Floods Threaten As Storm Dead Nears 500

Hurricane Blew Their Home Down



Standing amid the ruins of their gale-battered home at Long Beach, L. I. these girls seek possessions in the wreckage. The beach community was the center of one of the most violent winds and rain storms in many years as a hurricane swept the East coast, causing loss of scores of lives and enormous

# Forget Europe And Start Drive For Business, Is Advice Offered By Babson

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New York City, Sept. 23 .- For the past three months business has been bowling right along. Activity is up 11 per cent from the mid-June bottom. Every day there is encouraging, cheer ful news coming out on this industry and that. Yet I believe that people are more upset and frightened today than when business was at its lowest ever, it builds up its own momentum. point in June.

The reason is, of course, the European situation. Newspaper headlines business recovery. Consumers are nahave been screaming war for weeks. turally holding back on their shop-Your radio program is interrupted ping and business men stalling on every ten minutes by a "radio press bulletin" playing up some insignifi-cant war news. My position right along has been that there will be no

Down Disease (By The Associated Press.) Mounting slowly but steadily, the count of the hurricane deal in the North Atlantic states approached 500 today, but the cheer-

ing probability arose that wide-spread floods would be averted. From Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, New Hampshire and Pennsylvania, there came reports that the rivers were receding and even in Connecticut, previously the most gravely menaced, things looked brighter.

Half Billion

Damage Put

On Property

250 Dead and \$100,-

000,000 Loss in Rhode

Island Alone; Rescue Workers Toil With

Possible Speed to Pro-

vide Food and Keep

At Hartford, 1,500 booted men throwing up sandbags along a half mile on the Connecticut river front, were holding their own against the flood early in the after-

(By The Associated Press) The danger of flood moved closer today in many sections in the hurricane-hit northeast as the long list of the storm dead approached 500 and

continued to increase.

In Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York and New Jersey rivers were rising. At many points rain fell.

Sections of Connecticut appeared most gravely menaced. At Hartford 1,000 booted men, working with desperate urgency, piled sandbags upon the Connecticut river's dykes along a general war in Europe this year, at half mile stretch of river front. Alleast. When you read this column I ready 1,400 were homeless in that city, will be on my way to Germany to get and ten percent of its total area was some first-hand information for you. under water.

by this European situation if business are not considered and the press are not considered and the For the storm area generally, disas

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#### **Delano Made** The sensational treatment of the European crisis is putting a brake on Comptroller However, my belief is that whatever Of Currency

Washington, Sopt. 23.—(AP)-The White House announced today President Roosevelt has appointed Freston Delano, of Massachusetts, as comp troller of the currency, succeeding J. F. T. O'Connor, who resigned to run the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in California.

Stephen Early, Mr. Roosevelt's sec-retary, said the job had been held open for O'Connor, who was unsuccessful in the gubernatorial race. O'Connor, Early told reporters, advised the President he did not desire re-appointment and that he would return to California to practice law.

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### Mile Of Dam Falls, With 8 Entombed

Fort Peck, Mont., Sept. 23.—(AP)— The bodies of seven of eight workmen rock today. The body of Albert Stoe-cer, Park Grove, Mont., was found Hours of dangerous search of the loose slope 2,000 feet long and 200 feet high convinced searchers none of the missing men would be found

Blames Paris



Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs, is pictured above. He told the League Assem-bly at Geneva that Russia had wanted to confer with France and the Czechs on means to protect the latter from Nazi invasion, but that France refused.

(Central Press)

# Join War If

Notifies France Number of Troops, Planes, Tanks. Guns She Can Supply; Litvinoff Talks at League

Geneva, Sept. 23 .—(AP)—Soviet sources at the League of Nations said today Russia had already noti fied France of the exact number of planes, troops, guns and tanks she was ready to put into the field if war came over Czecho

Earlier, Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet commissar of foreign affairs, told the League of Nations Russia might voluntarily go to the aid of Czecho-slovakia, but "no one can insist on this help as a duty.".

In a surprise statement to the League Assembly's political committee, 1923 under which marketing was Litvinoff declared his government had fixed for the nation's principal crops "a clear conscience and clean hands in the Czechoslovak crisis."

"The Soviet government," he said, "may come to the aid of Czechoslovakia only in virtue of a voluntary decision of its part, or in virtue of a decision by the League, but no one can insist on this help as a duty."

Soviet-Cech mutual assistance pact. upheld.

France Will Fight If Hitler Enters Czechs' Territory

Troops on Belgian, German, Italian Fronts Told to Take **Emergency Stand** 

Paris, Sept. 23.—(AP)—Radical Socialist deputies tonight quoted Premier Daladier as declaring that "if Germany enters Czechoslovakia France will face her en-

Deputy L. Malvy, one of the leaders of the premier's own party, was one of those who quoted those words to newspaper men after a delegation of radical socialist socialist ministers had called on the premier. Malvy also said that Daladier declared he would call Parliament immediately back into session "if the situation should be-

France is pledged to go to Czecho-slovakia's aid should the latter be the victim of "unprovoked aggression. Parliamentary circles said, mean while, that Daladier had agreed to submit the blanket resignations of his government as soon as the international crisis "takes a definite turn one way or another."

No More Concessions

The decision, made necessary by a split in the cabinet over the policies of the premier and Foreign Minister Bonnet, followed reports that revolt-ing cabinet members forced from Daladier a promise that France would make no more concessions to Ger-

The cabinet was said by some mem bers of the Chamber of L be split nine to nine over Daladier' refusal to fulfill French obligations to Czechoslovakia.

## **Tobacco Act** Being Tested By Georgians

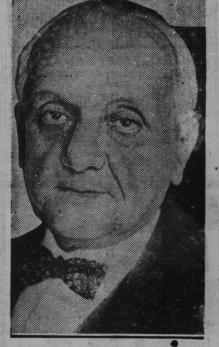
Valdosta, Ga., Sept. 23.-(AP)- A hearing involving the first test of the 1938 agricultural adjustment act was planned here today before a three-judge Federal court.
Constitutionality of flue-cured to

bacco marketing quotas and the pen alty tax imposed for excessive sales are challenged in suits before the court, filed by Georgia tobacco grow-

The actions contended the AAA of 1903 under which marketing was was "unconstitutional in that Con gress assumed authorities not directly granted by the Constitution."

Growers also asserted tobacco grow ing was not an interstate industry, and, therefore, was not subject to Federal regulation.

A. J. Little, one of the attorneys Litvinoff repeated his pledge that if France fights to protect Czecho-slavakia against invasion Russia will fulfill her obligation under the 000,000 and \$5,000,000 if the law was For Hungary



omy for the 700,000 Hungarians in the Czech-Hungarian borderlands the Czech-Hungarian borderiands is Kolomany de Kanya (above), Hungary's minister of foreign affairs. In his visit to Hitler at Berchtesgaden, Kanya demanded the return to Hungary of a slice of Czechterritory.

(Central Press)

# By Russians To Stay Out

Moscow Will Cancel Non-Aggression Pact If Czech Border Is Invaded: Warning Delivered to Polish Charge at 4 a. m.; Troops Mobilized

Moscow, Sept. 23.—(AP)—Soviet Russia warned Poland today that if Polish troops invaded Czechoslovakia. Russia would cancel the Polish-Soviet non-aggression pact.

RUSSIA WILL DENOUNCE' PACT IF TROOPS ADVANCE Paris, Sept. 23.—(AP)—The Havas French) News Agency, in a Moscow dispatch today, reported that Soviet

Russia had notified Poland she would (Continued on Page Six.)

## **Hull Most** Outstanding Cabinet Man

By CHARLES P. STEWART Central Press Columnist Washington, Sept. 23.—Secretary of State Cordell Hull has been the hardest worked official in Washington since the European



th reatening. His whole department has been toiling over-time, but of course its chief has been kept most continuously upon the qui vive of all. Sec retary Hull isn't so constituted as to

situation became so

anyway. He has an acute sense of responsibility. If ever a Cabinet premier's duties kept him awake nights it's true of Cordell Hull. Several months ago I had a personal chat with this Tennesseean, whom I know

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# Breakdown Of Parleys Now Feared

British Premier Reported Demanding Hitler Effect Truce on Border; Situation Over European Peace Becomes Even More Tense Than It Has

#### CHAMBERLAIN IS TO RETURN HOME

Godesberg, Germany, Sept. 23.
(AP)—After a day of suspension in the fateful Godesberg talks on the peace of Europe, came announcement that Prime Minister Chamberlain would see Chancellor Hitler later tonight and return to London by plane early tomorrow morning.

row morning.

The disclosure was made shortly after Maxim Litvinoff, Russian Soviet commissar of foreign affairs, told the League of Nations that Russia might voluntarily go to the aid of Czechoslovakia, but no one can insist on this help as

The Russian source said P. Com nen, Roumanian delegate to the League, had renewed his country's pledge to allow Russiam troops and supplies to pass through Rou-mania on their way to Czechoslo-vakia, provided France and Bri-tain fought on the side of Moscow. Roumanians have flatly refused suc hpassage if Russia fought alone for Prague.

Godesberg, Germany, Sept. 28.— (AP)—Reichfuehrer Hitler's reply to Prime Minister Chamberlain's letter, which this morning suspended their conversations on the European crisis, reached the British statesman at his Petersberg hotel at 3:35 p. m. (9:35 a. ., eastern standard time) today.

There was no immediate indication of the tenor of the reply, nor of when the talks would be resumed.

Meanwhile, the negotiations, in which Chamberlain is trying to assure Europe's peace at an unpreceddented price, continued in a state of tense suspense. Half an hour before he was to meet Hitler at the fuehrer's hotel headquarters here this morning, the British minister sent his letter across the Rhine calling off the meet-ing. Then he stayed in his hotel suite awaiting the reply.

There was no official information on what Chamberlain's letter said, but informed persons believed it outlined essential conditions for continuation of the talks. One of Chamberlain's conditions was reported unof-ficially to be that Hitler help arrange

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## French Army **Ordered** Into **Battle Array**

Parliament To Be Recalled if Conditions Grow Worse; Daladier To Quit When Situation Clears; Cabinet Split 50-50 on Aiding Czechs

Strasbourg, France, Sept. 23.—
(AP)—Troops along France's Belgian, Italian and German frontiers were ordered today to assume "positions of alert," it was reported in sources close to the general days.

Such an order, issued by the government, means that troops take up positions ready for an

These reports came as difficulties became manifest in talks in Godes berg, Germany, between Prime Min-ister Chamberlain of Great Britain and Reichfuehrer Adolf Hitler. At Thionville, near the German frontier, it was reported sections of army engineers have been sent right to the frontier, as well as detachments of mobile guards destined to be shock

troops in event of conflict. The orders were expected to be ap plied to troops in the interior if the situation should become alarming. France's military preparations, which

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## **Hoey Stand** On Diversion No Surprise

Daily Dispatch Bureau, In The Sir Walter Hotel.

Raleigh, Sept. 23.—Governor Clyde any constitutional amendment prohibiting diversion of highway revenues to other purposes proved a and manner in which he made it

The anti-diversion forces have known all along that they were faced with opposition from Governor Hoey, but they were frankly surprised at his High Point address of Thursday in which he vigorously recorded this opposition.

State Senator S. Gilmer Sparger secretary of the North Carolina Petroleum Industries Committee, declined to comment on the governor's

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#### **NEW WPA PROJECTS** FOR STATE OKEYED

Approval of \$153,000 of Jobs Given by Coan, Furnishing Jobs for 438 Persons Raleigh, Sept. 23.—(AP)—George W

Coan, Jr., State works progress ad-

ministrator, announced approval to-

day of eight new WPA projects to

cost about \$153,000 and put 438 persons to work. Four projects totaling more than \$54,000 were in Wayne county. They were: Countyside recreational facili-ties, \$4,751, working 144; Mount Olive storm sewers, \$15,107, working 40; Goldsboro, community building, \$12,-828.50, working 30; and Goldsboro, improved water distribution system, \$22,130, working 39.

## Two Negroes **Executed At** State Prison

War Bullish on Business.

press are not careful. Business is like

a machine. It takes a lot of power to

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Raleigh, Sept. 23.—(AP)—Tom Linney, 31, and T. J. Jefferson, 18, both R. Hoey's outspoken opposition to Negroes convicted in Forsyth county of the murder of Herman Fogleman last year, died by gas at State Prisurprise in nothing except the time son today. Warden H. H. Wilson said

neither man confessed. Linney, seated in the death chair, told the warden:

"Remember what I told you, Mr. Wilson. Some day they will find out that I told the truth."

Linney previously, Wilson said, had told him that some time some one else would admit the slaying of Fogleman in an attempted robbery. Linney entered the death chamber at 10:30, and the gas chamber switch was thrown at 10:34. About 45 seconds later, Linney, for the third time, waved his hand apparently in a goodbye gesture to the witnesses. He was writhing under his straps inhaling the

leadly gas. It took 14 minutes, 15 sec-(Continued on Page Three.)

SPECIAL TERM OF COURT IN GREENE

Raleigh, Sept. 23.—(AP)—Governor Hoey today ordered a special term of civil court in Greene county October 31 for one week with Judge G. V. Cowper to preside.

#### WEATHER

FOR NORTH CAROLINA Fair tonight and Saturday; warmer in the interior Saturday.

# Eight Persons Dead In Border Clashes;

entombed when a mile of the upstream face of the \$100,000,000 Fort Feck com gave way were hidden under millions of tons of soft earth and late yesterday soon after the huge section of the dam's east abutment oared toward the lake forming behind the dam on the Missouri river. alive. The dam is nearly three miles

Major Kittrell, in charge of the construction of the dam, largest earthfill dam in the world, announced a preliminary survey did not indicate reported shot to death. This incitate any reason for alarm, should death and the short of the construction of the dam, largest earthfill another fight, at Habakladru, three Sudeten party members were reported shot to death. This incithat any reason for alarm should dent was said to have started when a exist regarding security of the main crowd of civilians attacked armed Czech guards.

Fighting Continues The government said, however, that Prague, Sept. 23-(AP)-Czechslovak government sources reported to-day that eight persons were killed "liquidated" and were under investigation by Chech authorities. One Czech soldier was killed by a shot in and many others wounded in frontier clashes last night between Sudeten the back in antoher region, said the party members and armed Czechoslogovernment report.
Seventeen Czech gendarmes were kidnaped by Sudeten volunteers and taken across the border. One escaped vak guards. The most serious inci-

dent was reported from the small border town of Freiwaldau, in the western part of Sudetenland. There Czech gendermarie and Sudetens fought a short battle, in which four

and brought news of the incident back across the frontier. At Hammern, ten Czech custom were besieged by a crowd of Germans, which Prague officials said included German gendarmes and customs guards. Later, the report said, the

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