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Mussolini Gives Hitler Free Hand In Czechoslovakia

Il Duce Will Use Pressure To Have Germany Pacified

Mussolini Hopes Hitler Can Solve Central European Problem "On Own Strength"

FOUR-POWER PACT WANTED BY ITALY

Dictator Hopes Accord With Himself Hitler, Britain and France Can Be Restored; German Fuehrer Wined and Dined While in

Rome, May 7 .-- (AP)-Premier Mussolini, according to German sources, has agreed to give Germany a free hand in Czechoslovakia as far as Italy is concerned.

Mussolini was said to have promis ed during a conversation last night with Reichfuehrer Adolf Hitler to bring diplomatic pressure to bear upon the Czechoslovakian government to "be reasonable" in meeting Ger man demands.

The German sources said Mussolini agreed that Italy was a disinterested party in Czechoslovakia, and that the Sudeten German problem was one which concerned only the German and Czechoslovakians.

Mussolini was reported to have expressed hope Germany would be able to solve the problem "on her own

Mussolim's pet project-rejuvenation of the four-power pact-was reported to have been the chief topic of the conversations.

Hitler, according to German sources indicated willingness to join in such a pact involving France, Great Britain, Italy and Germany, but left no doubt that he considered it essential that Italo-French and German-British understandings precede such an agree

Rain washed out the big air and artillerry show planned today for the visiting German dictator, making tonight's state dinner the high spot of the day's round of lavish festivities.

SLIGHT DECLINES IN COTTON MARKET

Selling Is Chiefly From Foreign Sources, But Volume Is Small, Range Narrow

New York, May 7 .- (AP) - Cotton was small, and prices moved irregularly over a narrow range. July retations net unchanged to two points Bailey in 1936. lower shortly after the first half hour. Futures closed three to four points lower. Spot steady, middling 8.67.

Open 8.65 8.64 8.68 October 8.71 December 8.74 January 8.77

Crops Safe In Drought Up To Now but all concede that he has immeasurably more chance now than seem-

Raleigh, May 7.—(AP)—Despite dry weather in scattered sections of the State, crops in general have not been affected by lack of rain, a survey here today indicated.

Lee A. Denson, head of the Raleigh Weather Bureau, said the rainfall here this year showed a deficiency of 7.96 inches, but added "we have not been suffering from dry weather."

Weather conditions in April generally were favorable to all crops in the State, W. H. Rhodes, chief of the statistical division of the State Department of Agriculture, said.

being damaged by dry investigation.

Seeks Senatorship?



Attorney General Roy McKittrick

Attorney General Roy McKittrick of Missouri is seen as a probable opponent of U. S. Senator Bennett Champ Clark in the August Democratic primaries. "Boss"
T. J. Pendergast, head of the powerful Kansas City, Mo., Democratic machine, will give Senator Clark full support in his battle for re-election, observers predict.

Given Only Outside Chance To Win, But Outlook Is Brightening

TO NAME LIQUOR MAN

Importance of New ABC Member Seen When Friction on Board In Past Year and More

Daily Dispatch Burean, In the Sir Walter Hotel, Raleigh, May 7—Whatever the outcome of the senatorial primary, and whatever opinion may be held about futures opened one to two points lower the type of campaign he made, notoday. Disappointing Liverpool cables body, friend or foe, can deny that were partly offset by absence of con- Frank Hancock has waged as hard tracts. The selling again came chiefly a single-handed battle as any canfrom foreign sources, but the volume didate within recent years, with the possible exception of Rocky Mount's Dick Fountain in his unsuccessful covered from 8.67 to 8.70, leaving quo- bids against Ehringhaus in 1932 and

Without the apparent or open sup-port of any large group or organiza-tion, handicapped by criticism if he Close | slipped out of Washington for any length of time; the Oxford man has shelled the woods from the sand dunes 8.70 of Dare to the crags of Cherokee.

Faced with the fact that Reynolds' 8.74 voting record in Congress is so nearly 8.81 the same as his own as to leave no room for an issue there, Hancock has attempted a concentration on the playboy characteristics of the Buncombe county man, and has run the gamut of sarcasm in describing "Our Bob's" propensity for traveling afar in foreign lands.

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Scott Is Against Bans Upon Cotton Shipped by India

Raleigh, May 7.-(AP)-Commissioner of Agriculture Kerr Scott, who recently called for an investigation of already had been killed and hundreds the importation of cotton from India, said today he believed it would be "unprofitable and economically unsound for Tar Heel farmers to enter into competition with India staple at E. C. Blair, agronomist at N. C. the present time." Scott said he reach- by surprise, inflicting many casualties State College, said he had no reports ed the conclusion after a two weeks upon the Japanese garrison, which

weather. However, should there be no rain within the next ten days, most clates the fact that India annually accorded fighting for their lives. crops will suffer some, particularly cepts approximately five or six times spring hay crops, small grains and as many bales of coton from the South province. They said they recaptured from India," he said.

Drastic Court Reforms Suggested By Barnhill In Speech At Bar Meet

Radical Changes In State's Judicial System Proposed

At Pinehurst; Association Convention Ends With Election and Instal lation of Officers

Pinehurst, May 7 (AP)-The North Carolina Bar Association today elected Kingsland Van Winkle, of Asheville, president, and J. Burt James, of Greenville, first vice-president. Other officers elected were

Frank Patton, Morganton, second vice-president, and Miss Lee Smith, of Albemarle, third vice-

drastic reforms, some of them almost informed of court conditions so that revolutionary, today for the State's court terms could be adjusted to bet-"A coordinated and uniform system

need, Judge Barnhill said, and chan intelligent men" on juries. element in administration of justice, Barnhill said, but "neither technical

rules nor costly delays should be permitted to defeat the administration of essential justice." Judge Barnhill, elevated to the high

Bar Association.

"Basically," said Barnhill, "our judical foundation is sound and its strucdestroy in order to build up We need but to modernize and stream-line what reference procedure is weak" and "to Specific reforms Barnhill proposed

(2) Courts inferior to superior

counties and the other for small. Costs should be uniform.

(3) The number of judicial districts should be increased to eliminate special, judges, as such jurists now do not have power in "in chamber" proceedings. The constitutional provision for the identity of judicial and solicitorial districts should be eliminated. (4) Superior court judges should be relieved of some of the work they now are required to do as it "is mor than should be required of any public official." An administrative Pinehurst, May 7.—(AP)—Associate visory agency, under the chief justice Justice M. V. Barnhill, of the North of the Supreme Court, should be cre-Carolina Supreme Court, proposed 12 ated to keep the lawyers and public

ter meet demands. (5) Rules of procedure should be of courts inferior to the superior changed so that a judge may consider court" is perhaps the State's greatest prior to the day of trial any cause which necessarily would turn upon the ges are needed to assure "competent, decision of a question of law. Now the question cannot be presented to Speed is not always the essential the judge until the plaintiff has presented his testimony and the defendant is putting on his proof.

(6) A rule day or pre-trial day should be held in each judicial district, at which counsel would have to appear and stipulate non-essential or court last year after 13 years as a undisputed facts, and specifically adsuperior court judge, addressed the mit or deny documentary evidence closing session of the North Carolina relied upon by the adverse party. (7) Trial by jury should be abolish New officers were to be elected and ed in all courts inferior to superior courts where trial de novo in superior court is provided upon appeal.

(8) Masters of referees should be ture is satisfactory, we do not have to provided to serve certain territories we already possess. Our system of refer a case most often means to pigeon-hole it." pigeon-hole it."
(9) Rules of procedure should be

prepared by the Supreme Court, in-(1) Justice of the peace courts stead of the legislature, and the high should be improved, but not abolished. court should prescribe the rules for as "these courts in an improved form all inferior courts. A committee of constitute a necessary part of our lawyers and judges should be created to consider suggestions for changes (10) Judges should not have to hear courts should be made uniform in jury trails more than 40 weeks each jurisdiction and procedure. There year, and should hear all "in chamshould be two divisions, one for large bers" proceedings in their home dis-

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Guerrillas Threatening To Annihilate Jap Force

Reckless Chinese Fighters May Exterminate Garrison Defending Supply Base

REINFORCEMENTS AT SHANGHAI HASTENED

Loss of City of Nantungchow Would Cut Supply and Communication Lines For Japanese Force Moving of 10,000 in North Kiangsu Province

Shanghai, May 7.— (AP)— Three thousand Chinese guerrilla troops, fighting recklessly in the streets of Few seasoned and unbiased observers give Frank more than an outside chance to win in the June 4 primary; but all concede that he has immeasupply base on the north bank of the supply base of the su Yangtze river, 60 miles north of Shanghai.

Japanese reinforcements were rushed from Shanghai in a desperate effort to save the garrison and retainsession of the town.

Loss of the city would cut supply and communication lines serving a Japanese army of 10,000 men operating in north Kiangsu province. This army was last reported 60 miles south of the Lunghai railway.

Foreigners arriving from Yangtze ports said scores of Chinese civilians

The Chinese guerrillas infiltrated the city three days ago, and attacked numbered only 310 at the outset. Rem nants of the garrison were last re-

Chinese reported victories in Shansi Blair added. "Corn also as are imported by the United States four cities and the gateway through the Taihan mountains.

Probe Faintings School Children

Wilmington, May 7.—(AP)—Dr. John Hoggard, chairman of the New Hanover Board of Education said today that after a personal examination of a cross section of the high school students who fainted yesterday, he was convinced the incident occurred as a combined result of seeing a girl struck by an automobile and the intense hu-

midity of the day.
Dr. A. H. Elliott, health office continued his examination, and it was intimated he and Dr. Hoggard would issue a statement later.

Wilmington, May 7.—(AP)—Dr. John Hoggard, chairman of the New Hanover County Board of Education, said today he would or-der immediately a full investigation of the mass faintings yesterday at New Hanover high school.

Dr. Hoggard, himself a physician said that while the incident might have been caused by mass hysteria he was inclined to agree with Dr A. H. Elliott, city-county health of ficer, who laid the blame on gastronomical disturbances.

Blood tests, it was indicated by authorities, will be made of ailing students to determine if the situation warrants further medical

A total of 105 students were treated and 60 of them were deemed ill enough to be sent home.

FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy, slightly warmer in extreme southwest portion to-night; Sunday partly cloudy fol-lowed by showers, cooler in afternoon in west and central portions.

If Franco Wins-



Prince Juan . . . third son of Alfonso XIII

If and when Gen. Francisco Franco wins the Spanish civil war, a monarchy under former King Alfonso's third son, Prince Juan de Bourbon - Battenberg, above, probably may be estab-The king's powers, however, would be limited. -Central Press

Jubilant Proponents Want Rules Committee To Advance Debate on House Floor

DELAYS IN SENATE ARE NOW EXPECTED

Desired Favorable Action by House Rules Committee Is Not Anticipated; Congressmen Anxious' To Vote and Get Home for Their Campaigns

Washington, May 7 (AP)-House proponents of wage-hour legislation jubilant over success of their petition to take the bill from the rules committee, demanded today that the House be allowed to consider the measure without further delay.

They asserted the unprecedented demonstration, when 2128 members, a majority of the House, signed the petition in little more than two hours after it was filed yesterday, should be accepted as a mandate for the

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HOEY APPEALS FOR HONEST ELECTIONS

Governor Calls on Officials To See to It Regulations Are Strictly Enforced

Raleigh, May 7 (AP)-Governor Hoey urged election officials today to make certain that registration and election regulations were strictly enforced during the Democratic primaries and the general election.

He made the plea in a statement as North Carolinians began their biennial march to the polls to register for the balloting this summer and fall.

However, this is not a new registration. R. C. Maxwell, secretary of the State Elections Board, explained that all new voters or others who had moved from one precinct to another, from one county to another, or into the State since the last election, had to register to qualify for voting.

BIG INCREASE SEEN IN TOBACCO STOCKS

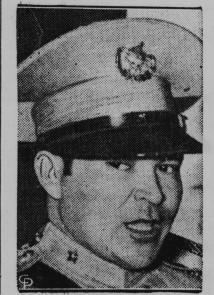
Over 153,000,000 Pounds in Excess of April 1, Last Year, Government Reports

Washington, May 7.—(AP)— The Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today that stocks of leaf tobacco owned by American dealers and manufacturers on April 1 were 153,-095,000 pounds larger than on the coresponding date last year.

The stocks totalled 2,432,207,000 bounds, the bureau said. Stocks of flue-cured tobacco were reported at 930,907,000 pounds, or about 58,000,000 pounds more than on April 1 last year. Stocks of fire-cured tobacco of all forded the Seca river and captured the types were estimated at 205,289.000 village of Cinctorres. pounds, a decrease of about 10,500,000 pounds, while stocks of burley were reported at 716,720,000 pounds, an increase of 81,399,000 pounds.

WPA Chief Thinks \$3 Billions Total Will Be Required

Batista Drops Plan



Col. Fulgencio Batista
... kills three-year plan

Reversing himself, Col. Fulgencio Batista, Cuban dictator, announces suspension of his threeyear plan for the island's social, economic and political rehabilita-

Deny Attack On Freedom

Glenn Frank's Remark Called "Arrant Nonsense" by Committee Member

Washington, May 7 (AP)—Senator Green, Democrat, Rhode Island, said Committee had attacked the freedom press were "arrant non-

He replied to a statement in which Republican party policy committee, said the lobby committee's investigation of the magazine "Rural Progress" was part of a campaign of "terror and intimidation" against publications which have criticized administration measures.

said the possibility that the committee might call Frank as a witness was not foreclosed.

"Whether we call him depends on developments in our investigation of the 'Rural Progress'," Minton said. "His charge that the committee is at tempting to intimidate the press is the usual squawk of people who are in a tight place, that some people are trying to take away their rights.

Insurgents Cut Through Loyal Lines

Hendaye, France, May 7 .- (AP)-Galican and Italian troops broke through Spanish government defenses today at a dozen points along the line nard, Farmer-Labor, Minnesota, never running eastward from Teruei to the theless, carried forward plans to ad-Mediterranean.

General Miguel Aranda, commander Square, where Socialist Leader Norof the insurgent army driving on Valencia, started a general offensive made a similar attempt. all along the battlefront. His orders were to fight, "rain or no rain."

fenses to a depth of more than six miles in some sectors. The greatest gains were made on the Aliaga-Morella front. Galican: City police and the congressmen—war

Another unit struck government defenses in the strategic Altos de Canada, one of the government's key deLarger Amount Compares With \$1,000,000,000 Originally Named In Budget

MAY SUPPORT OVER 3,100,000 IN WINTER

Roosevelt Has Asked for \$1,250,000,000 for Needs from July 1 to February 1; Over 2,600,000 To Be Carried Until October

Washington, May 7 (AP)-Congress learned from Harry L. Hopkins, works progress administrator, today that the government's relief program may cost \$3,000,000,000 in the next fiscal year, instead of \$1,000,-000,000, as originally estimated

by the Budget Bureau. Testifying before a House appropriations sub-committee on President Roosevelt's request for \$1,250,000,000 to finance work relief from July 1 to February 1, 1939, Hopkins disclosed he was preparing for a peak load of 3,100,000 relief clients next winter.

Hopkins said the \$1,250,000,000 would take care of an average of about 2,-600,000 persons until next October and permit an increase up to 3,100,000 during the winter months.

U. S. Press Fox Favored As Winner In Derby Race

Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky., May 7 (AP)-A bright sun, tempered by a cool northeast breeze, smiled on the Downs today and gave evidence that all ten overnight entries would face the barrier in the 64th Kentucky Derby at approximately today that charges the Senate Lobby 4:30 p. m., central standard time. The crowd was slow in arriving, though the unreserved sections were well filled an hour and a half before post time for the first of the twelve races Dr. Glenn Frank, chairman of the at noon, and some 3,000 spectators sought places of advantage in the infield.

There was no evidence of Fighting Fox losing his ranking at the top of the list, a position he gained when Stage Hand was withdrawn two days ago. Some expected the Fox would Also noting Frank's statement, be no better than eight to five at Chairman Minton, Democrat, Indiana, post time, but Warren Wright's Bull be no better than eight to five at Lee was the heavily played second choice at five to two. The fast track was just to the liking of the favorites.

Congressmen Barred From Jersey Talk

Jersey City, N. J., May 7.—(AP)-Two United States representatives were denied permission today to make public speeches in Jersey City tonight by Public Safety Director Daniel Casey, who described them as "personally obnoxious to the great majority of our citizens because of their communistic endeavors."

Representative Jerry J. O'Connell, Democrat, Montana, and John Berdress a mass meeting in Journal

Casey said his denial was based "on the ground that said meeting would Insurgent dispatches said the first tend to create disorder and distur-

advance penetrated government de- bance." Two groups of organizations with opposite objectives planned to observe a seemingly inevitable clash of Jersey veterans who backed Mayor Frang Hege Hague, vice-chairman of the Democratic National Committee, in his stand against "radicals," and organizations which charged Hague with the suppression of civil rights.