overly unqualified.

Next it is suggested that President
Roosevelt will make a trip to the is-
lands next autumn or in the spring of
1938 (as soon as Congress lets him
get away) to look over the situation
there. Nor is the impression given
that, if he does so, he will do it in
order to kiss the Filipinos a con-
clusive goodbye.

Rather, it is hinted, the idea is to
prevent, by modification of the inde-

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U. S. Youth Group Rents Buildings From Rutherford

Hickory, April 1.—(AP)—An-
nouncement Rutherford College
buildings and physical equipment
in Burke county, near here, have
been leased to the National Youth
Administration of the Federal
government for use as a school,
for girls was made today by
George Ivey, of Hickory, secre-
tary-treasurer of the trustees of
the Methodist institution.

Arrangements are being made
to open the new government
school about April 12, with about
one girl from each of the 100
counties of the State enrolled.

ASSAULT ADMITTED BY YOUTHFUL NEGRO

12-Year-Old White Girl At-
tacked in Woods Near
Home at Marion

Marion, April 1.—(AP)—McDowell
Sheriff Grady Nichols said today
Mann Smith, 17, Negro, arrested here
late last night, had confessed that he
criminally assaulted a 12-year-old
white girl yesterday afternoon in a
wooded section near the child's home.

The sheriff said the "situation look-
ed bad" when he slipped the Negro
out of the McDowell county jail and
whisked him in an auto to the jail at
Asheville, in Buncombe county, for
safe-keeping.

A large crowd gathered before the
court house shortly after midnight
when word went around that officers
had captured a suspect. A posse had
searched the Negro section in the
town throughout the early part of the
night.

HUGE LIQUOR STILL SEIZED IN HALIFAX

Roanoke Rapids, April 1.—(AP)—
Sheriff J. C. Stephenson and deputies
reported today they had destroyed a
large still of the steam type and 3,
000 gallons of beer at Bradley's, near
Henrico, last night.

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Fair tonight, Friday increasing
cloudiness and warmer.

STRESSES NEED OF CAREFULLY WRITTEN ACT, WHEELER SAYS

Same View Expressed By
University of Michigan
Law School Dean
In Testimony

CUMMINGS DIFFERS WITH THESE VIEWS

Re-Writing of Laws Set
Aside by Supreme Court
Back Before Senate in
Guffey Coal Act; Sitdown
Probe Considered In De-
bate by the House

Washington, April 1.—(AP)—Both
sides in the court reorganization fight
continued today to contend their
arguments had gained new strength
from Monday's Supreme Court de-
cisions.

Senator Wheeler, an opposition lead-
er, said the court's approval of the re-
vised Frazier-Lemke farm mortgage
moratorium showed the need for care
in drafting new laws.

Dean Henry Bates, of the Univer-
sity of Michigan Law School, expressed
a similar view in the statement
he prepared for the Senate Judiciary
Committee hearings today.

Attorney General Cummings de-
clared, however, the court's decision on
a minimum wage law as constitutional,
overruling a previous adverse deci-
sion, illustrated the merits of the
Roosevelt measure.

The House Rules Committee ap-
proved a resolution for a congress-
ional inquiry into alleged propaganda
against the American form of govern-
ment.

The re-writing of laws found un-
sound by the high court came before
the Senate today in a new control
bill designed to replace the in-
validated Guffey-Vinson law. Propon-
ents predicted the new bill would pass
without major amendments. It already
has passed the House.

House committees considered pro-
posals for investigation of sitdown
strikes and conditions in the ship-
building and other industries. A
vote on the sitdown inquiry project,
intended to provide a basis for regu-
latory legislation, was expected be-
fore tonight.

The House Agriculture Committee,
which rejected yesterday an adminis-
tration proposal for assisting tenant
and share-croppers to buy farms on
easy credits, turned today to two
other suggested aids for small income
farmers.

VOTE ON LIQUOR IN ALAMANCE IS ASKED

Burlington, April 1.—(AP)—Albert
Pearson, of Haw River, said today he
would circulate petitions asking the
Alamance commissioners to call an
election on the establishment of
whisky stores.

Death For Enemies Is Stalin Aim

Moscow, April 1.—(AP)—Joseph
Stalin, called upon Russia today
for "merciless" extermination of all
bolshvist enemies in what was
interpreted as a virtual death sen-
tence for hundreds under arrest
as counter revolutionaries.

The demand of the Soviet leader
regarded as an ultimatum to the
Communist party, was made in
the Kremlin March 5 before the
closing session of a plenum of the
central committee of the party,
and was published today.

"I think it is clear," the secre-
tary of the central committee de-
clared, "that the present wreck-
ers and diversionists, no matter
whether they have masked them-
selves under the flag of Trotsky-
ism or of Bukharinism, have lost
their influence in the workers'
movement, and have become sim-
ply an unprincipled and idealist
band of professional wreckers, di-
versionists, spies and murderers."