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Leaf Legislation Seems Probable As Group Talks Plan

Cooley Says Another Meeting Will Be Held Tuesday to Further Work Started

TECHNICAL DETAILS DISCUSSED YESTERDAY

Referendum Would Be Called Before Planting Season and Not at Marketing Time; Members of Tobacco States Group Want Separate Bill

Washington, July 23.—(AP)—Congressional proponents of tobacco control legislation expressed hope today they could reach an agreement on a workable program. They reported little headway was made yesterday when members of Congress from Kentucky, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia met to discuss a program, but expressed a determination to continue. Representative Harold Cooley, of Nashville, N. C., chairman of an unofficial tobacco committee, said another meeting will be held next Tuesday. He reported agreements that any referendum be provided would be held prior to the planting season, instead of just before the marketing season. The tobacco group proposes not to include the tobacco in a general farm bill if one gets before Congress. Otherwise, they want a separate bill. Technical details of proposed legislation were discussed yesterday, Cooley said.

BLADENBORO BANK ROBBED BY NEGRO

Unmasked Bandit Takes About \$600 at Pistol Point from Cashier

Bladenboro, July 23 (AP)—An unmasked Negro walked into the Bank of Bladenboro at noon today, and Cashier L. C. Grigger said took "some thing over" \$600 at the point of an automatic pistol. Grigger said he was alone at the time of the robbery, just before closing time at lunch. The Negro, Grigger, said called for him to "stick 'em up and turn over all the money in the cash drawer." The cashier said the Negro, who he described as about 30 years old and about five feet, 10 inches tall, then made him walk to the door where another negro waited in a car. After the holdup, the pair sped in the direction of Fayetteville. Grigger reported. Police throughout the section were notified and a searching party of officers formed immediately. Grigger, Chief State Bank Examiner John Allen of Raleigh, said he told him he gave the robbers some loose change and a \$500 package of \$5 bills, but was certain the total was less than \$700. Highway patrol officers in Raleigh received word at 1:30 and patrolmen were instructed to look for the robbers.

Alaskans Are Jaunty After Quake

Greatest Earthquake Disturbance There Does Estimated Damage of \$5,000

Fairbanks, Alaska, July 23.—(AP)—Alaskans displayed jaunty indifference today to the greatest earthquake disaster since ever recorded in the territory. For nine hours yesterday, many shocks, four of them were severe, occurred over the interior from Fairbanks, 300 miles to the south, to Anchorage. Utilities companies, banks and business houses carried on business as usual. Only the liquor store failed to operate. The earth shock toppled bottles off shelves and broke them. Telephone lines, broke during the first shock, were easily repaired. Total damage was estimated at a maximum of \$5,000, mostly to the liquor stores. Unconfirmed reports said several houses were demolished and one person injured when a giant earth slide swept across the Richardson highway.

INSURGENTS SHELL MADRID, KILLING 15, SCORE INJURED

Two Weeks of Comparative Calm Shattered in Capital by Bombardments

EIGHT KILLED BY FALLING PROJECTILE

Madrid Jolted Back To Realization That Besieging Army Is Still At Its Gates; Great Splashes of Blood Littered Sidewalks

Madrid, July 23.—(AP)— Twice shelled within 24 hours and with at least 15 killed and a score hurt by the insurgents' big guns, Madrid, was abruptly thrown back to grimness of bitter sieges. After two weeks of comparative calm while a tornado of offensives and counter-offensives raged over the hills and plains some 15 miles to the west, Madrid was jolted to the sharp realization that a besieging army was still at its gates. After a long artillery duel last night, confined to the outskirts of the capital, shells started dropping in Alcala and Cibeles square. One projectile killed eight. Great splashes of blood were still visible on the pavement near the old monastery of war before workmen started sweeping the sidewalk and clearing away the debris. Spotted all over Madrid were fresh stores and bricks, and holes gnawed in what were solid walls the day before.

TRUCK DRIVERS IN PHILADELPHIA QUIT

Philadelphia, July 23 (AP)—A strike of truck drivers employed in hauling of goods for the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company slightly affected produce delivery to a large number of stores in this area today. The strike was not directed against the company, but against a group of firms under contract with the A. & P. to haul produce from railroad terminals.

COTTON OPENS EASY WITH MARKET OFF

New York, July 23 (AP)—Cotton futures opened easy, down six to thirteen point on lower cables, favorable weather and under foreign selling and liquidation. Shortly after the first half hour, the market was at five to ten points. By midday December was selling at 11.05 with prices generally 11 to 16 points net lower. Futures closed easy 31 to 36 lower spot quiet middling 11.80.

2 Negroes Executed In Gas Cell

Raleigh, July 23.—(AP)—Two Negroes, convicted of wife murder, Hunter Winchester from Guilford county, and Fred Grey, from Onslow, died by gas at State's Prison today. Winchester died nine minutes 36 seconds after the gas machinery was started at 10:35, the shortest gas execution on record here. He entered the death chamber at 10:30 a. m. and was dead at 10:45 a. m. It took 12 minutes and 65 seconds of gas administration before Dr. G. S. Coleman prison medical director pronounced Grey dead at 11:38. He entered the gas chamber at 11:23 a. m. and dodded to witnesses he recognized and two minutes later the lethal machinery was started. Winchester, 24, was born at Reidsville, his death certificate said, and his body was claimed by relatives there. Grey, 26, was born at Verona, Onslow county, and his body was taken there. Warden Honeycutt said each man confessed his guilt. Winchester killed his wife, Mable Winchester, and Grey's wife was Lettuce Grey.

Figures in Capture of Southwest's No. 1 Badman, Pete Traxler



Pete Traxler, badly wounded, in hospital

Figures in the sensational capture of No. 1 desperado, and the slaying of his pal, Fred Tindol, are pictured. Tindol was shot to death and Traxler badly wounded by two cool-headed farmers who had been seized as hostages by the desperadoes in their attempt to escape a state-wide police net. The shooting occurred near Boswell, Okla., near the Texas line. Both Frank Trimmer, shown above, and

James Denton, shot Tindol and Denton shot Traxler, who was removed to a Hugo, Okla., hospital in a serious condition. Meanwhile, Mrs. Traxler was in Durant, Okla., jail after being captured when possemen closed in on the desperado and his wife, whom he had daringly picked up at her home in Verden. Traxler, hunted for 12 days, was expected to be charged with armed robbery and kidnaping if he lived.



Frank Trimmer

RUSSIAN STICKS TO MURDER STORY

Nick Zuravio Tells Court He Saw Cremation of "Old Pete" Krochmalny

Burgaw, July 23.—(AP)— Nick Zuravio, who testified yesterday at the murder trial of Pete and Paul Krochmalny and Ervin Williams, said he saw them burn the body of "Old Paul" Krochmalny, stuck to this story today through an intense cross examination. The 67-year-old Russian farmer, speaking through an interpreter, said he saw the Krochmalny's burn the body in a dary sterilizer in a dary furnace, while Williams stood guard with a rifle.

OPPOSES MERGING U. S. INVESTIGATORS

Mrs. Roosevelt's Expressed Position Regarded as Significant

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist Washington, July 23.—Mrs. Roosevelt, in one of her recent "columns," takes sides against the frequently-merged merger of Uncle Sam's detective organizations, on the ground that a highly centralized set-up of this sort is calculated to become a threat a-

Best Fall In Nine Years

Just Ahead, Babson Feels

Cites Ten Reasons for Autumn Pick-Up In Business, and Advises Adequate Preparations; Crop Prospects Declared To Be Exceptionally Good

BY ROGER W. BABSON, Copyright 1937, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc. Babson Park, Mass., July 23.—Sentiment has improved noticeably in the past fortnight. The gloom of early July is gradually lifting and confidence is slowly healing. Doubts are still expressed about Fall business, however. Many feel that when the current backlog of orders, built up during the Winter and Spring, finally runs out, business will suffer a sharp dip. As a matter of fact, we are having a gentle let-down which is more than seasonal. The Babsonchart reading today is five per cent above normal, compared with 10 per cent above normal in May.

LABOR EXAMINER BACK TO CAPITAL

Griffin Takes Evidence Of Morehead Shirt Dispute To Full Board

Morehead City, July 23.—(AP)— William Griffin, examiner for the NLRB returned to Washington today to study evidence given here on charges that the Regal Shirt Company had violated the Wagner labor law and to make his report to the full board. The hearing was adjourned about midnight, after a late session at which J. W. Jackson, manager of the plant and citizens of the city denied allegations brought by a representative of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, a CIO affiliate. Jackson testified he was not instrumental in the organization of the Regal Employees Association, which was alleged to be a company union in violation of the Federal law. Stanley Woodland, who said he had no connection with the shirt company and acted purely in a personal capacity, assumed full responsibility for the formation of the association. Asked his motive, he replied a majority of Regal employees were his friends and said "he hated organized labor in general and CIO particularly."

JAPAN RETURNING TO NORMALCY NOW

Tokyo, July 23.—(AP)—Japan rapidly returned to normal today, and a general belief grew that war with China had been settled and a lasting settlement of a long existing differences between the two countries. A foreign office spokesman said Japan was ready to consider any proposal for the settlement of the fundamental differences of Sino-Japanese issue and would respond with any change in the foreign policy.

TEN FACTORS POINTING TOWARD PROSPERITY.

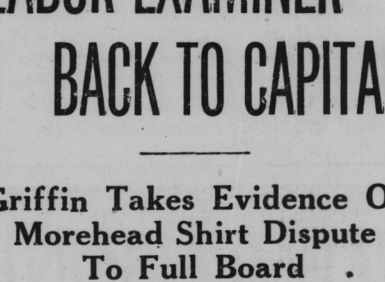
1. Crop prospects best in ten years.
2. Purchasing power highest since 1929.
3. Labor troubles on wane for 1937.
4. Congress nearer to adjournment.
5. Building costs easing off.
6. Inventories of goods not burdensome.
7. New industries forging ahead.
8. Foreign trade making great progress.
9. French crisis apparently passed.
10. Basic trend of business still upward.

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OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Generally fair tonight and Saturday, slightly warmer tonight.

Roosevelt Feels Some Aims Court Bill Are Achieved

FEDERAL REA BODY WANTS TO PUT HOEY IN JOHNSTON FIGHT

Administrator Carmody Calls Mass Meeting Wednesday to Decide On Action

FIGHT SEEN BETWEEN REA, POWER GROUP

Carolina Company Could String Wires and Have Electricity to Farm Homes Immediately; Hoey Invited To Mass Meeting; Farmers Tired of Waiting For "Juice"

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, July 23.—Yelping like a kicked dog as a result of the decision by the Johnston County Electric Co-operative directors to reject its proffered loan and to let the Carolina Power and Light Company build its rural electric lines, the Federal Rural Electrification Administration apparently has lost all interest in bringing electric service to the farmers of the State and is now intent only on fighting the power companies and if possible, in getting Governor Clyde R. Hoey on a hot spot, observers here today are convinced after reading the snarling letter written to Governor Hoey by REA Administrator J. M. Carmody and made public in Washington. In his letter to Governor Hoey, Administrator Carmody revealed that a mass meeting has been called in Johnston county for Wednesday, July 23 as a protest against the action of the Johnston county cooperative in refusing the REA loan and that he would attend this meeting himself. He also invited Governor Hoey to attend it. The purpose of this meeting will be to determine "whether a farmers' electric cooperative can exist in your State if the power companies object," Carmody states in his letter. If the REA finally retires from Johnston county it will only be "because of the expressed will of the farmers of that county... and not because a power company has spent or stands to spend a million dollars or any other sum. Nor will it be because of any mistaken notion that the Carolina Power and Light Company is bigger than the state or Federal government."

Certain Changes in Procedure Agreed On By Opponents for Lower Courts

FARM TENANT BILL SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

Bill Authorizes Agriculture Department to Make Loans to Thrifty Farmers for Purchases of Farms; Simmons Attends Press Conference

Washington, July 23 (AP)—A high administration official said today that despite the Senate's rejection of Supreme Court enlargement, President Roosevelt felt some of his original aims for court reorganization had been achieved. This was coupled with a hint that the chief executive believed a more complete and permanent attainment of his goal would require court legislation beyond that which Senators, who virtually killed his court bill, had been willing to accept. The court bill opponents, forcing the measure to be sent back to the Senate Judiciary Committee yesterday, agreed to certain procedural changes in the lower courts. At his regular press conference, the president declined to comment on the Senate's action yesterday. He parted a question as to whether he contemplated campaigning for his court program by saying he had not done any campaigning. Meantime, Mr. Roosevelt signed legislation authorizing the Federal government to embark on a program to aid tenants and share croppers to obtain farms. Former Senator Furnifold Simmons, of North Carolina, was a White House caller and was introduced by the president at his press conference. The bill which followed general recommendations of the chief executive early in the session, authorizing the Agriculture Department to make liberal loans to thrifty tenants to purchase farms. It was allowed \$10,000,000, \$25,000,000 in the 1939 and \$50,000,000 thereafter.

PRALL SUCCUMBS TO HEART ATTACK

Chairman Communications Commission Passes At Maine Summer Home

Boothbay Harbor, Me., July 23.—(AP)—Manning S. Prall, general communication commission chairman, died at his home here today. Physicians said Prall succumbed to a heart attack. Prall was stricken more than a week ago with an illness, the nature of which was not disclosed. He was a resident of West Broughton, Staten Island, N. Y., Prall, 66, was formerly a Democratic congressman from New York. He was educated in the New York public schools, and later rose to the post of president of New York City Board of Education. He was appointed commissioner of taxes and assessments of New York City in 1932. Then he was elected to Congress and served from the 68th to the 72nd congress from the 11th New York district.

Six Die In Flaming Auto In Maryland

Truck Driver, Blinded By Lights, Smashes Into Parked Vehicle

Priest Bridge, Md., July 23.—(AP)—Six persons died in a flaming automobile here today after a truck struck their parked car and turned it over. The seventh died later of injuries. The truck driver rescued a seven year old boy by pulling him through a window. All members of one family were tangled in the back of the machine and did not free themselves. Bernard Lammer, 21, driver; his sisters, Mildred, 19, Anna May, 13, and Pauline, 29; and cousins, Frances Haker, 17, Frances Baldwin, 14 and David Manning, 7. All lived in Laurel, Maryland. The driver of the truck was B. M. King, of Muddy Point, Va. He said he was blinded by the lights of an approaching car and struck the rear of Lammer's car parked beside the road.

PROFIT SELLING OF STOCKS HALTS GAIN

New York, July 23 (AP)—A fast opening on the upside on today's stock market quickly turned into a profit selling crawl and initial gains of fractions to two points were pared or cancelled. While Wall Street seemed cheered by the shelving of the administration's court bill and prospects of a nearby adjournment of Congress, brokers thought this turn of events may have been discounted to a certain extent. Bonds were uneven and transfers were around 900,000 shares.

American Radiator 21 5-8
American Telephone 17 1/2
American Tob B 81 1-2
Anaconda 56 3/4
Atlantic Coast Line 53
Bendix Aviation 20 1-2
Bethlehem Steel 94 3-8
Chrysler 112 1-9
Columbia Gas & Elec 14
Commercial 15 7-8
Continental Oil 15
DuPont 162
Electric Pow & Light 22 5-8
General Electric 58 5-8
General Motors 56 1-8
Liggett & Myers B 101
Montgomery Ward & Co 64
Reynolds Tob B 51 5-8
Southern Railway 34 3-4
Standard Oil N J 71 3-4
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