

400 MORE DEAD IN CHINESE FOREIGN AREA

ROOSEVELT FACING MOMENTOUS CHOICE WITHIN FEW WEEKS

Must Make Peace With Rebels at Great Cost, or Drive Forward and Split Party

RECENT SPEECHES "TRIAL BALLOONS"

Farley and Guffey Declarations Believed Tests of Public Opinion; LaFollette Says Administration Courts Disaster If Farm Play Is Delayed

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Democratic leaders, worried by the strife within their party, predicted today that before Congress reconvenes, President Roosevelt must choose one of these far-reaching courses of strategy:

1. Reconciliation at the cost of abandoning some of his most cherished objectives, with the party factions which have refused to support all of his program.

2. A new campaign to rally public support and hammer through his controversial issues, risking disruption of the party beyond all repair.

One of the New Deal's most trusted strategists said privately today Mr. Roosevelt would base his decision on the trend of public opinion in the next few weeks.

The described as "trial balloons" two contradictory speeches made almost simultaneously last week by members often regarded as White House spokesmen, Postmaster General Farley and Senator Guffey, Democrat, Pennsylvania.

Meaning a few of Congress' key men remaining at the capital despite adjournment are quietly preparing for a special session they said they believed inevitable about November. They described much of the unfinished business left by their homeward bound colleagues as too urgent to wait the regular sessions next January.

Senator La Follette, Progressive, Wisconsin, one of the President's most intimate congressional advisors, frankly asserted the administration would court disaster if it delayed its permanent farm program until next year.

"No Quorum" Wins



Representative Rankin

Wage-and-hour legislation is killed for this session of congress because a sitdown of a Democratic minority in the house prevented a Democratic caucus from ordering the bill out of the rules committee, where it has been snaggled. Representative John E. Rankin, of Mississippi, foe of wage-and-hour legislation, scuttled the caucus by forcing no quorum calls. Democratic leadership, however, pledged action for next session. They said if the bill ever could be gotten out of committee and upon the floor of the house it would be passed with as large a majority as the senate had passed it.

—Central Press

12 Dead In Forest Fire In Wyoming

Grimy Rescue Workers Hunt Wounded; Two Score Persons Are Injured

Cody, Wyo., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Grimy rescue workers poked through smoldering ruins of a mountain forest today seeking additional victims of a gale-driven fire which burned 12 of their companions to death.

Two score others were injured, 25 so seriously they required hospital treatment. All the victims, many of them CCC enrollees, were trapped while battling the blaze in Shoshoni National Forest in northwest Wyoming.

The blaze broke out Friday from an undetermined cause about 35 miles northwest of here and about the same distance east of the Yellowstone park. It blackened 1,500 to 2,000 acres of dense timbers in the Aborako mountains.

The searchers edged forward as the flames subsided slightly under a drizzling rain.

TWO GOLDSBORO MEN FACE MURDER COUNT

White Defendants To Go On Trial for Killing Aged Negro Basket-Maker There

Goldsboro, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Arraignment on charges of murder of Earl Sasser, 35-year-old farmer, and Milford Ekum, 41, storekeeper, was set for 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, when a special venire was expected to be drawn for their trial in superior court, probably Wednesday or Thursday.

They are charged with shooting to death Jim Williams, 60-year-old Negro basket-maker. Judge Paul Grady heard this morning the request of Paul Edmundson, Paul Grady and Hugh Dorch, attorney for the defendants, to delay start of the trial until Wednesday or Thursday, as that time was needed, they said, to assemble witnesses.

Slayers Of Patrolman Are Hunted

Asheville, Aug. 23.—(AP)—George Garrison of the identification bureau of the sheriff's office, studied a collection of fingerprints today as officers intensively sought the slayers of State Highway Patrolman George Penn.

The prints were on the bullet-riddled sedan discovered early in the day in the heart of the city behind a fashionable hotel. Police have identified the car as that used by the killers of the 22-year-old officer yesterday.

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Goldsboro Is Likely To Get Vet Hospital

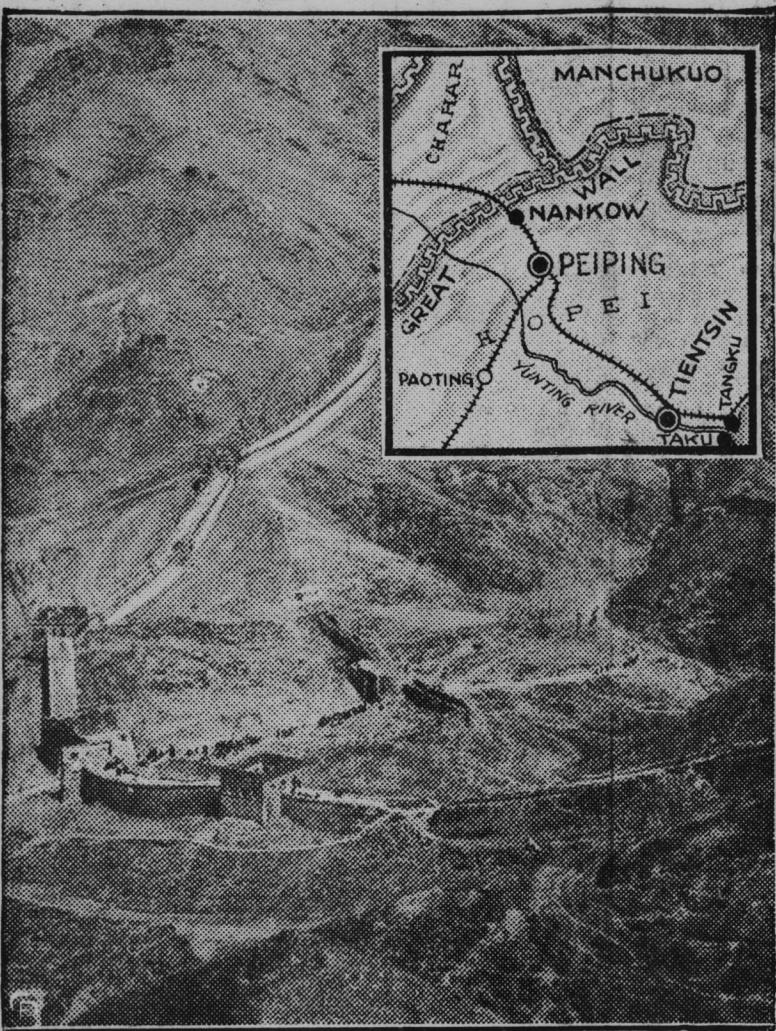
Barden Says It Has Been Recommended; Project Would Cost \$2,000,000

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Representative Graham Barden, New Bern, N. C., said today he would do "everything I can" to have a proposed veterans' hospital for Eastern North Carolina located at Goldsboro, N. C. Barden said he understood the Veterans Hospitalization Board had recommended to President Roosevelt and the budget bureau the establishment of such a facility.

"So far, the North Carolina delegation has devoted its attention to the allocation of a hospital for Eastern North Carolina," he said. "As soon as this goal is accomplished, the question of location will be up for consideration."

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JAPANESE BATTLE FOR VITAL PASS



Nankow Pass in Great Wall; map showing location

Japanese forces have been waging a tremendous battle, ever since the capture of Peiping, to gain an entrance through vital Nankow Pass in order to reach the north. Chinese forces have been holding the pass against all the modern implements of war.

Five Insurgent Columns Drive Toward Santander

Spanish Rebels Hammer at Government's Iron Ring Around Last Big Coast City

TWENTY VILLAGES CLAIMED OCCUPIED

Insurgents Overcome Thunderous Counter-Attacks by Government Forces in Bay of Biscay Region; Gains Made on Asturian Front in Civil War

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish Border, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Hammering at the government's iron ring around Santander, five insurgent columns drove forward today to gain control of the Spanish Biscayan coast.

The high command of the insurgents claimed they occupied 20 villages between Valmaseda and Villanova de Mena as General Francisco Franco's troops pushed toward Santander from five sections.

The Franco coastal brigade operates from Castro-Urdiales. Villa Carrideo fell into insurgent hands after the capture of prominent neighboring positions and an intensive bombardment. Earlier insurgents captured a place half a mile to the south and sent swelling waves of infantry, machine gunners and tanks sweeping across fertile wheat fields and through ripening orchards.

Overcoming thunderous counter attacks, insurgents moved on the town of Ontaneda, six miles to the southwest, but despite terrific bombardments from the land and air, government troops continued to hold the town. Insurgents reported their advance.

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COTTON IS UNABLE TO HOLD ITS GAIN

July Joins All Other Active Deliveries in Nine-Cent Column at 9.97 Figure

New York, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened steady, unchanged to three points lower, with further rain in the western belt partly offset by trade buying and covering. July contracts joined all other active deliveries in the nine-cent column when it declined to 9.97. December sold off from 9.78 to 9.70, and was at the low slightly after the first half hour, when the list was about 5 to 8 points net lower. December eased to 9.64, selling at the low at midday and was 8 to 14 points net lower.

Futures closed steady, 7 to 14 points lower. Spot quiet, middling 9.8.

	Open	Close
October	9.71	9.61
December	9.74	9.63
January	9.76	9.70
March	9.88	9.78
May	9.99	9.89
July	10.00	9.96

Shanghai Victim



Frederick J. Falgout

Frederick John Falgout of Raceland, La., was the sailor killed when a shell hit the deck of the U. S. cruiser Augusta off Shanghai, China. He would have been 21 the following day.

Steamship Bombed By Two Planes

Marseilles, France, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The British steamer Noemijulia wireless today she was being bombed by two airplanes off Ajaccio, the capital of Corsica, in the western Mediterranean.

The ship, listed as being 2,499 tons, is owned by the Noemijulia Steamship Company of London. It was sailing in the waters near civil war-torn Spain, where several bombings and torpedoings of vessels have occurred lately.

The Noemijulia's message, picked up by a Marseilles radio station, read: "We are being bombed. Position 42 degrees, seven minutes, north; five degrees, 32 minute east; signs two planes Nos. 528 and 529, black circle with white cross two black bars."

HELEN WILLS MOODY SEEKS HER DIVORCE

Reno, Nev., Aug. 23.—(AP)—Helen Wills Moody will go into court at Carson City, at 1:30 p. m. today to ask a divorce from Frederick Moody, Jr., her attorney, Robert Price, announced today.

The case, behind closed doors, will be heard by Judge Clark Guild. Price said Mrs. Moody will charge mental cruelty.

Artillery Shells Crash In Crowded Shopping Section

Three Americans Among 1,000 Estimated Wounded in International Settlement

SHELL MIGHT HAVE BEEN JAP WARSHIP

May Have Been Fired from Vessel in River Firing To Cover Landing of Japanese Reinforcements; Large Business Buildings In Area of Shelling

Shanghai, Aug. 23.—(AP)—An estimated 400 persons were killed and perhaps 1,000 wounded, including three Americans, by a heavy artillery shell that smashed into a crowded department store section of the international settlement today.

Scores of Americans marvelously escaped death when a second projectile pierced the six-story United States naval warehouse and crashed through to the bottom, but failed to explode.

The wounded American were Anthony Billingham, New York Times staff correspondent; Hallett Abend, chief of staff for the New York Times in China, and Blanche Tenney, Shanghai-born American.

Other Americans may have been killed or wounded. Police said they could not estimate accurately the total of injured and killed, but an Associated Press reporter counted 200 bodies and said he knew there must have been as many more.

Origin of the department store shell was unknown. Some military experts said it may have been a 100-pound eight-inch shell which Japanese warships off Woosung were firing to protect landing of reinforcements.

The shell struck Nanking Road at the busiest corner of Shanghai. On one side of the intersection the huge seven-story building of the Sincere Company, Ltd., department store, was crowded with shoppers. Across the street the newly-opened 16 story building of the Wing & Company was equally jammed. The two stores are Chinese-owned.

ROCKY MOUNT MAN HELD FOR CRIME

J. M. Marks Alleged To Have Attempted Rape on 12-Year-Old Girl, His Own Cousin

Rocky Mount, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Solicitor Linwood Elmore announced today a local 60-year-old man had been arrested and charged with attempted rape of a 12-year-old girl, his cousin.

The accused, J. M. Marks, meat market employee, denied the charge, the solicitor said, and the child, identified as Katherine House, was to be questioned and examined by police and physicians.

Police Chief O. P. Hedgepeth said the time the alleged assault occurred was Saturday night in Marks' bedroom in a house where both Marks and the House family live.

Georgia's Weed Price 19.83 Cents

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 23.—(AP)—The State Bureau of Markets announced today the Georgia tobacco markets during the past four weeks had sold at least \$1,761,213 pounds of tobacco.

Three warehouses had not reported on fourth week sales today.

An average price of \$19.83 per hundred pounds for the four weeks brought \$16,213,111.26.

The Georgia markets in the entire 1936 season sold 86,365,298 pounds for \$18,145,557.25, an average of \$20.96 per hundred.



OUR WEATHER MAN FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; occasional scattered showers.

Naval Head in China



Admiral Harry E. Yarnell

Admiral Harry E. Yarnell, as commander of the U. S. Asiatic fleet, with headquarters on the cruiser Augusta, which was bombed, is in charge of the evacuation of Americans.

—Central Press

Faint Signal Might Be Of Lost Fliers

Russians Broadcast to Arctic Plane To Keep Up Courage of Grounded Men

Barrow, Alaska, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Reports that radio signals had been heard on the wave length of Sigismund Levaneffsky's missing trans-polar plane spurred rescue fliers to new efforts today in their search for the six lost adventurers.

The signals heard at Moscow yesterday was unintelligible, but Soviet officials asked northern Russian stations to broadcast rescue plans to encourage the fliers if they are stranded at some isolated Arctic point.

In this far northern outpost belief began to grow today the missing ship would be found "somewhere in Alaska." Pilot Bill Knocks, of Pacific Airways, said Alaska fliers firmly believe the plane landed on Alaskan soil. It did appear a week ago Friday on a 4,000-mile flight here from Moscow.

Jimmy Matern, ace American flier, Bob Randall, Canadian, and Pilot Zedkoff, Russian flier, watched weather reports impatiently to take to the air again. Fog grounded them yesterday.

Reinforcements for the rescue squadron were on the way. An amphibian piloted by King Baird and chartered by the Russian government was en route from Seattle with additional radio equipment.

HOEY CONFERS WITH CHIEFS OF HIGHWAY

No Announcement Made, But Grady Johnson To Make Tour of State Prison Camps

Raleigh, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Governor Hoey conferred today with Frank Dunlap, chairman of the highway and public works commission, and Robert Grady Johnson, recently appointed head of the penal division, but made no announcement on a reported shake-up in prison personnel.

Johnson will leave here tomorrow on a tour of prisons, returning to Raleigh to take over his new duties September 1.

THREE WOMEN ARE ASSAULT VICTIMS

Chicago Police Hunt Sex Criminals in One Slaying and Two Assaults in Week-End

Chicago, Aug. 23.—(AP)—The slaying of a pretty nurse and assault upon two other women, all in a 48-hour period, sent police on a round-up today of "every man with a record for any sex offense."

The latest assault victim was Mrs. Anna Hollander, 50, who was beaten and knocked unconscious by a Negro in a Southside prairie last night.

DEATH TOLL HEAVY UPON HIGHWAYS OF EASTERN CAROLINA

Craven Farmer Is Held for Deaths of Two Pedestrians Killed On Sunday Night

ENFIELD WOMAN IS FATALLY INJURED

Stedman Man Dies in Fayetteville Hospital; Person County Boy Killed and Two Other Boys Injured When Train Hits Car They Are Riding In

Fayetteville, Aug. 23.—(AP)—J. Marvin Bunch, 30, of Stedman, N. C., died in a local hospital this morning at one o'clock of injuries sustained Saturday night when a car in which he was a passenger was struck and overturned by a car which did not stop. Howard Bunce, a cousin, was injured.

LA CROSSE MAN INJURED NEAR ROANOKE RAPIDS

Roanoke Rapids, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Bernard Parrish, of LaCrosse, Va., received serious injuries today when his car and a machine driven by R. H. Griffith, of Washington, D. C., collided at a crossroads near here.

Hospital attendants said he had several ribs broken and a bad hip injury. Griffith escaped with minor hurts.

TWO PEDESTRIANS KILLED BY AUTO NEAR NEW BERN

New Bern, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Paul Register, 24, Craven county farmer, is under 1,000 bond pending a coroner's inquest here Tuesday morning into the death of Ed Koonce and Zennie Heath, who were instantly killed Sunday.

ONLY FEW STOCKS RETAIN ADVANCES

Early Improvement of Fractions To Point Lost in Most Instances During Day

New York, Aug. 23.—(AP)—Efforts to give the stock market another rally in the hour after the opening were only partially successful. A few favored issues retained modest gains, but early improvement of fractions to a point or more was lost in many instances.

Dealings were exceptionally light near the fourth hour. Secondary rail loans showed rising tendencies in the bond market, and United States government securities pointed moderately upward.

Transfers were in the neighborhood of 550,000 shares.

American Radiator	21 1-4
American Telephone	168 1-2
American Tob B	78 1-2
Anacosta	57 1-8
Atlantic Coast Line	52
Atlantic Refining	27 3-8
Bendix Aviation	19 1-4
Bethlehem Steel	96 1-8
Chrysler	111 5-8
Columbia Gas & Elec Co	12 1-2
Commercial	13 5-8
Continental Oil	14 7-8
DuPont	160 1-4
Electric Pow & Light	20 3-4
General Electric	55
General Motors	56 1-4
Montgomery Ward & Co	60 2-4
Reynolds Tob B	51 6-4
Southern Railway	28 7-8
Standard Oil N J	67
U S Steel	113 1-4

Workers To Protest Cut By The WPA

Nearly 2,000 Marchers in Washington To Parade on Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, Aug. 23.—(AP)—New arrivals swelled to nearly 2,000 today the ranks of the Workers Alliance job marchers, camped in Potomac Park.

A group of about 800 from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania arrived Sunday, and David Lasser, president of the alliance, said 700 more were expected from the west today.

Leaders said the job marchers would parade through downtown Washington Tuesday in a demonstration.

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