

Barkley To Move Next Week To Shelve Anti-Lynch Bill To Pass Other Legislation

MAJORITY LEADER REVERSES HIMSELF ON STAND FRIDAY

Voted Against Laying Aside Bill When Southern Senators Sought Show-down Then

FARM BILL AGAIN STRIKES TROUBLE

Agriculture Officials Object to Smith's Cotton Amendment, and Long Floor Fight Is Expected; Split Resulting from Court Fight, Unhealed

Washington, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Majority Leader Barkley of Kentucky indicated today he would move to lay aside the anti-lynching bill next week "I am unwilling that this whole session should be wasted or consumed in futile discussion," he said. Barkley voted against shelving the measure when southern senators failed by a 52 to 34 vote to pigeon-hole it yesterday. Both Senate and House were in recess today. Southern senators arranged a caucus to map next week's strategy against the anti-lynching bill. Agriculture Department opposition to last-minute changes in cotton provisions of the compromise farm bill raised the possibility, meantime, of a prolonged floor fight over the measure. The controverted item was an amendment inserted at the behest of Senator Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, to speed up payment of part of the \$130,000,000 bonus Congress has voted for 1937 cotton growers who complied with 1938 programs. Departmental officials said Smith's proposal permitting borrowers to surrender loan cotton to the Commodity Credit Corporation and receive up to two cents a pound in price adjustment payments might lead to government impounding of as much as 5,000,000 bales. Other developments: Leaders of the "little fellows" conference agreed to set up a permanent organization to keep the government advised of the small business man's needs. A year ago today President Roosevelt proposed his court reorganization (Continued on Page Four.)

Talks to "Little Fellows"



Secretary of Commerce Daniel Roper is shown with Representative Charles Kramer (left), of California, just before he read President Roosevelt's message to the eight hundred small businessmen in the Commerce Department building auditorium at Washington. The opening session was so noisy and riotous that Secretary Roper was forced to suspend it after reading the message. (Central Press)

BOTH GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS LAX

Government Less Efficient, However, Than Business, Observer Says

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Contributor Washington, Feb. 5.—A reader raises this point: "Do you really believe that business is any more efficient than the New Deal?" Yes, I do believe so. But, if I believed the New Deal to be more efficient than business, I still do not think I would be paying much of a compliment to the New Deal, for business does not seem to be quite efficient enough to be hard to beat, by even a very small modicum of efficiency. As Stewart Sees It. Business, if efficient at all, certainly ought to be sufficiently so as to keep a country's economic status reasonably stable—to maintain tolerably good times as a regular thing, and also to keep them improving gradually. It hasn't done it. As far back as we can remember we have had about three major depressions per century, with one or two minor depressions per interval. Where Business Fails. We have had intervening booms, too, but they have been as dangerous as their succeeding slumps have been painful. Yet business has not been able to recognize a boom as a boom while said boom actually was booming. We had a post-war boom. It lasted so long that it puzzled me. My idea was that we should have had a terrible, prolonged depression after so terrific a conflict. I got an interview on the subject with Herbert Hoover, then secretary of commerce. I took him to be prominently a business expert. He assured me that that thing was not a boom; that we were living in a new age of the world; that what I called a boom was, in reality, our modern "normalcy". We know what followed before the end of his presidential term. Since then I never have had much. (Continued on Page Five.)

2 Bandits Suspects Slain by Officers

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 5 (AP)—Police recorded a \$3,500 bank robbery as solved today with the bloody notation—"two bandit suspects slain, five persons wounded, including three detectives." Vincent Grinkovic, of Cleveland, and a man known only as "Mack" were killed. Police were checking fingerprints with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in an effort to identify Mack. Two of the wounded hovered between life and death, Detective Robert Cline and Carl Boettcher, 24, of Cleveland, one of four men who were targets for a hail of police bullets in a two-story west Side rooming house yesterday. Boettcher's lung was punctured, while Cline and Detective William Danner were shot in the abdomen. (Continued on Page Five.)

NEW POLICIES FOR PATROL ARE FIXED

State Police Required To Spend More Time Out on the Highways

MENTAL PATIENT, 50, ASSAULTS INMATES

Medfield, Mass., State Hospital Scene of Violence by One Thought Not Dangerous

EUROPE TREMBLES AT POSSIBILITIES OF HITLER'S COUP

Seizure of Full Control Of German Army and Diplomatic Service Stuns West

MUSSOLINI HAPPY OVER HITLER MOVE

Sends His Congratulations and Foresees Closer Accord Between Germany and Italy; Hitler Move In Austria Now Feared by London and Paris

London, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Britain's key cabinet ministers were summoned hurriedly to the foreign office today to consider the rapidly changing European situation caused by Germany's drastic government shake-up and the new outbreak of Mediterranean piracy. The German development was believed to have been of chief concern as Europe watched apprehensively to see where the Nazification of the German army and diplomatic corps would lead Germany abroad. Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain remained in close contact from Birmingham, where he made an address yesterday, but Sir Thomas Inskip, minister for coordination of defense, in whom the empire's re-armament plans center, broke engagements to hurry back to London. Closeted also with Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden were Sir John Simon, chancellor of the exchequer; Viscount Hallisham, the lord chancellor; Alfred Duff Cooper, first lord of the Admiralty; and Malcolm MacDonald, secretary of the dominions. (Continued on Page Five.)

London, Feb. 5.—(AP)—An apprehensive Europe watched today for signs that sensational Nazification of the German army and diplomatic corps may lead Fuehrer Hitler to step abroad. Grave fears were expressed by diplomatic circles here that the strong German military machine, driven by Nazi impulse, might contemplate a putsch in Austria—to further the scope of national socialism. Britain and France, pouring their warships into the Mediterranean to fight molestation of merchant shipping, also watched anxiously for any indication the German army reorganization, with Hitler in supreme direct command, might involve Spanish affairs. The two nations particularly were alert for any signs that Hitler, with Premier Mussolini of Italy, might be planning increased Spanish intervention to help insurgent General Francisco Franco, whose war machine presently appears bogged down after (Continued on Page Five.)

FARM BUREAU HEAD TO TALK NEW BILL

Winslow and O'Neal Will Confer in Washington Tomorrow With Senator Pope

Raleigh, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Edward O'Neal, American Farm Bureau president, and J. E. Winslow, of Greenville, State Farm Bureau president, will confer with Senator Pope, Democrat, Idaho, at Washington tomorrow on the farm conference bill, E. P. Arnold, executive secretary of the State bureau said today. Winslow, one of a committee of eighteen appointed last fall to draft farm legislation, will leave from Rocky Mount late tonight.

Hoey Silent On Bureaus Of Justice

Raleigh, Feb. 5 (AP)—The study of the proposed State department of justice by Professor Paul Sanders of Duke University was in the hands of Governor Hoey today, but he had no comment on it.

In a letter accompanying the report, Major L. P. McLendon of Greensboro, chairman of the commission studying the proposal, said: "In transmitting the material to you I do not wish it to be understood that I am at this time endorsing the proposed department or any particular method of establishing it. Primarily, it is that I hope to give information and evoke construction criticism." Hoey explained the report was not official.

WEEKLY WEATHER. South Atlantic States: Some rain over north portion and at beginning and rain period after middle of week; somewhat colder northern section about Tuesday; colder latter part of week.

United States Warns Japan Bigger Battleships Will Be Built Here If Pact Ignored

11 Killed in Navy Air Crash



D. W. McKay (left), chief machinist's mate, was one of the three men who survived the air crash in which eleven officers and men of the navy were killed when two 11-P type naval bombers, one of which is pictured below, collided in a rain squall during maneuvers 70 miles off San Diego, Cal. M. W. Woodruff (right) was one of the eleven victims. (Central Press)

THIS COUNTRY IS READY TO DISCUSS CURB ON WARSHIPS

London Naval Treaty, Signed by Both Nations, Restricts Size to 35,000 Tons

UNITED STATES HAS LIVED UP TO PACT

Britain and France Both Have Been Consulted on Query to Japan, Hull Says; This Country, Meantime, Reduces by Half Its Forces in China

Washington, Feb. 5.—(AP)—The United States is asking Japan today whether she is building, or intends to build, battleships larger than 35,000 tons. If so, a note to the Tokyo government said, the United States will build larger ships herself, but is willing to discuss limitation of their size. Secretary Hull, announcing this action, said it was taken after consultation with Britain and France, signatories of the London naval treaty of 1936, who were taking similar steps. The United States has built no battleships in excess of 35,000 tons, in accordance with the London treaty. This country, meantime, took a long step away from China by ordering its armed forces there reduced by more than half.

MAN IS HELD FOR KILLING OF CHIEF

Bruce Shue Accused of Fatal Shooting of Chief Rape of Huntersville January 1

Charlotte, Feb. 5 (AP)—Bruce Shue, charged with fatally shooting Police Chief J. A. Rape, of Huntersville, the night of January 1, was ordered held for superior court today at a preliminary hearing in Mecklenburg county recorder's court. Shue was arrested in Edgefield, S. C., a few days after the chief was slain as he approached a stranger on his beat.

Envoy From Germany Is For Peace

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Dr. Hans Dieckhoff, German ambassador to the United States, in an address prepared for delivery today, said the foreign policy of the German government is for a "real peace," but so long as there is no "political appeasement" there will be "no feeling of security." The ambassador was on the program at a luncheon of the Philadelphia branch of the Foreign Policy Association. "In our opinion, the main thing is to have a real peace," he said. "In a great speech made a few months ago in this country, we find this sentence: 'In moral consciousness of the world must recognize the importance of removing injustices and well-founded grievances. This is what we believe.'" While the ambassador did not name him, the quotations were from President Roosevelt's address in Chicago last October 5. "The sooner we come to a real peace and I hope that we will come to it, the better," the ambassador said. "This real peace must be our great goal."

Roosevelt To Settle Ickes Row

Washington, Feb. 5 (AP)—President Roosevelt plans to settle the row between Secretary Ickes and the latter's under secretary, Charles West, informed officials said today, by transferring West from the Interior Department. Representing Mr. Roosevelt as supporting the cabinet member, these officials predicted he would seek a new post for West in another branch of the government. Ickes last week swooped down on West's office in the latter's absence and virtually liquidated its personnel, removing James A. Rohrer, West's brother-in-law and administrative assistant. West's own job was untouched, as he was a presidential appointee. Secretary Ickes called at the White House today to discuss what he said was a "lot of odds and ends." He added, however, West's name was not mentioned.

Japs Claim Advances On China Front

Shanghai, Feb. 5.—(AP)—The Japanese force operating against the Chinese left flank 15 miles east of Pengyu today reported fighting its way across the Hwai river and advancing north toward Kuchen on the Tientsin-Pukow railroad, leading to Suchow. Chinese troops defending a position about ten miles west of Pengyu also were driven back and the city occupied, the Japanese said. Dispatches from Suchow said Chinese troops holding the north bank of the Hwai north of Pengyu along the Tientsin-Pukow line, repulsed Ja-

Warfare In South Spain Is Renewed

Heudaye, France, at the Spanish Frontier, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Warfare spread along the southern Spanish front today as government and insurgent troops took advantage of warmer weather to fight for positions. Opposing forces were still deadlocked in the Aragon, while insurgent warships tightened their blockade of the Mediterranean coast. In eastern Badajoz province, where lines have been shifting without appreciable advantage to either side, insurgents said they had occupied a series of strategic hill positions. The government acknowledged losing ground in this sector, but reported it had launched a new drive in the hitherto quiet sector of Grenada, which resulted in occupation of two positions. An insurgent counter attack was defeated.

SLIGHT GAIN MADE IN COTTON MARKET

Prices Two to Five Points Higher at Close, With Middling Quoted at 8.64

Table with 4 columns: Month, Open, Close, and another column. Rows include March, May, July, October, December, and January.

U. S. Envoy Is Permitted To See Mrs. Ruth Rubens

Washington, Feb. 5 (AP)—The Soviet government acceded today to a request that a United States official be permitted to see Mrs. Ruth Marie Rubens, American citizen incarcerated in Russia on suspicion of espionage. Charge d'affaires Loy Henderson cabled Secretary Hull that Moscow had agreed to the long-standing American demand. Henderson has asked that he or Second Secretary Angus Ward be allowed to visit Mrs. Rubens this afternoon or tomorrow. Soviet authorities previously had informed the United States they would not permit an "Ame" diplomat to see Mrs. Rubens, after Russian police had finished investigating her case. State Department officials said today that the inference is they have now completed their investigation. This was taken to mean Russia had not accepted Hull's principle of right to visit "without delay," a principle on which he insisted soon after Mrs. Rubens' arrest became known. Hull emphasized the principle in his formal note of January 25. It involved the general right of American diplomatic representatives to visit Americans jailed in Soviet Russia. Hull declined to comment today when asked whether or not Russia's accession to the question at this time meant, in effect, agreement with the principle.

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Alf Landon Appeals To Christians

Chicago, Feb. 5.—(AP)—Alf M. Landon told the United Methodist Conference today that Christianity is threatened by the theory of absolute government abroad in the world. "Let us in America not make the mistake of think we can escape all contacts with what is happening in the rest of the world," the 1936 Republican presidential nominee said in a prepared address to Methodist clergymen and laymen attending a national conference on faith and service. He continued: "The absolute government that has taken hold of a number of nations would take away freedom of worship, freedom of expression, and even free will. Where this absolute government would not absolutely destroy the church, it would undermine the very foundation of the church." "Thus Christianity has a great stake in the preservation of democracy."

Smoak Claims Innocence With Death Hour Nearing

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Feb. 5.—Edgar Leroy Smoak looked death in the face and without blinking an eye or spilling one tiny speck of tobacco from a cigarette he was rolling asserted his innocence of poisoning his high school student daughter, Annie Thelma Smoak. His counsel, William L. Farmer, had just warned him in most solemn terms that he had but two weeks to live. Your correspondent saw by watching the doomed man's reactions. "As certain as anything human is certain, you're going to walk into the gas chamber two weeks from today and meet the Great Judge who can't be fooled by pretenses," said Mr. Far-

mer. "If you have anything to say, you ought to say it now." Smoak looked at your correspondent with keen grey eyes that never flickered and said evenly and earnestly: "My heart is right with God. From my heart I'm not guilty of murder, and if I go into the gas chamber I will go for the laws of North Carolina and not for any murderer. I never harmed anyone in my life." Previously the gaunt New Hanover man had greeted his counsel: "Bill, I'm sure glad to see you," and had added to your correspondent: "From what the newspaper says, I'm in a mess. Ain't that the dang-