SEES BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR PEACE

Blames C. I. O. in Steel Riots



Ralph E. Elser, sheriff of Mahoning County, Ohio, is pictured on the stand at the LaFollette Civil Liberties hearing in Washington, as he blamed the riots which marked the strike of "Little Steel" on Philip Murray, C. I. O. chairman. He said that if Murray had permitted maintenance crews to enter and leave the strike-bound plant, violence would have been averted. (Central Press)

Corrigan Is Given 'Hand' In New York

Big City Extends Atlantic Solo Flier One Of Its Greatest Welcomes

New York, August 5.—(AP)—Cool and brash, young Douglas Corrigan rode triumphantly up lower Broadway today, grinning infectiously as the temperature rose and sweltering thousands cheered his progress. Indifferent to the oppressive heat, all the enthusiasm for his mad solo flight from New York to Dublin was let loose in a continuous roar that dinned upon his ears from the Battery to the City Hall.

Brokers and business men, bankers and stenographers, clerks and other office workers weren't slowed down a

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GRANVILLE FARMER DECLARED SUICIDE

Oxford, August 5.-(AP)-John Munn, 56, prominent Granville county farmer, died at his home near here today of a gunshot wound which Coroner W. D. Bryan said was self-inflicted.

TWO ROAD PROJECTS SENT TO U. S. BOARD

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—(AP)—The high-

lettings set for August 30. One is the paving of 1.9 miles of should be submitted by the legislature an alternate route for Route 264 in- to the people. Draft of this amendvolving Bridge street, in Washington, in Beaufort county.

Fifteen Italian Navy Men Killed

Rome, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Fifteen Italian sailors were killed and 20 injured in a fire room explosion aboard the Italian cruiser Quarto in the port of Pollenza, island of Malfocra, it was announced today. A communique said the accident occurred as the warship was about to sail on a brief mission. A burstboiler caused the accident Monday. Seven members of the fire room crew were killed instantly. Eight others died in a hospital in Mal-

Home Rule By Cities Urged By Johnson

By Staff Correspondent.

Asheville, Aug. 5.-State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson today told municipal officers of North Carolina there should be submitted to the people a constitutional amendment conferring "home rule" on the State's municipal- High Point Faces ities and abolishing the great mass of "local" legislation enacted by every General Assembly.

The treasurer, who is chairman of a commission appointed by Governor Clyde R. Hoey to examine the ques tion of local legislation, made the following specific recommendations:

(1) Since the functions of a municipality are chiefly local, concerning only the inhabitants of the municipality as distinguished from the citizenry of the State as a whole, broad discretionary powers should be conferred upon municipalities.

(2) In future legislation, the legislature should differentiate between way commission announced today it matters of local concern and those of had sent two projects to the Federal Statewide import, and leave the for-Roads Bureau for approval for the mer largely to local determination. (3) A constitutional amendment

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Outlook Much Brighter For Railroads As Income Increases To Save Them

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Financial Bureau. Inc. the carriers have had one foot in the | 000 annually. grave. Yet every time people start burying the industry, it suddenly

This time the rally is due to a num- April. At that time, with the outlook business in competition with private springs back to life. ber of factors. First, there is the spectacular upswing in business. Freight!

the low point early in June. Now they are around 600,000. This jump is strik-Babson Park, Mass., Aug. 5.— The ing at the railroad's biggest basic prooutlook for the railroads has Brighten- blem, namely—the steady loss in trafed a lot in the last two months. In fic since 1929. If gross revenues could May, the entire industry was racing be pulled back to a reasonable level, straight toward bankruptcy. Today, most other problems would vanish. there is new hope that the roads will There is a possibility that the present authorization of revenue bond issues shake off the recent slump without additional receiverships. This improvement is twiced to be structured by local units so that cities and countries may seek PWA grants, there are provement in twiced to the structure of the str provement is typical of the sharp ups- provement we have already had in growing indications that the strategy and-downs which the industry has ex- carloadings is maintained, carriers' of advocates of such authorization perienced since 1931. For seven years revenues should be boosted \$100,000,- may prolong the extra session of the

Rate Increase Real Aid. The second aid to the industry is the freight rate increase granted last opponents of municipal entry into

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Invents 'Death Ray



Major Arthur W. Marchant . . . claims invention

Invention of a powerful "death ray" so potent it can cut quarterinch steel plate at 300 yards and wither human or animal bodies is claimed by Major Arthur W. Marchant, construction engineer of Somerville, Mass.

Easterling Warns About **Big Spending**

Local Government Head Advises Cities and Towns Against Heavy Debts

Wrightsville Beach, Aug. 5.—(AP)-W. E. Easterling, secretary of the Local Government Commission, warned municipalities here today against "frantically grasping for Federal

ernment units in seeking this Fed- mer Deputy Sheriff Francis Carroll. eral aid for "needed and useful purposes." But it also intends, he added, to try to influence them against indiscriminate application for money without thought "of the purposes for which it is to be spent."

Tracing the gradual growth of the

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Serious Shortage Of Water Supply

High Point, August 5.—(AP)— High Point faced today its second serious water shortage in a week, as the result of a break in a 24inch water main early last night. Industrial operations are practi-

cally suspended, and water for domestic consumption has been greatly curtailed. The fire department is patrolling the city with a volunteer force to report all fires early.

Chief Eli Ingram admitted this morning his department would be under serious disadvantage if a fire were to break out.

Engineers were reluctant to estimate the length of time it would require to put the broken main back into service.

The entire water supply is being pumped into the city through a 12-inch main. Rumors circulated this morning that this supply was contaminated were denied by Dr. R. A. Herring, health of-ficer.

Cities' Fight For PWA Fund Clipper Ship carloadings were down to 500 000 at Is Uncertain

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 5.-As the North Carolina League of Municipalities considers the matter of pressing for General Assembly beyond the six-day

minimum. There have already been signs that

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Border Belt Tobacco Prices Hold Firm At Estimated 27c

Warehousemen Continue To Chalk Up Record High Offerings, And Slightly Better Prices Than Opening Day Are Reported on Good Grades

Florence, S. C., Aug. 5.-(AP)-Prices prevailing at the opening of the Carolinas 16 Border Belt tobacco markets yesterday held firm today as warehousemen continued to chalk up record high offerings.

The average price was unofficially estimated at \$27 per hundred pounds. Slightly better prices were noted at several markets as higher grades were offered.

At Kingstree, S. C., prices were stronger. Officials reported pounds yesterday at an average of about \$25. They predicted the ave. age would reach \$26 today. At Lumberton, N. C., Supervisor R.

C. Rankin said farmers termed prices stronger today. The Lumberton market faced capacity sales today after yesterday's record opening when 748,-284 pounds went for \$24.68 average. At Chadbourn, N. C., good grades were selling slightly lower than last year, after yesterday's opening sales

of 216,886 pounds at an average of \$23.62. About 250,000 pounds were offered today.

The Clarkton, N. C., market had approximately 100,000 pounds sold today, with prices ranging around \$27

to \$28 per hundred. Farmers seemed well pleased with prices, said O. L. Clark, Jr., sales su

Paul Dwyer Says He Planned Before

"frantically grasping for Federal works projects without deliberate consideration."

Easterling spoke at the convention of the North Carolina Society of Enforce Dr. James Littlefield, elderly gineers on "Local Government Financ- South Paris physician, was slain, a ing." He said it was the intention of crime to which Dwyer previously conthe commission to influence local gov- fessed but which he now accuses for-

The pale youth declared, however, the reason he packed his luggage was that he intended to visit his widowed mother, Mrs. Jesse Dwyer, who was employed at the time as a nurse in another Maine town. Dwyers's testi-mony was given at the fifth day of the trial of Carroll for the country doctor's murder, which was attended as usual by the defendant's wife and his daughter, Barbara, 18, Dwyer's former sweetheart, named by Dwyer as the indirect cause of the murder of Dr. Littlefield and his wife last

Dwyer has claimed Barbara, who read a newspaper while waiting for his testimony to begin, wrote him she had been seduced by her father, and that he (Dwyer), confided in Dr. Littlefield. The prosecution has conten-ed the silencing of Dr. Littlefield was a motive for his slaying.

FEREBEE SETTING PACE IN CONTEST

Chicago, August 5.—(AP)—Main taining a brisk pace and playing ex-cellent golf over the Olympia field's lay-out, J. Smith Ferebee was away fast this morning in his attempt to play 144 holes between dawn and dark for a wager of \$2,500 and a half interest in a \$30,000 Virginia plantation. Starting at 5 a. m., the 31-year-old investment broker completed 72 holes in six hours and five minutes. He started with a 90 on the difficult No. 4 course, then played it again in 82

Navy Closes Its Hunt For

Manila, P. I., Aug. 5.—(AP)— The giant Hawaii Clipper and her 15 occupants were logged as victims of a mystery air disaster today by the United States Navy, which ordered searching vessels home from a fruitless hunt across 100,000 square miles of ocean and shore lines.

For nearly six days warships and fighting planes combed the Pacific stretches in all directions from a point over 500 miles each of here where the flying boat radioed her last position a week

Army and navy authorities said they stood ready to answer any calls if a clue to the plane's

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New Tennessee Governor, Senator



Prentice Cooper defeated Governor Gordon Browning, seeking renomination, and Thomas Stewart defeated United States Senator George Berry, also seeking renomination, in the hotly-contested Statewide primary in Tennessee Thursday The winning candidates had the backing of National Committeeman Crump, political boss, of Memphis.

Berry And Browning Are Defeated In Tennessee

Slaying To Leave Governor Of **Aiding Strike**

strike at a box factory here, actively supported by Governor Richard Leche who protested against wages he said ranged from 12 to 15 cents an hour. spread today to another box factory

a few miles north of Hammond. The first strike started three days ago at the Hammond Box Company's factory. Governor Leche came here yesterday from Baton Rouge, informed the strikers he was with them in their demands and personally aided in setting up a soup kitchen. The governor was reported to be financing the kitchen.

The second strike was organized by State Representative L. L. Spinks at a mass meeting last night of workers of the Roseland box factory. Employees at both factories were reported as demanding an increase in

hourly wages to 30 cents. State police were assigned to both plants by the governor "to maintain order." He advised the men against violence, and told them "no man in prosperous Louisiana has to work for 12 to 15 cents an hour."

First Death In Elections

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 5.—(AP)— Death in "bloody Breathitt" county today marked primary eve in Kentucky, where President Roosevelt's party leadership faces a nationally important test at the ballot box.

Murder warrants were issued for two persons in the fatal shooting of former Sheriff Lee Combs and wounding of Lewis Combs, his brother, and Sheriff Walter Deaton. The shooting occurred last night on

the stairway of the building in which Barkley's headquarters is located. Overshadowing all other issues, and many were tossed in during the ter-rific heat of the campaign, is that of the New Deal, made when the President definitely placed his support with Senate Majority Leader Barkley as the man he wanted nominated. Both Senator Barkley and his smilng, jovial opponent, Governor Chand-

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WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy, scattered thun-dershowers this afternoon or tonight and possibly near the coast

State Names New Senator and Governor Under Domination of Memphis Boss

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 5.-(AP)-The Democratic faction headed by National Committeeman E. H. Crump and senior United States Senator K. Hammond, La., Aug. 5.—(AP)—A D. McKellar won a smashing victory over Governor Gordon Browning and Junior Senator George Berry in Thursday's Statewide primary, incomplete returns showed today.

Prentice Cooper, 43-year-old Shelbyville attorney and former State commander of the Aemrican Legion was nominated for governor over Browning, who two years ago received the greatest majority ever given a gubernatorial candidate in this State. In the 1936 primary, the governor had

Crump's support. Senator Berry bowed to Tom Stew art, of Winchester, a district aftorney general, who expressed 100 percent endorsement of President Roosevelt's policies. The New Deal was not an criticized in some of the speech-making for his attitude toward the TVA issue, however, although Berry was ing for his attitude toward the TVA and because he had voted against some of the President's measures.

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SPIDER BITE FATAL TO GIRL IN WAYNE

Goldsboro, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Martha Lee McCullen, 17, of Newton Grove, died in a Goldsboro hospital today from what her family described as a spider bite. Archie McCullen, the father, said the girl was bitten Tuesday while working at a tobacco barn. A doctor's death certificate stat-

ed the girl died of "dilation of the

But Soviets Keeping Up Their Firing

Russians Announce Readiness for Peace if Japan Will Withdraw Troops

Tckyo, Aug. 5.—(AP: A foreign office spokesman declared today "prospects are bright" for peaceful settlement of the Soviet-Japanese dispute over the Siberian-Manchuokuoan bor-

He made the statement after the government's receipt of a report from M. Shigemitsu, Japanese ambassador to Moscow, of his conversation yesterday with Maxim Livinoff, Soviet commissar of foreign affairs, proposing cessation of hostilities and frontier demarkation.

"We are very hopeful," the spokesman said. "Some progress has been made. We believe prospects are bright for amicable arbitration, which is what Japan has sought from the be-The Japanese army, nevertheless,

reported heavy shelling by Russian artillery in the disputed Changkufeng hill area began at 4 a. m. Soviet soldiers began fortifying the

hill July 11, which the Russian government claimed is in its territory, and Japan asserts belongs to Man-

RUSSIA OFFERS PEACE IF JAPAN WILL STOP ATTACKS Moscow, Aug. 5 .- (AP)-Soviet Russia is ready to grant Japan peace on

the frontier with Manchoukuo if the

(Continued on Page Eight. Catawba To Vote Tomorrow on Plan For Liquor Store

Raleigh, Aug. 5.—(AP)—Voters of Catawba county will decide tomorrow whether their county shall be the first in the State west of Durham to

establish county liquor stores. The election will be the 21st under the present Statewide regulatory act, but the first in 1938, and the count

is ten to ten.

Alleghany is the most westerly of the 100 counties in the State to hold an election so far, having rejected

Tomorrow's will be the 36th election on liquor stores since the first local option store act was passed in 1935. In addition, by petition of the voters, under special provisions of liquor laws, stores have been opened at Southern Pines and Pinehurst and at Windsor in Bertie county.

Vicious Bear ome of the President's measures. Both Cooper and Stewart had Is Shot Dead

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 5.—(AP)—A ferocious grizzly bear that broke from a steel-barred cage in the Highland Park zoo and spread terror through the residential district, was shot and killed near a reservoir in the park five hours after her escape today.

Zoo keepers had appealed to parents to call their children from the streets, and 30 policemen, armed with high-powered rifles and ordered to shoot to kill, encircled the area. The bear broke three

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What Appears To Be Peace May Be Only An Illusion; War Threatens Everywhere

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columist

Washington, Aug. 5.-Of course very decent human being would be delighted to be convinced by recent London dispatches to the effect that to be sure, is adhering rather strictly effort to rid the world of the chief to what is fairly described as pacithreats against its peace really are fistic policy; a disposition tomake gaining ground.

chats with our managers of America's direction of international friction. overseas relationships, with army and navy men and with such members of timent is in a majority by a very narthe foreign diplomatic corps as I row majority. Indeed, the harder boilhappen to be confidentially acquaint- ed element maintains that what it impressed by the latest optimistic John Bull's part is dangerous. forecasts from the British chan-

Naturally all hope for the best, but

hopefulness is the most that many of them express; not confidence. Pacifist Now, But-?

The present British government (or administration, as we would call it), plenty of concessions to more bel-I do not discover, however, from ligerent powers to avoid trends in the

Nevertheless, British pacifistic sened with that these experts are much deems a wishy-washy attitude on And the hard-boiled folk may gain

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