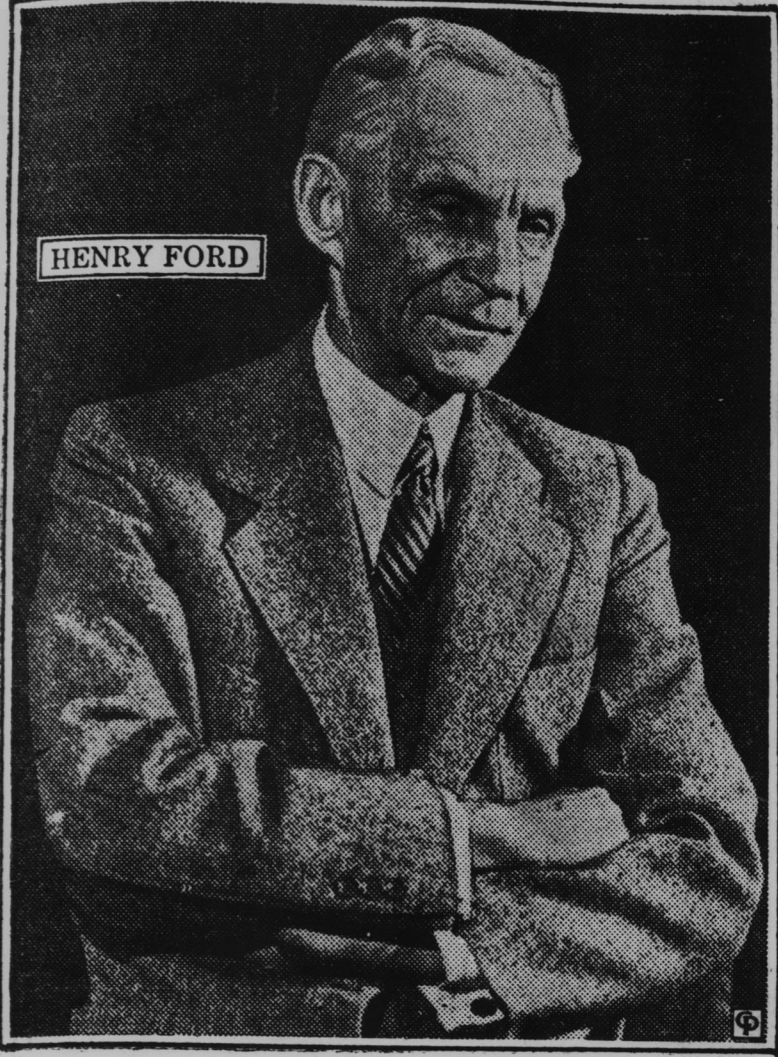


FORD OBSERVES 75TH BIRTHDAY



Here is an excellent new camera portrait of Henry Ford whose seventy-fifth birthday today was an occasion for civic celebration in Detroit.

Denial From Mussolini Of Pope's Claim

Il Duce Says Fascism
Has Not Imitated
Nazis or Any One
Else on Race Issue

Forli, Italy, July 30.—(AP)—Premier Mussolini replied personally today to Pope Pius' assertion that the new fascist race policy was adopted in imitation of Nazi Germany.

Addressing a group of fascist party officials in camp at Forli, Mussolini asserted: "You know and every one knows that also on the question of race we will shoot straight."

"To say that fascism has imitated any one or anything is simply absurd."

L'Osservatore Romano, Vatican newspaper, yesterday quoted the pope in discussing the race doctrine, as asking: "Why in the world Italy unfortunately felt the need to imitate Germany?"

The pope was addressing missionary students of 37 nationalities who visited him Thursday at his summer residence.

Mussolini, who left Rome yesterday for his summer palace at Rocca della Caminata, arose early today to make his reply.

The two sentences from his talk referring to imitation of Nazi Germany were distributed by an official Italian news agency. No further quotes were made available.

The pope, in his address, referred to the new fascist race doctrine, which held that Jews do not belong to the Italian race, but did not mention Jews by name.

Referring to the universality of the Catholic faith, he said: "Separation, no; we do not want to separate nationalism as commonly spoken of, means barriers erected between men and other men; between folk and other folk."

Tobacco Men Turn Eyes On Border Marts

Raleigh, July 30.—(AP)—Eyes of thousands of North Carolina tobacco growers will center Thursday on seven towns near the South Carolina line where the first auction sale of the 1938 crop in this State will get under way.

Merchants and business men also will wait with interest to see how prices run, as tobacco is North Carolina's biggest money crop. Sales of blue-cured tobacco started in Georgia and Florida Thursday, and an average of nearly \$25 per 100 pounds was indicated.

Last year the average price for 613,253,217 pounds sold in North Carolina, of which about 577,000,000 pounds were sold for growers was \$24.07 per hundred.

The tobacco auctioneers will start their chant at Chadbourne, Clarkton, Fair Bluff, Fairmont, Lumberton, Tabor City and Whiteville next week. South Carolina markets will open at the same time.

Sales in Eastern North Carolina markets will start August 25. Middle Belt sales start September 13, and the Old Belt September 27.

Worst Of Floods In State Passing

Raleigh, July 30.—(AP)—The Neuse river today reached the crest of its flood at Neuse station, eight feet out of its banks, but was still rising at Goldsboro and Kinston.

Lee A. Denson, weather bureau director here, said the stream was two and a half feet over its banks at Goldsboro. Previously he had warned that residents of Happersville, low-lying Kingston suburb, might expect the flood waters to reach their yards by the middle of next week. However, Denson said that, unless further rains came, the flood in the Neuse would gradually decrease as it moves toward the coast.

The Tar river had reached an 11-foot crest at Rocky Mount, two feet over its banks, and the Roanoke was falling at Weldon. The Neuse's 22-foot depth at Neuse station was the highest the stream had been there in nine years, Denson said.

Henry Ford Anniversary In Detroit

Detroit, July 30 (AP)—Henry Ford, who believes that years, as measured by the calendar, "are a joke", rolled back a large part of his own today to be the guest of 8,000 children celebrating his 75th birthday anniversary.

The party was so big it had to be staged in the Coliseum building on the Michigan State Fair grounds.

Ford demonstrated that he could be "just as big a kid as any of them," by driving an ancient T Ford automobile across the Coliseum floor.

Eight thousand voices sang, "Happy Birthday to You," and then a float entered bearing a mammoth birthday cake, which was presented to the guest of honor by 75 girls.

Spurprisingly the cake opened, and out stepped a girl, little Eleanor Spencer, who placed a birthday bouquet of colonial design in Ford's hands.

Monopoly Investigators Honestly Trying To Find Plan For Readjustments

By CHARLES P. STEWART,
Central Press Columnist.

Washington, July 30.—Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney's monopoly investigation seems to differ from the generality of such inquiries in this respect:

The average investigation begins with a definitely pre-conceived notion on the investigators' part as to what they presently will reveal; they think they know what is the matter and simply intend to uncover it. Their aim principally is to give publicity to evils which they believe to exist.

Their investigations, and grills of supposed culprits—or at least suspects. The O'Mahoney group is convinced, indeed, that something is the matter with our economics, but the senator himself and, I think, most of his fellow investigators, are not certain just what it is; their purpose is to find out, not to convict anyone in particu-

Tharrington Is Sentenced To 25 Years

Convicted of Second
Degree Murder for
Slaying John McMil-
lan of Selma

Smithfield, July 30.—(AP)—James E. Tharrington, 33-year-old ex-banker, was convicted of second degree murder today in the slaying of John McMillan, Selma oil dealer. Judge Hubert Olive sentenced Tharrington to 25 to 30 years in State's prison.

The Johnston county jury returned its verdict at 1:55 p. m., after deliberating for two hours, 55 minutes. The State had asked a first degree murder verdict, contending Tharrington slew McMillan because of jealousy over Mrs. Rosalie Hales King, a divorcee.

Tharrington testified he shot the oil dealer in self-defense. Tharrington's face was blank as he heard the verdict, though he showed the strain of his week-long fight to escape death in the gas chamber. He gave notice of appeal. His wife who had sat with him throughout the trial, began sobbing quietly.

Mrs. Hattie McMillan and Clyde McMillan, mother and brother of the slain man, began talking with prosecution lawyers.

The judge set appeal bond at \$10,000 and defense attorneys began an attempt to get the bail reduced.

The ex-banker was a native of Franklin county.

Mrs. King and her sister, Mrs. Maude Moseley, both of whom testified for Tharrington, also wept when the verdict was announced.

Judge Olive had instructed the jury it might return one of four verdicts, acquittal or guilty of first degree murder, second degree murder or manslaughter.

McMillan died nine days after he had been shot by Tharrington at Mrs.

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Stocks Drop Early Gains

New York, July 30.—(AP)—Steels and motors pointed the way for selective stock market recovery today, and favored issues pushed up fractions to a point or more at the best. The comeback was accomplished on a relatively small volume, however, even for a Saturday session. Transfers were around 350,000 shares. Profit-selling near the close clipped down best marks. Many traders apparently felt the early pressure of dog-day apathy, and got a head start on their week-end holiday.

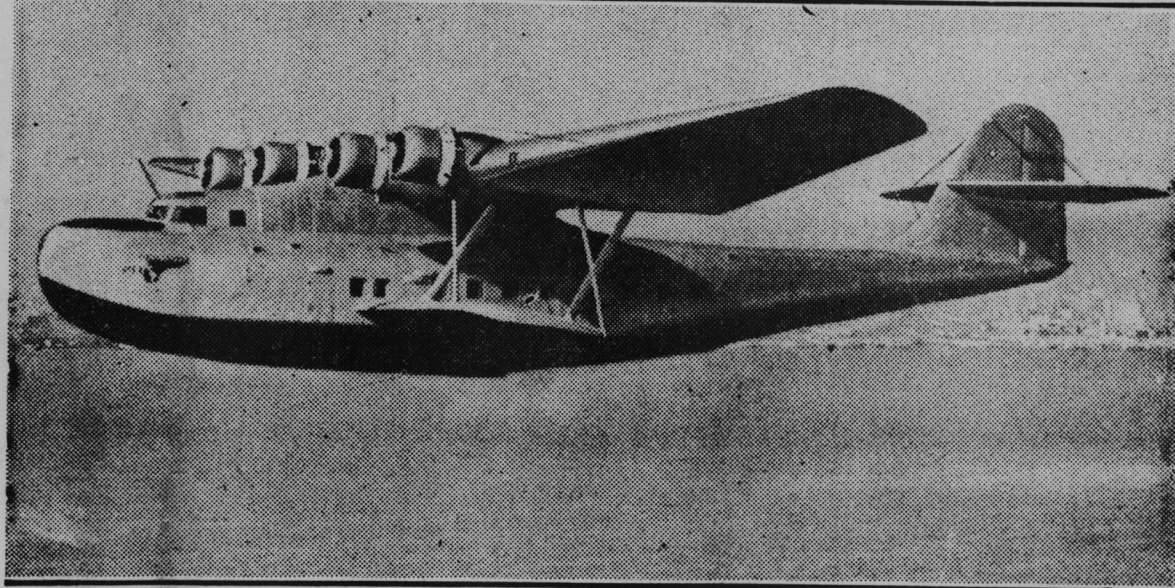
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Atlantic Refining	24 1-8
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Bethlehem Steel	58 5-8
Chrysler	70 1-2
Columbia Gas & Elec Co	77 3-8
Commercial Solvents	11 3-4
Continental Oil Co	10 1-4
Curtiss Wright	5 3-8
DuPont	126 3-4
Electric Pow & Light	11 4-4
General Electric	41 3-4
General Motors	43 1-2
Liggett & Myers B	102 1-2
Montgomery Ward & Co	46 3-8
Reynolds Tob B	102 1-2
Southern Railway	13 3-4
Standard Oil N J	57
U S Steel	59 1-4

of any specific offense or offenses. Not a Quiz. Parenthetically: Of course it is incorrect to speak of the "O'Mahoney committee." Both houses of Congress and the executive branch of the government are represented in it. However, Senator O'Mahoney is chairman, and it is necessary to designate it somehow.

It is not an "anti-monopoly" quiz, either, though frequently so called. The Wyoming senator, at any rate, has done his best to make it clear that he is not "anti" any special interest. Instead, his proposition is that basic economic conditions have changed, while our economic system has not been changed correspondingly. His purpose is intelligent readjustment. He wants no one's "scalp." What he is after is constructive sug-

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Type of Clipper Reported Missing With 15



Here is a recent picture of the China Clipper in flight. This plane is of the same type and construction as the Hawaii Clipper long overdue and unreported at Manila. The huge airliner carried six passengers and a crew of nine and is said to have run into rough weather in the hop from Guam to Manila.

(Central Press)

Pictures of plane's skipper and one of passenger on page five.

Japan Turns Down Soviet Protest On Border Skirmishes

\$58,000,000
Allotted For
Big Highway

PWA and RFC Jointly
Finance Pitts-
burgh - Harrisburg
Model Road Project

Washington, July 30 (AP)—The PWA and the RFC jointly approved today \$58,000,000 on Federal loans and grants for use in construction of Pennsylvania's new all-weather highway. Of the total, \$32,000,000 will be financed by the RFC on a loan basis and \$26,000,000 will be put up by the PWA as a grant.

The highway, to run between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, is being designed as a model of modern scientific road construction for high speed traffic movement.

Construction of the project will be subject to joint supervision of the PWA and the RFC.

Allotments PWA announced today, all grants unless otherwise specified, included:

Beaufort county, N. C., \$8,100. Other developments:

The Roosevelt administration stands to gain great political advantages or lose considerable prestige in Democratic primary elections next week. Six of the 15 primaries scheduled during August will be held within five days. Senate nominations are at stake in Kansas, Missouri, Tennessee and Kentucky, with primaries in Virginia and West Virginia involve only representatives.

The outcome of two senatorial contests on Tuesday appears reasonably predictable. Capitol politicians believe Senator McGill, who has only nominal opposition, will win in Kansas, and they expect the Missouri nomination to go to Bennett Champ Clark, an anti-administration leader in the Senate, who has powerful State and city organization backing.

Thus, in the first two major primaries, the administration should break about even with the conservative Democratic forces.

Administrations experts predicted that "better days" were ahead for the nation's farmers as a year's decline in agricultural prices came to a halt. At the lowest point in four years on June 15, the general level of agricultural prices advanced three percent by July 15, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported.

WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA
Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

WEEKLY WEATHER
For South Atlantic States: Scattered showers in Florida; entire week: shower period elsewhere Monday and Tuesday and again toward end of week; temperatures mostly near normal.

Second Day Prices Gain For Tobacco

25 Cents Up Recorded
in Official Figures for
South Georgia Belt
Sales

Valdosta, Ga., July 30 (AP)—Second day prices in the South Georgia tobacco market generally pushed opening day averages still higher in the 25 to 30 cents brackets.

Buyers reported a higher quality of leaf on hand, and prices moved correspondingly.

Valdosta improved upon an opening day average of 25.74 cents, when 620,558 pounds of tobacco went for an average of 26.60 cents.

Moultrie listed an opening day price of 27.41 cents, with second-day sales of 686,634 pounds for an average of 27.48 cents.

Adel also climbed, the Friday average being 27.97 cents for 343,886 pounds, compared with the Thursday average of 26.90.

Other markets reporting today included:

Baxley, total sales for two days, 568,588 pounds for an average of about 27 cents. Thursday's average was 27.03.

Hahira, total sales 626,710 pounds for an average of 27.96 cents. Thursday's average was 28.

Pelham, Friday's sales 344,598 pounds for an average of 27 cents; Thursday's average, 27.06.

Tifton, total for two days 1,674,442 pounds for 28.24 cents average. Thursday average, 27.43 cents.

State Can Easily Raise Money For New Buildings

Legislative Session to
Approve Loans from
PWA Now Regarded
as Certain

Raleigh, July 30.—North Carolina will have no difficulty financing its share of a construction program for indispensable public buildings, the program to cost probably between five and ten million dollars and to be put through with PWA assistance, Governor Clyde R. Hoey and State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson agree.

The governor said he will not hesitate to call a special session of the legislature if he finds this must be done in order to take advantage of PWA grants. He made it clear that he has not the slightest intention to recommend a big building program just because there are Federal funds available in the form of grants; but he pointed out it would be foolish to fail to take advantage of the 45 percent contribution of PWA in financing such buildings as would be provided for by the next legislature regardless of whether or not Federal help were available.

Treasurer Johnson said the State can issue at least \$5,000,000—probably \$6,000,000 or more—in bonds without violating the constitutional provision which prohibits issuance of bonds in any biennium exceeding two-thirds of the sum by which the outstanding

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Governor Is Advertiser On His Trip

Daily Dispatch Bureau,
In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, July 30.—Governor Clyde R. Hoey feels that he is advertising on his vacation trip, which took him into 14 northern and mid-western states for stops of long or short duration.

"That crowd up there don't know anything," he said, "and so I just had to tell them all about North Carolina—how we run our government, that we have reduced our debts while the rest of the country is borrowing money."

The governor said he found a "very hopeful" feeling everywhere he went, and added that he saw and heard many indications that business is picking up generally.

"Incidentally, I wasn't using up any of the State's \$250,000 appropriated for the State's advertising program. I paid my own way," he said, "but everywhere I went I was advertising the State." In making this comment, he referred to criticism of some, in-

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Large Patch Of Oil Found On Surface

Slimy Coating in Path
of Luxury Plane Near
Spot It Was Last Re-
ported

San Francisco, Calif., July 30.—(AP)—Pan-American Airways officials said today they considered the finding of an oil patch on the Guam-to-Manila course of the missing Hawaii Clipper "significant" but not conclusive. The search will continue, the company said.

Manila, P. I., July 30.—(AP)—The Army transport Meigs found a large patch of oil on the surface of the Pacific ocean today, indicating the missing Hawaii Clipper may have plunged into the sea 500 miles from Manila.

The transport made no mention of sighting any wreckage from the luxurious flying boat, which disappeared with 15 men on a flight from Guam to Manila Friday (Thursday night, Pacific time).

Two life boats were put out by the transport to search the tell-tale oil slick, but were recalled at nightfall. The transport stood by where the slick was found, intending to resume search at dawn Sunday (Saturday afternoon in the United States).

Her searchlights played on the surrounding sea, but her captain said he did not expect anything to be accomplished before daylight.

The transport said the coating of heavy oil was about 1,500 feet in circumference, which experts said was "quite large" for a plane the size of the Clipper.

But marine men were unable to suggest any other source for the slick, an oil coating such as a plane leaves on the surface of the water when sinking.

The slick was found directly on the course of the 26-ton flying boat. It was sighted about 50 miles west by southwest of the last position reported by the Clipper at 8:09 p. m. Thursday, Pacific standard time. This would mean that, if the slick were caused by oil from the Hawaii Clipper, the flying boat remained in the air about 20 minutes after her last radio message.

If the Clipper sank there, little hope was held of finding the wreckage.

Buying Sends Cotton Higher

New York, July 30.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened two to four points higher on trade and commission house buying. Offers were small. December which had sold down to 8.63, advanced to 8.68, and late in the first hour the market showed net gains of four to points.

Futures closed five to seven points higher; spot steady, middling 8.72.

	Open	Close
October	8.60	8.62
December	8.66	8.71
January	8.69	8.72
March	8.72	8.79
May	8.75	8.80
July	8.81	8.85

Desperate Slaughter In Chinese War

Shanghai, July 30.—(AP)—Chinese and Japanese war dispatches agreed today that a fierce slaughter was in progress in the bitterly-contested Yangtze valley below Hankow.

Japanese maintained generally that their infantry and air forces were advancing full speed westward from Niujiang, a Yangtze river port they occupied Tuesday, toward the provisional Chinese capital, 135 miles distant. Chinese asserted, however, their counter attacks were effective on the south bank of the stream and behind Japanese lines, impeding the invaders.

The defenders asserted the Japanese had concentrated 10,000 men from Shantung and Anhwei provinces, near a point opposite Nanking, to reinforce the Yangtze troops.

Reports from foreign gunboats above Kiukiang said Japanese naval activity in that area had lessened, apparently to await the advance of the Japanese infantry.