

25 DEAD, 13 HURT IN ATLANTA HOTEL FIRE

Labor Board Again Upheld In Court Ruling

Former Kaiser Gives His Blessings



Attired in the glittering panoply of his days as Kaiser Wilhelm II, the former ruler of the German Empire is pictured with his grandson, Prince Louis Ferdinand, and the latter's bride, Grand Duchess Kyra of Russia, after their third wedding, which took place at the ex-Kaiser's sanctuary in Doorn, Holland. Before the World War it was the great dream of the former warrior to unite these once mighty houses.

HEAVY VOTES FOR CONTROL REPORTED IN POTATO BALLOT

Two-Thirds Favorable Majority Assured, State College Extension Officials Claim

GROWERS CAST VOTE ON INDIVIDUAL PLAN

Nearly Complete Returns from 30 Counties in Friday-Saturday Referendum Show 1,129 for Control, 581 Against; Two-Way Approval Seen

Raleigh, May 16 (AP)—Irish potato growers in Currituck, Washington and Edgecombe counties reported heavy votes for a proposed control program today, and N. C. State College Extension officials said a two-thirds favorable majority was assured.

Nearly complete returns from 30 North Carolina counties which took part in the referendum Friday and Saturday showed 1,129 votes for control and 581 against, a favorable percentage of 66.02.

Similar votes were taken in 13 counties.

The growers balloting their opinion on control individually, but also had to list their poundage. The control program may be made effective if approved by either two-thirds of the growers or growers representing two-thirds of production. The sound vote in the State had not been

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Heavy Rain Slows Down Rebel Drive

Insurgents Make Important Captures on Spanish Front, However

Hendaye, France, May 16.—(AP)—Heavy rains lashed the coastal Sierras slowing the insurgent eastern Spanish offensive after it had made steady gains in the rugged mountain terrain east of Teruel.

Insurgent troops have captured Mount San Cristobal in the Sierra de Guadar range, advancing into position for an attack on the town of Mora Derbielos, 20 miles east of Teruel. This town dominates the Teruel.

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Clash Occurs In Mexico As Situation Threatens

Franco and Pope Exchange Envoys

Castel Gandolfo, Italy, May 16.—(AP)—The Vatican news service announced today that the Holy See and the Spanish insurgent government had arranged to exchange plenipotentiary diplomatic representatives, completing formal recognition by the Vatican of Generalissimo Franco's regime.

The Spanish insurgents named as ambassador to the Holy See Don Jose Maria de Yankuas y Messia. Diplomatic contacts between the Holy See and the insurgent regime have been maintained for the last several months. There have been no diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the Barcelona government for more than a year.

LIQUOR SELECTION IS CAPITAL EVENT

Hoey Names Feimster, Life-long Dry, to ABC Vancancy for State

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, May 16.—Governor Clyde R. Hoey climaxed a more or less routine week at the State capital last Friday by appointing W. C. Feimster, Newton lawyer to the State Liquor Board for a term of three years, succeeding T. J. Murphy, of Greensboro, who was not renamed because of ill health.

The appointment was a major one and upon the work of Mr. Feimster on the board depends largely the success or failure of the county option plan of liquor control. The new appointee is a life-long dry from the western part of the State and advocates of control are somewhat fearful of any dry on the board.

The governor, too, is thought to have played more than a quiet part in selection during the week by Attorney General Harry McMullan of Lee Overman Gregory, of Salisbury, as an assistant attorney general.

Wade Bruton, one of the staff of assistants for some time, was moved up to principal aide to McMullan. At Raeford, dedicating an armory Wednesday, Governor Hoey departed from his usual pacific role and stoutly called for a naval and military establishment strong enough to keep this "have" nation safe from the aggressions of the "have nots," whom he did not name.

Fletcher Counts Ten: Major A. L. Fletcher, commissioner of labor, was riled no end by a decision of the Raleigh city court judge, Wiley Barnes, that a child labor law violation which was largely responsible for the city's first auto death of the year was

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Students and Several Hundred Persons in "Socialist Youth" Group in Fight

UNIVERSITY TAKEN BY YOUTH FORCES

Efforts of Police and Firemen To Reject Them Prove Futile; Students Desist and Rely on Hunger To Force Invaders To Yield Structures

Mexico City, May 16 (AP)—Several persons were wounded today in a clash between students and several hundred persons of an organization known as "Socialist Youth," who had occupied buildings of the University of Mexico.

The "Socialist Youth" force, armed with pistols and knives, seized buildings of the university and its preparatory school this morning, and resisted efforts of police and firemen to eject them.

The students desisted after Rector Chico Georne counseled calm, assuring hunger would compel the invaders to yield.

The clash was the newest manifestation of internal unrest following the March 18 expropriation of 17 British and American oil companies. Associates of the agrarian leader General Santurino Cedillo charged that President Cardenas was trying to "drive him to rebellion" to distract the public from the administration's troubles.

Farley Says Pennsy Vote Threatening

New York, May 16 (AP)—Postmaster General James A. Farley said today that he felt the political situation in Pennsylvania "imperils the success of the Democratic party in the November election." He spoke as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Farley said that "in my judgment, the only way to protect the interests of the people of that State (Pennsylvania) would be to nominate Tom Kennedy for governor and George Earle for the Senate in tomorrow's primaries. This will not be a complete victory for either faction, yet I am convinced that it is the only solution of the present situation.

In Philadelphia, Governor Earle, saying "the Democrats of Pennsylvania will not turn their party over to John L. Lewis, assailed Farley's naming of Earle and CIO-backed Kennedy as a team Pennsylvania Democrats should support.

WORKERS STRIKING BECAUSE OF UNFAIR RULINGS JUSTIFIED

Such Strikers Remain Employees Under Act and as Such Are Entitled to Protection

JUSTICE ROBERTS OFFERS DECISION

Announces No Dissension, But Cordozo and Reed Do Not Participate; Court Agrees To Review Power Companies' Complaint TVA Is Unconstitutional

Washington, May 16.—(AP)—The Supreme Court ruled today that working men who strike as a result of an unfair labor practice by their employer are entitled to protection of the national labor relations act. This decision was given in upholding an order by the National Labor Relations Board directing the Mackay Radio & Telegraph Company to reinstate five employees who had gone on strike in San Francisco.

Justice Roberts, who delivered the decision, asserted that the strikers remained employees under the labor act "and were protected against the unfair labor practices denounced by it." Roberts announced no dissent. Justices Cordozo and Reed did not participate.

The court agreed to review litigation brought by eighteen private utilities challenging constitutionality of the Tennessee Valley Authority power program. In an order, the tribunal consented to pass on a decision by a three-judge Federal district court in eastern Tennessee that the companies "have no immunity from lawful competition, even if their business be curtailed or destroyed."

Justice Reed did not participate. At the request of the government, the court ordered the third circuit court of appeals at Philadelphia to show cause why it should not permit the National Labor Relations Board to recall its order against the Republic Steel Corporation directing the corporation to reinstate 5,000 workers who struck last summer.

Suchow Is Surrounded With Japs

Shanghai, May 16.—(AP)—Japanese dispatches declared today that Suchow had been completely surrounded and Japanese troops were closing in from all sides on thousands of Chinese trapped in the area around the vital China rail junction.

The Japanese asserted it would be only a matter of hours before they actually assault the strategic city for which they have been fighting for months.

Encirclement of Suchow was accomplished, the Japanese said, by closing the last gap to the west just below the Lunghai railway near Tangshan. This railroad town is about 50 miles west of Suchow.

Troops fighting toward the railway from the north and south converged near Tangshan, the Japanese reported, and then fought their way eastward along the railway to Hangkew, only 30 miles from Suchow. The Japanese said troops which yesterday cut the Lunghai line were pushing rapidly westward.

SAYS MILLS UNLOAD ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Charlotte's Blankenship Sees Textile Shutdowns Every Winter

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, May 16.—In Raleigh the latter part of last week on legal business, Mercer J. Blankenship, candidate for the State Senate from Mecklenburg, added something to the scramble to take the Unemployment Compensation Commission out of Raleigh and install Charlie Powell and

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Gov. Johnston To Oppose Ed Smith

Washington, May 16.—(AP)—Governor Olin D. Johnston, of South Carolina, said after a conference today with President Roosevelt he would formally announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for senator upon his return to Columbia.

The governor would oppose Senator E. D. Smith, who has announced he would ask the party nomination for another term. Johnston said in a prepared statement handed to newspaper men as he left the President's office: "I have just had a very pleasant conference with President Roosevelt, on whose invitation I came to Washington, during which we discussed the political situation in South Carolina."

ROOSEVELT TALKS WITH LEADERS ON REVIVING MEASURE

No Decision Reached, However, as To Seeking New Vote on Reorganization Proposal

GENERAL STATUS OF CONGRESS TALKED

No Definite Program for Remainder of Session, Barkley Says, Asserting Legislators Are Working on Day-to-Day Basis; No Polls in Senate

Washington, May 16.—(AP)—President Roosevelt discussed with congressional leaders today the possibility of reviving his once-defeated government reorganization bill, but there was no indication definite decision was reached.

"We discussed reorganization but there was no 'must' put on it," Representative Barkley, Democrat, Texas, House majority leader, said on leaving the White House.

Other conferees reported there was a general discussion of the congressional situation, and that some believed the legislature should be able to quit early next month. Asked about the remainder of the program, Senator Barkley, Democrat, Kentucky, the Senate majority leader, said "there is no definite program for the remainder of the session. We are on a day-to-day schedule."

While polls are understood to have been started in the House to ascertain sentiment on revival of the reorganization bill, Senator Barkley said he knew of no such tabulation being made in the Senate. Indications of increased willingness in Congress to follow the President's leadership on most issues have encouraged administration leaders to believe the bill might be pushed through at this session.

Congress Races Warm Up Despite Senate Contest

Kerr, Barden, Folger and Weaver Given Advantage at Present; Barker Out To ward Front in Sixth; Burgin in Eighth Given Odds In That District

Daily Dispatch Bureau, Raleigh, May 16.—In at least four of the seven congressional districts having contest for the Democratic House nomination enough political dust is being kicked up to obscure the United States Senate race and many of the local battles.

In the second, sixth, eighth and tenth the boys are at it tooth and nail, with resultant publicity in the local prints and equally resultant enthusiasm and bickering among partisans of the various contestants.

It's easy to be misled when this far away from the center of activity, but reports reaching this bureau indicate that there is little doubt of the outcome in the third, fifth and eleventh where Congressman Graham Barden, National Committeeman Lon Folger and Incumbent Zebulon Weaver are said to be far in the lead of their respective opponents.

Word from the second, too is that Wilson's Troy Barnes is not making the progress he was expected to make in his campaign against Judge John Kerr, but this may be taken with a

Exiled as 'Witch'



Mrs. Irene Ray "hexed" neighbors

Shades of the Middle Ages! When several residents of Rochester, Ind., alleged that Mrs. Irene Ray, 60-year-old Indian wife of a white farmer, hexed them, she was ordered out of town. Authorities were urged to file witchcraft charges against Mrs. Ray, but there is no law under which she could be "punished". Arrested, charged with vagrancy, she seemed bewildered—as were people elsewhere. They rubbed their eyes, wondering whether they were in the 20th century.

One Convict Slain Trying To Get Away

Daring Break for Freedom at Rocky Mount Prison Camp Is Fatal

Rocky Mount, May 16.—(AP)—One convict was captured today, while a posse with bloodhounds hunted another who escaped the Nash county prison farm last night in a daring break that left one prisoner dead and another wounded.

Prison Superintendent H. S. Wellons said Earl Watkins was fatally wounded and Marshall Joyner wounded when Guard C. C. Lamb fired at four convicts attempting to scale a wall. Roosevelt Clark and DeWitt Williams escaped, and Williams was recaptured at Nashville this morning. All the escapees were Negroes.

Williams was taken while driving through Nashville in a stolen car. Fred Wood, night policeman at Nashville, said he and other officers gave chase while checking upon suspicious cars when Williams drove away about 3 o'clock this morning. The Negro failed to stop when halted, Wood said, but was run down a short distance from the Nash county seat.

DOZEN RESCUED OR LEAP TO SAFETY IN TERMINAL TRAGEDY

Flames Originate in Basement Following Explosion As Yet Not Fully Explained

10 TO 15 MORE MAY BE IN THE DEBRIS

Speed of Blaze Amazes Witnesses; People on Upper Floors Heard Crying and Praying; Fire Declared Deadliest in Atlanta's Whole History

Atlanta, Ga., May 16.—(AP)—Flames which started in a basement kitchen killed 25 persons at the Terminal hotel early today, left 13 injured, and others missing.

More than a dozen persons were rescued or leaped to safety. The number of victims unaccounted for was a matter of conjecture. Reports to firemen and police indicated that from 50 to 65 persons were registered in the 32-room five-story brick and frame building. City sanitary crews were set to work in mid-morning removing the debris. Engineers estimated two days would be required to clear the wreckage.

Many of the dead were found in charred timbers and steel which dropped from the roof, carrying away the burning floors. Police Chief M. A. Hornsby expressed belief ten or fifteen more bodies would be found in the mass of debris piled upon the street level.

Speed with which the flames gained headway amazed witnesses. A police lieutenant said he saw five blocks away in a patrol car when he saw the fire shoot up and that by the time he arrived smoke veiled all the building.

"I could not see them," he said, "but I could hear people on the upper floors crying out and praying."

Mayor W. B. Hartsfield said the hotel was of a construction type no longer permitted under the city building code, but had been remodelled somewhat from its original status.

The fire was described by Fire Chief O. J. Parker as "the deadliest in the history of Atlanta."

Among the injured was W. M. Clapp, from Round Mountain, N. C., and among the known dead was William Howard Snyder, 33, of High Point, N. C.

Hotel attaches said "at least fifty" were registered when the flames broke out with an explosion in the basement kitchen shortly after 3 a. m., eastern standard time.

New Angles In Rocky Mt. Girl's Death

Rocky Mount, May 16.—(AP)—Coroner M. C. Guiley said today he would hold an inquest tomorrow into the fatal shooting of Ethel Davis, 16, found shot to death at the home of an aunt here Friday night.

The coroner quoted Charles Inscow, Jr., 14, as admitting under questioning that he accidentally fired the shot that killed the girl. Guiley added, however, that the investigation was not complete.

Robey Lamb, 17, who went to the girl's home with Inscow, was detained also. The coroner quoted him as saying Inscow told him he shot the girl.

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FOUR WEEKS WILL TELL AAA RESULT

Plantings of 1938 Crops Will Be Virtually Completed by Then

Washington, May 16.—(AP)—The next three or four weeks will determine the extent to which the Agricultural Adjustment Administration has been able to win farmer cooperation with the new crop control program.

By the end of that period, the 1938 cotton, tobacco, corn and other spring crops will have been planted. Because the nation's cotton and tobacco warehouses and corn cribs are bulging as the result of last year's production, the AAA officials insist much smaller crops must be grown

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WEATHER FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Fair tonight and Tuesday; moderate temperature.