

RUSSIA TO BLOCK ITALIAN PIRACY PATROL

FARMERS REQUEST SEPARATE FARM IN PEANUT RESEARCH

Want Upper Coastal Plains Station To Remain Where It Is Near Rocky Mount

BIG DELEGATIONS HEARD AT MEETING

State Agriculture Board Recesses for Lunch Without Decision, However; Farmers Fear Kerr Scott Will Upset Present Test Farm Plan

Raleigh, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Farmers argued with the State Board of Agriculture today that a separate test farm should be created to deal with peanuts and the present Upper Coastal Plains test farm should remain where it is in Edgecombe county.

The board recessed for lunch without reaching a decision. Nash and Edgecombe counties sent Senator W. G. Clark, Representative W. W. Eagles, M. L. Laughlin, R. V. Knight, R. R. Gay, E. H. Austin and F. S. Wilkerson, who spoke for retention of the present farm, which Commissioner Kerr Scott has intimated may be removed because of the condition of the roads leading to it.

E. F. Arnold, secretary, headed a delegation from the State Farm Bureau Federation asking for a separate peanut test farm which he contended was the intent of the 1937 legislation.

"A separate experiment station is necessary," Arnold asserted after commenting Farm Bureau members feared Commissioner Scott intended to place the peanut work at an existing station.

"You cannot find a better farm for research work in cotton, tobacco, and, I will say, peanuts," Senator Clark told the board as he assured the members roads to the test farm would be improved.

FLIER'S BODY WILL BE SENT BACK HERE

Crockett, Texas, Sept. 15 (AP)—The body of Cadet Guy W. Edgerton, victim of a plane crash two weeks ago, was being prepared for return to the flier's former home at Kenly, N. C. today.

Kelly Field officials at San Antonio said only a part of the cadet's parachute burned when fire suddenly broke out in the wreckage several hours after it was found Monday.

FURTHER ADVANCES SCORED BY COTTON

Market 8 to 15 Points Higher in Futures When Trading Ends in Afternoon

New York, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened steady, 8 to 14 points higher on improved Liverpool cables and active trades and foreign buying. December advanced from 8.88 to 8.91 and was close to the best shortly after the first half hour, when the list was 8 to 15 points net higher. December was 8.92 by midday when prices showed net gains of 8 to 16 points.

Futures closed steady, 8 to 15 points higher. Spot steady, middling 9.21.

Table with 3 columns: Month, Open, Close. Rows for October, December, January, March, May, July.

PRISON INDUSTRY REPORT PREPARED

But Full Set-Up May Not Be Ready for Highway Body Tomorrow

Raleigh, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The prison committee of the highway and public works commission met in executive session today attempting to complete a report on prison industries and general conditions.

The group has been at work since June and one of its original members, Robert Grady Johnson, in the meantime, has become a prison director and resigned his post.

Frank Dunlap, commission chairman and a member of the committee, said he doubted if the full report would be ready for presentation when the commission meets tomorrow. Dunlap said he planned to press with the commission the need for more of the space for the highway, prison and allied departments, including the new probation commission.

Tentative Crop Allotments Made Under Proposed Plans For 1938 Production Limits

"WE'LL STAY OUT OF WAR!"—F. D. R.



Norman H. Davis and President Roosevelt

"No war!" President Roosevelt's pledge is repeated again as he confers on foreign affairs with Norman H. Davis, ambassador-at-large to Europe, during a cruise down the Hudson. The president planned to hasten back to Washington to consult with his entire cabinet on the Sino-Japanese and Mediterranean situations.

John Lewis Talks With Roosevelt

Refuses To Say Whether His Recent Criticism Of President Came Up

Washington, Sept. 15.—(AP)—John Lewis, CIO chairman, said after a White House call today he had "a very pleasant conference with the President."

"We talked over a number of matters of mutual interest to the President and myself," the heavy-set labor leader said.

Asked whether his recent speech, interpreted by some as rebuking the President, had been mentioned, Lewis said he had "no further comment."

To a query as to whether Mr. Roosevelt had called him, "John," during the conference, Lewis smiled affably and said, "What do you think?"

In an address September 3, Lewis said "it ill behooves one who has supported labor's table and who has been sheltered in labor's house, to curse with equal fervor and fine impartiality both labor and its adversaries when they become locked in deadly embrace."

Paris, Sept. 15.—(AP)—A heavy selling wave today toppled the French franc to its lowest depth in more than a decade. The franc closed at 29.35 to the dollar and 144.75 to the pound sterling. In terms of the dollar that is 13.40¢ cents. The government currency stabilization fund has abandoned attempts to bolster it for the time being, and some believe it may go

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Biggest Slash Would Come In Cotton, With 2 3-4 Million Acre Cut In Prospect

TOBACCO PUT DOWN AT ABOUT THE SAME

Rice Would Be Reduced Sharply, But All Other Crops Would Remain At About Same Acreage as This Year; Tar Heel Club To Elect Officers

Washington, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Farm leaders took up today a tentative administration proposal to control 1938 crop production by an acreage-limitation program reaching into every county.

Secretary Wallace presented the suggestion to more than 100 State AAA officials, agricultural committee-men and others summoned for a discussion of general farm legislation.

Proposals made before the group call for a reduction in the land planted to cotton and rice, with corn, tobacco, potatoes and peanuts to be kept near their present level.

Cooperative farmers would receive checks from the \$500,000,000 fund authorized by Congress for annual payments under the soil conservation act. Each farm would have a limit or goal. The suggested "goals" were not specific and other details were not disclosed.

Following is a comparison between acreage planted this year and the highest suggested for next year:

Table with 3 columns: Crops, 1937, 1938. Rows for Cotton, Corn, Tobacco, Potatoes, Peanuts, Rice.

H. R. Tolley, AAA administrator, said the conference was not an attempt to agitate for a special congressional session this fall.

Meantime, the North Carolina Dem-

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More Than Gallon Violates the Law

Raleigh, Sept. 15 (AP)—Attorney General A. A. F. Sewell said today he thought "it is the better opinion" that a driver of a car carrying more than one gallon of liquor in it would violate the 1937 liquor act.

The opinion was expressed in a letter to Craig and Craig, Winston-Salem law firm, and quoting previous letters from the office of the attorney general.

The 1937 liquor law says: "It shall not be unlawful for any person to transport x x x not in excess of one gallon from a county in North Carolina coming under x x x this act or through another county x x x not coming under it."

BAILEY IN DENIAL AS NEW DEAL FOE

Senator Enumerates Roosevelt Measures He Has Given Support

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Sept. 15.—Many papers and a large part of the public may list Senator Josiah W. Bailey on the roster of New Deal opponents and assailants, but the senior senator from North Carolina declines so to class himself.

The senator makes this very clear in a letter he has written the editor of the Raleigh News and Observer after that paper headlined his Winston-Salem address as an assault on the New Deal, the story under this headline declaring that Bailey "attacked the President's program."

In his letter the senator expresses the opinion that President Roosevelt does not favor "mass democracy."

"I hope and believe that he stands for Constitutional Representative Democracy, just as I do," he wrote.

Senator Bailey listed 13 measures for which he voted and which he called part of the President's program. He mentioned three items on the Roosevelt agenda which he opposed in the last Congress.

Measures which Bailey said he supported were Soil Conservation Act,

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Extradition Made In Case of Theft Of One Coon Dog

Raleigh, Sept. 15.—(AP)—A South Carolina coon dog allegedly valued at \$150 resulted in an extradition today after a hearing here before Parole Commissioner Edwin Gill.

Governor Olin D. Johnston, of South Carolina, sent the requisition papers, which said Henry and Sule Fields were in jail at Smithfield charged with the theft of D. W. Anderson's valuable hunting dog in Horry county. Anderson attended the hearings.

Gill recommended the request that the men be turned over to Horry county officers be honored. W. I. Godwin, of Smithfield, appeared as counsel for the defendants and J. C. B. Ehringhaus, Jr., of the staff of the attorney general, represented South Carolina through comity.

Death Rate Declines In This State

Raleigh, Sept. 15 (AP)—The death rate in North Carolina dropped from 9.3 in 1936 to 9.2 per 100,000 population last month, the State Board of Health reported today, and the maternal death rate per 1,000 live births showed an unusual decline from 5.8 to 3.6.

There were 2,578 deaths last month and 2,591 in August, 1936, and there were 6,747 births this August, compared with 6,771 a year ago, a rate of 24.1 this year, and 24.2 last.

Deaths from automobile accidents showed a jump from 74 to 88, and railroad accidents killed 12 last month and ten a year ago. Accidental drowning deaths last month were up nine to 33; accidental deaths from firearms were up three to seven, and deaths from burns increased six to 15 last month.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Fair, warmer in central portion tonight; Thursday partly cloudy, somewhat cooler in late afternoon in extreme north portion.

"Pirate" Sub Here?



"Pirate" sub reported here. This map shows where a damaged "pirate" submarine, with its crew alive but unable to bring the craft to the surface, was reported to have been found on the ocean floor by Spanish government divers off the Cartagena naval base, on the southern Mediterranean coast of Spain.

FOREIGNERS URGE THAT BOTH SIDES SAVE 'INNOCENTS'

American and Four Other Nations' Naval Commanders Make Appeals at Shanghai

CHINESE PUT HALT TO JAPANESE DRIVE

Far to North, However, Japan Throws 125,000 Men Into Battle Line in Area Where Real Significance of Undeclared War Lies as Conflict Rages

Shanghai, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Naval commanders of the United States and four other western powers demanded today that both Chinese and Japanese anti-aircraft gunners take immediate steps to spare the lives of "innocent non-combatants."

The urgent request of American Admiral Harry Yarnell and the other neutral naval commanders went forward while Chinese, in the face of wave after wave of Japanese attack, stood fast on their new inland line, stretching 20 miles north and west of international Shanghai.

Far to the north the whole might of 125,000 Japanese troops and their modern equipment was thrown into the long-bogged offensive against a 100-mile battle line. This campaign,

TERRELL'S APPEAL IS UP NEXT WEEK

Raleigh, Sept. 15 (AP)—Twenty-six cases are docketed for argument before the Supreme Court next week, appeared from the third and eighteenth judicial district.

In one case, Ted Terrell is appealing from a sentence of 20 years in prison imposed in Warren county after his conviction of second degree murder in connection with the slaying of Andrew Knight.

Liquor Head Replies To His Critics

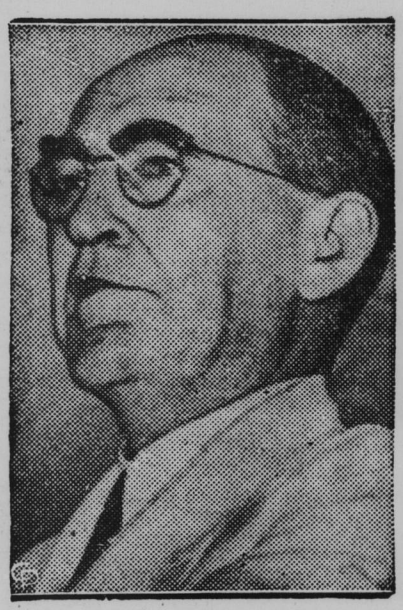
Raleigh, Sept. 15 (AP)—Cutlar Moore, chairman of the State Liquor Commission, said today, "I am carrying out the intent of the 1937 control law to the best of my ability, and I expect criticism," after reading remarks of Mayor T. E. Cooper, of Wilmington, about an order that liquor advertising in newspapers be censored.

Cooper said he, as a member of the legislature, voted for the liquor bill, but "never dreamed that I was supporting a measure that would create a dictatorship in North Carolina to interfere with free speech and free press."

Moore said concerning the State board regulations he was reminded of the old saying attributed to the little boy: "Sticks and stones may break my back, but names will never hurt me."

200 Warships Sent Into Mediterranean By Britain, France

Speaker Speaks



Speaker William B. Bankhead

Dedication of Wheeler dam, second huge unit of the Tennessee Valley Authority, is the occasion for a large celebration. William B. Bankhead, speaker of the national house of representatives, is seen delivering the principal address. President Roosevelt sent a message saying the development "meets the popular desire expressed through congressional mandate for planned conservation and utilization of the natural resources."

Fresh Drive Upon Madrid Is Launched

But Spanish Metropolis and Former Capital Pays But Little Attention

Madrid, Sept. 15.—(AP)—The thunder of a fresh insurgent attempt to smash into Madrid, this time through the southwestern suburbs, rolled over this war-tired metropolis today.

Defense commanders shrugged and commented, "No substantial gains."

Children played at warfare of their own on the heavy stone street barricades erected for a grimmer purpose—played while men died scarcely a mile away.

Mothers sat in the sun and nursed infants born since November 6 when the insurgents laid siege to the former capital of republican Spain.

Civilian Madrid at large went about its business scarcely noticing the combat. Shell-fire, the exploding land mines and the clatter of machine guns crescendoed today.

TWO INSURGENT COLUMNS PRESS BATTLE WESTWARD

Hendaye, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Two Spanish insurgent columns battled westward today against mountain fog, rain and snow and slowly retreating bands of retreating Asturian soldiers.

DRYS ARE AGAIN BECOMING ACTIVE

But Both Sides Putting Out Propaganda Claiming Facts With Them

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, Sept. 15.—Drys, undoubtedly badly disorganized by prohibition repeal, are showing an inclination to renew their activities.

Their new campaign, merely in its infancy as yet, thus far is only educational rather than militant. That is, its design seems to be to show that repeal has vastly increased alcoholic intemperance; not to urge a return to a prohibitive system.

Probably very few of them hope to restore national prohibition for a long time to come.

Their plan evidently is to dry up localities only—city wards, municipalities, counties, states even. And, of

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Plans Laid To Shift Weight of Patrol Quickly Wherever Trouble May Develop

ITALY TO PROTEST NAVAL ALLOTMENTS

Nine-Power "Piracy" Conference Gives Rome Only Her Western Coast To Watch; Soviets To Oppose Firmly Any Enlargement of Italy's Share

London, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Russia was reported to be reliably determined today to block Italian demands for parity in the international patrol of the Mediterranean and to force virtual isolation of the nation she has accused of piracy.

Italy's protest that the patrol system "seems unacceptable" was based on the immediate prospects of an Anglo-French war fleet cruising the length and breadth of a body of water Italians call "our sea," and the proposed relegation of Italy to the patrol of a comparatively obscure corner.

To meet the demand for parity, delivered to the French and British embassies in Rome last night, the nine European powers who mapped the patrol would have to reopen negotiations almost before the ink had dried on the Nyon protocol.

And even if they did, there would stand the Soviet Union, Italy's accuser, almost determined to oppose any enlargement of Italy's patrol beyond the Tyrrhenian Sea, off Italy's western coast, as assigned to her yesterday at Nyon, Switzerland.

200 FRENCH AND BRITISH WARSHIPS TO INLAND SEA

Paris, Sept. 15.—(AP)—France and Great Britain have mobilized nearly 200 warships in the Mediterranean in their hunt for marine marauders.

Organized on a full wartime footing, the combined fleet is to reach its maximum strength in a week, when all additional orders for patrol duty arrive.

Working in closest collaboration, commanders of the British and French warships have laid plans to shift the patrol fleet's weight quickly to any section where trouble might arise, thus backing with armed might the nine-power anti-piracy agreement reached at Nyon, Switzerland.

PARSONS BELIEVES MISSING WIFE DEAD

But Long Island Man, Doubts Authenticity of Reports She Died of Pneumonia

New York, Sept. 15.—(AP)—William H. Parsons, the Stony Brook, L. I., pigeon farmer, whose socially prominent wife, Alice McDonald Parsons, disappeared mysteriously 14 weeks ago, said today he believed she is dead but doubts the authenticity of letters reporting her death from pneumonia.

Federal agents investigating since June 9 declined to say they believed Mrs. Parsons is dead.

"I don't know whether these letters now in the hands of Federal agents are authentic or not," Parsons said. "They may be the work of a crank. I feel, however, that if Alice were alive, she would have communicated with me."

Early Connelly, Department of Justice agent in charge of the case, declined to say whether his men had intercepted letters from supposed kidnapers saying Mrs. Parsons died of pneumonia July 9, but Benjamin Shives, attorney for Mrs. Anna Kupriova, who lived at the Parsons home, as well as Parsons himself, con-

firmed the report.

Japan Will Spurn Move For Peace

Geneva, Sept. 15.—(AP)—Japan will refuse and ignore even friendly mediation by the League of Nations in the Sino-Japanese conflict, the Japanese minister to Switzerland disclosed today.

The Japanese envoy, Ejii Amano, told The Associated Press Japan would brook no interference in the Far Eastern crisis.

His statement came as the League pondered what, if any, action to take on China's blistering indictment of "Japanese aggression" and her demand for a League denunciation of the Japanese military campaign.