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VIEWS STATED BY NAVAL SPOKESMAN

Disagreement, in Principle, With Request of United States, Britain and France Explained; Quantitative Limit Would Restrict Size of Ships

Tokyo, Feb. 10 (AP)—A Japanese naval spokesman indicated today Japan would endorse a world naval agreement limiting the number of warships of world powers.

"If the powers would approach Japan with the idea of quantitative limitations uppermost, it would make a favorable impression," the spokesman said in a discussion of means to end the threat of a world naval building

Giving his personal view of Japan's disagreement, in principle, with the request by the United States, Great Britain and France for Japanese naval building information, the naval in-

"It would, in effect, bind our country with qualitative limitation, and if we refused, then the powers concerned are going to make it a pretext for expansion on imaginary grounds

that we also are expanding."

Qualitative limitation (limiting the size of warships) would be in contradiction to Japan's stand at the London naval conference, he said.

WARS PIVOTING ON

Spain's Insurgent Armies Make St gic Gains; Other Strip Is In China War

(By The Associated Press) The world's two wars are pivoting on the fate of "life line" corridors. One such vital strip of territory, a narrow link between two segments of the government-held third of Spain, attained new strategic importance with insurgent armies in position to drive between Catalonia and Valencia to the sea. The other strip was in

Spanish insurgent victors along the Alfambra river north of Teruel in a four-day offensive offered what insurgent military advices termed "ex-cellent conditions" for a thurst some 60 miles to the Mediterranean to shear Catalonia off from the rest of the

government Spain. The insurgents said 4,247 bodies of government soldiers were left on the battlefields of the Palomera mountains and in the Alfambra river valley and that 9.300 soldiers were captured.

Methodist Unification Is Opposed

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 10.-(AP)-Two bishops in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, one retired, differed today in the interpretation of the vote neressary to bring about merger of the three branches of Methodism. C. J. Steward, Augusta, Ga., real estate man, and member of the executive committee of a layman's or ganization working against the pro posed merger, yesterday made public a letter from Bishop Collins Denny

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WOULD OPEN PARK IN COMING SEASON

Etheridge Wants Great Smokies Formally Operated by Park Service

Daily Dispatch Bureau. In the Sir Walter Hotel. Raleigh, Feb. 10—Director R. Bruce Etheridge, of the Department of Conservation and Development, is going to make every effort to persuade the National Park Service to formally open the Great Smoky Mountains National Park this summer or fall, when he is in Washington Friday to confer

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Seek His Slayer



The Rev. Charles H. Lee (above) was killed by a steel-jacketed bullet as he sat in the rectory of his church at St. Simon's Island, Ga. Authorities are hunting a "dude" killer. Footprints outside the rectory window, through which Dr. Lee was shot, indicate that the killer wore shoes with yeary pointed toos. shoes with very pointed toes.
(Central Press)

"LIFE LINE" FATES Japs Begin **Drive Upon** China Lines

Major Fighting in Opening Phases Of Big Push To Center Upon Railway

Shanghai, Feb. 10 (AP)—Guns of Japan's grand campaign to choke off China's Lunghai railway artery and along a 300-mile front reached almost dominate 100,000 square miles of central China thundered today on the northwestern edge of the Lunghai cor-

The major fighting of opening phases of the battle was expected to center along the Peiping-Hankow railway, which cuts across the Lunghai 300 miles west of the Chinese east-

ern coast.
Ninety miles north of this spot, Chengchow, an artillery duel was in progress between Chinese and one of the eight Japanese columns aimed at the Lunghai from the north and south. One hundred Japanese war planes bombarded widespread areas of central China and strafed Chinese positions yesterday to soften the resistance of the 400,000 Chinese troops defending the Lunghai corridor.

COUNT OF TRAFFIC

Highway Bureau Constructs Enormous Map for Its **Greatest Survey**

Daily Dispatch Burean, In The Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, Feb. 10.—On the wall of trafting room of the Statewide Highway Planning Survey hangs the world's biggest map of North Caro-

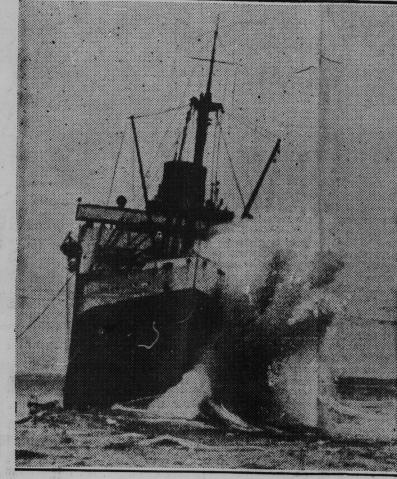
It's fourteen feet, six inches from 'Manteo to Murphy" and five feet four inches at its greatest north south dimension.

It's as specked as the oilcloth on a country hotel dining room table in fly time, but the specks mean some-thing beside the fact that there are no screens on the doors and windows. Each speck is some sort of a pin or ack and each means that there the survey has made, or will make, a

count of vehicular traffic. The survey offers unparalleled opportunities for sufferers from insom-

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The Hoover—Breaking Up



An unusual picture, taken by a member of the crew, shows the luxury iner President Hoover, hard aground on the reefs off the tiny island of Hoishoto in the Pacific, being broken up by huge waves. All five hundred of the passengers aboard the Hoover were removed safely before the sea began to pound her to pieces. (Central Press)

Death And Destruction In Pacific Coast Storm

Howling Gale on North California Coast Kills Five and Injures Scores of Others

HIGHWAYS, RAILWAYS ARE LEFT BLOCKED

Menace of Floods from Fresh Rains Feared; Extends Northward from Midway Point Between San Francisco and Los Angeles to Oregon Line

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 10.-(AP) -A howling gale struck northern California, killed five persons, injured scores of others and caused pro perty damage estimated today at millions of dollars.

The wind, which at several places tornadic force yesterday, came as a shrieking climax to 14 days of storms. It left in its wake broken communications systems, blocked highways and railroads and a menace of floods from additional rains, predicted for

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COUNTING VOTES IN **ULSTER'S ELECTION**

Northern Ireland Deciding on Wheth-

er To Join Union With New Irish Republic Belfast, Northern Ireland, Feb. 10.

-(AP)-Vote-counting began today in Ulster's general election with Prime Minister Lord Craigavon, confident the result would be a fresh mandate for his government to combat union

Tabulations were expected to be completed by 7 p. m. on the 31 House of Commons votes to which 64 candidates aspired. Twenty-one of the House's 52 members previously were

named by acclamation. The polling yesterday in, a special election, called by Craigavon specifically on the issue of the union of Ulster and Ireland, was accomplished with a minimum of disorder. A score of windows, chiefly those displaying pictures of nationalist (favoring a united Ireland) candidates were smashed here and five persons were hurt when police dispersed a large crowd outside a polling place.

STATE WPA CHIEFS ASK LARGER FUNDS

Sufficient Federal Financing To Add 1.000 to Relief Rolls Here

Raleigh, Feb. 10 .- (AP) -- North Carolina WPA officials said today they had requested funcs to add at least 1,000 persons to the 28,000 now on WPA relief jobs because of unempley ment conditions. State officials said the Federal bureau was furnishing a round \$150,000 a month to the Siate now, and that some \$25,000 a month more would be asked.

Ft. Bragg Captain Accident Victim

Fort Bragg, Feb. 10 (AP)—Captain Carl E. Berg, 40, member of the 36th Field Artillery, was shot and killed instantly on the Fort Bragg reservations by the apparently discharge of his pistol as he was making a reconnaisance for the location of gun positions before targe practice yesterday aft-

There were no eye-witnesses. An official investigation is in progress. Captain Berg, a native of Eauclaire, Wis., served as an enlisted man in the artillery in the World War, later attended West Point and was commissioned in 1920.

Hitler May Hit Snag In ArmyLines

Berlin, Feb. 10.-(AP)-Adolf Hit ler, the ambitious ex-corporal who 19 years ago started out to Nazify the German army, is renewing the task. Some have posed the question whether he could do it this time.

Nineteen years ago Hitler was a mere party leader trying to win adherents within the army. This time he is head of the state with direct control of all its armed force, and it would be a tout private general indeed who defied him openly.

Nevertheless, diplomatic quarters heard reports yesterday that three generals offered their resignations in protest. The reports raised the questions whether Hitler was stronger than three generals, whether there were many such discontented high er officers in the army and what

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SHARP REACTIONS IN COTTON PRICES

Lower Cables and Liquidation Depres Market During Trading of Forenoon

New York, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened six to nine points off under lower Liverpool cables and liquidation, pending action in the Senate on the farm bill. May sold off 8.75. Shortly after the first half hour, the list was 10 to 12 points net lower. May reacted to 8.74, leaving quotations by midday at net losses of about 12 to 16

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Mostly cloudy, possibly occasion-al light rain in north central portion tonight and Friday; slightly colder tonight and in south and east portions Friday.

Soviet Officials Forbid Mrs. Rubens Telling Any Detail Of Imprisonment

Her Every Answer Censored in Interview With U.S. **Embassy Official** as Moscow

AMERICAN OFFICIAL WITHHOLDS DETAIL

Visitors Gain Impression She Will Be Incarcerated Long Time Yet; Small Party Present at Interview in Prison on Outskirts of Capital

Moscow, Feb. 10 (AP)-Mrs. Ruth Marie Rubens, of New York, pale from two months in prison, talked for an hour and fifteen minutes today with Loy Menderson, United States charge d'affaires, but apparently was able to impart little of her account of her arrest on suspicion of espionage. Soviet judicial authorities were present to censor the interview. Mrs. Rubens was permitted to answer only

wearing the insignia of a brigade com Henderson declined to tell what took place during his visit to the old Buttrka prison outside Moscow, until he had made his report to the State De-

questions approved by an examining

judge of the Soviet military tribunal

partment. He was accompanied by Angus Ward, United States consul, who went to interpret, if necessary. It was understood Mrs. Rubens had to keep silent about details of her arment Hermiters. rest. Her visitors gained the impres-

(Coatinued on Page Six.) EDWARD A. LUPTON

Goldsboro, Feb. 10.—(AP)—Rela tives here were informed today of the teath of Edward A. Lupton, 60, a re tired sea captain, in Marine hospita at Staten Island, N. Y., yesterday Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church at Vandemere.

BENTONVILLE PARK PLANS ARE HALTED

Lack of Funds Blocks Survey at Site of Civil War Battle Near Goldsboro

Washington, Feb. 10.-(AP)- The National Park Service said today lack of funds had delayed completion of boundary study in connection with designation of the Bentonville, N. C. pattlefield as a national historical site Until the study is made, sponsors of the plan do not know what area should be acquired for donations to he Federal government, the park ce explained.

The advisory board of the park service, whose duty it is to investigate such proposals, already has approved the site, it was explained. The battle of Bentonville is regarded by some as the last major engagement of the Civil War.

The United Daughters of the Confederacy and North Carolina congressman have been interested in the pro-

Boomed in Ireland



John McCormack
. . . for president?

An American citizen since 1919, John McCormack, the burly Irish singer, is being boomed by friends for the presidency of Eire the former Irish Free State, against a Czecho-Slovakian count and a vetadze who eran judge. McCormack, who sang his farewell to American concert audiences in March, 1937, is 53 and is a count of the Holy Roman empire. -Central Press

Steel Peacemaker



... "Big Steel's" representative

Thomas L. Moses, U. S. Steel vicepresident was the mediator representing "big steel" in successful conferences in New York between the C. I. have been filibustering since the ses-O. and the company to renew contracts for more than 500,000 men. Moses was largely responsible for bringing "big steel" and John L. Lewis together in their first agreement which expires Feb. 28.

DIES IN NEW YORK Hearing Of Beal's Case Is Deferred

Postponed Until Wednesday Under Procedure in Massachusetts

Boston, Mass., Feb. 10.-(AP)-Hearing was postponed today until February 16 on a request of North Carolina for a rendition of Fred Erwin Beal, 41-year-old Lawrence, Mass., labor organizer, who has been hunted as a fugitive for eight years since he was convicted of conspiracy to murder a Gastonia, N. C., police chief. On the morning of February 16, Beal faces a district court hearing in Lawrence, where he was arrested several weeks ago as a fugitive. The rendition hearing will begin in the State House in Boston a few hours

Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell of North Carolina offered no objection when counsel for Beal requested the continuance from Assistant Attorney General James Bacigalupo, of Massachusetts, presiding. Seawell later described the postponement as

No evidence was presented at to-day's brief session, which was delay-ed about an hour in starting. Beal was not present.

The move of North Carolina to hav Beal returned opened a new chapter in the career of the Lawrence-born prisoner, arrested January 19 when he visited the home of a brother in his native city.

Beal was sentenced in 1929 to serve 17 to 20 years for conspiring with six others to murder Chief O. F. Aderhoi:

slain during a s'rike riot. Freed in \$5,000 bail, awaiting an ap peal to the North Carolina Supreme Court, Beal had fled the state and eventually arrived in Russia.

PRICES OF LIQUOR WILL BE REDUCED

Cuts Will Range as Much as 25 Percent in Some Instances, Cutlar Moore Says

Raleigh, Feb. 10 .- (AP) - Cutlor Moore, chairman of the State Liquor Commission, amounced today that prices of bonded liquors would be reduced as much as 25 percent in some instances on March 1 in county liquer stores, but commer od there woul! be no cut in "low-priced liquors." The prices of some brands will advance slightly, as the liquor is older,

Westerners Fight for Protections to Industries Centering in Their States

ANTI-LYNCH BILL PUT ASIDE WHILE

Measure Reaches Senate Floor Amid Predictions of Passage by Nightfall; Roosevelt Asks \$250,000,-000 More for Relief In Four Months

Washington, Feb. 10 .- (AP)-Oppo sition of senators from livestock and dairy regions threatened administration plans today for speedy Senate approval of the compromise farm bill. Senator Schwellenbach, Democrat, Washington, usually an administration stalwart, said he would force a test vote on charges made by a joint congressional committee in provisions intended to protect dairy and livestock The westerner added he would try

to send the entire bill back to the joint committee for restoration of this provision which was in separate House and Senate bills. The Senate took up the farm bill amid predictions of passage "before

To give the right of way to the legislation, it laid aside, for the time being at least, the anti-lynching measure, against which southern senators

sion started in January.

Debate was delayed at today's convening when Senator Johnson, Republican, California, forced reading of the full report of a joint Senate-House Committee on revisions of the

farm measure.

The farm bill shared capital interest with President Roosevelt's request for \$250,000,000 additional for relief in "Funds available at this time," the President wrote Speaker Bankhead "will not only take care of the additional burden caused by the recent

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Goga Quits As Premier Of Roumania

Bucharest, Roumania, Feb. 10 (AP) The anti-Semitic government of Premier Octavian Goga resigned today after six turbulent weeks in of-

The resignation was handed to King Carol at 4:30 p. m. Former Premier George Nironescu was commissioned by the king to form

Dr. M. Cristea, patriarch of the Roumanian orthodox church, declined a suggestion by the king that he take over the regime. The cabinet's fall was a climax of a

day in which indications of Goga's fall from favor mounted. Before the resignation, King Carol had summoned four former premiers, not including Nironescue, to the palace for individ-

"LITTLE BUSINESS" MEET NOT "FUNNY"

New Dealers Not So Much Amused by Recent Session As Appeared

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist
Washington, Feb. 10.—Little busi-

essmen who attached the recent Washington conference of their commercial, industrial and financial ilk, undoubtedly all have been back home for several days now, and each must have told his individual story of the affair to other business folk in his wn community.

There is no reason, therefore, for this column to try to go into details

concerning it.

Nearly 1,000 of these chaps were present at the proceedings, and those who participated in them assuredly have interpreted them more competently, from the standpoint of their respective neighborhoods, than is possible for a central commentator to broadcast generally, from here in the

A Washington View. However, a Washington observer

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