

Wage-Hour Bill Comes Back Upon House Floor As Result Of Petition Of 218 Members

MEMBERS JOSTLE EACH OTHER FOR CHANCES TO SIGN

Required Number of Signatures Affixed in Three Hours After Petition Comes Up

DISORDER PREVAILS AT HOUSE SESSION

Meantime, Senate Committee Makes Much of Chicago Publication It Claims Is Carrying "Subtle Propaganda" Against Roosevelt Administration

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—House members completed a petition today to force House consideration of the revised wage-hour bill.

The 218th signature was affixed less than three hours after the petition was filed. Representative Mouton, Democrat, Louisiana, was the 218th signer.

A made scramble followed filing of the petition to force a House vote on the revised wage-hour bill.

Sponsors of the petition said there were 188 signatures on the petition within 30 minutes.

Members jostled each other and snatched at the document.

The petition was filed by Chairman Norton, of the House Labor Committee, as soon as the House convened. The petition must have 218 signatures to give the measure a new House test.

On several occasions the members trying to affix their signatures threatened to tear the paper apart, Speaker Bankhead, rapping vainly for order was forced to suspend business.

"Will the members please form a line and maintain some sort of order?" he sang out.

Other developments:

A Senate lobby committee witness listed Rudy Vallee as among the stock holders of a farm magazine which Chairman Minton, Democrat, Indiana, charges is carrying "subtle propaganda" against the Roosevelt administration.

The radio singer's name was brought into the committee's inquiry when M. A. Reynolds, of Chicago, publisher of the Rural Progress, read, at Minton's request, a long list of financial contributors to the publishing company.

KANNAPOLIS PAIR HELD IN FATALITY

Al J. Tilley and Julian Tuck Detained After Auto Death of Mrs. T. E. Smith There

Salisbury, May 6 (AP)—State Patrolman W. S. McKinney said today he had detained for questioning Al J. Tilley and Julian Tuck, both of Kannapolis, in connection with the automobile death earlier today of Mrs. T. E. Smith, on the main highway of North Kannapolis.

McKinney, who said that Tilley and Tuck were being held in North Kannapolis pending an investigation, asserted that Mrs. Smith's automobile was struck by a car "owned by Tilley" which came from a side road. He said the occupants of that car, whom he did not name, left the scene.

Bumper Crops Indicated With Prices Some Lower

Recession Now Stretching Out Through Rural Areas of America; Fears Felt, How ever, of Grasshopper Plague; Farmer Best Off Of Any Class

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Babson Park, Mass., May 6.—The recession is now stretching out through the rural areas of America. Up until several months ago the farm communities were not suffering from the recession so severely as the shut-down industrial centers. We are now entering a new farm season. Prospects indicate a mammoth winter wheat crop. Taking this as the barometer, the other crops should also be large, granted good growing conditions.

Prices of farm products, however, have declined greatly. Hence, the farm outlook for 1938 is very uncertain. There are 15,000,000 farm families in the United States. They are a vital factor in the nation's retail trade. Today they are up against a tremendous problem. It boils down to this: The farmer must receive, in proportion, for his wheat, potatoes, or apples what

New Dealer Votes in Florida



Senator and Mrs. Claude Pepper are shown casting two votes at Miami, Fla., which added to the impressive total by which the New Deal Senator carried Democratic primary for renomination over four opponents. He campaigned on one main issue—his devotion to Pres. Roosevelt's policies. (Central Press)

Both Ends Might Join LaFollettes

Liberals and Conservatives Appear To Lean To Him Rather Than FDR

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, May 6.—To resume—the La Follette movement? How consolidated is it? And how much more can it be consolidated?

Gov. Philip F. La Follette is well-nigh immensely dynamic, active and energetic.

The country has known him thus far only rather indirectly, through news dispatches from Madison, as the Badger State's youthful governor. It knew his father, as a premier senator and "third party" presidential candidate—a statesman of the first water. He was historic. Agree with him or not, he was a bell-ringer. Phil or Bob.

"Young Bob" La Follette inherited his father's Senate seat.

"Young Bob" has been an outstanding senator. But "Young Bob", while he has talent, hasn't "Young Phil's" political genius.

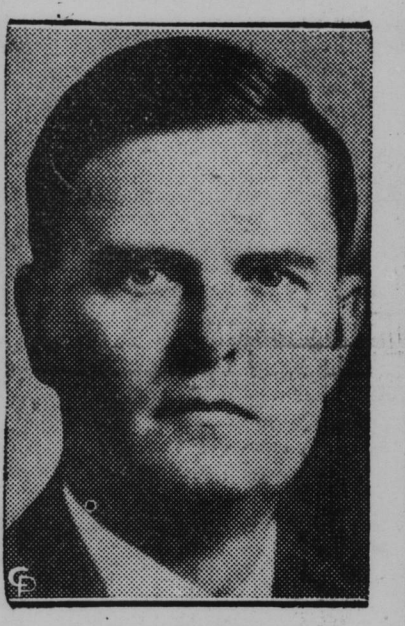
The difference is that, whereas "Bob's" talent has been nationally displayed, "Phil's" genius has been corked up in Wisconsin.

Now "Phil" is breaking into the national limelight.

A Joint Bolt. I'd wonder if "Bob" might not be a little bit jealous of "Phil."

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Wins in Alabama



Frank M. Dixon, gubernatorial victor

Winner in the Democratic race for nomination as governor in Alabama, Attorney Frank M. Dixon of Birmingham piled up a two-to-one lead over his nearest opponent.

(Central Press)

COURT CONGESTION LARGELY CLEARED

Delays In Justice Mostly Removed Now, Hoey Tells Bar Meeting

Pinehurst, May 6.—(AP)—Governor Hoey told members of the North Carolina Bar Association here today that he was happy that much of the congestion in courts had been relieved, and that delays in trial justice are now unnecessary.

He discussed the administration of justice in North Carolina.

Through the enlargement of the Supreme Court, he explained, that body can now dispose of litigation promptly. He said he had appointed the full number of authorized superior court judges, which had been done with the "view of meeting the needs of the people in congested areas and to provide the required court facilities."

The governor pointed out that the

SHARP ADVANCE IN COTTON AT CLOSING

Late Morning Rallies Follow Early Declines on Lower Cables, Foreign Selling

New York, May 6.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened off three to five points on lower Liverpool cables and foreign selling. July moved between 8.53 and 8.59, and prices shortly after the first half hour were one to four points net higher. By midday the list was three to four points net lower, with July at 8.54.

Table with columns: Month, Open, Close. Rows: May, July, October, December, January, March.

CONGRESS ARGUES FARMERS DUPED TO APPROVE CONTROL

Bailey Says Farmers Are Saying Pledges Made Them Are Not Being Carried Out Now

DOES NOT CHARGE BAD FAITH, THOUGH

But Says Farmers Think There Has Been Bad Faith; House Committee Approves Proposed Tobacco and Cotton Changes In New Farm Measure

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—Proposed changes in the new farm act have led to a congressional dispute over how well farmers understood the consequences when they voted two months ago to comply with the cotton and tobacco provisions.

Senator Vandenberg, Republican, Michigan, asked sponsors of the relatively minor amendments repeated 'y whether the farmers were not "misled" in agreeing to the acreage and poundage restrictions.

Holly Senator Bailey, Democrat North Carolina, put in:

"I am not saying there was misrepresentation. The farmers are saying 'We were persuaded to vote for this with assurances none of which are being made good.' I am not charging any one with bad faith; the farmers think there was bad faith."

Sensors George, Democrat, Georgia, and Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, declared the Agriculture Department misconstrued the act in basing tobacco allotments on acreage instead of poundage. They sponsored an amendment to correct this phase of the administration.

HOUSE COMMITTEE OKAYS CHANGES WITH CROP ACT

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—The House Agriculture Committee gave its approval today to the proposed Senate changes to the tobacco and cotton sections of the new farm act. The Senate passed the amendments earlier in the week.

One would increase the flue-cured dark air-cured and dark fire-cured tobacco quotas by two percent and the other would authorize cotton farmers who do not plant their entire allotment to transfer the unused portion to other growers.

DR. McCAMPBELL HAS QUIT HOSPITAL POST

Superintendent of Morganton Institute Past 31 Years Has Not Made Future Plans

Morganton, May 6.—(AP)—Dr. John McCampbell, superintendent of the State Hospital here for the past 31 years, resigned today, effective June 1. The board of directors were to meet in special session this afternoon to consider the election of his successor.

Dr. McCampbell said he would decide about his future plans after taking a few weeks rest to recuperate from a recent operation. He succeeded the late Dr. P. L. Murphy, first superintendent of the institution, in 1907.

MAJOR DEMPSEY IS ACQUITTED BY JURY

Raleigh, May 6 (AP)—A Federal court jury, after deliberating five hours, acquitted Major J. C. Dempsey, of Wilson, Federal tax unit investigator, of a charge of accepting bribes, last night.

Dempsey was charged with accepting money in return for promises to "protect" bootleg liquor operations.

Hose Group Wants Pact Of 3 Years

Charlotte, May 6.—(AP)—The American Federation of Hosiery Workers voted overwhelmingly today to authorize its national executive board to negotiate contracts with employers for terms as long as three years. The vote was 160 to 27.

President E. Rieve, of Philadelphia, vigorously advocated the proposal, which altered an existing policy of limiting agreements to one year.

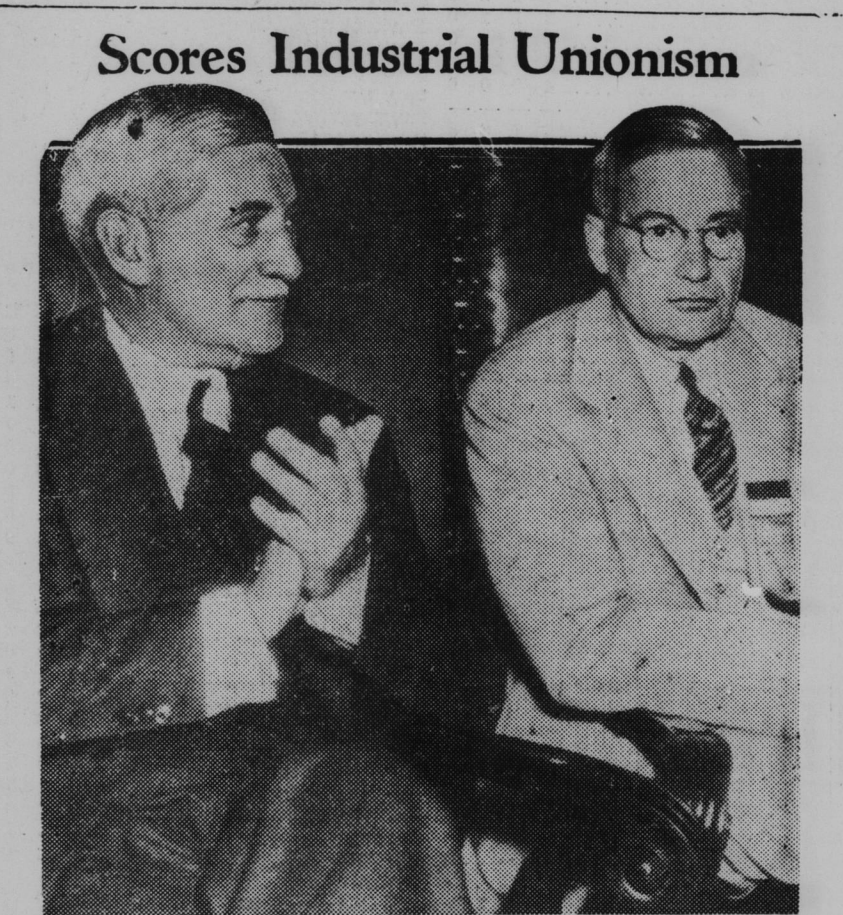
"It is the best means possible," he told delegates attending the organization's annual convention, "to strengthen the hands of your board."

The convention heard a report from members of a special committee which returned from Washington after being commissioned to bring pressure on southern congressmen to support the effort being made to obtain a vote in the House on the wages and hours bill. The members said they received little encouragement from the congressman they contacted.

WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA

Generally fair tonight and Saturday; slightly cooler on the extreme northeast coast Saturday.

Britain And France Scared By Possible Coup Resulting From Hitler-Mussolini Meet



William S. Knudsen (left), president of General Motors Corporation, and George Davis, president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, are pictured after Knudsen spoke to the annual meeting of that organization, in Washington. In his address, Knudsen predicted the United States would soon have to curb industrial unionism and scored New Deal spending. (Central Press)

Chinese Claim Recapture Of Half South Shantung

Methodist Group Delays Its Suit

Atlanta, Ga., May 6.—(AP)—The Laymen's Organization for the Preservation of the Southern Methodist Church announced today it would delay court action against Methodist unification until its legal committee decided upon procedure.

Losing a fight against union of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with the Northern Methodist Church and Methodist Protestant Church, before the Southern Church's General Conference at Birmingham, Ala., the laymen said court action would be the next step.

Dr. James W. Lipscomb, president said the organization's legal committee would determine its course after study.

COURT WILL DECIDE ON WOMEN JURORS

State Tribunal To Hear Oral Argument Next Week on That Issue

Raleigh, May 6.—North Carolina's Supreme Court will next week hear oral argument in the first case ever to come here offering a chance to determine and define, once and for all the status of women as jurors in this State.

Ben Sims was convicted of first degree murder in Guilford county. In apt time at his trial, his counsel moved to quash the indictment against him because women had been systematically and purposely excluded from the list of grand jurors drawn for the term at which he was indicted.

His motion was overruled and action of the court in this respect is assigned as reversible error, counsel contending that under the North Carolina Constitution no jury from which women have been purposely excluded has been drawn in accordance with "the law of the land."

"And so, unless the court finds no other point upon which to decide the case, the oft-bruited question of woman's eligibility and status as concerns jury duty in North Carolina will be answered at last."

Recently Attorney General A. A. F. Seawell (now a member of the Supreme Court) ruled that women are eligible to serve as jurors, but there has never been a case before now.

YADKIN MAN BADLY KILLED BY MANGLER

Yadkin, May 6 (AP)—M. Cruse, 32, was killed early today when caught in the mangle of a finishing plant at which he worked.

JOINT WARNING TO BERLIN AND APPEAL TO CZECHS LIKELY

Czechs To Be Asked To Make Utmost Concessions To Nazis To Prevent New War

CHEMICAL WARFARE SHOWN FOR HITLER

Mussolini Shows Guest Whole Chemical Regiment That Sends Shudders Through Mass of Spectators; Small Boys and Girls Also Pass In Review

Paris, May 6.—(AP)—France and Great Britain, fearful of a German-Italian "deal" to give Adolf Hitler a freehold in Czechoslovakia, have decided on an immediate appeal to Prague and warning to Berlin, French foreign office sources said today.

These sources asserted London and Paris had decided to urge Czechoslovakia to make utmost concessions to her Nazi minority, and to warn Germany against committing any "action of violence" against the central European republic.

The representations, it was said, will be made within the next 24 hours, while Hitler and Benito Mussolini are conferring in Rome during Hitler's state visit to Italy.

Foreign office circles said the decision came after receipt of diplomatic dispatches from Rome reporting that the Italian and German general staffs were studying a plan of action should France and Great Britain "react" after a German coup in Czechoslovakia.

The Paris Bourse reflected uncertainty over the Hitler-Mussolini talks. Government bonds lost a substantial part of yesterday's gains, and industrial issues fell.

Joint Franco-British representations in an effort to wipe out a threat of European war will follow decisions made by the French and British ministers at their London meeting a week ago to arrange a common front in defense and foreign policy.

Sir Henderson, British ambassador at Berlin, will see Field Marshal Goering, No. 2 Nazi, and acting chancellor during Hitler's absence in Italy, today, it was said.

French and British ministers in Prague will call at the same time on the Czech foreign office.

AWFULNESS OF NEXT WAR SHOWN BY CHEMICAL UNIT

Rome, May 6.—(AP)—The next European war—if it comes—will be largely a struggle with chemicals, flames and artillery, if Premier Mussolini's line-up of armed forces today honoring Reichsfuehrer Hitler was an indication.

Also it will be the "totalitarian war" of which the late master strategist, General Eric von Ludendorff, wrote.

Democrats Of State To Hold Meets

Cherry Says Plans About Completed for State Convention in Raleigh

Raleigh, May 6 (AP)—Chairman R. Gregg Cherry of the State Democratic Executive Committee, said today plans had been practically completed for the biennial Democratic State Convention here May 19.

The party plan of organization permits 3,614 delegates, the largest number in the State's history.

Cherry conferred with Governor Hoey while here. No decision has been announced as to a permanent chairman of the convention, but there were indications it might be Congressman Lindsay Warren, of Washington, who will keynote the party powwow.

Tomorrow, precinct meetings of Democrats will be held in each locality of the State to select delegates to county conventions to be held May 14. The county meetings will name delegates to come here.

The permanent organization committee nominates the permanent chairman for the convention, but wishes of the governor usually are followed.

NINTH FEUDAL DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE DIES

Former Governor General of Canada Traces Ancestry Into Dim English History

London, May 6 (AP)—The ninth duke of Devonshire towering master of one of England's greatest feudal families, died today at the age of 69 within the historic walls of his principal seat, Chatsworth House, where Mary Queen of Scots once was imprisoned.

Statesman-sportsman, he was a former governor general of Canada, and one of the wealthiest land-owners in England. The origins of his list are lost in English antiquity. One of his ancestors was Sir John Cavendish, a chief justice, who in 1381 was beheaded by insurgent peasants led by Jack Straw and Watts Tyler, who revolted against the poll tax.

Big, stolid but keen and resolute, the duke—Victor Christian William Cavendish—spent his last years passionately hating automobiles.

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