

LEWIS SAYS FORD INTIMIDATING WORKERS

House Refuses Probe Of Un-American Activities

INVESTIGATION OF PROPAGANDA MOVES IS LAID ON SHELF

Dickstein Resolution Charges Foreign Spies Seeking To Undermine Government

ROBINSON THINKS
NEW TAX UNLIKELY

Dies Urges Passage of Order for Deportation of Criminal Aliens; Huge Finance Program To Help Low Income Classes To Pass In House

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—The House refused today to order a congressional investigation of un-American activities and propaganda.

With the so-called liberal bloc as the spearhead of the opposition, the House, on a voice vote, agreed overwhelmingly to set back an investigation resolution.

Meanwhile, senators, studying civil liberties violations, said they would begin an inquiry next Wednesday into the bloody labor disputes in Kentucky's Harlan county coal fields.

This announcement by the civil liberties group was made a short time before the House undertook consideration of requests for initiating various investigations.

Chief of these would be an inquiry into sit-down strikes, proposed by Representative Dies, Democrat, Texas. First on the House docket, however, was a resolution by Representative Dickstein, providing for a study of whether foreign nations were using spies and propaganda to undermine the American government.

Senate Majority Leader Robinson predicted relief funds for next year might be curtailed to provide for other government activities without additional taxes. Robinson told reporters in an interview he hoped to avoid

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CHARLOTTESVILLE'S DOCTOR SENTENCED

Dentist Given 16 Years for Chloroform Death of Pretty High School Student

Charlottesville, Va., April 8.—(AP)—Judge Lemuel Smith, of Albemarle circuit court, today sentenced Dr. Richard G. Miller, middle-aged dentist, to 16 years in prison on his plea of second degree murder in the chloroform death of pretty Cleo Sproule, an 18-year-old high school girl.

There was no demonstration in the crowded court room as the judge pronounced sentence. Judge Smith asserted, in fixing the sentence at 16 years, he took into consideration the age of the defendant, 53, and his education.

Dr. Miller, head bowed, wept silently as sentence was pronounced. His daughter, Lucy, sat beside him, while a short distance away his wife listened to the sentence with her eyes closed.

The mother and relatives of the dead girl were also present and showed no outward emotion as the sentence was pronounced.

17 Killers Leave Jail In Florida

Jacksonville, Fla., April 8 (AP)—Seventeen prisoners, including five killers, sawed their way out of the Duval county jail early today and sought hideouts from police patrols quickly mobilized.

Chief Deputy Sheriff R. L. Bohon said one, Alvin Baker, was quickly recaptured.

"I think we have James Tyler located," Bohon added.

Baker and Tyler were the confessed slayers of Mr. and Mrs. John Surrency in an unsuccessful hold-up last Thanksgiving day.

Another of the escaped Negroes returned to the jail voluntarily, Bohon said. This man, named McKinzie, told officers he "woke up and saw an open window, so he went to visit his wife." Three other killers were among those escaped, Bohon said. Two of them, Walter Williams, alias Joe Sims, and Preston McDonald were awaiting a mandatory death sentence after their conviction of slaying a Negro taxicab driver in a hold-up.

Brother of Emperor Arrives



Their Royal Highnesses Prince and Princess Chichibu, brother and sister-in-law of the Emperor of Japan, are shown at New York's Pennsylvania Station as they arrived from Montreal. After a day of sightseeing they sailed on the Queen Mary for England, where they will represent the Emperor at the coronation. (Central Press)

LAYING PLANS FOR OLD AGE PENSIONS

State Welfare Board Gathering Data on Which It Is to Operate

TO NAME NEW BOARDS

All Applications for Aid To Be Passed Upon by Local Boards To Be Named Throughout the State

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, April 8.—The State Board of Charities and Public Welfare is already busy making preparations for putting the new old age pensions and children's aid law into effect, despite the fact that the new law does not become operative until July 1, and that no applications for pensions or aid for dependent children will be received until after that date, Mrs. W. T. Bost, commissioner of public welfare, said today.

The administration of both of these new laws will be under the general supervision of the Board of Charities and Public Welfare and under the

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AURORA MAN HELD IN MURDER AFFAIR

Norfolk, Va., April 8 (AP)—Detectives P. W. Adams and E. S. Dudley said today a man listed as Clyde Tillmon Paul, of Aurora, N. C., was being held today on a murder warrant while they investigated the death of a man believed to be Allen (Jack) Miller, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miller was found beaten in an East Main Street union mission and died last night in a local hospital.

SEEK PWA MONEY FOR NEW BUILDING

If State Can Get Grant Building May Be Larger Than Was Planned

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, April 8.—The possibility of securing a grant from the Public Works Administration towards the erection of the new State office building, for which the 1937 General Assembly appropriated some \$600,000, will be investigated this week, the commission decided following its first meeting here Wednesday. At the meeting Judge Walter D. Siler, of

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Victory Is Fickle For Spaniards

(By The Associated Press)

Fighting behind a wall of fire, Spanish insurgent troops pressed their attack within 18 miles of the Basque capital of Bilbao in northern Spain today.

Far to the south, on the Cordoba front, government militiamen hammered at insurgent entrenchments in Villaharta, trying to "bottle up" 15,000 troops of General Francisco Franco.

International tension over repeated attacks by insurgent ships on British war and merchant vessels apparently eased somewhat as insurgent authorities "admitted they had made an unfortunate mistake."

Accusation by the controlled Italian press of violation of the non-intervention agreement by France and Russia by dispatch of arms and men to

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DONATES FORTUNE TO CHARITY BODY

Muncie, Ind., April 8 (AP)—George A. Ball, millionaire Muncie manufacturer, is donating to the George and Frances Ball Foundation his entire common stock holdings in Mid-America Corporation, an announcement issued at his office today said.

The foundation was incorporated March 22 with the secretary of State at Indianapolis, and the purposes given in the corporation were "religious, education and charitable."

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Highway Commission To Plan \$500,000 Spending On Strict County Roads

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, April 8.—The State Highway and Public Works Commission, in session here today and tomorrow in what is probably the next to the last meeting of the present commission—the new "reorganized" commission will take office May 1—is going to program the spending of some \$500,000 for emergency work on the county roads, Chairman Capus M. Waynick said today. This amount was saved back from the last allotments made from the highway surplus to the commission by former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, in the event more severe road damage would be done this winter by the weather.

FOLGER PRESENTS \$7,323 CHECK FOR 'VICTORY DINNERS'

But Does Not Represent Final Contributions To Democratic Committee From State

EXPECTS STATE TO REACH ITS QUOTA

Receipts Not Included from 17 Dinners Held In North Carolina Last Month; High Point's \$177 and Big Winston-Salem Affair Not Yet Counted

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—A. D. Folger, North Carolina Democratic national committeeman, presented a \$7,323 check today to National Chairman James A. Farley, representing proceeds from Victory Day Dinners in the State.

Folger said the check did not include receipts from 17 dinners held in the State, which he estimated would put North Carolina's total Victory Dinner collection close to the State's \$10,500 quota.

It did not include \$177 collected at the High Point dinner, nor receipts from the dinner at Winston-Salem, one of the largest in the State, Folger said.

THINK DEATH MASK MADE UPON MODEL

Further Ghoulish Aspects of New York's Triple Slaying Constructed by Police

New York, April 8.—(AP)—To the extravagant details of an Easter triple murder in a Eekman Hill apartment, police added today the weird and ghoulish possibility the killer of Veronica Gedeon paused long enough to press a plaster upon her features for a death mask.

As Pennsylvania authorities checked the chance a sculptor suspect, Robert Irwin, had been seen hitchhiking near Stroudsburg, Alexander Etti, art supply dealer, and Irwin's former employer, said indications pointed to such a mask having been made.

Etti explained the making of masks is routine work of apprentice art students. Police scheduled another conference with him today in an effort to obtain additional clues to the identity of the man who slew "Ronnie," her mother, Mary, and Frank Byrnes, a roomer.

Attack On Austrians At Berlin

Berlin, April 8.—(AP)—Berlin's newspapers began a concerted attack on Austria this afternoon for what they contended was the placing of German guards at the graves of Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler's parents at Leonding, Austria, and the punishment of a pensioned Austrian official and his wife for placing a wreath there.

The unusual tenor of the newspaper

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Grave Diggers On Strike



The last word in sit-down strikes was reached in North Arlington, N. J., when grave diggers and other laborers in Holy Cross Cemetery sat down and refused to prepare graves for six scheduled funerals. In addition to other demands, they asked a minimum wage of \$5 a day.

Accuses Congress Of Own "Sitdown"

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—Representative Rich, Republican, Pennsylvania, accused congressional leaders today of "sitting down" on the sit-down strike issue.

Rich shouted to the House President Roosevelt had invited Speaker Bankhead, Vice-President Garner and the Democratic leaders of the Senate and House to discuss sit-downs upon his return recently from Warm Springs, Ga.

"Ever since," he said, "they have been sitting down."

One Is Dead In Tornado In Alabama

First Report, Unconfirmed, Is Four Are Killed in District Around Troy

Troy, Ala., April 8.—(AP)—A tornado killed at least one person, injured numerous others and leveled houses in a lumber mill village at Brundidge, Ala., today.

Highway Patrolman Will Tatum, who sped to the storm scene, reported four bodies had been found.

Chief Walter McAdory, of the Alabama highway patrol, received the report in Montgomery, Ala.

"Tatum told me they knew four were dead," McAdory said, "but didn't know how many more. Telephone lines are down to Brundidge and he had to go to Banks to call me. I've sent 20 patrolmen to Brundidge."

Justice of the Peace L. R. Ray at Troy said he was informed the storm struck the mill village half a mile from Brundidge first, leveled many houses, then hit the edge of Brundidge's residential sections.

Fred Crowley, 12, was known to be dead.

With communication facilities crippled, the highway patrolman's report of four fatalities could not be checked.

PLYMOUTH TO VOTE ON LIQUOR STORES

Plymouth, April 8 (AP)—J. E. Daventport, of Mackey's chairman, announced today the Washington county commissioners had decided to hold a referendum on the liquor question, and that the date would be set by the county elections board.

CALL ISSUED FOR REPORTS OF BANKS

Washington, April 8.—(AP)—The comptroller of the currency issued a call today for the condition of all national banks at the close of business Wednesday, March 31.

CALL ALSO ISSUED FOR REPORTS OF STATE BANKS

Raleigh, April 8.—(AP)—Gurney P. Hood, State bank commissioner, issued a call today for reports on the condition of all State banks as of the close of business Wednesday, March 31.



FOR NORTH CAROLINA.
Rain tonight and Friday.

GREEN WILL SEEK EXPULSION OF ALL OF LEWIS UNIONS

A. F. of L. Head To Call Special Session of Federation's Executive Committee

HOT CAMPAIGN NOW ON IN OIL FIELDS

Rival Labor Organizations Seek To Enroll Workers There; Lewis Says Ford's Tactics Won't Gain for Him Ends He Seeks in His Auto Industry

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 8 (AP)—John Lewis charged today the Ford Motor company was preventing its men from joining labor unions through a system of intimidation and coercion.

"Mr. (Henry) Ford's River Rouge plant in times past has been an arsenal—and still is today," said the chairman of the C. I. O. "All of which, however, will not gain him the end he seeks."

Lewis made the statement during an interview in which he predicted membership of his labor committee within 60 days would exceed the 2,250,000 members of the American Federation of Labor. He declared his leaders would "half any strikes in plants of companies with whom the union has contracts."

GREEN TO SEEK OUSTER OF LEWIS AND HIS MEN

Washington, April 8 (AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, said today he would

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Jewelry and Cash Taken in Robbery Charlotte House

Charlotte, April 8.—(AP)—Mrs. Lula Paxton, and her son, Joe, reported to police they were robbed of \$500 and other valuables at their home early today by two white men who first cut the telephone wires and locked the Paxtons in the bathroom. The officers' report also said the loot included two diamond rings valued at several hundred dollars, a watch and a pistol.

Mrs. Paxton is the mother of Misses Virginia and Frances Paxton, dancers at Hollywood, Cal.

25,000 Made Homeless In Manila Fire

Manila, P. I., April 8.—(AP)—Relief agencies cared today for 25,000 persons left homeless by one of the worst fires in Manila's history.

The Philippine army flung up a temporary village of tents to house most of the victims of the fire that raged through the northern section of Manila yesterday, destroying dwellings at an estimated loss of \$1,000,000.

Dark Strike Clouds On Industrial Horizon Are Again Very Threatening

(By The Associated Press)

Dark strike clouds rolled over the industrial horizon again today.

While the U. A. W. A. pushed plans for unionization of 150,000 Ford Motor Company workers, a general strike was called at plants of General Motors of Canada, Ltd., in Oshawa, Ontario, and employees went out of the buildings in response to the call.

Orderly picketing was reported established.

At Ways, Ga., Henry Ford, staunch champion of the open shop said: "We'll never recognize the United Automobile Workers Union nor any other union."

John Lewis, C. I. O. head, meanwhile, asserted at Detroit: "I have no doubt, however, that Mr. Ford will change his mind."

Governor George Earle, of Pennsylvania, issued a statement criticizing the sheriff of Dauphin county for not enlisting the aid of State police to prevent bloodshed at the Hershey Chocolate Company plant.

Evacuation of the Covington, Va., plant of the Industrial Rayon Corporation by "sit-in" strikers was a source of "gratification" today to Governor Peery, of Virginia, who ex-

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