

REORGANIZATION BILL TO PASS MONDAY

STATE'S 1939 AUTO PLATES CHANGED AGAIN



Here is a reproduction of the new North Carolina automobile license plate for 1939. It bears the slogan, "Careful, please," which was substituted for the one agreed upon a few weeks ago, "The Balanced State," a contraction of President Roosevelt's characterization of North Carolina.

complaint to North Carolina in abbreviated form as "The Balanced State" on license plates for 1939 has met with enough criticism to render its use in this way inadvisable.

constantly in view when using the roads, as displayed by the car ahead, and particularly before passing other cars on hills or curves, or at excessive speed on straight-aways.

NEW CHANGES MADE IN TOBACCO, COTTON PROGRAM FOR 1938

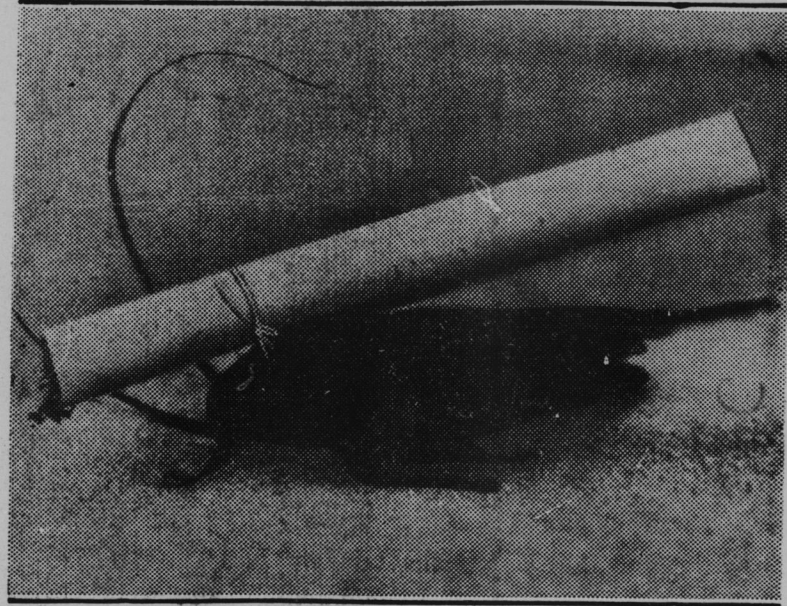
Base Acreage Used Last Year Will Be Basis for Allotments of This Year's Crop

FOUR CHANGES MADE IN THE AAA PROGRAM

Cotton, Peanuts and Vegetable Growers Favored in Changes for New Program; Increase Acreage for Soil Building to Cotton, Tobacco Farms

Washington, March 26.—(AP)—The AAA announced changes in details of the 1938 tobacco, peanut and cotton programs today, designed to speed up their inauguration.

A Convict-Trained Roach



County Jailer Dick Vaughn, of Amarillo, Tex., was puzzled when prisoners in solitary confinement succeeded in having cigarettes smuggled into their cells. One prisoner broke, and told Vaughn how it was done. The cigarette was tied to the back of a cockroach. One of the beasts is pictured above, in the act. Talk about your trained fleas!

SENATE OPPONENTS ADMIT THEY LACK VOTES FOR DEFEAT

Clark 'Very Hopeful,' However, Recommittal Vote Might Shelve Roosevelt Measure

NORRIS HOPES FOR SPEDY TVA PROBE

Sees No Reason Why It Can't Be Finished Before Congress Adjourns; Argentine Doubles Acreage of Tobacco in Year in Competition With U. S.

Washington, March 26.—(AP)—Defeated consistently on proposed amendments, some Senate foes of the administration's government reorganization bill conceded today they lacked the votes to kill the measure.

Victorious Rebels Bring Civil Strife Near End In Spain

Government Admits Insurgent Offensives Have Gained All Immediate Objectives; Franco's Armies Now Nearing Goal on Mediterranean Coast

Hendaye, France, March 26.—(AP)—Retreating government troops were machine-gunned from the air today as they were driven from the Aragon by an insurgent army bent on conquering Catalonia and forcing a quick end to the civil war.

armies converged on Lerida, key city of Catalonia. Franco's troops captured an important city of Bujaroloz, Fraga, 25 miles to the east, on the Catalanian border.

Revived Chinese Armies Now Winning Steadily Over Japs

Widely Extended Invaders Are Stopped Cold in Two Sectors Southwest of Shanghai

GUERRILLA RAIDS TAKE RAIL LINES

Over 1,000 Japs Reported Killed in Clash With Chinese in Taking Lengcheng; Fears Felt for Americans as Chinese Are Using Misson Plants

Shanghai, March 26.—(AP)—The reinvigorated Chinese army, beaten back for months, had turned today and was winning victories on several fronts.

The widely extended Japanese invaders were stopped cold in the Wuhu and Hangchow sectors of the Wuhu and Hangchow sectors and south west of Shanghai, while in the bloody central China zone they were subjected to heavy losses.

Chinese guerrilla raids cut railway lines between Shanghai and Nanking, and between Shanghai and Hangchow.

In southeastern Shansi province, the Chinese reported capturing Lengcheng, killing more than 1,000 Japanese and taking scores of prisoners.

Severe fighting continued around some points in southern Shantung province, where the Japanese for weeks have been struggling without success to advance southward and cut off the Lughai railway.

Fears were expressed for the safety of Americans there as a result of charges that Chinese troops were using mission property and buildings to repulse Japanese attacks.

MOTORISTS SQUAWK ON LICENSE COSTS

Kick More About That \$8,000,000 Than \$22,000,000 In Gas Taxes

Raleigh, March 26.—One of the queer phenomena connected with payment of taxes by North Carolina motorists is the noise they make annually before digging up approximately \$8,000,000 with which to pay their registration fees, and the apparent nonchalance with which they hand over \$22,000,000 in round figures, State tax on the gasoline that propels their motor buggies.

It's all in the nature of the taxes in the opinion of State Senator S. Gilmer Sparger, who points out that the registration fees come due all at once and, accordingly, each motorist is forced to pay out a considerable lump sum.

Gasoline taxes, on the other hand, are paid in units of six cents each time a gallon of the fuel is bought, with the result that the payer isn't so intensely aware of the fact that he is paying a tax. It's a sort of sugar

Noe Is To Leave Hospital in Week

Baltimore, Md., March 26.—(AP)—Rev. Israel Harding Noe, whose 22-day fast attracted attention in January, weighed more than 160 pounds today at Johns Hopkins hospital, a gain of more than 20 pounds since he arrived February 17. He may leave the hospital next week.

MCDONALD POWER TO BE TESTED OUT

Ridge's Candidacy for Congress in Sixth Has Old 1936 Flavor

Raleigh, March 26.—Candidates of Major Edney Ridge, of Greensboro, for Congress from the sixth district will present concrete test of the strength that Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, insurgent professor who scared the daylight out of North Carolina's organization Democrats in 1936, still retains in the Piedmont section—or at least a test of just how much of it he can still swing to a devoted follower.

A press release from Major Ridge's campaign headquarters makes this test certain; as it is quite plain from the tenor of its contents that the Greensboro radio station manager and former newspaper publisher plans to use the McDonald blessing as one of his principal campaign guns.

From the Ridge release is quoted: "One of his (Major Ridge's) most prized messages is that from Ralph McDonald, himself a fearless exponent of the New Deal in his 1936 campaign."

President studied the report of his committee on emergency railroad legislation today but withheld details of its recommendation.

A report was prepared by Chairman Walter Splawn, Joseph Eastman and Charles Mahaffie, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and sent here by air mail.

The President said it would be made public next week in Washington.

Partly cloudy, warmer in south portion tonight; Sunday partly cloudy, scattered showers in extreme north portion; cooler in north and central portions.

Goering To Open Drive In Austria

No. 2 Nazi Leader Starts Campaign for Ratification of Hitler's Seizure

Vienna, March 26.—(AP)—Field Marshal Hermann Goering announced tonight the circumstances of former Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg's cancelled "swindle" plebiscite—the immediate cause of Hitler's entry into Austria—will be aired in court.

"This plebiscite fake will come before the court," Goering told 30,000 people packed into the northwest railway concourse, referring to the vote Schuschnigg had scheduled just before Nazi treaties forced him out of the chancellery.

"We shall prove to the world that democracy was suppressed."

"It was a plain swindle. "God did not let the Fuehrer come into the world for nothing."

"He had a high mission x x x. The Austrian government has suppressed the people with bayonets," the number two Nazi chieftain declared.

Vienna, March 26.—(AP)—Field Marshal Hermann Goering, No. 2 Nazi, entered Vienna triumphantly today to campaign for 100 percent approval of German annexation of Austria.

Happily waving his marshal's baton, Goering arrived in a special train.

GAS COMPANY HERE REDUCES ITS RATES

Raleigh, March 26.—(AP)—Utilities Commissioner Stanley Winborne, announced today a reduction in gas rates; by the Henderson Gas Company estimated to save Henderson gas consumers \$500 annually.

Winborne said the company has reduced its minimum from \$1.30 to \$1.20 per month and the old standard had been cancelled and replaced by the present rate.

Chamberlain Goes After Labor Help

London, March 26.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain retired for a long week-end today to study the disquieting dual problem of staunch labor opposition to his foreign policy and necessity of getting cooperation of the same group to speed up rearmament.

The National Council of Labor yesterday declared continuance in office of Chamberlain's conservative government a "grave menace to the peace of Europe," and demanded an immediate meeting of the League of Nations Assembly to "consider appeasement" of European problems.

Chamberlain's attitude, declared the council, was a cynical disregard of the need for defending democracy.

At the same time the body was believed willing to join a three-cornered conference among government, employers and employees to produce arrangements on a tremendously accelerated scale.

In Commons lobbies, it was rumored the government's proposed armaments increase might reach 50 percent.

Crop Control Emphasized Need For Farmer To Have Self-Support, Hoey Feels

Charlotte, March 26.—(AP)—Governor Hoey declared here today the time had come when the farmer "must become self-supporting on his own farm" in order to continue in his chosen profession.

"The limitations placed upon the growing of cotton and tobacco make it all the more necessary that we increase our food crops for both man and beast," Hoey told 600 young farmers from 16 counties at a luncheon meeting.

WHEELER KIN GOT JOBS UPON MERIT

At Least They Are From Home State; Two Sons Laborers in Park

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, March 26.—By a coincidence, just after writing an article dealing with the peculiar political status of Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana I get this query:

"Hasn't Senator Wheeler an extraordinary number of relatives and in-laws on the federal payroll?"

The senator, in a recent speech in Boston, remarked, "I do not have a son who was in the insurance business, nor has one of my sons married a duPont heiress." He also spoke of the evils of governmental "patronage and pap."

The critics undertake to make this comment come back and roost at the senator's own door.

All right. It is true that Wheeler has a son,

NAVAL BILL MIGHT FORCE ARMS HALT

Senator Bone Suggests Roosevelt Use It As Lever To Check Navies

Washington, March 26.—(AP)—Senator Bone, Democrat, Washington suggested today that President Roosevelt might use the proposed \$1,100,000,000 naval expansion program to effect a reduction in world armaments.

Bone, a member of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, said it appeared "entirely logical to him that the President, armed with the authorization for a huge increase in the navy, might be able to obtain agreements with other powers to delay or halt naval building."

The expansion bill, already passed by the House, will be taken up by the Senate committee at closed meetings Tuesday. Chairman Walsh, Democrat, Massachusetts, indicated naval experts would be called for secret testimony before the hearings were open to the public.

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WIDER POWERS FOR RFC ARE SOUGHT

Self-Liquidating Loans To Public Works Are Requested

Washington, March 26.—(AP)—President Roosevelt, Senator Glass, Democrat, Virginia, said today he requested that congress give the RFC authority to make self liquidating public works loans.

He asked also that the agency be granted additional latitude in financing business and industry.

ELECTION BOARDS ARE DESIGNATED

State Board of Elections Confirms Vance Board's Appointments

Raleigh, March 26.—(AP)—The State Board of Elections today named the following 100 County Boards of Elections with the first two names being Democrats and the third Republican. The list includes:

Beaufort—John G. Bragaw, Washington; Jesse L. Butt, Bonnett; J. J. Wilkins, Washington.

Edgecombe—C. H. Leggett, Tarboro; C. S. Winslow, Macesfield; J. J. Hathaway, Battleboro.

Fitt—J. H. Harrell, Greenville; L.

Tarboro, March 26.—(AP)—State Senator William Clark, chairman of the Senate agriculture committee, announced today he would seek the Democratic nomination for re-election.

He has been a member of the Senate since 1928.

Representative W. W. Eagles, of Pinetops, also announced today he would seek renomination in the June Democratic primary. He has represented Edgecombe since 1933.

Workers In France In Protests

Decry "Hands Off Spain" Policy and Senate's Opposition to People's Front

Paris, March 26 (AP)—30,000 workers packed Buffalo stadium today in a demonstration of protest against the French policy of "hands off Spain." Senate opposition to the people's front government and "provocation and resistance of employers to collective contracts." The throng included "Metallos" some of the 30,000 metal workers who had quit work at