

PWA APPROVES \$27,972,314 NEW PROJECTS

Chandler's Poisoning Suspicious

Barkley Foe In Kentucky Was Dangerously Ill After Political Speech

Frankfort, Ky., July 26.—(P)—Kentucky's highway patrol proceeded today in an investigation into the asserted "poisoning" of Governor A. B. (Happy) Chandler.

Major Joe Burman, chief of the State Bureau of Identification, said "it was not the first time such a thing has happened during the campaign." Chandler is waging for the Democratic senatorial nomination against Senator Barkley, Senate majority leader.

"We have our suspicions," Major Burman said in promising an investigation "to determine who is responsible for the attempts on the governor's life."

Chandler, ill since Friday, when he was stricken in a Louisville hotel, is the victim of water "doctored with poison," Dr. J. W. Bryan, his Louisville physician, said in a statement. Dr. Bryan said he did not know what kind of poison it was, but added "if consumed in sufficient quantities would have caused death."

Addressing a radio audience from his bedside in the executive mansion last night, Chandler said "in no campaign in recent years has a campaign been so desperate."

He recalled that he had just finished a broadcast from his Louisville hotel suite Friday when "two of my associates and I were stricken with intestinal poisoning." Dr. Bryan had said previously State Finance Commissioner Dan Talbott and State Highway Patrol Wyatt "drank from the same pitcher of water" as the governor, and became ill at the same time, but not as seriously.

Lucas Master Of Elections Board Probe

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, July 26.—Former Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus and Major L. P. McLendon; Neil McK Salmon, Bob Young's lawyer, and L. L. Levinson, counsel for Solicitor C. C. Canaday; and some other expert pleaders have been much in the public print during the many-sided probe of election fraud charges; but the real ringmaster of the man who is cracking the whip and making "em like it, is nobody but modest, unassuming W. A. Lucas, chairman of the State Board of Elections.

Lawyers have snarled at each other in bitter exchanges—have clinched their fists, waved their arms and grown red in the face. But one and all—big shots and little fellows—they have sat down and behaved themselves when the chairman has re-

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Economic Debacle Is Seen As An Early Possibility In The Dictator Countries

By CHARLES P. STEWART, Central Press Columnist

Washington, July 26.—Signs are that the world's democratic countries now are about to have the economic laugh upon the dictatorially ruled nations which, for some time, have been enjoying the laugh on the democracies and particularly upon the United States.

Japan's recent cancellation of its undertaking to entertain the Occident at the Olympic games, due to inability to foot the bill, was a plain enough admission of the financial pinch which Nippon feels.

The other day the German stock market broke with a crash. There are hints the Italian monetary inflation is approaching the danger point.

But American business is picking up and Britain and France are in the midst of no slump.

We're "free" National economies, especially in the United States, never have been very strictly regulated. They are subjected here to stricter regulation now than in the past. However, even yet our rules are loose in comparison with Naziistic Germany's, Fascist Italy's and Japan's.

Maybe because of our lack of regi-

What a Week of Rain Did in New York and New Jersey



This automobile was washed away by the floodwaters of the Willowemoc River at Liberty, N. Y., as if it had been a soapbox. Throughout the New England States the torrential rains of the last week have caused millions of dollars in property damage. (Central Press)



At Wallington, N. J., the steady fall of rain during the last week undermined Maine Avenue, washed away a section of the road and exposed this water main. Many sections of the east, from Maine to Georgia, have suffered from the almost unprecedented rainfall which not only ruined millions of vacations, but caused millions of dollars in damage to property and took several lives. (Central Press)

Bar Critical Of SEC And Hugo Black

Securities Board Accused as Prejudiced; SEC Commissioner Is Resentful

Cleveland, O., July 26.—(P)—The American Bar Association turned the rostrum over to its multi-farious committees today, leaving a controversy with the Securities and Exchange Commission and a resolution on the appointment of Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black hanging fire.

No sessions of the association's assembly or house of delegates were scheduled. However, committees opened discussion on a variety of topics ranging from a collection of dues to "liability of owners, landlords and tenants to invitees, licensees and trespassers."

Commissioner Jerome Frank, of the SEC, questioned the fairness of a report on administrative law by a committee headed by Dean Emeritus Roscoe Pound, of Harvard Law School, and asserted the committee had "defamed" Commission Chairman William Douglas.

The committee mentioned SEC in a discussion of a "tendency to make decisions on the basis of pre-formed opinions and prejudices," and Frank said, "quoted with approval an extra from an article in a law review, which criticized the report made by the SEC with respect to protective and reorganization committees."

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Corrigan Is To Take Job Paying Most

London, July 26.—(P)—Douglas Corrigan apparently has changed his mind about money-making offers from the United States.

"When I get back," the young trans-Atlantic flier said today, "I am going to take the best job offered—movies, vaudeville, newspapers, anything."

But he is planning a two weeks' tour first.

"There will be a couple of days in New York," he said. "Two days because the boys in Brooklyn seem to want to have a parade, as well as they down in New York; then Boston; then down south to Baltimore, Philadelphia and Washington."

He plans also to visit Fort Worth, Dallas, San Antonio ("where I was stationed six years"); Norfolk, Va. ("if I can make it"); Galveston ("where I was born"); then Los Angeles, San Francisco and St. Louis, "where my plane was built."

Corrigan said he would attend the Cleveland air races, but not as a competitor.

Tomorrow Corrigan will go to Kensington Museum to see the plane which the Wright brothers first flew at Kitty Hawk, N. C.

69 Killed In Race Clashes In Palestine

Haifa, Palestine, July 26.—(P)—Five persons were killed today in the Holy Land's Arab-Jewish racial warfare, which took 65 lives in Haifa yesterday.

Greater loss of life was averted when police found in the crowded Arab vegetable market of old Jerusalem a heavily-charged bomb just 15 minutes before it was set to explode.

Police expressed the belief the bomb was similar to the one which exploded in the Haifa market yesterday. Three members of a terrorist band were slain in a battle with special constables, whom they had attacked.

A Jewish father and his 14-year-old son were killed when they were ambushed near a Jewish settlement on the banks of the Jordan river.

Casualties were placed at 65 dead and 107 wounded. Sixty-one of the victims were Arabs and four were Jews.

The Associated Press correspondent. (Continued on Page Five)

Premier Declares Britain Can Fight

London, July 26.—(AP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain declared in the House of Commons today amid cheers "let no one imagine that, though we seek peace, we are willing to sacrifice even for peace British honor and British vital interests."

The prime minister was defending his foreign policy in the last debate before a three months parliamentary recess.

"Our aim is not the less peaceable because no one can imagine we have no reason to fear any foe," Chamberlain asserted the armed strength of the country because more formidable day by day, and went on: "But while that tremendous power remained as a guarantee that we could defend ourselves if we were attacked, we were not unmindful of the fact that though it was good to have a giant strength, it was tyrannous to use it."

Claim Votes In Sampson Are Illegal

Raleigh, July 26.—(P)—Rivers D. Johnson, of Warsaw, who apparently lost the Democratic nomination for solicitor in the sixth district to J. Abner Barker, of Rosboro, argued today that 1,300 "illegal" votes had been cast in Sampson county.

Johnson contended that the contested votes should be thrown out. He said they were cast by Republicans and other not affiliated with the Democratic primary.

Jeff D. Johnson, Jr., of counsel for Barker, contended that Rivers Johnson had failed to show how the contested votes were cast as between the candidates, and that therefore he had failed to show that their elimination would change the results.

Chairman W. A. Lucas, of the elec-

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Seven Jurors Are Seated For Trial Of Johnston Man

Smithfield, July 26.—(P)—Three Johnston county farmers took their places in the jury box today to make a total of seven jurymen selected to hear the case in which James E. Tharrington, former bank cashier, is charged with killing John McMillan, a Selma oil dealer.

Herbert Cole, a 60-year-old Negro farmer, appeared this morning as a member of a special venire of 150 men, and court attaché, said he was the first Negro called for jury duty in the county since about 1900. Cole was rejected on the grounds that he is opposed to capital punishment. It took examination of 30 men to get three acceptable to both sides this morning.

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Henderson And Vance Bonds Sold

Henderson \$7,000 Underpass and County \$34,000 School Notes Placed

Raleigh, July 26.—(P)—The Local Government Commission sold \$132,000 worth of bonds for five political subdivisions today, and also sold six notes and approved six bond issues.

Durham was authorized to issue \$155,000 in bonds.

Elizabeth City and Pasquotank county were each authorized to issue \$25,000 in airport bonds to buy land for a coast guard air station.

Subject to approval by a vote of the citizens, the commission authorized issuance of \$38,000 in water and sewer bonds by Rose Hill; \$94,000 sewer, water and electric light bonds by Farmville, and \$40,000 court house addition bonds by Northampton county.

The bond sales included: \$7,000 Henderson underpass to Seasongood & Mayer, of Cincinnati, O., at a premium of \$79.85, with interest at 4 1/4 per cent; Vance county, \$34,000 school building bonds, to R. S. Dickson & Company, of Charlotte, at a premium of \$45, with the first \$16,000 of maturities being 3 1/2 per cent interest, and the remainder 2 1/4 per cent; Greenville, \$50,000 street improvements, to Seasongood & Mayer at a \$15 premium with the first \$25,000 maturities having 3 1/2 per cent interest and the remainder 3 1/4 per cent.

Revenue anticipation notes sold included: Elm City, \$2,000 to the Concord National Bank at par with interest at four per cent. Clayton sold \$7,000 in bond notes to the Concord National with a premium of \$2, with three per cent interest.

College Station, Raleigh, July 26.—North Carolina, the nation's No. 1 producer of flue-cured tobacco, has been allotted 485,678,000 pounds of the leaf under the 1938 program, E. Y. Floyd, AAA executive officer at State College, announced today.

Originally granted 46,968,000 pounds this State had its total boosted by four per cent as a result of congressional amendments to the long-debated farm bill. The small increase added 18,680,000 pounds.

As the act was set up, it did not provide State quotas for new producers, but authorized allotments to this group without regard to state lines. New farms were defined as those on which flue-cured tobacco is being produced for the first time this year since 1933.

North Carolina was granted 9,256,000 pounds for its new producers. T. L. Adams, when added to the allotments for old growers, represents 95.3 per cent of the average marketings during the

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Capital Is Looking To New Voting

Primaries In Eight States Next Two Weeks To Test Roosevelt Strength

Washington, July 26.—(AP)—The PWA approved \$27,972,314 of non-Federal projects today.

The list contained 161 projects in 29 states. The PWA will give municipalities \$12,000,000 in grants to help finance their construction. The remainder must be put up by the municipalities.

Allocations announced today (grants only) included: Cumberland county, North Carolina, schools, \$37,287; Sampson county, N. C., schools \$35,145.

Meanwhile, E. S. Ballard, counsel for the Inland Steel Company, Chicago, testified that high wages "cannot be maintained static in the face of present economic conditions without injury to employees and employers alike."

Ballard gave his statement to the Labor Department's public contracts board which is taking testimony to determine the prevailing minimum wage rate employers must pay while performing government steel contracts. Ballard's testimony was the first indication the steel industry might be considering the possibility of wage readjustments in the wake of recent steel price reductions.

Other developments: Democratic candidates in six states launched into their final campaigning this week before early August primaries, testing President Roosevelt's party leadership, as well as their own vote-drawing power.

A week from today, August 2, primary elections will take place in Kansas, Missouri, Virginia and West Virginia. Two days later, Tennessee Democrats will pick their candidates, and August 6 will come the bitterly contested Kentucky primary.

Capital politicians wondered whether Secretary Ickes was hinting at a third term race for President Roosevelt when he said:

"If the reactionaries in the Democratic party want a real test of President Roosevelt's strength with the people, I suggest that they continue to work for a situation that will result in the people being given an opportunity to vote directly on the proposition of whether or not they are for President Roosevelt and his policies."

N. C. Rivers Reach New Flood Level

Raleigh, July 26.—(AP)—More heavy rains sent Eastern North Carolina rivers toward new and higher flood levels today.

Crops in lowlands along the Roanoke, Neuse, Tar and Cape Fear rivers were covered by muddy waters. Small bridges on a number of county roads were washed out, and numerous dirt roads were becoming impassable or nearly so.

Weather Man Lee A. Denson said today more than three and a half inches of rain during the last 24 hours at Rougemont, in Durham county, was forming "a new very heavy flood in the upper Neuse."

A stage of 43 feet or above within 36 hours was forecast for the Roanoke at Weldon as the result of a new rainfall of nearly three inches at Clarksville, Va. The stage at Weldon was 41.4 feet today, eleven feet above bank level.

The upper Tar was "considerably"

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State Seeks \$2,000,000 For Schools

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Raleigh, July 26.—Various counties of North Carolina will seek a total of about \$2,000,000 in PWA grants for the purpose of necessary school building Superintendent of Public Instruction Clyde A. Erwin estimates.

"This will mean a program of about \$5,000,000 in absolutely necessary school construction this fall and winter," he told your correspondent.

The school system head was not able to give details as to which counties and cities will build new schools this fall, but he did cite Beaufort

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