

U. S. TO JOIN SINO-JAP MEDIATION MOVE

Fierce Battle Rages On Shanghai War Front

LEWIS IS PLANNING ANSWER TO GREEN'S OVERTURE OF PEACE

CIO Leader Expected To 'Pass Ball Right Back' to Chief of the A. F. of L. FEDERATION BODY READY TO ADJOURN

Last of Brady Gang



James Dalhover Believed to be the last member of the Al Brady gang, widest desperadoes wiped out by G-men in Bangor, Me., James Dalhover, above, faces possible death sentence for participation in four murders Dalhover is said to have confessed the gang committed.

CHINESE SEEKING DATA ON STRENGTH OF JAPANESE ARMY

Terrific Artillery and Infantry Attacks Carried Out On Chapei Front To West AMERICANS DECRY JAPS' AGGRESSION

United States Cailed on by Nationals in China To Use Every Peaceful Means To Withdraw Moral and Material Support from The Japanese

Shanghai, Oct. 15.—(AP)—An intense battle raged today in the Chapei and Hongkew sectors, where the Chinese armies were making a bitter counter-thrust to stave off the long expected Japanese general attack along the 25-mile battlefront north-west of Shanghai.

Three Japanese civilians were killed and three wounded, a Japanese spokesman said, during the Chinese shelling of Hongkew, the Japanese occupied section of the international settlement.

One shell struck the famous Astor House hotel, now occupied by Japanese refugees, and another hit the Seventh Day Adventist hospital, the spokesman said. There were no injuries and only minor damage to the two important structures.

Terrific Chinese artillery and infantry attacks were carried out against the Japanese positions on the Chapei front, a Chinese spokesman declared, to determine the actual strength of the Japanese troops manning that sector.

AMERICANS IN CHINA PROTEST JAP INVASION

Nanking, Oct. 15.—(AP)—United States Ambassador Nelson Johnson today forwarded to the State Department at Washington a copy of the protest of the American community of Szechwan province against Japanese aggression in China. The protest urged the United States to use "every peaceful means to withdraw moral and material support from Japan."

Widow of Sheriff Of Burke County Will Succeed Him

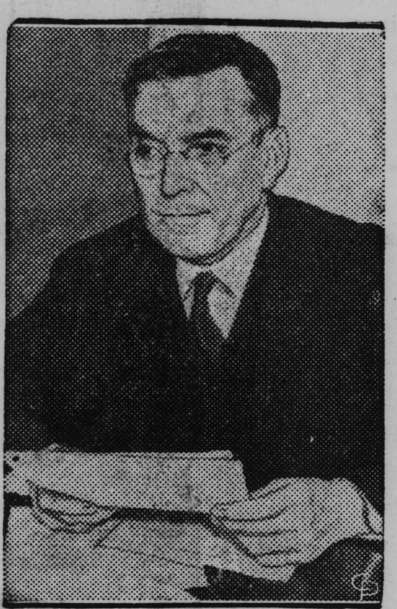
Morganton, Oct. 15.—(AP)—Mrs. Nina Corpening Ross was named sheriff of Burke county today to serve out the unexpired term of her late husband, Sheriff Fred Ross, who died near Charlotte last Friday.

U. S. Shipping Industry Is None Too Optimistic

America's Glorious Past on Seven Seas Seems To Have Vanished as People Lose Lure of Sea; High Cost of Operation Blocking Revival Now

BY ROGER W. BABSON, Copyright 1937, Publishers Financial Bureau, Inc. Cherbourg, France, Oct. 15.—Most of my ancestors were in the shipping industry. They were captains of square-rigged ships which sailed from the Massachusetts ports of Boston, Salem, Gloucester, and Newburyport for the North of Europe and the Far East.

Bonneville Chief



Reputation gained by James D. Ross as manager of the Seattle, Wash., municipal power plant for 35 years brings him the important job of administrator of the huge Bonneville water power project on the Columbia river in Washington. He is resigning from his present job—a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Mother, 70, Backs Son In Defense

Ranbury, Oct. 15 (AP)—A frail 70-year-old mountain woman, after giving an eye-witness account of the killing, faced a cross-examination today in the trial of her son, George C. Nelson, charged with killing his wife with a razor.

CINCINNATI WOMAN ON TRIAL FOR LIFE

Mrs. Anna Maria Hahn, Comely 31-Year-Old Blonde, Is Accused on Murder Charge

Cincinnati, Oct. 15.—(AP)—The state opened its case today against Anna Maria Hahn, on trial on a first degree murder charge, with an assertion by Prosecutor Dudley Outcalt that Jacob Wagner, 78, her alleged victim, died of the "administration of poison commonly used for rats."

Past Records.

Our shipping reached its zenith before the Civil War. Up until then foreign trade and carrying of cargoes was a major business and provided much of the wealth which later went into our industries. When our country began to turn industrial after the

British Officers Die By Ambush In Holy Land Strife

Terrorism Reaches Acute State in Palestine Enmity Between Jews and Arabs

CRISIS OVER SPAIN IS COMING TO HEAD

27-Nation Non-Intervention Powers To Hear Proposal For Taking All Foreign Soldiers Out of Civil War Zone; Britain and France Stiffening

(By The Associated Press) Terrorism in the Holy Land, reaching an acute stage with the ambush slaying of two British constables, centered diplomatic attention today on another of the world's trouble spots.

Even as the British government was concentrating its efforts on preventing the Spanish civil war from spreading into a European conflagration, this latest manifestation of Arab unrest came from the Palestine territory, long the scene of Arab-Jewish conflict.

Constables Norman Harrison and Austin Mallia were added to the list of dead, which already included four Arabs, in the city's present disorder. A dozen Jews have been wounded in the last two days.

In London the foreign office was making final preparations for the meeting tomorrow of the nine-nation sub-committee of the 27-power non-intervention committee. This sub-committee will try again to work out a plan for withdrawal of foreigners

TOBACCO BLAZE AT WILSON IS COSTLY

Wilson, Oct. 15 (AP)—Fire of undetermined origin gutted the Export Leaf Tobacco Company plant here today, destroying 8,000 pounds of weed, and badly damaging a \$20,000 re-drying machine.

DAVIDSON BOY IS KILLED BY CURRENT

Davidson, Oct. 15.—(AP)—James Jetton, 21, was killed instantly today when he touched a live electric wire while working at his home near here. Details of the accident were not known.

Dock Hands Call Strike Over South

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 15 (AP)—V. E. Townsend, southern representative of the International Longshoremen's Association, said today "between 4,000 and 5,000" dock workers from Wilmington, N. C., south to Miami and up around the Gulf coast would go on strike at midnight.

TWO WHITE MEN IN SCOTLAND WANTED

Hunted for Attacking and Robbing Woman of \$70 at Country Home Near Laurinburg

May Betray China



Should General Yen Hsi-Shan, war lord of Shansi province, deliver his huge territory to Japan tide of war undoubtedly would turn out disastrously to China. General Hsi-Shan is reported wavering in his loyalty to the Chinese dictator, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.



According to reports from Peiping, China, General Han Fu-Chu, war lord of important Shantung province, is wavering in his loyalty to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and lending an ear to Japanese wooing.

ROOSEVELT STATES PEACE ATTEMPT IS TO BE FIRST PLAN

Brussels Conference of Nine-Power Pact To Move Determinedly for Mediation

TO COMMENT LATER ON STOCK DECLINE

President Tells Correspondents "To Wait and See His Messages to Legislature"; New York Bank Head Blames Federal Regulation for Slump

Hyde Park, N. Y., Oct. 15 (AP)—President Roosevelt said in substance today an attempt at mediation of the Sino-Japanese conflict would be the first step considered by the conference at Brussels of the nine-power treaty signatories, including the United States.

Asked at a press conference if mediation was a fair assumption to be drawn from his "fireside" radio speech last Tuesday night, the president remarked he had said that in so many words.

While refusing comment on the stock market decline, he indicated he might have something to say on the subject in a general way in his message to the special and regular sessions of Congress. Asked if the market developments were bothering him, he told his inquirer to wait and see his message to the legislature.

He would not comment on the speech yesterday of Winthrop Aldrich, president of the Chase National Bank, blaming the drop in securities value on Federal regulation and urging revision of the capital gains and income surtax rates.

On the foreign situation, he said it was mere guesswork as to what the United States would do in the future. Asked what would follow if mediation efforts in the Sino-Japanese undeclared war failed, he said that was an "if" question.

Al Brady Is Buried As Pauper

Bangor, Me., Oct. 15.—(AP)— Al Brady, Indian-born gang leader, slain with a henchman here in a Columbus Day gun battle with Federal agents, was buried today—unclaimed.

Aside from lowering the cheap wooden box, which held the "half pint" killer's earthly remains, into the ground, there was "absolutely no ceremony," said the officiating undertaker.

Brady was buried in an isolated part of Mount Hope cemetery, "city property" containing other unknown, Continued on Page Two.

U. N. C. Gets \$240,000 In PWA Grants

Money Will Go For New Buildings At Chapel Hill and Woman's College

Raleigh, Oct. 15 (AP)—The executive committee of the trustees of the University of North Carolina formally accepted grants from the Federal Public Works Administration today for \$240,000 for buildings at Chapel Hill and Greensboro.

The PWA gave \$61,868 of the \$160,000 to be expended in reconditioning Spencer dormitory at the Woman's College of the University at Greensboro.

A grant of \$18,905 from the PWA was secured for the new \$410,000 medical school building at Chapel Hill.

President Frank Graham reported the enrollment of the greater university had reached 7,194, a new record, and a gain of 438 students over the 1936-37 session. Enrollment has increased 1,385 students since the 1934-35 session, he said.

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FARM GROUPS ARE AT ODDS ON PLAN

Farm Bureau Demands Compulsion, Grange Backs Soil Conservation

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Oct. 15.—Running true to form displayed in every previous discussion or controversy over crop control or other vital farm measures, rival groups of farm representatives will Monday present clashing theories and plans to the United States Senate Agriculture Committee at Winston-Salem.

NEUTRALITY WILL TROUBLE CONGRESS

Recent Act Did Not Cover 'Undeclared' Wars, the Two Now Raging

BY CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist Washington, Oct. 15.—When Congress meets the theory is that the lawmakers immediately will concentrate upon consideration of certain important domestic questions.

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Very Cold Weather In South Area

Abnormally cool weather spread southward today in the vast area east of the Rockies, while communities of the mountain regions enjoyed higher temperatures.

Hearing On Crop Control Bill Begins

Senator Smith Says Farmer Needs 12 Months Credit; Meet at Louisville

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