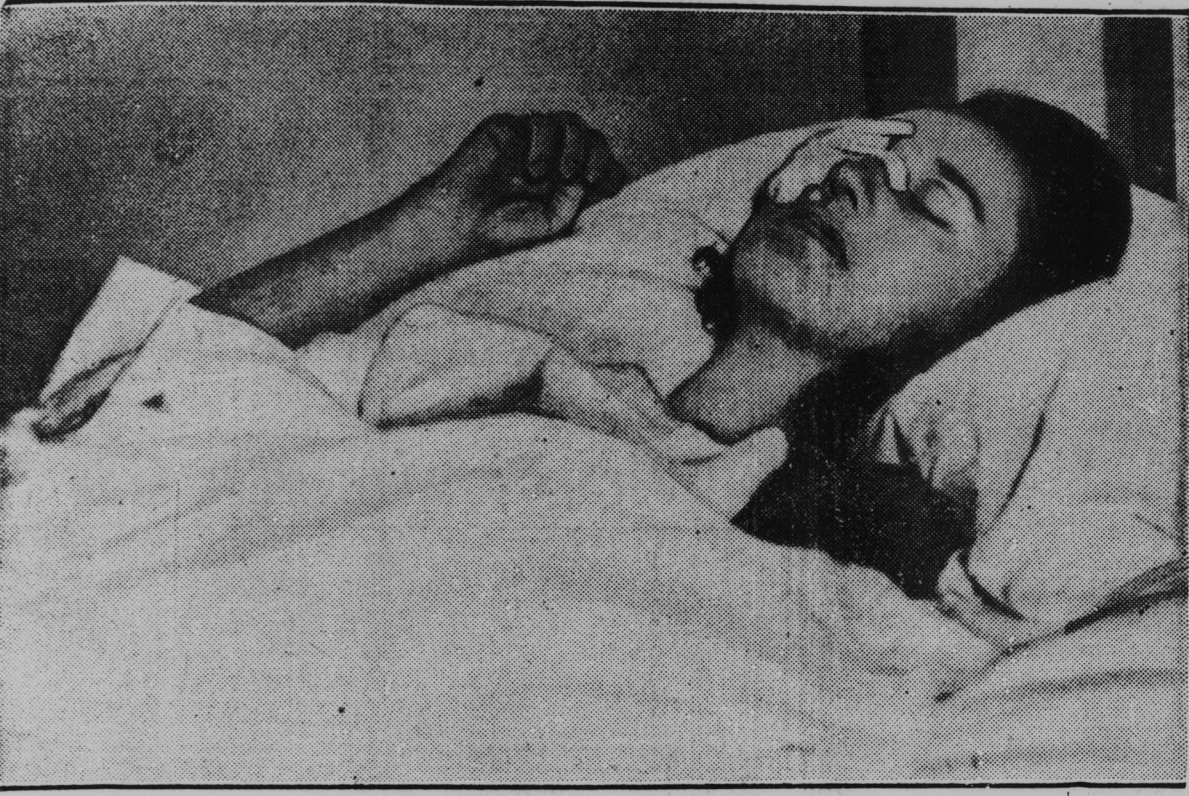


BRITAIN TO FIGHT IF GERMANY STARTS WAR

"...If Thine Eye Offend Thee, Pluck It Out..."



Physicians have apparently been successful in their fight to save the life of Mrs. Ola Irene Harwell, 26, of Merced, Cal., who gouged out her right eye with a pair of scissors and hacked off her left hand with a heavy ax during a family prayer session. She is shown above, in hospital in San Francisco. She took literally the admonition in the Bible to cut off an offending hand, pluck out an offending eye.

(Central Press)

Government Announces Loans To Be Made On 1938 Cotton

Base Rate for Cotton Is 8.30 Cents Per Pound; Corn Loans Raised from 52 Cents to 57 Cents; Roosevelt Accepts Berle's Resignation.

Washington, Aug. 27.—(AP)—The Agriculture Department announced today it would make loans on 1938 cotton at the base rate of 8.30 cents a pound. The department also announced it had revised the loan program on last year's corn by raising the rate from 50 to 57 cents a bushel, the rate which officials said would be made available on the corn crop now being grown.

The 8.30-cent loan rate will apply to 7-8 inch middling cotton, with differentials for other grades and staple lengths. This compared with a base rate of nine cents a pound on last year's crop. Loans are made to growers desiring to hold their crops of the market for possible better prices in the future.

The loans actually will range from 5.30 cents a pound on 13-16 inch, or shorter, low middling to 10.75 cents on 1-1.5 inch, or longer good middling, or better cotton.

At Hyde Park, N. Y., meanwhile, President Roosevelt accepted the resignation of A. A. Berle, Jr., as assistant secretary of state and wrote that Berle had given the administration "splendid cooperation." Berle's resignation is effective September 15. Summer White House authorities said he would return to his law professorship at Columbia University.

Other Washington developments:

Chairman Dies, Democrat, Texan activities committee is investigating a report eight government workers were discharged recently for alleged subversive activities. The chairman said the committee had a list of eight employees. He declined to say where they had been employed, but there were indications that some former Justice Department workers were on the list.

Board Blamed About Tobacco

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—Bad tobacco sold well and good tobacco badly on the opening days, in growers today said, and they blame the allotment or equalization board for the prices. The kick is to be made in Washington as there is nothing that can be done locally. The complaint of growers in Wake, Nash, Pitt and Edgecombe is that the equalization board is not an eastern body. Johnston county being the farthest east of all the communities represented. The point which the displeased growers make is that there are appalling inequalities in the allotments, that middle counties of the state which have been growing small quantities of tobacco are given larger allotments and that the easterners feel the force of the axe. There is nothing which the General Assembly can do about it, it is said, and only a visit

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Eastern Leaf Averages 24 Cents First Two Days

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Eastern North Carolina tobacco growers received an average price of about \$24 per hundred pounds for their tobacco in the first two days of the auction season, reports indicated today. The season began last Thursday, and it was not until yesterday that the blocks were cleared at most of the markets. Indications were that heavy offerings would be the rule again next week. The tobacco was mostly primings.

Sales yesterday included: Williamston, an estimated 230,000 pounds at \$24. Kingston, 1,030,566 pounds; average, \$22.34. Tarboro, 70,232 pounds; \$23.36 average.

Parnell Says He's Ignorant About Killing

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Baxter Parnell, convicted of the hex slaying of his sister-in-law, smiled quizzically today in his Death Row cell and said that a Negro witch doctor had brought him plenty of luck, but it was all bad.

Convicted in Concord yesterday of plunging an ice pick into the neck of 19-year-old Jamie Fink while she knelt in prayer beside a pigpen, Parnell was brought to Central Prison here this afternoon.

"I don't remember a thing," the 32-year-old husky farmer told newsmen. "This witch doctor said she was going to change my luck. She gave me a root to chew on. I chewed like she told me, and my mind went blank."

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New Business Increases In No. Carolina

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—Eighty-five new and 52 extensions of old businesses have been for the first eight months in the intensive advertising campaign conducted by the department of conservation and development. The division of commerce and industry has wrought the work which represents 25 new hosiery mills, 17 food and kindred products, 14 miscellaneous firms, three mine and quarry equipments, three knit goods, finishing plants, three knit goods, two warehouses, two chemicals, and two tapestries. There are three paper

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Good Living Best Antidote to Communism

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

Washington, Aug. 27.—On the third anniversary of the date on which the Federal Social Security act became effective Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas, who was prominent among the statesmen who co-operated to draft the law, broadcast a talk in the course of which he said:

"Unless government recognizes and helps to make possible the opportunity for every industrious and honest individual to own property of his own, the lack of that opportunity will do more to spread communism than any amount of Communist propaganda. Unemployment, lack of opportunity, destitution, distress, despair—these, not oratory and propaganda, are the breeders of communism and revolt."

Exactly. If conditions are satisfactory folk are not going to want to change them for some new system. If they are unsatisfactory there is bound to be a demand for change, and no investigation of the demand for it is going to head off that demand.

Hardly Saturated.

I suppose there are some Communist missionaries in this country. And some Fascists and Nazis. I don't see how they can be prevented from enfilading into any normally un-Communist, un-Fascist or un-Nazi organization, such as the C. I. O., the A. F. of L. any church membership or anything else.

Why, I know an esteemed fellow member of the congressional press gallery and of the National Press Club—Laurence Todd, Washington correspondent of the Telegraph Agency of the Union of Soviet Republics. Does that one membership prove that our press gallery and press club are saturated with communism?

For that matter, Nazi and Fascist newspapers are represented in our journalistic ranks, too. These boys are

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Sets Auto Speed Record 345 Miles

Bonneville Salt Flats, Utah, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Captain George Eyston smashed the world's automobile speed record to shreds here today, boosting his own mark to 345.49 miles per hour. Roaring through the measured mile in two directions within one hour, the retired British army captain far exceeded his own world land speed record of 311.42 miles, chalked up here last November. Eyston's mighty "thunderbolt," painted black to overcome a glaring sun which robbed him of a new record last Wednesday, hit 347.49 miles per hour on the outward trip and 343.51 miles per hour on the return jaunt.

GOP Talker Tears Into Democrats

Wadsworth Tells Midwest Republican Gathering Roosevelt Is Gambling With Fate of the Nation; South Carolina Campaign Ends; Vote Tuesday

(By The Associated Press.) Representative James Wadsworth, Republican, New York, declared at Washington, Indiana, the Democratic administration forces had plunged the nation into economic depression, and are "gambling with the fate of the nation." In the keynote speech today at the Republican "cornfield conference" on a farm near there.

The meeting, held in a 120-acre tent city near the southern Indiana town of 10,000 population, opened the Republican campaign in eleven midwestern states and the fall campaign to elect a Republican Congress.

Thousands of party workers were present, including Republican national officials, leaders from the midwest and Indiana adherents, from precinct committeemen up.

Even as they gathered in Indiana, Pennsylvania Democrats rallied at Hershey to open their drive to retain control of the Keystone State—described by leaders of both sides as one of the major battle grounds of the fall election campaign. Governor George Earle, senatorial nominee, was the keynote.

In California and South Carolina, meanwhile, primary races of major national interest were drawing to a close. The elections will be Tuesday.

South Carolina's candidates for the Democratic senatorial nomination, Senator Ed Smith, Governor Olin Johnston, and State Senator Edgar Brown, wound up their formal speaking campaigns last night. Johnston campaigned as a 100 percent Roosevelt supporter, as did Brown. Smith said he had supported "eight percent" of the administration measures and criticized Johnston as a potential "rubber stamp" senator. Both Brown and Johnston called Smith an anti-New Dealer.

Women Place In More Jobs Than The Men

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—Women outplaced men in the ratio that 58.5 beats 41.5 per cent in the semi-monthly employment figures for August 1 to 15.

And private industry far distanced public placements. The first half of the month was the best similar period since June, 1936. For this fortnight in August there were employed 2,470 men and 3,381 women for a total of 5,851. Of private placements there were 4,588 and of public 1,263. These figures are just out from the offices

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WEATHER

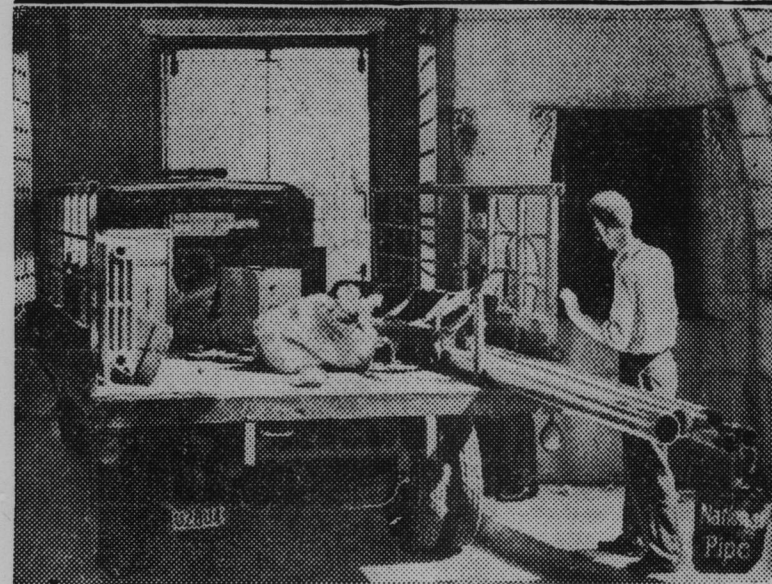
FOR NORTH CAROLINA.

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday, preceded by scattered showers in north and east portions this afternoon; slightly cooler in north portion.

WEEKLY WEATHER.

For South Atlantic States: Mostly fair or partly cloudy weather, with only occasional scattered thundershowers in week; temperatures near or somewhat above normal.

ASKS OUSTER OF PRISON STAFF



Top, workmen removing steam pipes from the prison; below, left to right, William Donovan, John A. Boyle and William Mills

While a triple investigation was launched into the deaths of four hunger-striking prisoners in the Holmesburg county prison near Philadelphia, Coroner Charles D. Hersch said he will ask Gov. George H. Earle to replace every guard and official at the institution with Pennsylvania motor police. Hersch charged previously that the prisoners were scalded to death by steam being turned on them. Warden William Mills denied any steam or physical punishment was used on the prisoners. Photos show workmen removing steam pipes from the prison and two officials who are figuring in the investigation talking with Warden Mills, seen at right. The officials are William Donovan, left, institutional inspector of the Pennsylvania state department of welfare, and Assistant District Attorney John Boyle of Philadelphia.

World Meeting On Agriculture Status Sought By Wallace

Eletcher Is Well Fitted For U. S. Job

Raleigh, Aug. 27 (AP)—A. L. Fletcher said today he was still undecided whether to resign as North Carolina's labor commissioner and accept an appointment as compliance officer of the new Federal wage-hour administration.

The commissioner, who has supported the New Deal's labor program from its inception, said he probably would not announce his decision until Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. He said today if he resigned his State post, he would recommend Forrest Shuford, now labor inspector, to succeed him.

Also receiving strong support as Fletcher's successor was T. A. Wilson, of the State Industrial Commission.

FLETCHER WELL EQUIPPED FOR FEDERAL WAGE POST

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—All sorts of comments have been made upon the Federal government's big tender to Major A. L. Fletcher, North Carolina commissioner of labor, who has been offered the assistant directorship to Elmer F. Andrews, in his administration of the compliance of fair standards in the wages and hours act.

It was patent that comment should have been made on the commissioner's public record regarding child labor, better hours and better conditions under which workers do their jobs. Major Fletcher has carried to his office numerous apprenticeships, so that he finds himself as an administrator several kinds of a commissioner.

First, he is a lawyer and dedicated to legal ways of doing things. That

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Would Formulate Principles To Give Farmer His Fair Share of World Income; Secretary Speaks to Farm Economists at College in Canada

St. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Secretary Wallace of the United States Department of Agriculture proposed today that farm officials of all nations meet to formulate a set of principles designed to assure farming classes a "fair" share of the world's income.

Such principles, he said, should eliminate barriers to international trade and should assure each agricultural exporting nation its proper share of the world markets.

Wallace spoke before an international conference of agricultural economists at McDonald College.

"I am convinced," he said, "that all nations could agree on the desirability of systems of agriculture which will maintain soil fertility and which will tend to give the farm sections of the population a fair share of the national income."

The secretary, urging abandonment of trade barriers, said that in the realities of 1938, we find numerous countries pursuing their programs of price-fixing and export subsidy with little regard to the fact that when carried to an extreme they have been mutually self-defeating. "Such programs, when carried out by a number of countries at the same time, bring about an excessive increase in the supply of products on the international market, and waste human effort which can best be devoted to producing something."

CHARLOTTE MAN IS VICTIM OF CRASH

Charlotte, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Ralph Jolly, of Charlotte, was killed here today when his motorcycle collided with a car which Police Officer Dixon said F. C. Lawing, of Charlotte, was driving. Lawing was injured slightly.

Appeal Made For Tension To Be Eased

Sir John Simond Reiterates Premier's Recent Warning 'Germany Must Lay Off Central Europe; London Condemns Austrian Sudeten Move

Lanark, Scotland, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Sir John Simond, chancellor of the exchequer, served notice on an anxious world today that Great Britain might have to fight if Germany started a war in central Europe.

The former foreign minister repeated, "as holding good today," Prime Minister Chamberlain's declaration before the House of Commons March 24 that "if war were to break out it would be unlikely to be confined to those who have assumed such obligations" to aid Czechoslovakia against aggression.

An hour before the chancellor was scheduled to speak, he revised his speech to put his own punch behind Chamberlain's March warning that Britain might be forced to fight.

"The beginning of a conflict is like the beginning of a fire in a high wind," he said. "It may be limited at the start, but who can say how far it would spread or how much destruction it would do, or how many may be called to beat it out."

The chancellor spoke at a Conservative party demonstration in this Scottish town.

GREAT BRITAIN APPEALS FOR EASING OF TENSION

London, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Great Britain issued a plea today to "all quarters" to lessen the tension in Czechoslovakia.

A government statement welcomed the "conciliatory attitude" of the "conciliatory attitude" of the Czechoslovak government in offering a new basis for negotiation with Nazi-support autonomy-seeking Sudeten Germans.

British officials expressly condemned the action of the Sudeten German party in relaxing the discipline of its members in a proclamation yesterday that freed them to use force in "self defense."

Of the Praha government's concession, the statement said:

"It is to be hoped this contribution may meet with a constructive response and that every effort will be made in all quarters concerned, directly or indirectly, to refrain from any action which may heighten the tension."

ABORTION CASE AT GOLDSBORO PRESSED

Goldsboro, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Testimony in the celebrated Britt-Hill case, was well under way this afternoon in Wayne Superior Court. City Chief Detective L. O. Rhodes, chief witness for the State, was on the stand before the luncheon recess, and testified that Mrs. Missouri Britt, her daughter, Clara Lee, white, and Tom Hill Negro, had confessed to him concerning charges of immoral relations and procuring an abortion. Mrs. Britt is charged with employing a physician advising her daughter to submit to an abortion and aiding and abetting in the relations. Charges against Hill are carnal knowledge of a female under 16.

Destroyer Of Loyalists Is Hit, 26 Dead

Gibraltar, Aug. 27.—(AP)—Four insurgent Spanish warships pounded today on a lone government destroyer after a week's cat and mouse game on the high seas, and smashed it with a loss of at least 26 lives.

The government destroyer, the 1,650-ton Jose Luis Diaz, struggled into Gibraltar under her own power, with the bodies of 20 of her dead in her water-logged forward compartments. She was down at the bows and in danger of sinking.

Powerful insurgent shore guns in Spanish Morocco backed up the overwhelming strength of the insurgent cruiser Canarias and three insurgent destroyers. They had lain in wait for a week before catching the Diaz in waters near where Lord Nelson fought the historic battle of Trafalgar.

After guns had thundered two and a half hours, the crippled Diaz made for port. Her funnel paint was burned through by the heat caused by the excessive speed she turned on to escape after the battle.