

GREEN URGES THAT WAGE BILL BE SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE

AFL President Sends Telegrams To All House Members Opposing Present Measure

FURIOUS DEBATE RAGES IN HOUSE

Issue Is Substituted That Would Declare Sub-Standard Labor Conditions Unfair Trade Practices; Doubtful if Wage or Farm Bills Near Law

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—William Green, adding to the general congressional confusion, asked the House today to send its wages and hours bill back to the committee.

The president of the American Federation of Labor sent telegrams to all representatives saying the pending bill was "highly objectionable" to the membership of his organization. The House yesterday rejected a substituted bill supported by the A. F. of L. by a 152 to 131 vote.

Green's message was sent while the House debated furiously a proposed substitute for the pending wages and hours measure. This proposal would authorize the Federal Trade Commission to hold that sub-standard labor conditions were unfair trade practices.

Administration leaders tried hard to complete the writing of farm and wages and hours bills, but Speaker Bankhead said there was little chance either would reach the White House before the special session ends next week.

Spaniards Fighting In Bitter Cold

Henderson, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Far-flung warfare in which rival armies struggled with each other, and against cold and drifting snow, was reported today from northeastern Spain.

Insurgent communications confirmed previous reports of a strong government offensive against Peruel, southern end of the 200-mile Aragon front, but insurgent and government sources disagreed on its success.

"Brilliantly repulsed," was the comment from Salamanca. A Barcelona report asserted government troops carried through various offensives to full success.

The readjustment in lines, if any, was not disclosed. One dispatch said General Francisco Franco launched an attack in the vicinity of Almeria, southeastern Mediterranean port held by the government, and at the same time ordered insurgent troops into action near Puebla de Albornoz and Medina, about 15 miles south of Zaragoza.

Other engagements were reported along the upper Aragon line.

1938 G. O. P. Committee 100 Chosen

Contains Only Two State Chairmen, Hamilton Says at St. Louis Meet

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Chairman John D. M. Hamilton, of the Republican National Committee, disclosed today the committee being selected here to draft a new declaration of party principles will include only two Republican State chairmen.

"And, in so far as I know, none of our county chairmen, nor any of the 106,000 precinct committeemen had been recommended or carried into the final list of the committee," he said.

This statement reflected the earlier "blanket embargo" placed on present office-holders elected or appointed as members of the steering committee.

Hamilton said the work of selecting the policy group was "virtually complete" as the party's executive committee re-convened today. The national chairman explained final agreements on a few remaining names still were to be reached.

Several members of the executive group expresses hope of adjourning late today. The conference opened Monday and has gone into extended sessions each night.

War His Ideal



Lieut.-Col. Walter Jost, press chief of the German War Ministry, told students of the University of Berlin that every step taken by the Nazi authorities since they came into power has been intended to prepare the nation for war "for defense." Hitler's goal, he said, is "every citizen a soldier."

Cotton Plan In Farm Bill Is Defeated

Wallace Attacked on Senate Floor By Bailey and George During Debate

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Senate refused today to substitute a domestic allotment cotton program for the compulsory cotton section of the ever normal granary bill.

It rejected a substitute offered by Lee, Democrat, Oklahoma, in a roll call vote, 56 to 28.

Previously, statements credited to Secretary Wallace regarding farm bill proposals drew caustic comment on the Senate floor in continued debate on the ever normal granary bill.

"I was amazed that the secretary of agriculture in this morning's paper said a two-price system on farm crops would lead us into fascism," said Senator Russell, Democrat, Georgia.

Russell took the floor to support the substitute cotton plan introduced by Senator Lee. This measure, designed to pay the farmer a higher price for domestically-consumed cotton than that which moves into world trade.

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SEEK U. S. AID TO N. C. SHAD INDUSTRY

Etheridge in Washington for Conferences With Federal Officials On Plans

Raleigh, Dec. 16.—(AP)—R. Bruce Etheridge, director of the Department of Conservation and Development, was in Washington today to seek extension of the plans of the department and the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries for the rehabilitation of North Carolina's shad industry.

Department officials said Etheridge would take up with the bureau plans for handling portable hatcheries to be used in propagating shad near their natural spawning grounds.



SHOP EARLY

Stiffer British Policy In Far East Is Being Urged Among House Of Commons

London, Dec. 16 (AP)—A movement to urge Britain to send more warships to Chinese waters in an attempt to "rehabilitate British prestige" was reported under way today in the House of Commons.

The plea, it was expected, would be voiced in next Tuesday's foreign affairs debate unless the situation, meanwhile, had eased considerably.

Advocates of the measure, who were not grouped along party lines contended reinforcement would put a stop to attacks on British

vessels, such as the Japanese attacks Sunday on the Yangtze river gunboats Ladybird and Bee, and merchant craft.

The cabinet considered the question of strengthening the China squadron yesterday, but apparently decided to withhold decision pending developments.

The government, after delivering a stiff protest to Tokyo against the bombardment, watched closely the war scene in South China, where Hong Kong, the crown colony, is situated.

SUPPORT DEVELOPS IN CONGRESS FOR LIBERAL SPENDING

Difference of Opinion Whether It Will Be Of The Old "Pump Priming" Character

10-POINT PROGRAM TO HALT RECESSION

Revision of Business Taxes, Approach To Balanced Budget, "Just Relations Between Capital and Labor" Included; Bailey Linked With Idea

Washington, Dec. 16 (AP)—Senator Bailey, Democrat, North Carolina, said today he was one of the authors and the final editor of the statement which has been circulated in the Senate proposing a ten point recovery program.

The North Carolina Senator, acknowledging participation in drafting the document, which was headed "an address to the people of the United States," said several other senators had joined him and had hoped it would be agreed to by senators and the public generally as a program to restore confidence.

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Strong support has developed in Congress a survey showed today, for resumption of government spending on a modified scale in an attempt to spur business activity.

Some anti-administration senators as well as some Roosevelt supporters, said they believed new spending must start in January or February, but there was a difference of opinion as to whether it should be of the "pump priming" type.

Several senators disclosed they had

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Probe Reports Of Liner Hoover Crew Terrorizing Women

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—The Senate today maritime committee ordered today an investigation of reports that the crew of the Dollar liner President Hoover became drunk and terrorized women and children passengers after the ship ran aground near Formosa last Friday.

Chairman Copeland, Democrat, New York, said the American consul at Manila, where 134 of the rescued passengers landed, would be asked to transmit a report on the incident.

He said the report would be made to the State Department, transmitted to the Maritime Commission and then turned over to the committee for further investigation.

GRAHAMITES ARE PLEASED BY HOEY

Choice of Senator Stacy for Wayne's Job Is Surprising However

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 16.—Sandy Graham supporters are pleased, though more than mildly surprised, at the appointment of State Senator J. Benton Stacy to be director of the division of purchase and contract.

So many juicy political plums had fallen into the laps, mouths, or whatever portion of anatomy such plums fell into, of "original" Hoey men that the Grahamites had about given up hope of ever receiving even a nod of recognition from Governor Cloy R. Hoey.

Almost to a man they went to bat for Senator Stacy, but right up to the last minute they felt they were wasting their efforts in a lost cause. They

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Donations Sought For N. C. Farmers

Monroe, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Union county commissioners today designated December 20 and 21 as days on which contributions will be received for county farmers whose crops had been all or partly destroyed by drought or boll weevil during the growing season.

County Farm Agent P. J. W. Wilson said farmers in several sections failed to make any crops this year, and that he and the commissioners had appealed for aid for them. Several farmers failed to make even a boll of cotton, Wilson said.

Lewis Bold In Attacks Upon Steel

Calls Tom Girdler, of Republic Steel, "Murderer"; Gets Great Ovation

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 16 (AP)—John L. Lewis denounced operators of "little steel" today and told an uproaring convention of steel workers that his dream of seeing the nation's mill men "banded together" in unionism "has come true."

The founder of the CIO, welcomed amid a wild demonstration, to the floor of the first national congress of SWOC, assailed Tom Girdler, president of the Republic Steel Corporation, declaring that the name of Girdler "should be synonymous with murderer."

The labor leader took the platform only after a delay of twenty minutes by the ovation, and then declared "you have found out for the first time in your respective lives that you could organize if you wanted to organize."

Turning suddenly to speak of the

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SUBSTANTIAL GAIN SCORED BY COTTON

New York, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened unchanged to ten higher on higher cables, trade and foreign buying. March was 8.30, with the list 5 to 11 points net higher in the second hour. At midday the list was ten to thirteen points net higher.

STATE CONTESTING TUCKERTOWN ORDER

Joins Aluminum Company To Resist Clear Invasion Of State Rights

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Dec. 16.—The Federal Power Commission has received petitions from the Carolina Aluminum Company and from the State of North Carolina asking for a rehearing in the now-famous Tuckertown cases.

Notice of receipt of the State's petition was sent the attorney general's office here by the commission, which under the law has thirty days in which to act before the matter can be taken before a Federal court.

North Carolina's intervention in the case and its petition for a rehearing are based on the contention that the "arbitrary" findings of the Commission will deter the company from proceeding with the Tuckertown project to the detriment of the State of North Carolina.

The aluminum company's and the State's contentions have been frequently stated in brief, North Caro-

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Partly cloudy followed by light rain in mountains tonight and Friday; slightly warmer Friday; slightly warmer in east and central portions tonight.

Japanese Admiral Relieved Because Of Panay Sinking; Japan Will Honor Victims

F. D. R.'S STRONG PROTEST TO TOKIO

Memorandum handed to the Secretary of State at 12:30 P. M., December 13, 1937.

Please tell the Japanese Ambassador when you see him at one o'clock:

- 1. That the President is deeply shocked and concerned by the news of indiscriminate bombing of American and other non-Chinese vessels on the Yangtze, and that he suggests that the Emperor be so advised.
2. That all the facts are being assembled and will shortly be presented to the Japanese Government.
3. That in the meantime it is hoped the Japanese Government will be considering definitely for presentation to this Government:

- a. Full expressions of regret and proffer of full compensation;
b. Methods guaranteeing against a repetition of any similar attack in the future.

Photo facsimile of President Roosevelt's memorandum

This photo facsimile of President Roosevelt's memorandum to Secretary of State Cordell Hull on the Far Eastern crisis is an historic document. For it is the president's personal protest to the Japanese government—and emperor—of the Japanese bombing of the U. S. gunboat Panay near Nanking. The demands herein stated by the president were presented to Japanese Ambassador Hiroshi Saito when he visited Hull to offer apologies for the incident.

Tobacco Market Closes For Holidays, Reporting 21,652,506 Pounds Sold

Sales Already 569,498 Pounds More Than for Entire Season for 1936-37 Period

AVERAGE TO DATE \$26.09 PER HUNDRED

Payments \$5,650,891, Or Nearly Half Million Dollars Ahead of Whole Season Last Year; Average Is \$1.49 Per Hundred Pounds More Now

(By R. W. McFARLAND) Henderson Sales Supervisor

Closing its sales yesterday for the Christmas holidays with prices on every grade of tobacco offered higher than the prevailing prices for the past two or three weeks, argues auspiciously for the reopening of the market on January 11, 1938, and the sale of the remaining 2-1/2 or 3 million pounds that is in this area, un-sold.

In our opinion as to yesterday's market, we are not alone, for just before the closing for the noon hour, one of the most successful farmers in Vance county, and one of the best business men in Henderson, stated to us that his sale made yesterday was the highest that he has made, grade for grade, in two weeks. This was the general consensus of opinion of those who sold in Henderson yesterday.

Official report of sales for the season reads: Tonnage, 21,652,506 pounds; money, \$5,650,891.77; average for the whole, \$26.09 per hundred pounds.

From the above figures it is ascertained that the market has already sold 569,498 pounds more than was

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SPECIAL COURT IN WILSON ON FEB. 28

Raleigh, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Governor Hoey ordered today that a special one-week term of criminal court convene in Wilson county February 28 with Judge W. H. S. Burgwyn to preside.

TOKYO IS ANXIOUS TO MEET DEMANDS OF UNITED STATES

Drive Inland Pushed Into Hitherto Peaceful Countrysides of Chinese Provinces

NANKING RUINED, IS NEWSMAN'S REPORT

Wounded Unattended Except for Three U. S. Missionaries; Unprecedented Tribute Planned by Japanese for Dead Who Perished Aboard Gunboat

Shanghai, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Rear Admiral Tizio Mitsunami, chief of Japanese naval aerial operations, was relieved of his post today as a result of the bombing of the United States gunboat Panay.

Domei (Japanese) News Agency declared the Japanese government was acting swiftly to carry out its pledge to America to punish officers responsible for the attack. It was explained that Mitsunami was recalled because most bombardments in China had been carried out by naval planes.

The rear admiral was ordered to go to Tokyo, but Japanese authorities here did not know what other action he faced.

During the day, Japanese army planes carried the warfare into the interior with a series of attacks. Three columns of Japanese shock troops advancing northward from a point between Shanghai and Nanking entered heretofore quiet countryside.

One column, advancing along the ancient Grand Canal, threatened a number of rich, populous towns. Japanese officials announced that the American Embassy's building and other embassy and legation headquarters at Nanking were not damaged in the attacks on the city. All Americans and foreigners who remained

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Cite Bristol Man For Distribution Of Sulfanilamide

Cincinnati, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Dr. Samuel Evans Massengill, of the S. E. Massengill Company, Bristol, Tenn., has been cited to appear for a hearing before Federal food and drug administration officials here Monday in connection with the distribution of a sulfanilamide compound, which caused a number of deaths, principally in the South.

F. A. Postelle, chief of the food and drug office, said the administration had information concerning inter-state shipments of the compound and that Dr. Massengill would be asked to show why the information should not be turned over to the Department of Justice.

Dr. Massengill has also been cited to appear for a similar hearing in Kansas City Monday.

Japs Went On Gunboat For Attack

U. S. Colors Were Flying at Time; Nearby Jap Ships Machine-Gunned It

Washington, Dec. 16.—(AP)—Secretary Hull announced today that official reports had confirmed that Japanese surface vessels machine-gunned the American gunboat Panay after it had been bombed from the air by Japanese naval fliers.

The secretary of state said this information had been transmitted to the American ambassador at Tokyo for presentation to the Japanese foreign office in the form of representations to supplement facts already set forth in this government's formal note of protest on the bombing.

Although Hull withheld details of the information in the hands of the

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